

Summary of Faculty Focus Group in Response to GE Campus Forum

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Summary verified by Adrienne Edwards (Biological Sciences)

Departments and Offices represented:

Biological Sciences

History

Mathematics and Statistics (Certificate in Data Science)

Tribal Relations (Administrator, who relayed input from an MCGS and School of Education faculty member)

Overall thoughts about Pathway/GE Minor Names:

- Unanimous preference for California Interdisciplinary Studies.
- Unanimous preference for a name that includes Data (suggestion Data and Analytical Literacy as Data Analytics is too narrow) that would include Research Methods.
- Sustainability and Civic Engagement?
- Politicized Pathway names should be avoided (e.g. Social Justice)
- Rename GBI.

Preference for Pathway/GE Minor Names from Campus Forum:

California Studies (renamed California Interdisciplinary Studies)

Data and Analytical Literacy

Science, Technology and Values (change Values to Ethics)

Preference for Pathway Combinations from GE Forum (against other combinations):

DIV and GS

FOOD and HW

INT and GDS

Dislike of Pathway/GE Minor Names from Campus Forum

Great Books and Ideas (must be renamed)