## **GELOs at WOU: Proposal Summary**

## **Executive Summary**

The Ad Hoc LEAP committee has spent several months exploring the second part of its charge, by "consider[ing] which [outcomes] would be most appropriate for Gen Ed and which for degree programs in context of replacing existing institutional outcomes." (May 13, 2014 Faculty Senate minutes)

As discussed at the February 24, 2015 Faculty Senate meeting, the two main options the committee was considering for these General Education Learning Outcomes (GELOs) were:

- A subset of the Undergraduate Learning Outcomes (ULOs) approved by Senate last term
- All of the ULOs

After continued debate, and with the insight gained from our committee members who attended the Association of American Colleges & Universities' General Education and Assessment Conference in February, the committee has come to the conclusion that this decision requires data that are not presently available and that cannot be gathered in a short time frame.

As such, the committee recommends that Faculty Senate adopt all of the ULOs for use as GELOs in the short term.

Further, we recommend that the question of GELOs is revisited after three years has passed, using data gathered from assessment in the interim to make fact-based decisions about which ULOs to retain for GELOs.

## **Proposal**

- 1. In the short term, use all of the approved ULOs as GELOs
- 2. Over the next three years, gather assessment data on current general education
- 3. At the end of the three-year period (end of Spring Term 2018), revisit the selection of GELOs based on analysis of the gathered assessment data