

# General Education Committee

## Academic Affairs – Curriculum and Programs

### CWU Policy 501-13

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**Policy Executive:** Provost and Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs

**Responsible Office/Unit:** Faculty Senate

#### **Policy Statement:**

#### **Applicability:**

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#### **Content:**

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- (1) As with all curriculum, Central Washington University's general education program is owned and maintained by its faculty. The faculty senate general education committee (GEC) oversees the general education program and reports to the faculty senate.
- (2) In order to ensure the coherence, consistency, academic integrity, intellectual quality and transparency of the program the GEC assumes the following responsibilities:
  - A. Decision making authority regarding:
    1. Student petitions (CWU 501-17);
    2. Exceptions to the general education program requirements;
    3. Strategic planning;
    4. Theme coordination;
    5. Program improvement;
    6. Oversight of the general education program's elements as described in CWU 501-14.
    7. Committee member position descriptions.

- B. Recommendations to the faculty senate concerning the following:
  - 1. Policies regarding the general education requirements;
  - 2. Criteria for the addition and deletion of courses and program changes to the general education program;
  - 3. Section CWU 501-13 through 501-19 of the CWU policies manual;
  - 4. General education program revision; and
- C. Communication regarding the general education program philosophy and requirements to students and other stakeholders, including:
  - 1. Public relations plan/materials coordination and approval;
  - 2. Review of pertinent advising materials; and
  - 3. Coordination with faculty and advising staff for general education requirements.
- D. Coordination with FSCC on relevant curriculum changes.
- E. Provide direction for workshops and other forms of faculty development related to general education.

**History:**

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