

General Education Council
Minutes
March 9, 2015
PAC 493
10:00 am – 11:30 am

Present:

Heather Dell
Pamela Salela
Steve Schnebly
Lucia Vazquez
Ronda Mitchell
Kenneth Owen
Elizabeth Kosmetatou
Anibal Maximiliano Sanchez
Karen Moranski
Deb Ply

Absent:

Mark Wrighton

I. Approval of minutes from February 23, 2015

ACTION: Elizabeth Kosmetatou motioned to accept the minutes, Ken Owen seconded the motion. There was approval with 6 yeas with 1 abstention.

II. Notifications and approval of course changes

A. UNI 460: ECCE: Global Experience Seminar – Existing Engagement Experience and Global Awareness course requesting change in credit hours. Currently it is 4 to 12; requesting change to 3 to 12. – Summer, 2015

ACTION: Invite Jonathan GoldbergBelle to explain to the committee how the study abroad/global experience course works. By consensus UNI 460 has been approved to change credit hours to 3-12.

B. SOA 231: ECCE: Introduction to Race & Ethnicity in the US – existing U.S. Communities course requesting a change in title. Currently called ECCE: Cultural Diversity in the US. – Fall, 2015

ACTION: By consensus SOA 231 has been approved to change the title to ECCE: Introduction to Race & Ethnicity in the US.

C. WGS 322: ECCE: Gay and Lesbian Studies – change in description – Spring, 2016

ACTION: WGS 322 has been tabled to include the old syllabus in the decision process.

D. Levels of Governance Policy change for GECO.

- It was decided by the General Education Council that they would like to see all the course changes for description. They would like to see the syllabi that is on file.
- If the new title matches the course catalog description, then it is acceptable for the Associate Vice Chancellor for Undergraduate Education to approve the change without bringing to the General Education Council.
- All credit hour changes may be approved by the Associate Vice Chancellor for Undergraduate Education.

ACTION: Steve Schnebly motioned to allow the Associate Vice Chancellor for Undergraduate Education approve credit hours and title changes for existing courses but have all course description changes come to the General Education Council for review. Pamela Salela seconded the motion and it was approved 6 yeas and 1 nay.

III. Approval of Courses

- A. CRJ 312: ECCE: Policing in America – U.S. Communities - Existing course requesting ECCE attribute – 2nd reading – summer 2015.

ACTION: Ken Owen motioned to approve CRJ 312. Steve Schnebly seconded the motion. It was approved by 5 yeas, 2 nays.

- B. SWK 414: ECCE: Child Welfare – U.S. Communities – Existing course requesting ECCE attribute – 1st Reading – Summer 2015

ACTION: Ken Owen motioned to deny this course, Pamela Salela seconded the motion and it was denied 6 yeas and 1 abstention.

- C. ENG 369: ECCE: Verbal Arts in the Community-Existing topics course re-certification for ECCE: Engagement Experience. First approved in 2009. 2nd Reading Project Description attached – Fall, 2015

ACTION: This course was tabled in order to incorporate external engagement in projects or post for public knowledge. Data collection should go through IRB. Bring back with IRB and public submission.

- D. BIO 231: Applied Microbiology – Life Science without Lab – New course 2nd Reading
– Updated syllabus with reading assignments attached. – Fall 2015

ACTION: Through consensus this course was approved. Heather will ask the instructor to clarify in the syllabus the text that says ‘suggested readings’ to ‘required readings’.

Tabled due to lack of time:

- E. WGS 356: ECCE: Coffee, Chocolate and Justice – Global Awareness – New course
– 1st Reading – Fall, 2015
- F. COM 141: Sport/Media/Culture & College – Freshman Seminar/Humanities – New
course – 1st Reading – Fall, 2015
- G. BIO 481: Human Anatomy & Physiology Lab 1 – Life Science with Lab – New course
– 1st Reading – Fall 2015
- H. BIO 482: Human Anatomy & Physiology Lab 2 – Life Science with Lab – New course
– 1st Reading – Fall 2015

Respectfully submitted,
Deb Ply