

## **Krebs Center for the Humanities: Workstream Status Report / October 2024**

The Implementation Task Force (ITF) workstream for the Krebs Center for the Humanities has held three meetings to date, with our next meeting to be held on Oct 30. Here's a high-level summary of our October progress to date:

October Meeting Highlights: The team reviewed the Krebs Center deliverables sourced from the ITF document and discussed several key initiatives:

1. **Common Read Program** (Deliverable 2)
  - Received initial feedback from the FIYS committee on past challenges
  - Discussed potential ways to develop a pilot “common read:”
    - Determine general feasibility and then specific feasibility for 2025
    - Connect possibility to larger Krebs Center Road Map (Deliverable 4)
    - Challenge of choosing appropriate text that respects the FIYS program
  - Discussed the overall value of a common read program and agreed that a program of this kind may be of potential value while acknowledging structural challenges to its advent.
2. **Krebs Center Ambassador Program** (Deliverables 3 and 1)
  - Discusses initial characteristics of the potential program
  - Identified need to:
    - Establish motivation for student participation
    - Identify student work and research opportunities in the Krebs Center
3. **Research and Internship Opportunities**
  - Discussed humanities-based (Richter-like) research projects
  - Discussed the value of Krebs internships that might also enable skill-building

### Personnel Updates

- Aldo Guzman has moved to another workstream; Campus Life is seeking a new member for the task force

### Next Steps

- Participants to complete a survey of their ideas before 10/30 meeting
- Begin drafting text for initial deliverables

The Krebs workstream remains committed to thoughtful planning and shared dialogue as we move forward with these concepts. All ideas are in preliminary stages and require further consultation with various stakeholders across campus.

