



## Making the Transition to the New Core A Guide for Students Spring 2012

The new University Core Curriculum will go into effect in Fall 2013.

- At that time all students will be moved to the new Core requirements. Note: The Core requirements do not apply to MRC or Univ. Honors students.
- The University Core is attempting to follow a “do no harm” principle throughout this transition. Your previous Core coursework will be generously counted towards fulfilling new Core requirements. **Students will not need to take more courses in the new Core in order to graduate than they would have needed to take under the old Core.**

Your current Core courses will be used to fulfill new Core requirements. This table summarizes how this process will happen. Please note that these courses are not being treated as “equivalent” courses, but as “substitutions.” In some cases the content and goals of the old and new courses are quite different, but flexibility is necessary in order to help students make the transition to the new curriculum without penalty. **These substitutions will be automatically reflected on your SUOnline program evaluation in Spring 2013, in time for Fall 2013 pre-registration.**

### Core Course Substitution Guide

**Note: No course can count more than once towards the new Core**

Module	Current Core Course	Substitute to	New Course Title
1	ENGL-110	UCOR-1100	Academic Writing Seminar
1	MATH-107, MATH-108, MATH-110, MATH-118, MATH-120, MATH-130, MATH-131, MATH-134, MATH-141	UCOR-1200	Mathematics and Quantitative Reasoning
1	Core Fine Arts, ENGL-120	UCOR-1300	Creative Expression and Interpretation
1	ENGL-120, HIST-120 or 121, PHIL-110	UCOR-1400	Inquiry Seminar in the Humanities
1	Social Science I	UCOR-1600	Inquiry Seminar in the Social Sciences
1	Core Lab Science	UCOR-1800	Inquiry Seminar in the Natural Sciences
2	ALL THRS-200 COURSES	UCOR-2100	Theological Exploration
2	PHIL-220, PHIL-210	UCOR-2500	Philosophy of the Human Person
2	BETH-351, PHIL-345, PHIL-351, PHIL-352, PHIL-353, PHIL-354, PHIL-358, THRS-325	UCOR-2900	Ethical Reasoning
3	ALL THRS-300 courses, ANTH-304	UCOR-3100	Religion in a Global Context
3	HIST-120 or 121, PHIL-110, Interdisciplinary	UCOR-3400	Humanities and Global Challenges
3	Social Science II	UCOR-3600	Social Sciences and Global Challenges
3	HIST-120 or 121, PHIL-110, Interdisciplinary	UCOR-3800	Natural Sciences and Global Challenges

**Getting Help:** While the automatic substitutions listed in the table should address most situations without need for action by you or your advisor, there will undoubtedly be some unique cases that require individual attention. We are prepared to help students who have concerns, questions, or who need some kind of adjustment in how their previous courses are being counted. After you talk to your advisor about any concerns you have, please contact your college/school's Core transition point person:

College of Arts and Sciences:	Kate Elias, A&S Advising Center – Casey 1W
College of Science and Engineering:	Mara Rempe, S&E Advising Center-ENGR 300
College of Nursing:	Rita Tower, Nursing Advisor, Garrand 203
Albers School of Business and Economics:	Dhorea Brown, Albers Advising Cntr.- Pigott 318
Matteo Ricci College:	Mary Ragen – Casey 1E
Premajor:	Joelle Pretty, Premajor Studies, BELL 113

The college point persons can make some adjustments in how your courses count towards the new Core. Students with more complex issues or who wish to appeal college decisions should contact the University Core office (USVC 104A, [core@seattleu.edu](mailto:core@seattleu.edu)) for review by the Core Director.

**Watch List: Issues and questions that are likely to come up**

- No course may count more than once towards the new Core.
- For most programs there are fewer courses in the new Core than in the old Core.
- HIST 120 & 121: Only one of these courses may count towards the new Core. A&S students who take both will have the first course they take count towards Core and the second towards the A&S college requirements.
- College and school requirements are not being changed by the implementation of the new Core. For example, A&S students will continue to be required to study a foreign language.
- Some students will have satisfied two Global Challenges courses according to the table, but their program evaluation will not reflect this due to their chosen major (the new Core requires students to complete the two Global Challenge courses outside of their major area). These courses can be moved by the student's college/school point person or the University Core office. If a student has taken current Core courses that satisfy any two of the Global Challenges courses those requirements are considered fulfilled.
- The automatic rollover may not always place courses that can count in multiple categories exactly where a student wants them, and some adjustments can be made. This is most likely in the Global Challenges courses. Example: A Chemistry major's old Core Interdisciplinary course is listed as fulfilling her Humanities & Global Challenges course, leaving the Social Sciences & Global Challenges requirement unfulfilled. If she would rather take a Humanities course and use the Interdisciplinary course to satisfy the Social Sciences requirement, the course can be moved. Students should contact their college point person for these changes.
- Students who have completed a Social Science II in the old Core but have not taken a Social Science I may choose to use the Social Science II to satisfy UCOR 1600 instead of UCOR 3600.

Please see your advisor for any questions or concerns you have about how your courses were placed.

**Time Line:**

Spring 2012	Information on Core transition available
Fall 2012	Course descriptions for UCOR courses published on Core web site
April 2013	Students will see new Core requirements reflected on Program Evaluation
Fall 2013	New Core in effect for all Core students

**More Information:**

Core web site: [www.seattleu.edu/Core](http://www.seattleu.edu/Core)  
Core contacts: [core@seattleu.edu](mailto:core@seattleu.edu), 398-4601 or 296-5342