

General Education Committee Meeting

303C DeVos

Minutes of 1/27/2020

PRESENT: Brian Drake; Gabriele Gottlieb, Chair; Maya Hobscheid; David Laughlin; Kimberly Lohr; Dennis Malaret; Emily Nichols; Linda Pickett; Amy Stolley;

ALSO PRESENT: C. "Griff" Griffin, Director, General Education; Ellen Schendel, AVP of Academic Affairs; Jennifer Cathey, General Education Office Coordinator

NOT PRESENT: Abdullah Alrebh; Erika Bailey; Brian Bowdle; Dori Danko; Shirley Fleischmann; Keith Oliver; Patrick Thorpe

Consent Agenda

- Approval of today's agenda
- Approval of minutes 1/13/19

Old Business

- Discussion of Teaching Handouts for Skills
Action Taken: L. Pickett moved to approve the Information Literacy handout. K. Lohr 2nd. Motion carries 10-0.

Curriculum

- ANT 375: Language, Identity, and Diversity (Log# 10785) – Add to U.S. Diversity and Issues-Identity
Action Taken: B. Drake moved to approve with a suggestion to how they assess Problem Solving. A. Stolley 2nd. Motion carries 8-0.
- LS 201: Laws in Our Lives (Log# 10876) – Add to Social and Behavior Sciences
Amendment: Change back to Social and Behavioral Sciences and remove group project from Information Literacy and Ethical Reasoning.
Action Taken: K. Lohr moved to ask for amendment as discussed. B. Drake 2nd. Motion carries 10-0. Amendment to be returned to Chair.
- GSI 380: Global Climate Justice – Special Topics to be added to Issues – Identity
Action Taken: A. Stolley moved to approve with addition of Junior standing prerequisite. L. Pickett 2nd. Motion carries 10-0.

Chair's Report – CAR Feedback. Groups assignments will be sent out soon. There will be groups of 3 so that more than one person is looking at each CAR. General reminders:

- Write comments on each rubric.
- Do not change the formatting on the rubric.
- Write your CAR review directed at the CAR author as the audience, not the GEC Chair.
- Use complete sentences, proper spelling, and choose your words carefully.
- Be sure to highlight if the course is Approved, Approved with Concerns, or Rejected.
- Save the file with the course number FIRST.
- When complete, move them into the appropriate Google Drive Folder. The folders are CAR is Acceptable, Approved with Concerns, CAR needs GEC Review, and CAR is Rejected.

COM 201 – We rejected a speech course that was proposed for Foundation – Arts. There is not a GE category that the course will fit in to. Member suggested having it offered as a 1-credit course because students are always looking for 1-credit courses to fill their schedule.

Members think there should be a GE policy that all GE courses need to be at least 3 credits. Chair thinks that the new bundled courses should also have to a policy stating they must have the same GE skills outcomes. Director stated that we could give each one credit course one skills to teach and assess.

Policies

FOUNDATIONS

1. All courses must be 3 or more credits.
2. If courses with fewer credits are bundled together to fulfill a Foundation requirement, all courses must teach the same skills associated with the category.

CULTURES and ISSUES

1. All courses must be 3 or more credits.

Action Taken: K. Lohr moved to create the two policies as discussed. E. Nichols 2nd. Motion carries 9-0-1.

Director's Report – None

Adjournment – 4:32 p.m.