

Resolution on the recommendation from the Ad Hoc Task Force on Undergraduate Education

In keeping with the duties granted under both the UW Handbook and the UWT Handbook to set admissions standards, develop and manage curriculum, and set graduation requirements, as well as policy enacted by the Executive Council (EC) of the Faculty Assembly on May 15, 2013 regarding Faculty Oversight of Academic Units, we the UWT Faculty offer the following resolution.

Whereas in the Autumn 2013, in compliance with policy of EC, the Undergraduate Education Academic Council (UEAC) was established to have responsibility for any decisions made in the areas of the Office of Undergraduate Education (OUE) that are related to admissions, curriculum, or graduation requirements;

Whereas the Academic Policy & Curriculum Committee (APCC) of the Faculty Assembly has been charged by the Executive Council of the Faculty Assembly with making decisions regarding applications for new and revised courses and campus graduation requirements, including determining compliance with faculty governance; and

Whereas the recommendation from the Summer 2014 Ad Hoc Task Force on Undergraduate Education, which included changes to the curriculum and graduation requirements for four-year students, was not voted on by the UEAC; therefore be it resolved

That, we respectfully request a stay in implementing this recommendation until such a time as the faculty has an opportunity to review such in keeping with the basic tenets of shared governance as specified in the University Handbook; and

That any efforts to advance further the implementing of this recommendation cease until a formal and open process of faculty consultation and review, including faculty vote within the UEAC, has been permitted to occur while faculty are under contract; and

That any review and approval of any changes in curriculum and graduation requirements will not take place in the APCC until this compliance has been assured.

Executive Council of the UWT Faculty Assembly
Approved November 7, 2014