

General Education Committee Meeting

Zoom

Minutes of 1/24/2022

PRESENT: Robert Adams, Chair; Heather Chappell; Phyllis Curtiss; Brian Drake; Gabriele Gottlieb; Maya Hobscheid; Leon Lou; Dennis Malaret; Emily Nichols; Robert Rozema; Patrick Thorpe

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

NOT PRESENT: Dori Danko; Rajvardhan Patil; Linda Pickett (participating via email due to class commitment); Chad Sutcliffe

Consent Agenda

- Approval of today's agenda
- Approval of minutes 1/10/22

Chair's Report – All units in U.S. Diversity have agreed to the changes. Abdullah has resigned due to other obligations. There are currently no back-ups so CLAS is working on finding a replacement.

Provost's Report – Provost candidates have been on campus last week and this week. The presentation videos are on the provost search website. There is a survey to provide feedback.

Director's Report – The creative thinking group met last week. The group will think about what they want to do and to propose to GEC. They will next meet on February 4.

Old Business

- Continue discussion on Historical Perspectives
The group has been working to revise the category. They should have something to give to GEC for the next meeting.
- Sail form updates
Members discussed how they can make the SAIL form clearer.
- Continue discussion on Global Perspectives
Members reviewed the revisions made to the description of Global Perspectives. The final description is:
These courses are meant to help you understand the perspectives and ways of life of people in societies located primarily outside of the United States. Courses in this designation provide you with a basis for understanding and interpreting the variety of world cultures, institutions, societies, and challenges (e.g. discrimination, racism, inequality, environmental issues, poverty).
Action Taken: G. Gottlieb moved to approve with the changes. R. Rozema 2nd. Motion carries 11-0.

Curriculum

- SOC 360: Social Psychology: Sociology's View (Log# 11715) – Add to Issues-Health
Action Taken: P. Thorpe moved to ask for amendment as discussed. G. Gottlieb 2nd. Motion carries (9-0-2). Amendment to be returned to Chair.

Adjournment – 4:28 p.m.