General Education Committee Meeting

Minutes for February 8, 2021

* **Committee Members Present**: Rannfrid Thelle (RT), Mathew Muether (MM), Maria Sclafani (MS), Brittany Lockard (BL), Sandra Sipes (SS), Roy Myose (RM)
* **Committee Members Not Present**: Steve Kelly, Mackenzie Lane (ML)
* **Others Attending:** Linnea GlenMaye (LG), Sally Fiscus (SF), Aaron Rife (AR)
* Welcome by the Chair – Rannfrid Thelle
* **Action Item – RM and ML were not included on the meeting announcement. RT and MM will verify the mailing list.**
* Approval of minutes from 12-14-20 meeting
  + **Minutes approved 5-0**
* On- going Business:
  + Course Change Proposals:
    - CJ 394: Courts and Judicial Systems
      * **Approved 5-0**
  + New Course Proposals:
    - WSUB 102C: First-Year Seminar: Global Business, Culture and Etiquette
      * **Approved 5-0**
    - WSUB 102D: First-Year Seminar: Introverts in Society
      * LG: Is the division appropriate? Is there overlapping content.
        + Committee felt that it was appropriate.
      * **Approved 5-0**
    - WSUH 102E: First-Year Seminar: Infections, Emerging Superbugs, Biowarfare and Outbreaks
      * **Approved 6-0**
    - WSUH 102D: First-Year Seminar: Public Health in Film
      * **Approved 6-0**
    - WSUA 102AD: First-Year Seminar: Plugging Into Politics
      * **Approved 6-0**
    - WSUA 102AC: First-Year Seminar: Culture, Health and Medicine
      * Committee had concerns over the demands of the course for an FYS. Is it something a new student can handle?
        + LG: Pop quizzes, random attendance raises as evidence of not student success oriented.
      * The Health Sciences Librarian could be better connected.
      * AF will work with the instructor to update the syllabus.
      * **Discussion was tabled.**
    - WSUA 102AB: First-Year Seminar: Engineering Politics: Partisan Redistricting in the United States
      * **Approved 6-0**
    - WSUA 102V: Creation, the Earth and the Future
      * **Approved 5-0 (1 abstaining)**
    - HIST 550: Mapping and History
      * **Approved 6-0**
* Web pages: orientation from ad hoc group
  + MS – Should the library assessment language be removed from the webpages.
    - LG – Some monitoring should be maintained due to FYS library requirements.
  + Committee will meet to work on next page and then report to the GenEd committee.
* Discussion of the charge and description of the General Education Committee: where are we?
  + **Action item: Schedule meet with Univ. Assessment Committee.**
  + Update: Meeting with exception committee scheduled.
* Registrar’s Office
  + No report.
* As may arise
  + MS, RM – How many FYS do we need?
    - AR – 40 Fall, 20 Spring.
  + Member wishing to run again should notify RM.
* Next meeting: February 22
* Adjourn
  + Close at 1:57.