# ACCC CORE CURRICULUM PROPOSAL OVERVIEW 

Presentation to Faculty Senate September 15, 2016

## What did faculty and students want from a new Core Curriculum?

■ Continued opportunities to explore potential majors

- Additional academic support for students
- Elimination of hidden prerequisite courses
- Clear connections between courses within the Core Curriculum
- Clear connections between the Core Curriculum and major and minor programs
- Stronger emphasis on written communication skills
- More opportunities for faculty collaboration and room for faculty creativity


## Here's what we designed with on-going input from faculty



## Student Support

- First-year courses focus on writing and speaking
- Courses throughout program are Writinginfused or Speaking-infused
- Pillar courses emphasize academic support specific to discipline
- Citizenship topics and Pillar courses allow exploration of majors


## Flexibility for Majors

- Students may count up to 2 Pillar courses towards each major and minor
- Students may count 1 Perspectives course towards each major and minor
- Majors may offer courses in up to 2 Pillars

■ Writing and speaking intensive courses no longer required in a major
$\square$ Internships requirements decided by major

## Changes since August

| At August Workshop | Change after August Workshop |
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| Describe and analyze connections <br> from past and present | Describe and analyze continuity and <br> change in one or more cultures |
| Explore and engage in creative and <br> artistic expression | Explore and/or engage in creative and <br> artistic expression |
| Historical and Contemporary OR <br> Behavioral and Social Perspective <br> courses must be Speaking-infused | Historical and Contemporary OR <br> Behavioral and Social Perspective <br> courses may be Speaking- or Writing- <br> infused |
| Global or Aesthetic Perspectives <br> courses must be Writing-infused | Global or Aesthetic Perspectives <br> courses may be Speaking- or Writing- <br> infused |

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| Quantitative OR Scientific Perspective <br> courses must be Speaking-infused | Quantitative OR Scientific Perspective <br> courses may be Speaking- or Writing- <br> infused |
| Arts-infused | Arts-applied |
| If arts-infused, activities must <br> constitute at least 15\% of Foundation <br> level courses and 10\% of Perspectives <br> courses | If arts-applied, activities must <br> constitute at least 50\% of Foundation <br> level courses and 50\% of Perspectives <br> courses |

## What Are the Next Steps?



## THANK YOU!

