

General Education Council
Minutes
October 10, 2011

Present:
Heather Dell
Donna Bussell
Richard Gilman-Opalsky
Peter Shapinsky
Tung Nguyen
Steve Schnebly
Harshavardhan Bapat
Amanda Binder
Erin Lesko
Donald Morris

Absent:
Karen Moranski
Pinky Wassenberg

I. Approval of Minutes from September 26, 2011.

Modify Page 2 #3 under WGS 357

It was suggested to list in the catalog that this course is mainly geared toward mature sophomores. Also suggest to the instructor that this course clarify mandatory and optional readings; clarify engagement components of the class; clarify the retreat components; and clarify what the alternative assignment is.

Donna Bussell motioned to approve with changes and Steve Schnebly seconded the motion. All were in favor.

II. Update on course approvals

Courses approved by e-mail

PHI 242: Ethics, Love and the Goals of Life
SOA 223: Sociology of Family
EXL 304: ECCE: Leadership in the Homeless Community

III. Approval of Courses

A. For Spring, 2012

1. Global Awareness

AAS 266: ECCE: Apartheid and Resistance

ACTION: The global themes need to be more evident in the course description and should be more than history of South Africa. The course description articulates interdisciplinarity sufficiently but the statement at the end of the syllabus needs to be rewritten on a 200 level or be omitted.

Peter Shapinsky will work with instructor. When it comes back, the Council agreed to let Karen Moranski and Heather Dell review it and approve.

HIS 411: ECCE: Democracy & Democratic Theory

ACTION: Approved

2. U. S. Communities

MPH 486: ECCE: Solid/Hazardous Waste Policy

This course was kicked back in order for the instructor to provide a rationale for ECCE submission.

B. For Fall, 2012

1. Global Awareness

HIS 462: ECCE: Conflict in 19th Century Europe

Although there are clear global themes and diversity, the Council would like to know what the other side of Imperialism and the Colonial aspect is.

Heather will work with the instructor to address these issues and will e-mail Richard Gilman-Opalsky to take another look at it before sending it forward to catalog.

ACTION: Approved after changes are made

2. U. S. Communities

WGS 365: ECCE: Black Women in Film History

The key question is how does the faculty teach students to read the films? The course seems to need further theory and context for emphasis such as sociological readings.

ACTION: Kicked back.

Donna Bussell will work with the instructor.

UNI 205: ECCE: Academic & Career Discovery
This course has been withdrawn for further development.

C. Future Courses to be approved.

AAS 241: ECCE: Survey of African American History I

AAS 432: ECCE: African American Politics

AAS 433: ECCE: Civil Rights Movement of the Twentieth Century

BUS 311: ECCE: Business Ethics

The next meeting of GEC0 will be on October 24, 2011