

General Education Council
Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 10/26/2012

Time: 12-1 pm

Location: Student Resource Center Conference Room, MSC

Council Membership (as of 10/23/2012):

Name	Organization	Status	10/26/2012
Beach, Gretchen Rae	Library	Voting Member	0
Brammer, Camilla A	COLA	Voting Member	1
Cartwright, Tina	COE	Voting Member	1
Graham, Mary Jo	COE	Voting Member	1
Laubach, Marty	COLA	Voting Member	1
Lawson, Stephen	COFA	Voting Member	1
McClure, Rex	COB	Voting Member	1
Sias, Jennifer	SOJMC	Voting Member	1
Silver, Judith	COS	Voting Member	1
Stroeher, Vicki	COFA	Voting Member	0
Swindell, Christopher	SOJMC	Voting Member	1
Wait, Isaac William	CITE	Voting Member	0
Simonton, Scott	CITE	Voting Member	0
Holland, Pam	COHP	Voting Member	1
LoCascio, Nicki	Honors	Voting Member	0
Smith, Sherri	CTL	ex-officio	0
Dennison, Corley	AA	ex-officio	0
Reynolds, Mary E	Assessment	ex-officio	0

1. The minutes from 9/28/2012 were discussed and approved.
2. Meeting Times – The following times were selected for the remaining General Education Council meetings this semester:
 - Thursday, November 15, 8:30-10:00 am
 - Wednesday, December 12, 10:00-11:30 am
3. Gen Ed Website
 - a. A motion was passed stating that courses needing recertification will maintain their current designations until the end of the Spring 2013 semester.
 - b. A motion was passed extending the date for expedited approval of expiring course designations. Applications for expedited approval will be accepted through December 7, 2012.

- c. The Council discussed the effect of the Core Curriculum on the MC/INTL designators. Students are now only required to take one course in those areas, designated as MC or INTL. Since the last entry date for students under the Marshall Plan was Summer 2010, after 2015 there will be little need for a university level distinction between MC and INTL courses. However, Marty Laubach informed the Council that COLA still requires at least one course in each designation. The consensus of the Council was to discuss this issue later, when the continuing need is more clear.
 - d. A motion was passed stating that the “Defining Critical Thinking Courses” page on the Gen Ed Council website be updated to originate on the Gen Ed site. (It currently links to MU-Advance.)
 - e. A suggestion was made that, if possible, the official CT/INTL/MC course list on the Gen Ed website be changed so that it automatically updates from the STVATTR data repository in BANNER.
4. New Approval Requests
- a. PS 101 (CT) – approved.
 - b. SPN 420 (INTL) – approved.
 - c. ANT 491 (MC) – approved.
 - d. CMM 330 (MC) – approved, with a suggestion that assessments be better linked to the MC content requirements.
 - e. GER 405 (MC) – approved. (The request was to switch from INTL to MC.)
 - f. GER 406 (MC) – approved. (The request was to switch from INTL to MC.)
 - g. The Council also moved to allow GER 405 and GER 406 to retain their INTL designation, as well as MC. This motion is nullified, however, because the General Education website states that a course cannot be simultaneously designated as INTL and MC. Thus these two courses can no longer carry the INTL designation.
5. Recertification Requests – The following were approved: MKT 371 (INTL), MGT 445 (INTL), SOC 445 (MC)
6. There was no new business, and the meeting was adjourned at 12:55.