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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** University Academic Advisors

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**SUBJECT:** Transition to New Core Curriculum - Fall 2014

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The purpose of this memo is to provide clarification regarding the transition to the new core curriculum beginning in the Fall, 2014.

REGARDING STUDENTS WANTING TO CHANGE TO NEW CORE CURRICULUM

Any student that is under the 2012-2014 catalog or earlier catalog that wants to follow the new core would be required to change catalogs. This would require a change to the 2014-2015 or subsequent catalog, thus requiring the student to meet the new major/degree requirements in that catalog. A student pursuing a major that is no longer offered in the later catalogs, 2014-2015 catalog or a subsequent catalog would not be able to change catalogs or complete the new core.

REGARDING LEVEL I & LEVEL II SCIENCE CORE CURRICULUM REQUIREMENT

The Core Curriculum Committee (CCC) has determined the existing Science core curriculum requirement can be satisfied with the completion of any two Science courses listed regardless of the level. This will allow students to satisfy their core science requirement with two level I sciences, two level II sciences or one level I and one level II science.

REGARDING AIS 1203 ACADEMIC INQUIRY & SCHOLARSHIP

Effective immediately and continuing through the 2014-15 academic year, any currently or previously enrolled UTSA student or new transfer student, sophomore-senior level, that is under the 2012-2014 catalog or earlier catalog and not core complete that wants to follow the new core would be allowed to substitute any core component area course for AIS 1203.

Conversely, any UTSA freshman under the 2012-14 catalog or earlier catalog electing to follow the new core curriculum should submit a Waiver of University Requirements petition to the University College Associate Dean. This appeal process is for the 2014-15 academic year only and will be revisited/revised for the 2015-16 academic year.