

Minutes
Council on General Education
February 4, 2010
3:30 p.m. Algonquin Room, University Union

Attendees: Diana Allen, Steve Bennett, Safoura Boukari, Amy Brock, David Casagrande, Jongnam Choi, Sean Cordes, Judi Dallinger, David Haugen, John Hemingway, Doug Huff, Candace McLaughlin, John Miller, Jim Schmidt, Cynthia Struthers. Guests: Ginny Boynton, Virginia Leonard, Richard Filipink

Agenda

- I. **Approval of minutes from the last meeting**
The minutes from December 2009 were approved
- II. **Announcements**
 - A. **Welcome new CGE members for the Spring 2010 semester**
Welcomed our new members, some returning again
 - B. **Writing in General Education Tele-STARS message was sent on 1-19-10**
This statement regarding the criteria and writing expectations for Gen Ed course was distributed and we are waiting for responses and any questions
 - C. **Update on Gen. Ed. transfer credit requests**
This was distributed for review and we are awaiting responses to determine if the requirements are met.
- III. **Consideration of HIST 340: Latin America to 1860 for inclusion in the Multicultural Studies Category of the University General Education Curriculum**
The 340 will be taught in fall semester. The old form was used, but we found assessment goals embedded in the document. The course was approved by the Council.
- IV. **Update on the Writing in General Education Tele-STARS survey**
The new survey is up and working. One question was added to determine how often writing is done in courses where writing is performed. A question remains about how the form can handle multiple large classes when one class section is FYE. David Casagrande will check with Tere North on this.
- V. **Go Over most recent revision of the “Request for Inclusion in General Education” form**
Steve highlighted the changes we proposed last time. The changes are accepted, we will post the new form so it is the only version available.
- VI. **Formalize process for assigning/approving assessment plans for new Gen. Ed. Courses**
Judi and Annette are looking for examples of previously approved assessment forms.
A line will be added to the Assessment of Student Learning in General Education form so after approval the 2 goals will be assigned and added to this.

- VII. **Develop a timeline for implementation of our existing Gen. Ed. assessment plan (subcommittee)**
There is still some confusion about what to turn in and when to turn it in and in what cycle. When we get the data set, the goal is to look for trends in each category to make sure all assigned outcomes are being assessed.
- VIII. **Other** – We are waiting to see how the idea of interpreting goals or goals for all sections is addressed by department. CAGAS approved new policy regarding upper division credits for transfer students. Some come in with 60 hours but in some cases there are not enough upper division credits to achieve the degree requirements, this pushes these students over the 120 credit requirement. The issue is now in the senate. One idea is that there be more upper division Gen Ed courses.

Next Meeting: 3:30 p.m., Thursday, February 18, 2010, Algonquin Room