

## **Policy**

POLICY TITLE: Directed Reading Course Policy

CATEGORY: Academic RESPONSIBILITY: Academic

OWNER: Associate Dean Academic

APPROVED BY: Academic Council APPROVED DATE: December 11, 2020

LAST REVIEWED:

## Introduction

Reading courses are offered as individual instruction on a case-by-case basis as needed to enable a student to complete his/her academic program in a reasonable time frame.

A directed reading course will have 5 or less students.

- Undergraduate courses with fewer than 15 registrants will not normally be offered but when one is and when there are 5 or fewer registrants in the course, the course will be treated as if it were a directed reading course.
- Faculty member can report directed reading courses as service to the university in their annual review form.
- When a faculty member has taught a cumulative of 5 directed-reading courses, this will count as one course (3 credit hours) and can be used in the next Academic Plan to reduce his/her teaching load.
- This policy begins on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.
- The Associate Dean Academic shall approve all requests to offer directed reading courses.
- The Associate Dean Academic may request a faculty member to teach a directed reading course from time to time.
- Faculty members shall have the right to refuse directed reading courses if they have reasonable ground for not doing, but faculty members shall not unreasonably withhold consent.