

Faculty Senate Resolution 06-10

Adjustment to the LSU Core

Presented to the LSU Faculty Senate April 18, 2006 by Andrew Christie on behalf of the Faculty Senate Committee on Admissions, Standards, and Honors.

Whereas, the LSU Core of college-preparatory courses is 18 units, and

Whereas, the TOPS Core has been amended, beginning with the high school graduating class of 2008, to require an additional unit of either mathematics or natural science, raising the TOPS core from 16.5 units to 17.5 units, and

Whereas, the TOPS Core has been amended beginning with the high school graduating class of 2008 to allow substitution of two (2) units of agriscience for one (1) unit of natural science, and

Whereas, it will simplify the LSU admissions process, and ensure compliance with the Board of Regent's Master Plan minimum requirements, to change the LSU core to require the additional unit of either mathematics or natural science that will be required by the TOPS Core in 2008.

Therefore, be it resolved that, beginning with the entering class of Fall 2008, the LSU core specify that one of the current 2.5 elective courses in the LSU core must be an additional unit of mathematics or natural science, and

Be it further resolved that, beginning with the entering class of Fall 2008, LSU will accept two (2) units of agriscience as one (1) of the elective units.

Comparison of LSU and TOPS Current and Proposed 2008 Core Unit Requirements

Subject	TOPS Current	LSU Current	TOPS 2008 Required	LSU 2008 Proposed
English	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Mathematics and Natural Sciences	6.0	6.0	7.0	7.0
Social Studies	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
Foreign Languages	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Computer Studies*	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Electives	1.0	2.5	1.0	1.5
Total	16.5	18.0	17.5	18.0

*or select a ½ unit elective from lines 1-4 above.