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The attached BILL titled, Special Report and Recommendations from the Curricular Affairs Committee, June 27, 2016, no. 4 was adopted by vote of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee* on June 29, 2016.

The Bill is effective on the date of signature below.

W. Michael Sullivan

Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

June 29, 2016

^{*}On March 31, 2016, the Faculty Senate authorized the Faculty Senate Executive Committee to act on behalf of the Senate between May 5 and September 22, 2016 regarding the approval of courses and/or undergraduate curriculum changes pertaining to the implementation of the General Education Program.

Faculty Senate Curricular Affairs Committee Special Report and Recommendations of the CAC JUNE 27, 2016 - #4

NEW GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES

BIO/APG 282G, Sapiens: The Changing Nature of Human Evolution (3 crs.)

Study of human origins and history in order to understand Homo sapiens as a significant cause of evolutionary change, including an in-depth description of our widespread influence on Earth's systems. (Lec. 3) Pre: Sophomore or higher standing. (A1) (C2) (GC)

BUS 104GH, Tackling Grand Social and Ecological Challenges (3 crs.)

Introduces concepts, approaches, and skills (e.g. system thinking, social entrepreneurship, and negotiation) to tackle grand challenges. Students gain practice with projects defining intervention proposals to tackle a grand challenge locally. (Lec. 3). (A2) (C1) (GC)

HLT 100, Introduction to Public Health and Health Studies (3 crs.)

Introduces students to the interdisciplinary field of public health and health studies with an emphasis on the population perspective; the behavioral, social, and environmental determinants of population health; and present ethical and emerging challenges facing public health. (Lec. 3) (A2) (C1)

OCG 111, Ocean Exploration (3 crs.)

An introduction to the basic tenants of oceanography as illustrated by the significant scientific discoveries that have shaped our understanding of the ocean its role on the planet. (Lec. 3) (A1) (B3)