

General Education Committee Meeting

Dec. 2nd, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 9:00am

Present: Akcali, Elif; Bowers, Clifford; Butler, Emily; Colon, Elayne; Currin, Elizabeth; Czarnecka-Verner, Eva; George, Andree; Greer, Creed; Jacobs, Mathew; Krigbaum, John; Lindner, Angela (chair); O'Sickey, Lynn; Rea, Jennifer; Reynolds, Alison (co-chair); Smith, Brenda

Absent: Anderson, Camden; Brophy, Timothy; Brewster, Leigh-Anne; Craig, Cindy; Koropecykj-Cox, Tanya; Poceski, Mario; Radunovich, Heidi

Guest: Adjeumo, Vincent; Griffith, Casey; Shorey, Tobin

1. Welcome
2. Approval of draft minutes from [November 7th, 2016](#) meeting
3. Sub-Committee Updates (moved from November meeting):
 - Assessment:
 - i. Review of Fall 2016 Semester efforts and GEPAS recommendations for assessment in Spring 2017
 - ii. GEC to discuss Mastery Scale at future date
 - iii. See documents. Dr. Czarnecka will send out specific questions through the list serv.
 - Academic Standards of Excellence Sub-Committee:
 - i. Committee discussion/vote on draft statement
 - ii. [Draft Statement](#)
 - iii. Committee Comments:

1. Revise: “GE content be demonstrated throughout the semester”
Consider: “content delivered over course of whole semester”
 2. May not be a standard of excellence; possibly will be a minimum requirement.
 3. Paragraph under ‘Standards’ needs to be inclusive of online offerings.
 4. Reading should be appropriate to course level.
 5. Should address level of course rather than ‘who’ takes the course.
 6. Strike out ‘Strategies’ in the first paragraph.
- iv. Motion to revise language and revisit policy in January Meeting.
- International/Diversity Sub-Committee Update
 - i. Sub-committee strongly feels that N & D need to remain part of General Education. Students should have at least one course in each area.
 - ii. Will be meeting to draft new language and refine definitions currently in use.
 - iii. Have pulled all courses which currently have an N or D designation.
 - iv. Reviewing old and new courses, looking for exemplars and issue courses.
4. General Education & Writing Requirements with Rotating Topics
- Dr. Shorey
 - i. [Current Practice](#)
 - ii. [Questions for Consideration](#)
 - iii. (item moved to January meeting)

5. Courses for review:

	Course #	Title	Request	Status
1.	AFA 3350	Black Masculinity	D, H, E6	Approved
2.	IUF 2100	Climate Changes Science & Solutions	N	Tabled
3.	ANT 3420	Consumer Culture	S	Approved
4.	ART 1010C	The Humanities and Social Change	Temp: H, D	Tabled
5.	HBT 3233	Israeli History and the Contemporary Novel	H, N, E6	Approved H only

AFA3350 Black Masculinity

- **Requesting D, H, and WR 6000 words**
- Submitter addressed previous committee comments and uploaded updated documents.
- **Approved D, H and WR 6000**

IUF2100 Climate Change Science and Solutions

- **Requesting N, in addition to current P**
- Instructor will be meeting with Dr. Lindner and staff to discuss submission
- **Tabled** till January meeting.

ANT3420 Consumer Culture

- **Requesting S**
- Course is currently being taught
- **Approved for S**

ART1010C Non-Major Photography: Imaging Society, Culture and Diversity in the United States

- **Requesting H & D**

- Committee member (J. Rea) will be working with submitter to address previous committee concerns.
- **Tabled till January meeting.**

HBT3233 Israeli History and the Contemporary Novel

- **Requesting H, N, E6**
 - Words requirement is not met; abstract and short response papers may not count for words requirement. An additional statement is required in order for these assessments to count for word requirements.
 - International designation is not met under current definition.
 - **Denied for N and E6**
 - **Approved for H**
6. General Committee questions and discussions for later date:
- Should there be a limit on the number of times a syllabus can be addressed by the GEC?
 - Recommend having future discussions about performance courses.