

Essential Studies Committee

Purpose:

The Essential Studies Committees purpose it to advance the quality of the essential studies program component through assessment, research, and innovation. The committees responsibilities are: Communicate with the Curriculum Committee regarding the essential studies program; Provide for the assessment of the university essential studies program; Suggest to the Curriculum Committee additions, modifications, and deletions of courses which are a part of the essential studies curriculum; and Research trends and innovations in essential studies and recommend policies and procedures to the Curriculum Committee. The Committee has no formal power to change academic policies or procedures, but will be a positive catalyst for recommending such action to the Curriculum Committee.

Membership:

The Essential Studies Committee consists of four faculty representatives as chosen by the Curriculum Committee. One member of the committee must be from the Division of Liberal Arts. Faculty members appointed by the Curriculum Committee shall serve renewable staggered three-year, beginning in the fall semester. The Committee will choose a chair for purposes of coordination and reporting.

Meetings:

The committee will meet at least once per semester, but may meet more regularly for special projects.

Adopted: August, 2015.

Reviewed: May, 2025.

Sponsor: Vice President for Academic Affairs