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TO:

President David Dooley

FROM:

Stephen K. Swallow, Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

- 1. The attached BILL, titled <u>University College and General Education Committee Report #09-10-2</u>, is forwarded for your consideration.
- 2. This BILL was adopted by vote of the Faculty Senate on October 22, 2009.
- 3. After considering this bill, will you please indicate your approval or disapproval. Return the original or forward it to the Board of Governors, completing the appropriate endorsement below.
- 4. In accordance with Section 10, paragraph 4 of the Senate's By-Laws, this bill will become effective November 12, 2009 three weeks after Senate approval, unless: (1) specific dates for implementation are written into the bill; (2) you return it disapproved; (3) you forward it to the Board of Governors for their approval; or (4) the University Faculty petitions for a referendum. If the bill is forwarded to the Board of Governors, it will not become effective until approved by the Board.

October 23, 2009 (date)

Stephen K. Swallow Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

#### **ENDORSEMENT**

TO: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

Returned.

a. Approved  $\underline{\mathcal{L}}$ .

b. Approved subject to final approval by Board of Governors \_\_\_.

c. Disapproved \_\_\_.

(date)

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## University College and General Education Committee Report #2009-10-2

On October 1, 2009 the University College and General Education Committee approved the following matters, which are now presented to the Faculty Senate for confirmation.

### I. English Communication (EC) Core Area

The UCGE Committee recommends that the Faculty Senate approve LIB 220, Issues of the Information Age for the (EC) area of the General Education program

LIB 220 Issues of the Information Age (speaking effectively, using information technology, and writing effectively)

## II. General Education Requirements for the College of Engineering

The UCGE Committee recommends that the Faculty Senate approve the following modification to the University General Education requirements:

College of Engineering students will take General Education coursework distributed with at least one course in each of the seven core areas for breadth, at least one additional course in three of the five categories (EC, A, FC, L, S) for depth, and the remaining three courses in any of the seven core areas.\*

<sup>\*</sup> These changes are modifications of the existing University General Education requirements outlined in sections 8.20.10-8.20.20 of the UNIVERSITY MANUAL, allowing an additional 3 credits to the number of credits that may be reduced in (A, FC, L, or S) and adding (EC) to the list of core areas which may be reduced from 6 to 3 credits.