

General Education Committee Meeting

May 6th , 2016

Meeting was called to order at 8:30am

Present: Czarnecka-Verner, Eva; Hass, Christopher; Julian, David; Koropecykj-Cox, Tanya; Krigbaum, John; Lindner, Angela(chair); O’Sickey, Lynn; Radunovich, Heidi; Rea, Jennifer; Reynolds, Alison (co-chair); Sarajedini, Vicki Smith, Brenda

Absent: Akcali, Elif; Bowers, Clifford; Butler, Emily; Brophy, Timothy; Cochrane, Shannon; Colon, Elayne; Greer, Creed; Palmer, John; Parlette, Brianna; Poceski, Mario;

Guest: Griffith, Casey;

1. Approval of draft minutes from [April 1st](#), meeting

- Committee member provided corrections to be included in approved minutes.

2. Update from the Assessment Sub-Committee: David Julian

- From “Meeting Summary” document:

Path forward: Departmental representatives for SYG 2000 and ANT 2000 will work with specific subcommittee members to incorporate assessment efforts into their courses.

SYG 2000 presents specific challenges because there is currently no systematic coordination among the different sections, which are taught by multiple faculty members and 18 or more TAs, each of whom has autonomy in the course content.

ANT 2000 is being revised by Dr. Ken Sassaman, including the creation of an online version, with much of the effort scheduled to occur this summer. Dr. Sassaman is enthusiastic about including GE SLO’s assessment into the course structure. He will work with Dr. Brophy and Dr. Jennifer Smith for both the online and on campus offerings.

AST 1002- Update from Dr. Sarajedini and Dr. Hass:

- Creating a rubric for signature assignments with the use of feedback to revise assignment questions and critical thinking questions.
- Plan: Mastery will be assessed via a point threshold for each set of questions
 - Will Import to Canvas: request to set up each section
 - Should provide useful data
 - 10-20% of the grade will be derived from critical thinking content (exams)
 - Until there is a direct method in Canvas for the GEC to obtain the assessment results, the instructors can download scores to Excel spreadsheets for the GEC.

ARH 2000-Update from Dr. Colón:

- Has been working with Dr. Pam Brekka.
- Have begun setting Mastery outcomes
 - Creating ‘roadmaps’ as examples
 - Will be able to list point values, but not broken down by assignment
 - Critical thinking and communication may best be articulated ‘on paper’ as opposed to Canvas

SERU: Reviewed variables and Questions in table (available from Dr. Julian)

- Able to look at differences/changes between question 1 and question 2 of pertinent SERU questions, and variance.
- Amount of information seems sufficient for subcommittee and GEC needs
- Major Point: GEC may need to address preview advisors discussion and perception of Gen Ed courses, and the manner in which the program is relayed to students
- SERU needs to be reviewed further when sub-committee resumes its activity.

Future of Committee

- Multiple members will be rotating off of GEC or unable to continue on sub-committee. Will need to be re-populated in Fall.

3. Information Item:

- **INR 2001**: Introduction to International Relations: request for removal of General Education designations from course was mistakenly submitted under wrong form.
Request Denied
- **Remove GE/WR from the following courses:**

Course #	Title	Current	Remove
WST 3335	Women and Gender Analysis through Film	C, D, H, WR2	C
MUL 2010	Experiencing Music	H, I, WR	WR
PHH 3400	Modern Philosophy	H, N,	N
PHH 3100	Ancient Greek Philosophy	H	N, WR4
PHH 4930	Seminar in a Major Philosopher	H	H
PHH 4644	Continental Philosophy	H	H
PHP 4784	Analytic (Continental) Philosophy	H	H

PHM 4440	Philosophy of Law	H	H
PHI 4662	Ethical Theory 1	H	H
PHI 4220	Philosophy of Language	H	H
PHI 4320	Philosophy of Mind	H	H
PHI 3930	Special Topics	H	H

- **All Approved**, department/college housekeeping

4. Courses for review:

	Course #	Title	Request	Status
1.	ANS 2XXX	The Role of Animals in Human History	S	Tabled
2.	PHM 3600	Philosophy of Education	H	Conditionally Approved
3.	PHM 3127	Race and Philosophy	H, D	Recycled
4.	PHI 3695	Philosophy and Death	H	Approved
5.	PHH 3111	Ancient Ethical and Political Thought	H	Approved
6.	IDS 4930	People and Big Data	S, N (Temporary)	Approved

ANS 2XXX – The Role of Animals in Human History

- Request must be submitted to UCC (and approved) before GEC may review
- **Tabled (Cannot vote)**

PHM 3600 – Philosophy of Education (H)

- Preliminary comments/review were very helpful in revising this (and other requests) – Department Representative
- Please provide rubric for all elements
- Does not include exams, but this is the norm for philosophy courses
- Minor fixes to phrasing
- SLO's addressed very well
- **Conditionally Approved**

PHM 3127 – Race and Philosophy (H, D)

- Plagiarism policy needs to be addressed
- Concerns about D designation
 - Regarding North America
 - Needs to be more critically addressed
 - Clarify how both D and H fit within context/content of the course
 - Clarity on required course materials
- **Recycled**

PHM 3695 - Philosophy and Death (H)

- Committee comments were addressed prior to meeting
- **Approved**

PHH 3111 – Ancient, ethical, and Political Thought (H)

- Include titles for topics
- **Approved**

IDS 4930 - People and Big Data (S, N)

- Part of UF CORE
- Questions regarding International (N) aspect; should this be topic specific or broadly included over multiple countries/topics/examples/etc?
- **Approved for temporary**