



Boulder Faculty Assembly

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO **BOULDER**

Boulder Faculty Assembly Notice of Motion
Resolution concerning a Campus Common Curriculum
BFA-R-3-100222 – rev.10.21.22

Whereas the Boulder Faculty Assembly recognize the value of a campus common curriculum per the recommendations from the 2018 Academic Futures Committee and the 2020 report of the Higher Learning Commission and;

Whereas the development of a common curriculum is rooted in the Academic Futures Committee’s proposal to establish common educational touchpoints for undergraduates across all CU Boulder majors and to develop a range of disciplinary and interdisciplinary educational experiences for students and;

Whereas the charge for a Common Curriculum Planning committee from Provost Moore requested members to keep in mind how the proposal will give expression to the determinations of the Inclusion, Diversity and Excellence in Academics (IDEA) Plan in order to mirror the campus commitment to foster intercultural competence and to prepare critical thinkers who innovate through embracing multiple perspectives and;

Whereas the Provost additionally asked members to articulate a plan that reinforces CU Boulder’s three strategic imperatives; to shape tomorrow’s leaders, to be the top university for innovation, and to positively impact humanity;

Therefore, to support the development and implementation of a common curriculum, in accordance with the faculty’s responsibility over the curriculum as mandated by Regent Law,

Be it resolved that the Boulder Faculty Assembly endorses the substance of the proposed common curriculum, particularly its statement regarding the purpose and distinctive nature of a CU Boulder education. Be it further resolved that implementation of the common curriculum shall be led by faculty at all stages, with the ultimate establishment of a permanent campuswide curriculum committee chaired by faculty and with a majority-faculty composition. The BFA further encourages departments and programs to proactively update their learning outcomes and curricular statements in light of the common curriculum and its guiding ethos of “Sustainable Futures: Self, Society, World.”

Submitted by BFA Executive Committee: October 4, 2022

Approved for submission to Assembly by the BFA Executive Committee: October 5, 2022

Submitted to the BFA General Assembly: October 6, 2022

Approved on November 3, 2022: 43 in favor; 3 abstentions; 6 opposed