

Snippet from *Senate Rules 1.3.3.5*

1.3.3.5 Advisory Committee for Graduation Composition and Communication Requirement [US: 5/6/2013]

The GCCR Advisory Committee is charged with oversight of the Graduation Composition and Communication Requirement (SR 5.4.3.1). A permanent subcommittee reporting to the Undergraduate Council, this committee is charged with establishing, publishing, and implementing the campus-wide policies and procedures for evaluating the academic components of the GCCR and their assessment.

A. Composition

The committee shall be composed of at least eight (8) voting members from the University faculty broadly representative of the undergraduate colleges. Ex officio members shall include the Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education (or designated representative) and one staff person each from the Office of Assessment and the University Registrar.

The members of the committee shall be appointed by the Senate Council in consultation with the Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education. Members should have appropriate expertise in communication and assessment and should collectively represent the three modes of communication (written, oral, and visual) comprising the GCCR. Faculty members shall serve for staggered three-year terms and may serve consecutively for no longer than six years.

B. Charge

The GCCR Advisory Committee shall exercise the following functions:

1. It shall establish procedures and guidelines for undergraduate degree programs to submit proposals for implementing the GCCR.
2. It shall evaluate proposals by programs for implementing the GCCR. Approved proposals shall be forwarded to the Undergraduate Council for further action.
3. It shall establish and implement a campus assessment plan for the GCCR and monitor the results of program-level assessments, in accordance with the SACSCOC reaffirmation of accreditation. The committee shall review and report on this data either periodically or as requested by either the Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education or by the Senate Council.
4. It shall set policies for transfer equivalencies and for granting exceptions to the GCCR, and it shall broadly communicate these policies to all undergraduate colleges, the Registrar, and other appropriate parties.
5. Upon the recommendation of the Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education, the Senate Council, or upon its own initiative, it shall consider and propose necessary changes in the educational structure of the program or in its academic requirements. The GCCR committee may recommend changes for the GCCR to the Undergraduate Council or other appropriate University Senate channels for approval.