The effect of transition to the new General Education Program (GEP) requirements for new students, current students, and transfer students.

NEW STUDENTS:
New students entering NC State beginning with the Summer II session 2009 (7/2009) will enter under the new GEP requirements. Degree keys revised to include the new GEP requirements will have a 097 suffix (ex: 11BCH097) or a later dated suffix such as 098 (Fall 2009). They cannot opt to be placed into a degree key dated prior to Summer II, 2009.

CURRENT STUDENTS, INTRACAMPUS and INTERNAL TRANSFERS:

Current students:
Current students under the existing General Education Requirements (GER) have the option, with approval by the College, to move into the new GEP degree key for their major after consultation with their adviser to determine if the move would benefit the student in their course of study and length to graduation. Once a student moves into the GEP degree key, the student shall remain under the GEP requirements until completion of their degree.

Intracollege and Intercollege Transfers:
Students changing their major have the option of being placed into the new GEP degree key (effective July 2009) or into the most recent GER degree key (prior to July 2009) for their intended major. The student should consult with their intended major adviser to determine which degree key would be the most appropriate based on their completed coursework and length to graduation. If the student transfers into a GEP degree key, the student shall remain under the GEP requirements in completing their degree.

EXTERNAL TRANSFER STUDENTS:

Transfer students **entering prior to Summer II, 2011**, may be placed into either the GER or the GEP degree key for their degree program, whichever would most benefit the student based on their completed coursework.

All new transfer students entering NC State **Summer II, 2011 or after** shall be placed into the GEP degree key for their intended major.

Transfers under the **Comprehensive Articulation Agreement** (CAA):

GEP (effective 7/2009)
Transfer students with a NCCCS Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree have satisfied the new GEP requirements with the exception of the FL_102 proficiency requirement. Although the FL_102 proficiency is listed within the GEP requirements, it is not covered by the CAA since it is a university requirement for graduation. If the requirements of the AA or AS do not include a foreign language equivalent to the FL_102 level, the student must complete this requirement to be eligible to graduate.

GER (prior to 7/2009)
Transfer students with a NCCCS Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree have satisfied the GER requirements, with possible exception in regards to the STS and the Advanced Writing requirement. These 2 requirements have been interpreted by NC State under the CAA as falling outside of the 44 credit hours of accepted general education courses in that the college may stipulate the student be required to take an Advanced Writing or STS course if determined there was no equivalent course taken as part of their AS or AA program. A student must also have proficiency at the FL_102 level to be eligible for graduation.

GEP INFORMATION:

GEP requirements and course lists are available at http://www.ncsu.edu/uap/academic-standards/gep/index.html An adviser worksheet and a copy of this memo are available under the Adviser Information link at the above url. Further questions should be directed to Catherine_Freeman@ncsu.edu.