

**Brief WORK CHART**  
**Core Curriculum Committee Work**  
**Re: Assessing the Current Core Curriculum**  
**and Developing a New Core Curriculum**  
**2003-2012**

- 2003- 04
  - Engaged faculty and students in a dialogue about the current Core through surveys and focus groups
- 2004- 05
  - Continued conversations with faculty and student focus groups, including chairs in CBA, CFA, CLA and CSE.
  - Several experimental courses were run- First Year experience and a Senior Interdisciplinary Capstone.
  - Examined student work relevant to the science, philosophy 160 and creative arts requirements to assess the effectiveness of the current Core Curriculum.
  - Surveyed all teachers in the Core: What objectives of the Core does your course meet?
- 2005-06
  - Synthesized the findings from the previous years into *Improving the Core: Summary and Reflections*.
  - Initiated ongoing conversations with the new CAO (AVP)
- 2006- 07
  - President identifies a new Core Curriculum as a central goal for the University's centennial
  - Drafted the *Core Curriculum Learning Outcomes* based on focus group input and LMU's Mission
  - Sought feedback on the initial *Learning Outcomes* draft at several campus conversations as well as meetings of various committees.
  - Research into possible curriculum models begins with the examination of successful institutions
- 2007-08
  - Revised learning outcomes based on input received last spring. These were incorporated into a new document, *2011 New Core Curriculum: Mission and Learning Outcomes*, which connects learning to LMU's Mission.
  - Will seek comments and feedback on *New Core Curriculum* at department and committee meetings.
  - Will develop a Summer Core Curriculum Institute which will begin in 2008
- 2008- 09
  - Will continue to refine possible model(s) for a new Core Curriculum in consultation with the faculty and administration.
- 2009- 10
  - Initial pilot courses for a new Core Curriculum will be offered
  - Model(s) will continue to be revised and improved, with particular focus on implementation issues
- 2010-11
  - Additional pilot courses will be offered in preparation for a new Core Curriculum
  - Final Core Curriculum model(s) will be presented for consideration
- 2011- 12
  - The goal is to have a new Core Curriculum approved and in the Bulletin
  - Focus will shift to assisting instructors with workshops and assessing the effectiveness of the new Core Curriculum.