

Senate Resolution #1638

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Title: NCA Core Opposition Resolution

Thesis: Oppose implementation of the NCA Task Force's recommended core

Date: April 4, 1989

Sponsor: Ken Worley

1. Whereas the core curriculum program supported by the ASUW is a practical
2. and realistic plan which stresses the goal of a well-rounded, common
3. university education which spans a variety of educational pursuits, and
4. which is not overly difficult for a student to achieve within the normal
5. amount of time required to complete an undergraduate degree at UW; and
6. whereas the ASUW determined this could be done in not more than thirty
7. (30) semester hours; and whereas the core curriculum recommended by the
8. NCA Self-Study Undergraduate Education Task Force far exceeds that figure
9. raising the number of hours required to 45-48; and whereas only 15 of
10. these hours are allowed to be in the student's major which ^{could} virtually
11. ~~guarantees~~ ^{extend} a college career ^{beyond the time} longer than that currently required to earn
12. an undergraduate degree; and whereas in the core recommended by the ASUW,
13. there is no restriction as to the number of hours in the core which can
14. also fulfill major requirements because the ASUW feels that a core
15. curriculum should not absolutely require hours outside the major ^{in order} to be
16. effective; and whereas one of the main purposes of a core curriculum is
17. to assure that all students are exposed to a wide variety of educational
18. experiences; and whereas the NCA Task Force's recommended core clearly
19. oversteps the bounds of exposure and strives instead to provide every
20. student with the ultimate liberal arts education regardless of the fact
21. that many of UW's undergraduate degrees are intended to be professional

- 22. or semi-professional; and whereas the NCA Task Force's core *compresses* ^{compresses 3/1 semester}
- 23. Freshman English (into a one-semester course) which is non-standard for the
- 24. state and may make transfers from other institutions in the state more
- 25. difficult; be it resolved by the Student Senate of the Associated
- 26. Students of the University of Wyoming that it oppose implementation of
- 27. the core curriculum program recommended by the NCA Self-Study
- 28. Undergraduate Education Task Force. *further be it resolved that the ASUW reaffirms its support of the Core Curriculum recommendation passed by the ASUW senate*

Referred to: _____ *Scott Duff*

Date of Passage: _____ Signed: _____
ASUW Chairperson

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"Being enacted on _____, I do hereby sign my name hereto and
approve this Senate action. _____
ASUW President

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