

Motion for Discussion

The Faculty Senate **moves** to replace the upper division Oral (O) and Written (W) requirement with the requirement that each degree program must satisfy the following Communications Learning Outcomes within the degree program:

UAF undergraduates will demonstrate effective communication when they are able to:

communication.

appropriate disciplinary conventions.

Each baccalaureate degree program **must** submit a Communications Plan that demonstrates how students will achieve each of the learning outcomes as part of the requirements of the major or degree program. Not all courses or requirements need to support every

4. Plans will be in place and implemented by Fall 2017.

Comment [1]: How about we replace, "moves" with "recommends?" This will ensure consistency with "Department Chair Policy" where the senate recommends only and does not require. This will empower the departments to do as they choose to.

Comment [2]: In light of the change to "recommends", I would propose that the language to be, "If a baccalaureate degree program chooses to replace.....then they must submit...."

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Fall 2017 to facilitate students under catalogs with O/W requirements.

Fall 2017

RECOMMENDATION

the Communications Learning Outcomes that are integrated into each baccalaureate degree program and major.

The responsibility for ensuring that students achieve these Communications Learning Outcomes is being moved from the University level (via specific O and W courses) to the department level (via

and one O) to a requirement that is achieved by the student completing the degree requirements associated with their program.