

General Education Committee

DRAFT Minutes for September 17, 2003

Present: Steve Reece, chair (HUM), Dana Gross (NSM), Robert Smith (FA), Terry Fitzgerald (SAS), Chris Chiappari (IGS), Erik Fosheim (Student Voting Member), Brittany Larson (Student Member), Solveig Zempel (Associate Dean, IGS), ex-officio, Katherine Baker (Registrar), ex-officio

- Chair Reece called the meeting to order at 3:33 PM.
- Minutes approved from May 14, 2003
- The committee considered the following course proposals and took the indicated actions:

GE #916 *Music 238 - The Music of Indonesia*

Action: APPROVED for MCS-G and ALS-A

GE #907 *Dance 100 - Exploring Dance*

Action: APPROVED for ALS-A

GE #231 *Classics 126 - Ancient Comedy*

Action: APPROVED for ORC

Committee felt that a recommendation should be made to limit enrollment to approximately 25.

GE #298 *Dance 264 - Movement and Dance as Cultural Expression*

Action: DENIED for ORC

The committee felt that the one class set aside to talk about ORC was inadequate and that the feedback mechanisms were not well described.

GE #440 *Dance 231 - Movement Analysis*

Action: DENIED for ORC

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GE #910 *Asian Studies 245 - International Politics of Northeast Asia*

Action: APPROVED for HBS

Committee suggests that the course could also be considered for MCS-G

GE #911 *History 209 - The Early Middle Ages*

Action: APPROVED for HWC

GE #912 *History 212 - The High and Late Middle Ages*

Action: APPROVED for HWC

GE #913 *Psychology 239 - Drugs, the Brain and Behavior*
Action: APPROVED for NST

GE #914 *Computer Science 263 - Ethical Issues in Software Design*
Action: APPROVED for EIN and ORC

GE #915 *Psychology 391 - Topics: The Psychology of Good and Evil*
Action: APPROVED for EIN

Chairman Reece briefly presented some topics for future discussion:

1. Should we list GE attributes in the new catalog? Could be excised because it is confusing - they have not traditionally been in the catalog. Since the catalog covers a two-year period, it might not be current.
2. Editing the GEC documents "General Education Accreditation of Transfer Work" and "General Education Accreditation of Off-Campus Work" needs to be done in the future to conform to the wording of the catalog.
3. It has been requested that we review the guidelines for MCS-D and MCS-G. In the broader issue of some concerns about revising the entire GEC, Chairman Reece suggested the committee remind colleagues that there is already a mechanism in place to make changes:
 - o come to the GEC with ideas
 - o GEC will present to Faculty
 - o Faculty will put it to a vote
4. Discussion regarding acquiring a database of all courses listed by GE attributes.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.
Respectfully Submitted,
Robert C. Smith, Secretary pro tempore