

Kapi'olani Community College
Faculty Senate Action Request - # 1617034

Did you request action from a union representative?	If YES, please contact your department or campus union representative.
Is this a personal matter?	If YES, please consider discussing the matter with your supervisor or union representative.
Have you filed a grievance/lawsuit over this matter?	If YES, please allow the grievance process to be completed before the matter is brought to Faculty Senate.
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Academic Unit:	FS AASG Committee
Did you request action from a department head or administrator?	No
Is this a departmental matter?	No
Is this a college wide matter?	Yes
Is this a system wide matter?	No
Does this matter align with the responsibilities of a Faculty Senate Committee? If YES, which one?	AASG
Does this matter align with the College's Strategic Plan? If YES, which one?	<p>Strategic Framework: The Foci will be on increasing graduation rates, innovation and enrollment and implementing sustainable, teaching, and learning environments.</p> <p>We are recommending changing the Oral Communications (OC) graduation requirement at KCC to a course attribute or "designation". This change will help our students and campus in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish OC hallmarks that are viable, regularly reviewed and published. • Help define course Student Learning Outcomes (SLO's) for OC designated courses • Allow courses that are not currently designated OC to become an OC designated course. • Shorten the time to graduation by allowing courses within a concentration track, or required at the student's transfer institution, to be designated OC. • Justify the OC requirement for graduation.
Does this matter align with the UH System Strategic Directions? If YES, which one?	<p>Hawaii Graduation Initiative: Focus on Student Success Increase the number of graduates and transfers and reduce their time to completion by investing in student services and supporting learning in and out of the classroom.</p> <p>(J) Improve the 3-year time to certificate and degree completion and transfer rate for first-time, full-time degree seeking students from 37 to 50 percent.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By opening the OC designation to become an attribute, courses other than speech and theater may qualify for the OC designation. This will allow various degree concentrations to plan a class pertaining to their degree as an OC course, thus shortening the time to graduation

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This request aligns with the UH System strategic direction in the area of the Hawaii Graduation Initiative. This initiative seeks to increase the total number of degrees and certificates awarded, with a specific numeric increase each year, from 2014 to 2021 as outline in the chart below taken from Vice President John Morton’s strategic direction presentation, April 2015: <p>UHCC Outcomes – Graduation Outcomes, Degrees and Certificates</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>FY</td> <td>2014</td> <td>2015</td> <td>2016</td> <td>2017</td> <td>2017</td> <td>2019</td> <td>2020</td> <td>2021</td> </tr> <tr> <td>KAP</td> <td>1513</td> <td>1589</td> <td>1669</td> <td>1751</td> <td>1839</td> <td>1931</td> <td>2028</td> <td>2129</td> </tr> </table>	FY	2014	2015	2016	2017	2017	2019	2020	2021	KAP	1513	1589	1669	1751	1839	1931	2028	2129
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<p>Is there a relevant deadline for action by the Senate? If you answered YES, please indicate the deadline date:</p>																			
<p>Please describe the action requested:</p>	<p>Currently Oral Communications (OC) is a general education requirement for the Associate of Arts degree at Kapi`olani Community College (KCC). This requirement is designated by qualified courses, not as an attribute. The courses currently qualified as OC are:</p> <p>Speech 151, 181, 231, 251 Theater 221, 222</p> <p>We are recommending that the OC requirement be designated a graduation requirement attribute, instead of a general education assigned course. This change will allow other courses to be qualified as an OC. Other graduation requirements such as the Hawaiian, Asian, Pacific (HAP) and writing intensive (WI) requirements are course attributes, not assigned courses.</p>																		
<p>Proposed Recommendation:</p>	<p>We are recommending that the OC requirement be designated a graduation requirement attribute, instead of a general education assigned course. This change will allow other courses to be qualified as an OC. Other graduation requirements such as the Hawaiian, Asian, Pacific (HAP) and writing intensive (WI) requirements are course attributes, not assigned courses.</p>																		
<p>Other:</p>	<p>Approval of this action may allow our students to take a course within their concentration that has been designated an OC class, without having to take an additional course.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This proposed change would move the OC requirement out of the “General Education” requirements, and move the requirement over to graduation “Focus Requirements”. The OC requirement at our UH four-year campuses are all 300+ level course requirements so there is no impact to transfer of attributes as in the case of the HAP and WI attributes. We endorse the OC hallmark recommendations made by the KCC General Education Board in May of 2016 which include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Create and formalize KCC specific OC hallmarks using a hybrid of the UHM and KCC proposed criteria with input from the General Education Board and approval from Faculty Senate; Review current OC designated courses to ensure they meet the revised criteria; Utilize the revised criteria to approve future courses seeking an OC designation; Allow individual instructors to customize requirements for their section(s) of a course and receive an OC designation, provided they meet the hallmarks, and have these sections identified in BANNER when students register for classes; Create and implement a training program for instructors 																		

	interested in teaching a course with an OC focus; 6. Set an enrollment cap of 25 students for OC designated courses.
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Outcome:	Date: