

Humboldt State University
University Senate

Resolution on Changes to Area E General Education

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Resolved: That the University Senate of Humboldt State University recommends to the Provost that the revised policy on General Education Area E dated December 9, 2014, supersede the current policy; and be it further

Resolved: That Area E be henceforth known as *Life Long Learning and Self-Development*.

Rationale: HSU's current policy on Area E General Education courses limits those courses to senior senior level class standing only, e.g. PSYC 400. Students who begin their academic careers at HSU as first time freshmen must wait until they have achieved sufficient units to enroll in these courses, of which there is limited choice (currently only six courses listed in the catalog). Students who transfer into HSU can fulfill their Area E requirement at the lower division level at a community college. Thus, we have created a situation where the degree requirements for our native students and transfer students is different. This revision of the policy on Area E courses would allow departments to create both lower and upper division courses that would satisfy the Area E student learning outcomes and the Title V requirement. The name change of Area E is simply to match the language used in the Chancellor's Office Executive Order 1065 and that used at most of the other CSU campuses.