

The following courses have been accepted as fulfilling the indicated learning outcomes by either a college/school curriculum committee (CSCC) or a Review Committee for Integrating Themes (RCIT). Therefore, the Core Curriculum Implementation Committee (CCIC) recommends to the MFA that these courses be included in the new core curriculum:

A. Core Proficiencies for Knowing the World

A1: Written Communication

ENL 1310

A2: Oral Communication

CST 1010

A3: Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning

MTH 1010

MTH 1110

MTH 1400

MTH 1420

B. Knowing the World through Observation and Experimentation

B1: Physical Sciences

CHM 1015

CHM 1025

CHM 1070

CHM 1080

PHY 1600/1610

B2: Social Sciences

ECN 2950

ECN 2960

PYC 2600

SOC 1000

SOC 2100

SOC 4520

B3: Statistical and Probabilistic Reasoning

BIO 2900

STA 2250

C. Knowing the World by Transcending the Physical

C1: Philosophical Knowledge

PHL 1000

C2: Religious Knowledge

CAS 3000

RELS 2001

RELS 2020

RELS 2030

RELS 2200

RELS 2240

RELS 4140

RELS 4141

RELS 4440

D. Knowing the World through Interpretation and Inspiration

D1: Historical Knowledge

HIS 2640

D2: Literature

ENL 2350

ENL 2450

ENL 2650

D3: Fine and Creative Arts

ARCH 2220

DMS 1710

ENL 2550

ENL 3750

FINA 2000

MUS 2020

MUS 2090

MUS 3060

MUS 3080

TRE 1310

TRE 1610

E. Knowing the World In Order to Improve It

E1: Ethics, Social Justice, and Professional Responsibility

ETH 3580

ETH 3590

PHL 2010

RELS 4340

F. Integrating Themes

F1: Reading, Writing, and Research across the Core Curriculum

ARCH 2220

CHM 1015

CHM 1030

CHM 2300

CHM 4740

ENL 2040

ENL 2060

ENL 3030

ENL 3260

PYC 3430

F2: Critical Thinking

ARCH 2520

PHL 1500

F3: Understanding Cultural Diversity

AAS 2000
ADS 4950
CHI 1100
CST 3140
ECN 3470/4705
ECN 3850/4355
EDU 3200
HUS 4410
PYC 4400
RELS 3061
RELS 2020
SOC 2100
SOC 2120
SPA 1100

F4: Understanding Human Differences

AAS 2000
CJS 4540
EDU 3200
ENL 2360
ENL 2850
MUS 2090
PYC 3420
PYC 3540
RELS 4141
RELS 4140
WGS 2000

F5: Spirituality and Meaning Related to Personal Development

CAS 2000
CAS 3000
PYC 2620

F6: Spirituality and Meaning Related to Social Justice

CAS 2000
CAS 3000
EDU 4000
PHL 3560
PYC 2620
WGS 2000

Recommendations

Our committee was charged with implementing the learning outcomes authored by the Core Curriculum Task Force (CCTF). Our committee thus had to take a perspective different from the CCTF because it had to intimately concern itself with the minutiae of how these outcomes would have to actually function in practice. In exploring various strategies for implementing these outcomes, our committee encountered some issues that were perhaps unanticipated or unintended by the CCTF. After careful consideration of these issues, our committee makes the following recommendations in regard to the content and configuration of the new core curriculum, as well as procedural recommendations to the MFA Core Curriculum Committee.

1. That the current level of exposure to philosophy, religious studies, the natural sciences, and the social sciences be retained in the new core. (Content)
2. That the Review Committees for Integrating Themes, and the Curriculum Committees for the College of Liberal Arts & Education and the College of Engineering & Science be retained in order to continue to review new proposals. (Process)
3. That applicants whose submissions were not approved be given detailed feedback upon request by the applicable Committee (see 2 above) and be given the opportunity to revise and resubmit their proposals. (Process)
4. That the new committee the MFA Core Curriculum Committee should also monitor the number of course sections being scheduled per semester in each area. (Process)
5. That the Summary Tracking Table for Core Proposals and the Interim Review of Core Proposal Status forms continue to be used. (Process)
6. That the wording of outcomes be revisited to edit for clarity and the number of outcomes in each knowledge area based on feedback from all review committees. (Content)
7. That the two-stage process of reviewing proposals be continued: (Process)
 - a. Review of proposals for completeness of the proposal.
 - b. Review of the content by applicable committees and content area experts.
8. That the CCIC Blackboard site be retained and transferred for use by the CCC. (Process)