

General Education Committee Meeting

January 10, 2014

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

Present: Bernard Mair, Creed Greer, Elif Akcali, Shannon Cochrane, Eva Czarnecka, Christopher Hass, David Julian, John Palmer, Alison Reynolds, Vicki Sarajedini, Brenda Smith, Bethany Taylor and Joshua Williams

Absent: Timothy Brophy, Suzanne Colvin, Sid Dobrin, Tanya Koropecykj-Cox, John Krigbaum, Andy Ogram, and Lynn O’Sickey

Executive Secretary: Ann Greene

1. Minutes from November 15th meeting were approved
2. Comments from December 6th Group meeting were approved with the following corrections:

- Change name from Committee Meeting to Group Meeting
- Item NSC 1140 in course review section-delete the 3rd paragraph
- Item NSC 1140 in the second paragraph, the last sentence-delete the word “be”

3. Department of Statistics M/MR Course Deletes

The General Education Committee approved the request from the Department of Statistics to remove the General Education of Math (M) from STA 3024, STA 4210, STA 4222, STA 4321, STA 4322, STA 4211, STA 4821, STA 4905, and STA 4930, effective Summer B 2014.

4. Courses for Review

Course#	Title	Current GE & WR	Request	Status
AFA 3332	Black Feminist & Womanist Theory	E6	D, H, S	Denied
ANT 3478	Global Health Cultures	NONE	S, N	Recycle
NSC 1140	Sea Power and Maritime Affairs	NONE	E2	Denied

AFA 3332 *Black Feminist & Womanist Theory*, Denied. It was not clear that the course met all the requested designations. In order to clarify which designations would be appropriate, the committee requests clarification to be included in the syllabus as follows.

The syllabus needs to include a verbatim statement of the general education objectives for the relevant program area, a verbatim statement of the General Education Student Learning Outcomes, a recommendation of a writing or style manual and a link to the university’s Writing Studio.

Remove *Gordon Rule* references from the syllabus and replace with *Writing Requirement*. The course does not meet the word requirement for the E6 designation because term paper proposals and exams do not count.

ANT 3478 *Global Health Cultures*, Recycled. The syllabus needs to include a verbatim statement of the general education objectives for the relevant program area and a verbatim statement of the General Education Student Learning Outcomes.

NSC 1140 *Sea Power and Maritime Affairs*, Denied. The syllabus needs to include a statement or statements indicating that the instructor will evaluate and provide feedback on the student's written assignments with respect to grammar, punctuation, clarity, coherence, and organization. Information on, or a link to, the university's Writing Studio. A writing assessment rubric or detailed explanation of the evaluation criteria for written documents (see example provided on website).

Remove *Gordon Rule* references from the syllabus and replace with *Writing Requirement*. Attendance policy - prior approval cannot be required for all absences. Disability statement does not conform to UF standards.

5. Program Areas and Policy Changes

The committee approved to separate the General Education Biological (B) and Physical Sciences (P) Program Areas Objectives to make them two distinct areas. The committee also approved to add the words "a verbatim statement" to number 1 and number 3 in the Syllabus Policy.

6. Recertification of Courses

Reports were turned in and compiled into one pdf, distributed to the committee and will be discussed at the meetings in February 2014.

7. Status on Statewide Core

Time did not allow for the committee to discuss this item.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00a.m.