

GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, April 13th

2:30pm-3:45pm

Attendees

Chairperson: Dave King

Voting Membership: Becky Brown, Sarah Frye, Sara McKinnon, Susan Rahman, A Joe Ritchie, Karen Robinson

Guest: Nancy Willet

Absentees

Voting Membership: Paul Cheney, Gina Cullen, Jessica Park

Nonvoting Membership: Sheldon Carroll, Cari Torres

Action Items

1. Agenda
 - a. Karen Robinson motioned to approve the agenda. Susan Rahman seconded.
 - b. The committee approved the agenda.
2. Minutes from March 16th meeting
 - a. A Joe Ritchie motioned to approve the minutes. Susan Rahman seconded.
 - b. The minutes were approved with a minor amendment to the date in 3a.

Discussion Items

1. CurricuNET Update
 - a. No update.
2. COM GE List Housekeeping
 - a. A Joe Ritchie distributed the most recent document that identifies GE-designated courses that have not been taught within the past five years. Dave King described his annotations to the list, which flag potentially irrelevant entries, such as DE courses, deactivated courses, courses with inaccurate GE designations in the databases, and new courses that have not yet been offered.
 - b. The committee discussed the list, including several examples on the list that were courses that should likely be deactivated or deleted since there is no intention and/or resources to teach some of the courses.

- c. The committee also discussed the particular difficulties analyzing Area H, since all degree-applicable Dance and Kinesiology courses satisfy the requirement. Karen Robinson helped clarify many of the courses in Area H. The committee will continue discussing this area.
 - d. The committee developed a plan to work with departments to determine whether or not action should be taken on the courses.
 - 1. Dave will revise and distribute a shorter list to the GE Committee that only includes the active, properly designated GE courses that have not been taught in five years. The GEC will vet the list.
 - 2. Dave will report to Department Chairs and bring to their attention the courses on the list. The GEC will recommend that department chairs work with their departments to determine one of the following courses of action: 1) delete the course, 2) deactivate the course, 3) take the course off the GE list but keep it active, or 4) keep the course active and on the GE list with the intention of teaching it.
 - 3. Departments will determine their course of action and inform the committee of their intent during the fall semester. The target date was tentatively set for November 1st, so any deletions, deactivations, or changes to the GE list would have time to make it into the Fall 2018-29 Catalog.
3. Computer Literacy/Lifelong Learning and COM GE
- a. This discussion was deferred to a future meeting.
4. Next Meeting
- a. The committee scheduled the next meeting for Thursday, May 11th from 2:30pm to 3:45pm in AC 229.