

## 18-19.15—Motion for the creation of the REAL Curriculum Planning Committee (RCPC)

Referred by: Faculty Senate Executive Council

### MOTION:

In light of the proposed model of general education, the Faculty Senate recommends the establishment of the Radford University REAL Curriculum Planning Committee (RCPC). This committee is charged with the responsibilities of developing a curriculum plan for the new general education model for Radford University.

To ensure diversity and equity of representation of many faculty perspectives and that all faculty have access to provide input into that process while still remaining small enough to make nimble and effective progress, voting members of the team will be 2 full time Teaching and Research faculty representatives nominated and elected from different departments within each college (CHBS, Artis, Davis, CVPA, CEHD, and Waldron). Although voting members are elected at the college level, their mission will be to represent views from across the Radford University community. One additional non-voting member, the Interim Director of the Core Curriculum, will be appointed as facilitator of the team. It is expected that this team will need to meet weekly to ensure adequate progress towards completion of the charges within the timeline specified.

The team charges are to:

- 1) Review the accreditation expectations related to general education from SACSCOC and SCHEV in consultation with the Office of Institutional Effectiveness and Quality Improvement.
- 2) Define learning goals and outcomes for the four REAL areas for the proposed REAL model. These learning goals and outcomes should remain consistent with the academic values and guiding principles voted on by Faculty Senate in the Fall 2018.
- 3) Develop **learning outcomes** ~~competencies and an assessment plan~~ for the personal and professional development requirement outlined in the REAL model proposal.
- 4) Identify a definition of ‘writing intensive’ ~~and an implementation plan~~ for writing intensive coursework under the REAL model.
- 5) Communicate with the REAL Model Implementation Steering Committee.
- 6) Drafts of all team recommendations will be circulated monthly to ensure the campus community is informed as this work evolves.
- 7) ~~Final~~ Draft recommendations will be circulated via public forums for input and discussion.
- 8) **Initial** recommendations for the curriculum plan will be submitted for review and approval by the Faculty Senate ~~no later than~~ **with a target date of** September 12, 2019.

### RATIONALE:

With approval of the REAL model by Faculty Senate, Radford University faculty must now move to develop a curriculum plan for this innovative approach to general education. In doing so, the faculty

charged with this important work must keep in mind the academic values and guiding principles approved by Faculty Senate and which supported the development of the REAL model.