General Education Committee

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> ## MISSION
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> The general education program develops a foundation and motivation for the lifelong pursuit of learning in undergraduate students at Arkansas State University by introducing them to a broad range of essential areas of knowledge that will enable them to think critically and participate ethically in a democratic nation and a global society.

Purpose

The General Education Committee (GEC) guides the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Research (VCAAR) in improving the quality and relevance of the university's general education curriculum. The committee:

- Reviews proposals for modifications to the General Education Program.
- Reviews each general education course on a four-year cycle to determine continued acceptability within the program.
- Reviews assessment data provided by the Office of Assessment and Accreditation.
- Makes recommendations regarding general education policy, curriculum, and assessment to the VCAAR.

Membership

Voting members will consist of faculty representatives from each college, with additional representation from multi-department colleges. These members need to be tenured faculty with a minimum of three years of continuous service prior to serving on the committee. Each college will be responsible for determining the selection of its representative(s).

> In those cases where there is an issue affecting a broad area of the general education core that is not represented by the composition of the current committee, a representative from the area not represented must be invited to attend the meeting and be afforded the opportunity to participate in the discussions before action is taken.

Current Voting Members

First Name	Last Name	College/Office	Term Expires	Appointed by	Email
Bert	Greenwalt	College of Agriculture	2026	College of Agriculture	bertg@astate.edu
Gauri	Ghua	Neil Griffin College of Business	2028	Neil Griffin College of Business	gguha@astate.edu
Sarah	Scott	Media	2029	CLAC - Communications	sscott@astate.edu
Maggie	Hance	College of Education and Behavioral Science	2027	Education and Behavioral Science	mhance@astate.edu
Donghoon	Kim	College of Engineering and Computer Science	2027	College of Engineering and Computer Science	dhkim@astate.edu
Claire	Abernathy	Fine Arts	2029	CLAC - Fine Arts	cgarrard@astate.edu
Carmen	Williams	Honors		Honors	clwilliams@astate.edu
Kristen	Ruccio	English and Heritage Studies	2029	CLAC - Humanities and Social Sciences	kruccio@astate.edu
Andrea	Davis	History	2029	CLAC - Humanities and Social Sciences	andavis@astate.edu
Amy	Buzby	Government-Law-Policy	2029	CLAC - Humanities and Social Sciences	abuzby@astate.edu
Kathryn	Flannigan	College of Nursing and Health Professions	2027	Nursing and Health Professions	kflannigan@astate.edu
Ferebee	Tunno	Beck College of Sciences & Mathematics	2029	Sciences/Mathematics	ftunno@astate.edu
Brook	Fluker	Beck College of Sciences & Mathematics	2029	Sciences/Mathematics	bfluker@astate.edu

First Name	Last Name	College/Office	Term Expires	Appointed by	Email
Lisa	Ferrell	University College	2028	University College	lferrell@astate.edu

The chair, who must be tenured, will serve a three-year term and may not be reappointed to a consecutive three-year term.

Ex-Officio, Non-Voting Members

The committee will also consist of ex-officio, non-voting members from the Independent Department of Military Science, the Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Services, and the Director of Assessment Services to provide support and guidance.

First Name	Last Name	College/Office	Term Expires	Appointed by	Email
MAJ Jeremy (Matt)	Weeks	Military Science	2027	Military Science	jweeks@AState.edu
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*Steve	Beaupre	Academic Affairs and Research	Position	AVCAS	sbeaupre@astate.edu
*Kelli	Listenbee	Assessment and Accreditation		Assessment and Accreditation	klee@astate.edu
Carlos	Gutierrez	ASUCQ	2027		cgutierrezvirgen@astate.edu
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Liliana	Guadalupe	ASUCQ	2027		lguadalupe@astate.edu

> *Membership information is updated as appointments are received from the colleges and academic units.*

Assessment and Review Process

The General Education Committee plays an important role in the assessment and continuous improvement of the university's General Education Program. Information about the quadrennial

review process, assessment timelines, reporting requirements, learning outcomes, and supporting resources is maintained in the Assessment Manual.

➡ See: **Chapter 5: General Education Review Process** of the Assessment Manual for current procedures, review schedules, assessment expectations, and related resources.

Meeting Minutes

Past meeting minutes can be found in the **A-State Research and Creativity Hub (ARCH)** managed by the Dean B. Ellis Library.

They can be found under **General Education Committee Minutes** in the **University and Administration Collection**.

For past meeting dates, refer to the official Shared Governance archives or contact the Office of Academic Affairs.

Resources

- **General Education Learning Outcomes**
- **Assessment Manual**
- **Shared Governance**
- **Curriculum Forms**
- **Nuventive - Reporting and Feedback**