

General Education Committee Minutes

March 18, 2011

Meeting was called to order at 2:00pm

Members Present: Fiona Barnes, Barbara Curbow, Melissa Johnson, David Julian, John Krigbaum, Mark Meisel, Andrew Ogram, Lynn O' Sickey, Morgan Pigg, Brenda Smith,

Co-Chairs: Bernard Mair and Robert Thomson

Guest: Professor Trysh Travis

Administrative Assistant: Arlene Tabag

1. Dr. Mair opened the meeting.
2. **Minutes** from the February 11th meeting were approved.
3. **Course review:**
REL 2166 *Religion and the Environmental Crisis*, Denied H, N. The syllabus needs to include more information on how the course satisfies the requirements for the Humanities and International designation.

REL 2315 *Religions of Asia*, Approved adding E2.

AEB 3169 *Religion and Environmental Movements in the Global South*, Denied H, N. The syllabus needs to include more information on how the course satisfies the requirements for the Humanities and International designation.

REL 3938 *Religion and Food*, Denied H, N, E2. The syllabus lacks information for a decision to be based on; it needs to be more explicit in details on the Humanities, International components and the E2 writing Requirement designation.

WIS 2040 *Wildlife Issues in a Changing World*, Denied adding N. The description in the syllabus does not indicate that the course meets the requirements for the International designation, especially in the area of examining cultural differences.

WST 3930 *Social & Cultural Dimensions of Women's Well-being*, Approved S. Denied D. The syllabus description and course schedule do not indicated that the course meets the requirements for the Diversity designation, especially in the areas of cultural and diversity.

4. **Proposed Admendment of the General Education Membership:**
Dr. Mair presented the proposed amendment of the Gen Ed committee currently operates. He reported that the Senate has approved the proposal in principle but are fine tuning the language to their exact specifications. Dr. Thomson agreed to remain as co-Chair for the

rest of the year. The committee agreed to implement the proposed structure next year even if it was not approved by the Senate.

5. UF Writing Requirement Guidelines:

The UF Writing Requirement Guidelines document was adopted.

Meeting adjourned at 3:10pm