

General Education Committee Meeting

May 2, 2014

Meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m.

Present: Bernard Mair, Creed Greer, Elif Akcali, Timothy Brophy, Eva Czarnecka, Suzanne Colvin, Sid Dobrin, Christopher Hass, David Julian, John Krigbaum, Tanya Koropecyj-Cox, John Palmer, Alison Reynolds, Vicki Sarajedini, Brenda Smith, Bethany Taylor and Joshua Williams

Absent: Shannon Cochrane, Andy Ogram and Lynn O’Sickey

Executive Secretary: Ann Greene

1. Minutes from April 4th meeting were approved with the following corrections:

- Item #2 ECO 2013- second sentence-insert “ suggested that these requirements could be met by including a paper”
- Item #8 Preliminary Report-delete-everything after the second sentence

Minutes from April 17th meeting were approved with the following corrections:

- Item #2 Grand Challenge Core-second paragraph-insert “by the administration” after chosen in the last sentence.
- Item #2 Grand Challenge Core-third paragraph-replace “should” with “will” in the first sentence, then delete the second sentence

2. Courses for Review

Course#	Title	Current GE & WR	Request	Status
AMH 2020	United States History since 1877	H	S	Denied
CLA 3405	Gender and Sexuality in the Ancient World	H	E6	Recycle

AMH 2020 *United States History since 1877*, Denied. The syllabus needs to conform to the UF and the General Education Syllabus Policy. The explanation of how the course meets the Social Science (S) designation cannot presume that history is a social science; it must make the case that this history course meets the (S) designation.

The committee had concerns that three of the books for the required reading are fiction and the main historical text is listed as recommended instead of required. Tanya Koropecyj-Cox and John Krigbaum will offer to help the department revise the syllabus.

CLA 3405 *Gender and Sexuality in the Ancient World*, Recycled. The syllabus needs to include a verbatim statement of the general education objectives for the Humanities designation area, and a writing rubric. The author’s name on the writing handbook is misspelled; also the syllabus needs to be checked for typographical errors.

3. Syllabus Checklist

The General Education syllabus checklist should include the requirements listed in the General Education Course Syllabus Policy.

For Writing Requirement courses, the syllabus checklist should include the following requirements:

- a writing assessment rubric ([sample rubric](#)) or detailed explanation of the evaluation criteria for written documents
- information on, or a link to, the university's Writing Studio (www.writing.ufl.edu);
- a recommendation of a writing or style manual.

4. Gen Ed Assessment Sub-Committee Report

The committee approved the assessment report that David Julian presented to the committee.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00a.m.