

GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Minutes for Thursday, April 28th

2:00pm-3:45pm, AC 229

Voting Members: Sara McKinnon, A Joe Ritchie, Karen Robinson

Nonvoting Members: Sheldon Carroll, Cari Torres

Guests: None

Chairperson: Dave King

Action Items

1. Minutes from March 24th
 - a. The committee approved the minutes form March 24th with minor amendments. All voting members voted yes except for Karen Robinson, who abstained.

Discussion Items

1. Report from the Academic Senate
 - a. Sara McKinnon and Karen Robinson reported on the Academic Senate's discussion of adding STAT 106 as an option for satisfying the math graduation requirement. The Senate will vote on this item at their next meeting.
2. COM GE Review Process
 - a. The committee outlined the workflow for COM GE proposals.
 - 1) Either after being recommended for approval by the Curriculum Committee or during technical review, representatives from the GE Committee would review the course outlines for record and accompanying COM GE proposal form.
 - 2) The following types of courses would be reviewed:
 - new courses seeking local GE designation
 - revised courses with local GE changes or additions
 - revised courses with no GE changes or additions that are being revised for currency

- 3) Courses seeking new CSU Breadth or IGETC designations would be flagged for OIM to pursue articulation after the course outlines are approved by the Board of Trustees.
 - 4) New courses seeking local GE designation would be reviewed locally by the GE Committee without waiting for CSU Breadth and/or IGETC review. Revised courses that already have CSU Breadth and/or IGETC designation would automatically be designated for the COM GE pattern if applicable.
- b. The committee outlined the GE proposal form for courses that will require GE Committee review. The form would include two components:
- 1) GE Area Outcome and Course Student Learning Outcome Matrix. Faculty would identify to which GE Area outcomes from the course catalog the course's SLOs correspond.
 - 2) Narrative Rationale. Faculty would write a short narrative rationale responding to a prompt, such as: "Please explain how the breadth and scope of the course content and assignments meet the description and outcomes of the relevant COM GE area(s)." Here, faculty would explain how the course is appropriate for the general education pattern.
- c. The committee discussed the vital role CurricuNET will play in the new GE review process. Thus far, the GE Committee has not been involved in the CurricuNET development process. Dave King will work with Cari Torres to ensure that this system is built into CurricuNET and to clarify the implementation plan for CurricuNET. This work will likely continue into the next academic year.
3. GE Committee Website
- a. Dave King described the new GE Committee website and encouraged suggestions for adding content. The website is here: <http://www.marin.edu/senate/GEC/>
4. GE Committee Meeting Schedule for Fall 2016
- a. The committee deferred scheduling next semester's meetings.