



General Education Update

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How does GE benefit students

- All baccalaureate degree students are guaranteed a high impact practice course.
- Students engage with Indigenous knowledges and ways.
- Students are exposed to different cultural and disciplinary worldviews—pushing them to experience different ways of seeing the world.
- TRU graduates are well-rounded students and critical thinkers who can challenge their own and others' assumptions about the world we live in.



How does GE shift the culture at TRU



Aligns with our vision, values, and strategic change goals

- Prompted us to reflect on, describe, and translate our values into practice.

Fosters a teaching and learning culture

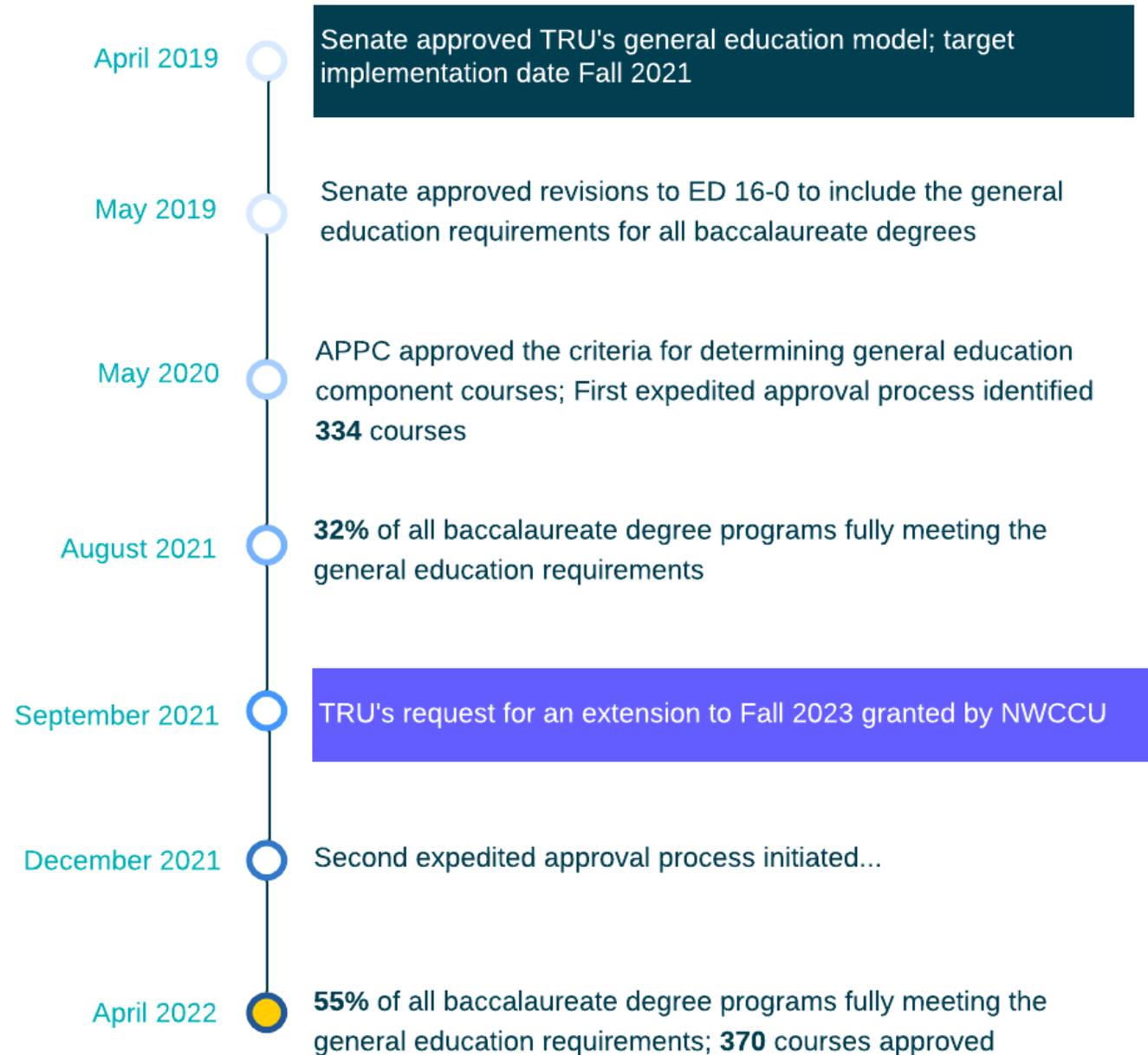
- Curriculum design (e.g., program learning outcomes, curriculum mapping, course design) are an institutional priority.

Contributes to continuous quality improvement

- Identified outdated terminology in Academic Calendar related to Indigenous peoples.
- Increased conversations and linkages between OL and OC.
- Promotes Indigenization.
- Creates space for conversations about student learning outcomes and assessment (i.e., how do we know what students are learning?).

