

**General Education Council**  
**Minutes**  
**March 26, 2012**  
**PAC 493**

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Present:  
Richard Baskall  
Amanda Binder  
Harshavardhan Bapat  
Donna Bussell  
Heather Dell  
Karen Moranski  
Donald Morris  
Tung Nguyen  
Steve Schnebly  
Pinky Wassenberg

Absent:  
Richard Gilman-Opalsky  
Peter Shapinsky

I. Approval of Minutes of February 13, 2012 and February 27, 2012

Steve Schnebly motioned to accept the revised version of the minutes from February 13, 2012. Don Morris seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Tung Nguyen motioned to approve the minutes of February 27, 2012. Amanda Binder seconded the motion and all were in favor.

II. Appointment of new ECCE Speaker Series committee member

Due to the resignation of John Martin to pursue his Senate responsibilities, Steve Schnebly accepted the position to review new ECCE Speaker Series proposals. Donna Bussell also accepted the position as it was decided there should be three on this committee along with Richard Gilman-Opalsky.

III. Review revision of GECO response to Dr. Schuman's consultant report.

With a few changes as can be seen in the final report made by Heather Dell, Donna Bussell motioned to support this response. Steve Schnebly seconded the motion and all were in favor.

IV. Approval of New Courses

Humanities

LIS 211: Liberty Studies (William Kline). This is also classified as a Social & Behavioral Science course – New course – fall, 2012

This course is approved by consensus for Humanities as well as Social & Behavioral Science for Fall, 2012.

Global Awareness

THE 381: ECCE: Theatre History I-(Eric Thibodeaux-Thompson) New course – fall, 2012

This course is missing the course description. Gen Ed Council would approve this immediately for a Humanities 200 level course if the instructor agrees. Otherwise it will need to be revised to meet Global Awareness criteria.

- V. Karen Kirkendall, Director of CAP Scholars visited GECO to discuss courses that are restricted to honor students only.

Council members discussed the issue of accessibility of the Honors program ECCE coursework to determine whether such courses could be limited to only honors students. Dr. Kirkendall argued that GECO has approved other program specific courses that have enrollment restrictions. Council members agreed to deliberate further after hearing the discussion.

- VI. Tabled until next meeting

Engagement Experience

CAP 361: ECCE: Peer Tutoring                      New course – 1<sup>st</sup> revision – fall, 2012

Global Awareness

CAP 350: ECCE: Special Topics on Global Issues new topics syllabi – fall, 2012

- a. Colonial and Post-Colonial Identity in South Asia (Jonathan GoldbergBelle)
- b. Global Gender/Transnational Sexualities (Michael Murphy)

- VII. Courses approved by e-mail

MUS 111: Fundamentals of Music Theory (Sharon Graf) New Course-VCP-summer, 2012

WGS 202: Human Sexualities (Mike Murphy) New Course – Social & Behavioral Science - spring, 2013

SOA 441: ECCE: Global Social Stratification (Jonathan Isler) existing course change from ECCE Elective only to ECCE Global Awareness – spring, 2013

Respectfully submitted,  
Deb Ply