

Task Force on Review of All-College Distribution Requirements

November 20, 2019, 1:00-2:00, Eustis 406

Attending: Russell Johnson, Dave Angelini, Carol Hurney, Laura Fugikawa, Aaron Hanlon, Christel Kesler, Bess Koffman, Rob Lester, Arnout van der Meer

Summary

The task force continued its work on the report to the faculty that will be presented at the December faculty meeting. The names of the Modes were finalized as follows, incorporating the word “inquiry” into each one.

- Inquiry into Power and Inequality
- Scientific Inquiry
- Artistic and Creative Inquiry
- Historical Inquiry
- Critical Interpretation and Inquiry
- Quantitative Inquiry

Short descriptions for each of the modes were also finalized. Specific guidelines for each of the modes, to be provided to each working group, were also developed. These guidelines included information (for each mode) on what sort of questions are asked within the mode and what approaches are used to address the questions.

Conveners for the Working Groups were assigned as follows.

- Inquiry into Power and Inequality (Laura)
- Scientific Inquiry (Dave)
- Artistic and Creative Inquiry (Bevin)
- Historical Inquiry (Arnout)
- Critical Interpretation and Inquiry (Aaron)
- Quantitative Inquiry (Charlie)

As part of the task force’s report, a call will go out to the faculty asking for volunteers to serve on the Working Groups.