

Subject Letter from Council of Chairpersons to MFA

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Council of Chairpersons Members:

A letter dated 24 March 2015 was hand delivered to the President of the MFA from a member of the Council of Chairpersons of the College of Liberal Arts and Education. This letter was addressed to and distributed to the MFA in paper form at its 2 April 2015 meeting. In the letter, the Council of Chairpersons expressed their concern regarding the new Core Curriculum.

During the course of the most recent reconciliation, the MFA Executive Committee has identified those programs that can't proceed with the new core at this time and have categorized them as "red lights". Those that can accommodate the new core have been categorized as "green lights". The Executive Committee plans to meet with every program on campus that has reported incompatibility with the outcomes-based Core to design a timely plan to turn all "red lights" to "green."

The MFA recognizes the importance of the Core to the Mission of UDM. We continue to work toward reconciling the work of the Core Curriculum Task Force and Core Curriculum Implementation Committee to result in a robust set of courses that fulfill the learning outcomes for all of UDM's undergraduates.

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