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General Education Council Minutes
November 19, 2004

Members Present: D. Bloomquist, T. Dasta, J. Douglas, B. Edwards, H. Gibson, J. Glover, Y. Hulvey, B. Korner, J. Leavey, A. McCollough (Chair), L. O'Sickey, J. Wilson

Discussion:

The Council's International/Diversity proposal was voted down by the Faculty Senate, November 19th with a 37 to 35 vote. The 2nd proposal was tabled. In reviewing the courses most often used by students to fulfill the I/D requirement, about 1/3 took coursework with no obvious international content, 1/3 no diversity, and 1/3 a mix of I/D coursework. The Council will continue to consider ways to improve the exposure of both international and diversity topics to students, perhaps via a less "radical" proposal. Two university faculty have volunteered assistance to the Council.

The General Education section of the Graduating Senior Survey was distributed.

Material on the Academic Profile test administered by ETS was distributed for consideration by the Council, assuming the University could ask the Council to certify student competence in critical thinking and communication. At this time the University is considering using the CLAST exam as a benchmark. The current ALC draft and CLAST material will be distributed for the Council to compare CLAST/ETS and prepare an opinion for University Administration.

Courses: Old Business

GEB3213, Professional Writing in Business, C, E6, approved, effective Spring 05.

Courses: New Business

MEL5011, Introduction to the Professions of Medicine, H or S, I, E4, denied. Petitioner may provide additional information for consideration at future meeting.

RUT3442, The Endless Steppe, HI, approved, effective Spring 2005.

RTV3101, Advanced Writing for the Electronic Media, E6, approved, effective Spring 2005.

SOS2007, World of Water, P, tabled for consideration at next meeting.

Student Petitions

Petitions for Writing Requirement (PSY4930 and PCO2714) were received. The instructor will be invited to Council to discuss.

Next meeting: December 10, 2004.

