

## University Core Updates: Fall 2022

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### Saint Louis University Core Curriculum

Greetings from the SLU University Core! It is with profound gratitude that, after many years of hard work from faculty, staff and students on all of our SLU campuses, we announce that our new common Core is launching this fall. All incoming SLU students—regardless of major, program, college or campus—will now complete [this integrated 32-35 credit hour academic and experiential curriculum](#). In what follows, I offer announcements and relevant deadlines for the 2022-23 academic year.

#### **Celebrating the Core Launch**

In celebration of our 2022-23 launch year, the University Core has collaborated with our Saint Louis University Museum of Art to host a multi-media immersive exhibit entitled [“IGNITE: Teaching and Learning at Saint Louis University”](#) featuring current SLU students and faculty talking about what makes a SLU education both distinctive and transformative. This exhibit, which showcases five different IGNITE seminars offered in the Fall 2021 semester, will run through the end of March 2023 with an opening reception on Friday, September 23rd @ 5-8pm.

#### **SLU’s First-Year Experience**

The Core’s First-Year Experience consists of both the Ignite Seminar (Core 1000) and Cura Personalis 1: Self in Community (CORE 1500). Over 95 sections of Cura Personalis 1 are up and running for this fall, and we are teaching over 70 different topics under the banner of CORE 1000: Ignite Seminar this year, with the majority of students enrolled this fall.

Sections of the one-credit-hour Cura Personalis 1 can be taught by both faculty and staff members, and can be tailored to specific student populations and/or linked to other academic or experiential programs. Ignite seminars are small, discussion-based classes designed around a faculty member’s passion for their particular arena of scholarly and civic commitment. Topics are approved for two years at a time, in order to ensure that new faculty members are able to join in each year. However, after an instructor’s two years are up, they are free to indicate interest in continuing to offer their seminar.

To propose an IGNITE seminar, [click here](#) (deadline October 17, 2022 for 2023-4 and 2024-5). To learn more about teaching opportunities in either the Ignite Seminar or Cura Personalis, email [core@slu.edu](mailto:core@slu.edu) and visit SLUMA’s exhibit, [“IGNITE: Teaching and Learning at Saint Louis University.”](#)

#### **Syllabus requirements**

Making students aware of how their Core courses connect to each other and to SLU’s Core learning outcomes is critical to student success. If you are teaching a course that fulfills requirements for SLU’s University Core, please refer to the [Core Instructor Resources](#) page to access and adopt into your Fall 2022 syllabus the required Core syllabus materials, including University Core student learning outcomes, before the fall semester begins.

### **Submission Deadlines for Core courses and experiences**

The University Undergraduate Core Committee continues to solicit and review new courses and experiences for inclusion in the Core. [Click here to review all approved Core courses and experiences to date.](#)

- **Monday, October 17th:** Deadline for 2023-24 and 2024-25 Ignite seminar topics to the [IGNITE seminar portal](#). Decisions made and communicated to faculty and department / program chairs before end of Fall 2022 semester.
- **Monday, October 31st:** Priority Deadline for inclusion in AY 23-24 Catalog. Courses submitted to the UUCC through [CIM-Courses](#) by this date will have ample time to be reviewed, revised if necessary, and ratified by the UUCC in time to appear in the 23-24 academic catalog. After 10/31, the UUCC will continue to review course submissions. Courses will continue to be reviewed on a rolling basis through the remainder of the academic year. Courses submitted after October 31st will be reviewed and whenever possible approved for the 2023-4 catalog.
- Rolling submissions: Cura Personalis 2 and Reflection-in-Action: Submissions for these non-credit-bearing Core experiences (not attached to a credit-bearing courses) will be reviewed by the Cura Personalis subcommittee on a rolling basis.
  - [Click here to submit a Cura Personalis 2 experience](#)
  - [Click here to submit a Reflection-in-Action experience](#)

On behalf of the entire University Core leadership team and the University Undergraduate Core Committee (UUCC), I wish you an engaging and rejuvenating Fall 2022 semester.

Sincerely,

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