



Act 15 – Core General Education Briefing Points:

The Work So Far:

- Initial work on incorporating Act 15 requirements regarding the transferability of Core General Education Requirements (CGER) into policy was undertaken by the Transfer Policy Work Group. The work group was expanded as the purpose changed and now includes provosts, vice provosts, registrars, transfer coordinators, and faculty in addition to UW Administration staff.
- In preparation for presenting possible CGER models, other states and systems were examined to understand how they approached transferability of general education curriculum through state statute and/or policy.
- Additional research examined the current general education requirement landscape across UW universities.
 - Current general education requirements range widely in total credit hours.
 - There is a great deal of alignment in requirements in the following curricular areas: Mathematics, Communication, Arts & Humanities, Natural Science, Global/Culture Studies, and Social & Behavioral Science.
- An initial model based on the alignment across all UWs was presented to key stakeholder groups, including provosts, chancellors, faculty governance representatives, and regents in August.
- Based on feedback from those conversations, adjustments have been proposed to allow for flexibility in:
 - credit hour ranges in some categories to accommodate current curriculum
 - broad category titles

Policy Development:

- To comply with Act 15, a Regent Policy (4-X) needs to be developed that will define Core General Education Requirements (CGER) that ensure transferability and applicability of transfer credits. It is anticipated that the Regent policy will be released for public comment in September.

Next Steps & Timeline:

- We will continue to engage with key stakeholders.
- The finalized proposed CGER model will be shared with campuses and shared governance in early September.
- In September, Regent Policy 4-X will be drafted and released for public comment.

- In anticipation of an approved Regent policy, system-led workgroups composed of representatives from each UW will work on operationalizing Act 15 in September and October.
- Key Dates:
 - Board of Regents Meeting: November 19, 2025
 - Submission to JCOER: No later than December 31, 2025
 - All Core General Education Requirements must be transferable between UWs: September 1, 2026