Implementation Timeline

Target Date: Fall 2023





Approved General Education Courses

Component	Courses
Communication	23
Teamwork	22
Lifelong Learning	38
Social Responsibility	71
Knowledge	117
Critical Thinking and Investigation	68
Intercultural Awareness	44
Indigenous Knowledges and Ways	17
High Impact Practice	47
Capstone	18

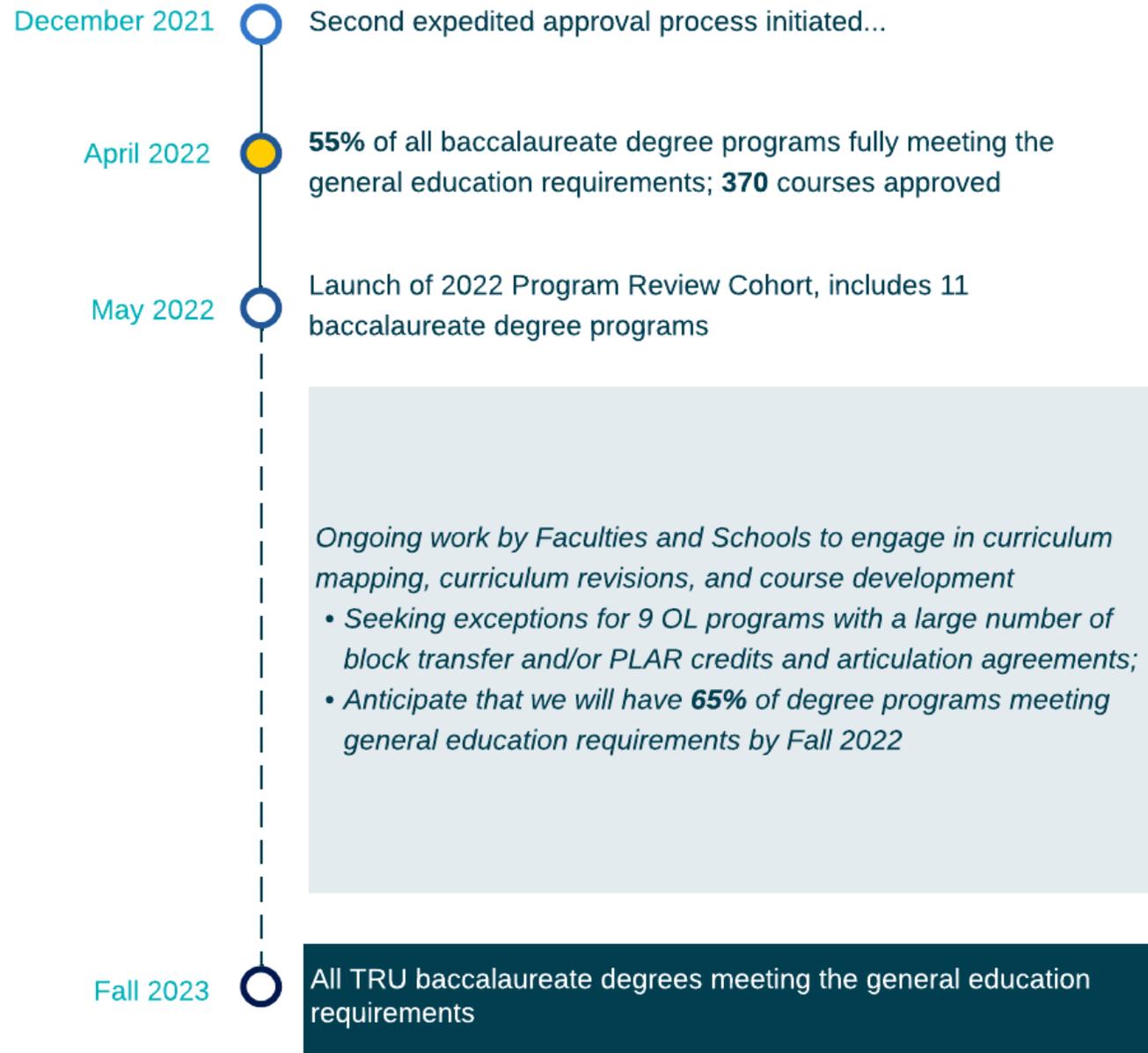


Implementation Status by Faculty/School

Faculty	Programs	Completed	In progress
EDSW	4	4	n/a
FACT	5	5	n/a
Law	1	1	n/a
Nursing	1	1	n/a
STT	4	0	4 (seeking 4 exceptions)
BGSoBE	13	10	3 (early stages)
Science	23	8	15 (varying stages; seeking 1 exception)
Arts	24	12	12 (varying stages; seeking 4 exceptions)

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Resources

Provost's Website

[General Education: Office of the Provost & Vice-President Academic: Thompson Rivers University \(tru.ca\)](#)

- Includes information about faculty resources, effective date, transfer credit, delayed entry programs, and policy ED 16-0.

Academic Approvals OneTRU Site

[General Education Model \(sharepoint.com\)](#)

- Includes list of approved courses, foci tools, examples, a procedures guide, and the approval process.

Degree Works

Course Search by ILO Attributes

Questions?

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