

**General Education Council
Minutes
April 9, 2012
PAC 493**

Present:

Donald Morris
Steve Schnebly
Peter Shapinsky
Heather Dell
Richard Gilman-Opalsky
Donna Bussell
Tung Nguyen
Harshavardhan Bapat
Karen Moranski

Absent:

Amanda Binder
Richard Baskall
Pinky Wassenberg

- I. Approval of Minutes of March 26, 2012
Tung Nguyen motioned to accept the minutes as is; Steve Schnebly seconded the motion, all were in favor.
- II. Student Petition – use Core 3: People, Power & Politics taken at Brooklyn College to satisfy the ECCE U.S. Communities requirement at UIS

ACTION: Richard Gilman-Opalsky motioned to approve this as a U.S. Communities credit; Donna Bussell seconded the motion; all were in favor.

- III. Conclusion of CAP Scholar Honors discussion – Honors & Accessibility

After more discussion it was decided to vote on courses CAP 250 and CAP 350 approved under those intercultural awareness sections of the CAP curriculum. It was stated that they could be approved by General Education Council on a course by course basis to meet Global Awareness as long as Council sees every syllabus. Also categories of the CAP curriculum could meet Global Awareness even though they are not accessible outside the honors program.

Action: Karen Moranski is working with CAP to get courses out of topics numbers and give each one a separate number.

Add to the course approval rubric “courses should be accessible to all students consistent with UIS and UIS honors”.

Donna Bussell made a motion that CAP Honors Intercultural coursework may be submitted to GEC Co for approval as global awareness subject to individual syllabi meeting Gen Ed Council requirements.

Don Morris seconded the motion and all were in favor.

IV. Elections of new GEC Co Chair

Council is to nominate a new chair by the next meeting on April 23, at which time a vote will take place.

V. Tabled from last meeting

CAP 361: ECCE: Peer Tutoring - Engagement Experience

This course is different from one semester to the next so students will be able to add to their skill level and achieve a different experience each time they take the course. It was suggested that a different syllabus be developed for each of the three semesters to show a rotation of subject matter with different readings.

Action: Sent back to instructor.

MPH 402: ECCE: Food, Health and Public Policy – U.S. Communities – revised

ACTION: A straw vote was taken on who would support to approve this course in its current state. The results were 4 for, 2 against and 1 abstention. This course is approved, but the instructor is to be informed that other sources of readings may focus more on particular demographic groups which are suggested in the course schedule but not in the current readings.

Tabled until next meeting

A. General Education Council Annual Report 2011-12

B. CAP 250: ECCE: topics courses – Global Awareness

1. Brazilian Studies

2. Global Class, Race and Gender

3. For Better and for Worse: Gender & Post socialist Transitions in Central Asia and East Central Europe.

C. CAP 350: ECCE: topics courses – Global Awareness

1. Colonial and Post-Colonial Identity in South Asia
2. Global Gender/Transnational Sexualities

D. LIS 344: ECCE: Serving Up Art (Bill Kline – Engagement Experience – new course Fall 2012

E. Electronic versions of Course Forms

Courses approved by e-mail

ENS 476: Environmental Ethics – Fall, 2012

"For Better and for Worse": I vote to approve

"Transnational Sexualities": I vote to approve (and am again impressed with the clarity and thoroughness of Michael Murphy's syllabi)

"Colonial and Post-Colonial Identity in South Asia" I vote to approve

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Ply