

# **GVSU Curriculum Road Show**

Headliners

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With Special Guest  
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# University Curriculum Council (UCC)

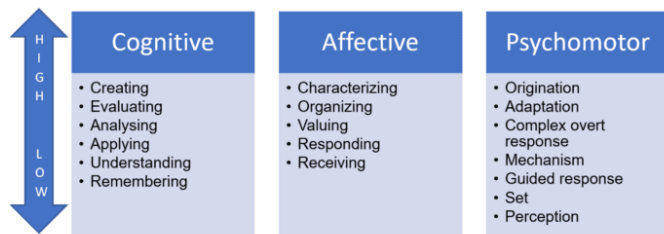
**Barb Hoogenboom, Chairperson & Cara Cadena, Vice Chair**

## OVERARCHING QUESTIONS:

- Do the course description, objectives (SLO's), topics, and methods of evaluation align? Could the Syllabus of Record (SOR) guide any person who had to teach this course?
- Are there cogent and thoughtful rationale for New Program Proposals (NPP's), Program Change Requests (PCRs), New Course Proposals (NCPs), and Course Change Proposals (CCPs)? *Do they make sense?* Did the authors answer all of the appropriate prompts in SAIL carefully and thoughtfully?
- Do you perceive any overlap in content with other courses or units that have not been identified?



# UCC, continued



- Regarding the SOR ask:
  - Do the SLO's each use a **single, appropriate level action verb** in appropriate domains? NOTE: avoid vague objectives like "demonstrate knowledge of...."
  - Do the topics presented **cover 14 weeks of instruction** (for a typical 15-week course), by indicating a portion, percentage\*, or a unit of time (e.g how many weeks)?
  - Are the MOE's **clear and related to the objectives?** Avoid too much specificity!
  - Does the SOR include some **sample sources of information?**
- Is the catalog copy clear enough for students to understand?
- Are all outward-facing documents (SOR and Catalog Copy) free of typographical, punctuation, and grammatical errors?

## HELPFUL LINKS

**Process oriented information:** [Curricular Review and Development Checklists - Faculty Governance - Grand Valley State University](#)

**SOR repository:** <https://lms.gvsu.edu/ultra/organization>

**UCC page:** <https://www.gvsu.edu/facultygov/university-curriculum-committee-ucc-6.htm>

\* %'s are especially important in courses that are NOT delivered in a 14-week semester!

# Online Education and Microcredential Council (OEMC)

## Bradford Dykes, Chairperson

- Ensure all proposal content is clear to faculty outside your discipline

### Online Proposals

- Be specific to each syllabus of record
- List and address each method of evaluation from syllabus of record, separately, and address how *each* will be facilitated and assessed in a hybrid and/or online format.

### Badge Proposals

- Focus on specific outcomes/competencies learned and demonstrated
- Clearly explain how the badge will have value outside of the learning environment and signal to external audiences the learner's skill and knowledge

## **OEMC continued**

Course Proposal Exemplar: <https://www.gvsu.edu/facultygov/oemc-course-proposal-exemplar-193.htm>

Badge Proposal Exemplar: <https://www.gvsu.edu/facultygov/oemc-badge-proposal-exemplar-258.htm>

# **General Education Committee (GEC)**

## **Amy Ferdinandt Stolley, Chairperson & Griff Griffin, General Education Director**

### **GE courses can be proposed in one of three categories:**

- Foundations
- Cultures
- Issues

Each category/subcategory has its own set of knowledge and skill SLOs that a proposal must discuss.

### **GEC is looking at how well:**

1. the course “fits” in the proposed category
2. the proposer explains how they will:
  - a. teach the GE skills and knowledge SLOs, and
  - b. assess the GE skills and knowledge SLOs

# GEC continued

## Additional Information for Curriculum Proposers

1. Assume your audience is not as familiar with your field as you are. Help us understand what and how students will learn the knowledge/skill outcomes by using specific examples.
2. There is no minimum requirement for the number of sections of a GE course.
3. There is no minimum expectation for how frequently a GE course is offered.
4. In general, proposed courses:
  - a. should not be restricted to a single major/minor.
  - b. should have few (if any) prerequisites.

More resources can be found on GE's ["Proposing a Course"](#) page.

# Graduate Council Curriculum and Program Review (GCCPR)

**Mark Staves, Chairperson**

The GCCPR Reviews all new programs and program changes.

Focuses on:

- Rigor appropriate to graduate education
- Presence of qualified faculty to guide students in the proposed program
- Cross-college *communication* when necessary
- Cross-college *collaboration* when it would benefit students, the program or university



## **GCCPR continued**

We encourage proposers of graduate program changes or new graduate programs to:

- Consider how their program may benefit by collaboration to gain teaching capacity and expertise as well as interdisciplinary exposure for their students
- Consider how their program compares to peers and competitors in rigor, accessibility, time to graduation and student support
- Communicate with the GCCPR representative from your college
- Come to the GCCPR meeting when your proposal is being discussed



**Questions?**  
**Please contact these [awesome!] chairpersons**  
**(aka Rockstars)**