I. Approval Criteria

Yes  No

1. Foundations requirement is established as a general education requirement of the campus’ associate of arts and/or bachelor’s degree.
   YES
   Comment: Foundations requirements are integral to the AA Degree

2. Foundations hallmarks (FW, FS, FG) are the criteria used to approve courses as F designated.
   YES
   Comment: As per Foundations Board procedures

3. There is appropriate campus support including
   a. adequate numbers of courses to meet student needs.
      YES
      Comment: Multiple sections of each F course are offered each semester, including summer sessions.
   
   b. adequate support to manage the Foundations program
      NO
      Comment: The Foundations Board website has not been updated in several years. Multiple requests to Faculty Senate and Departments to decide and act on issues related to the Foundations Board and its procedures and requirements have gone unanswered.

   c. adequate budget for expenses related to the Foundations Board
      YES
      Comment: No expenses needed

4. There is an appropriate course designation and course renewal procedures.
   YES and NO
   Comment: YES, there are appropriate course designation procedures, which follow basic Foundations guidelines; NO, the course renewal procedures are in flux due to Curriculum Central.

5. There is an appropriate assessment of student learning outcomes and the use of the assessment results to improve educational effectiveness.
   YES
Comment: KCC has an SLO committee and assessment system in place. Disciplines are responsible for assessing their own courses for SLOs, improving effectiveness and making annual reports.

6. There is faculty training that is consistent with Foundations requirements. I DON'T THINK SO
Comment: I think individual faculty members who become responsible for renewing their courses for F designation are left to figure out how to do it by themselves.

II. Course Changes

7. List new course approved during current academic year.
NONE, but a request came from Hawaiian Studies for FG hallmarks for the purpose of proposing a new Hawaiian Studies course as FG.

8. List Foundations approved courses whose designation was terminated or changed:
NONE, yet.

9. List any Foundations approved courses that were renewed.
FW: ESL 100
FS: NONE
FG: HIST 151, 152

III. Other

10. Describe any significant issues regarding the Foundations process on your campus.
- Foundations at KCC continues to be a mystery, especially since moving completely to Curriculum Central. Faculty, including the Faculty Senate, don’t seem to see Foundations as a separate, important process from the regular campus curriculum review process. The Curriculum Committee doesn’t want the Foundations Board to be an integral part of the committee. Faculty Senate doesn’t want to make the Foundations Board a standing committee.
- The Foundations Board website is inaccurate and hasn’t been updated in a number of years, despite repeated requests, mainly because of resource issues. This issue may be resolved later this month when the new webmaster gets to Foundations in the queue of pages to renovate.
- Several FS courses still have not been renewed, including Math 115 and Math 135, despite repeated requests to do so.
11. Identify any issues for discussion for the System-wide Foundations board.

- How are Foundations Boards structured on your campuses?
- An issue came up this year when it was found that one section of Math 100 had been given a WI designation, which is inconsistent with the Multi-campus Agreement that F courses cannot have any other designation. The Math faculty have requested that this restriction be lifted for Math 100.
- Currently, Foundations approval comes first when renewing a course. What are your thoughts about Foundations renewal coming after the Curriculum renewal process?
- ESL 100 and ELI 100 are not accepted by some colleges as equivalent to ENG 100, although they share the exact same Hallmarks and the exact same competencies. Thoughts?