

General Education Committee

December 18, 2009 @ 9:30

Tigert Hall - Room 229

Attendees: Heather Gibson, Creed Greer, David Julian, Mark Meisel, Gail Mitchell, Andy Ogram, Joseph Wilson, Robert Thomson and Andy McCollough Co-Chairs; Leslee Stark –Coordinator

1. Co-Chair Robert Thomson reported activity of the Academic Policy Council’s monthly meeting. Although the items discussed do not generally have direct impact on the General Education Committee it is important to stay informed as to the discussion items of this group.
2. Co-Chair Andy McCollough discussed the Faculty Senate meeting held this month. One item of interest to the committee was the approval for the General Education Committee composition. The selection of eight (8) presidential appointees and eight (8) senate appointees was initiated in 2007 on a trial basis. The Committee’s oversight divided by two co-chairs one appointed, one nominated by the Committee will continue along with now including two non-voting student members to sit on the Committee.
3. Once again an updated syllabus for the newly created University Humanities course was distributed. The spring offering of *IDH3931: What is the Good Life* will be one section offered on a trial basis prior to fall offering of three sections with potential enrollment of 600 students.
4. The College of Fine Arts submitted a Memorandum requesting all undergraduate students be required to take at least three (3) credits of their nine (9) Humanities general education curriculum in the Fine arts discipline. The Committee discussed the proposal but will vote at the first spring meeting.
5. There was some concern about the attendance and the requirement for quorum to take action. After further discussion amongst the members present, it was determined a sub-committee would be formed to allow review of the current operational practices of the Committee and recommend new or different “rules of order”.
6. The meeting concluded with a review of courses requesting General Education.

Course#	Title	Current GE & GR	Request	Approve/Deny
WST 2611	Humanities Perspective on Gender and Sexuality	None	D, H,	Approved
WST 2612	Social Science Perspective on Gender and Sexuality	None	D, S,	Tabled for more details on readings & assignments

Meeting concluded @ 10:35.