

Minutes, University Committee for General Education
Meeting #3, 2008-2009; October 2, 2008

Present: Elizabeth Sloan, Patricia Hart, Jeanne Christiansen, Charles Tibbals, Matt Wappett, Michael O'Rourke, Steve Chandler, Chris Williams.

Meeting called to order at 3:30pm. A quorum of voting members was not present, so the minutes from meeting #2 will be approved at the next meeting.

Announcements:

Next meeting scheduled for October 16th, Dean Kathy Aiken will speak to the committee.

Dormant courses:

CORS 214 – Chris spoke to Fishery and Wildlife Resources and they said the course could go dormant.

International Course List:

Diane Armpriest had a question about adding an Art and Architecture course to the international list but limiting it to their students only. Committee felt it didn't meet the requirements of courses added to the international course list because it would be limited to Art & Architecture students only. Chris will have Jean Henscheid contact Diane Armpriest and explain the rationale regarding courses added to international list.

Diane also wanted to know if their students who study abroad through Art & Architecture could waive the international requirement. Committee didn't know the guidelines for study abroad and would like to revisit the international course waiver if a student does a study abroad that is not through IPO.

Committee discussed the guidelines for adding and subtracting courses to the different Core Discovery and Core Science class lists as well as making guidelines for adding courses to the humanities, social science, international and capstone course lists. Michael O'Rourke questioned whether we could use the same rubric for the humanities, social science, international and capstone course lists that we use for Core Discovery and Core Science. Committee decided to appoint a subgroup to work on guidelines for adding courses to the humanities list, to be followed by groups to look at other lists. Committee appointed Matt Wappett, Jean Henscheid, and at least one more member to be added later. The subcommittee will have a draft of a rubric in a month.

There was discussion on possibly using upper level interdisciplinary courses instead of capstone courses or in addition to them. Maybe begin investigating upper division interdisciplinary

courses currently offered in the different colleges. The initial intention of Capstone courses was to provide a higher level interdisciplinary experience for all students.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.

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