

General Education Council
Minutes
October 27, 2014
PAC 493
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Present:
Heather Dell
Pamela Salela
Anibal Maximiliano Sanchez
Steven Schnebly
Mark Wrighton
Karen Moranski
Lucia Vazquez

Absent:
Kenneth Owen

- I. Approval of Minutes of September 29, 2014 and October 13, 2014
The minutes were approved by consensus.
- II. Student Petition
Waive 6 hours of ECCE Global Awareness credit on the basis of courses taken in a prior bachelor's degree. The student has more than 6 hours of unused credit towards the prior degree.

ACTION: Waiver was approved by Council.

III. Approval of Courses

- A. COM 478: Communicating About Race – **U.S. Communities** – change in description.

Council was waiting for e-mail stating whether or not this course was changed as well as the description. See COM 478 e-mail response to GECO posted on BOX; US. Communities.

ACTION: Course did not change so the description change has been approved by consensus.

- B. HIS 348: U.S. Slavery and Abolition – 2nd Reading **U.S. Communities**

This course was approved on September 29 contingent upon interdisciplinarity and communities being specified in the syllabus. They were listed in the rationale but Council would like to see them in the syllabus. Revised syllabus posted on BOX for comparison.

ACTION: This course has been approved by consensus.

C. SOA 490: ECCE: Undergraduate Research – 2nd Reading –
Engagement Experience

This course was sent back to clarify inconsistency on presentations and/or publication. Council is requesting a 2 hour workshop with a librarian. Updated syllabus is posted for comparison.

ACTION: This course has been approved by consensus.

D. SOA 426: ECCE: Teen Talk: Culture and Adolescence – 2nd Reading
U.S. Communities

This course was sent back in order to specify what communities are addressed and include more explicit language about interdisciplinarity. An updated syllabus is posted with changes in bold purple; the introduction includes more on interdisciplinarity, and the materials list includes information regarding race, ethnicity, class, and gender of the primary character(s).

ACTION: This course has been approved by consensus.

E. BIO 204: Introduction to Concepts of Human Physiology – new course 1st Reading – **Life Science with Lab**

ACTION: This course is not needed until fall, 2015 so has been kicked back in order for readings to be attached to the schedule. Karen and Heather will speak to Richard Pamerter regarding what is needed in this proposal.

F. BIO 205: Introduction to Human Anatomy – new course 1st Reading – **Life Science with Lab**

ACTION: This course is not needed until fall, 2015 so has been kicked back in order for readings to be attached to the schedule. Karen and Heather will speak to Richard Pamerter regarding what is needed in this proposal.

- IV. G. HIS 454: ECCE: The History of the Family – Existing course requesting ECCE **U.S. Communities** – 1st Reading

ACTION: This course lacks interdisciplinarity. The consensus was to kick it back and Steve Schnebly will work with Holly Kent on this issue.

- H. HIS 456: ECCE: Rebels and Revolutionaries: Women's Activism in the U.S. – new course, 1st Reading – **U.S. Communities**

ACTION: This course was approved by consensus.

- V. Courses holding for revision

BIO 201 AND 202 – Basics of Human Anatomy & Physiology I and II – 2nd Reading – **Life Science with Lab**

ACTION: These courses are not needed until fall, 2015 so have been kicked back in order for readings to be attached to the schedule. Karen and Heather will speak to Richard Pamerter regarding what is needed in this proposal.

- VI. Next meeting

- A. Review of SOA 325: ECCE: Latina/o USA – 1st reading – U.S. Communities
- B. Speaker Series Mission
- C. Approval of 3-4 hour coursework
- D. Update on Language Proposals
- E. Global Awareness Retreat – November 14