

TO: JoEllen Pederson, Faculty Senate Chair

FROM: Heather Lettner-Rust, Civitae Core Committee Chair

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RE: Final Civitae Report to Faculty Senate

Civitae Core Committee Final Report 2021-2022

The voting members of Civitae for the 2021-2022 academic year were Heather Lettner-Rust (Chair), Eric Moore (Symposium Coordinator), Tyler St. Clair (Scientific Reasoning leader), Tom Wears (Quantitative Reasoning leader), Wade Edwards (Global Citizenship Leader), Lauren Rice (Aesthetic Expression leader), Karen Feathers (HBSI leader), Greg Mole (HCI leader), and Vince Magnini (CBE Representative), Derek Taylor (CTZN 110 leader), Elise Green (Writing-infused Coordinator), Jennifer Beach (Information Literacy Coordinator, and Kris Paal (Speaking Coordinator). Ex-Officio (non-voting) members were Josh Blakely (Brock), Pam Tracy (CAFE), and Linda Townsend (OAIR).

We graduated the first cohort of Civitae students. For the committee, this was a year for refining the Civitae Core Curriculum, examining and tightening our sail on the larger ship that is the university. Civitae is a large central sail for student study and engagement in civic or global issues.

While the committee reviewed just a total of 14 course proposals this year, the bulk of our work was developing job descriptions, executing a SWOT analysis, creating a mission statement and wrote goals for the year and 5 years out, piloting assessment for Perspectives and Symposium, and planning the first two in-person Town Halls. In addition, the committee assisted colleagues with course proposals, course design, and assessment within professional development workshops.

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