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Subject: **EPC Memo 23-15: Proposed Deletion of “Introduction to Higher Education Course” Policy – Chapter IV of the Faculty Handbook**

In their new General Education standards, set to replace our current GE Breadth requirements, the CSU has removed Block E—Lifelong Learning and Self-Development—from the GE requirements. Under the existing GE Breadth, students satisfy the Block E requirement through an Introduction to Higher Education (IHE) course. EPC and GES propose deleting the policy mandating the “Introduction to Higher Education Course” to comply with these new CSU standards.

1 **INTRODUCTION TO HIGHER EDUCATION**
2 **COURSE**

3 (Senate: 6/15/96, 5/25/99, 5/20/14, 12/1/15; President: 9/5/96, 10/8/99, 6/26/14,
4 3/2/16; Editorial Amendment: 9/00)

5 Every entering freshman shall be required to complete a 1000-level course, no later
6 than their second term in residence. This requirement is met through Block E
7 courses as described in the policy "Definition, Philosophy, Student Learning
8 Outcomes and Criteria for General Education Breadth Requirements" effective fall
9 2016, in which the learning outcomes for Lifelong Learning and Self -Development
10 (Block E), Introduction to Higher Education, and Lower Division Civic Learning
11 and/or Community Engagement are described.