

General Education Committee Meeting

167 Lake Ontario Hall

Minutes of 12/2/2024

PRESENT: Hsiao-Ping Chen; Beomkyu Choi; Phyllis Curtiss; Dori Danko; Brian Drake; Firas Hindeleh; Maya Hobscheid; Katelyn Lowman; Dennis Malaret; Joel Schut; David Vessey, Chair

ALSO PRESENT: C. "Griff" Griffin, Director, General Education; Felix Ngassa, AVP of Academic Affairs; Sean Lancaster, AVP of Academic Affairs; Jennifer Cathey, General Education Office Coordinator

NOT PRESENT: Rajvardhan Patil; Janet Winter

Consent Agenda

- Approval of today's agenda
- Approval of minutes 11/4/24

Chair's Report – Joel and Katelyn are done as they were replacements for the Fall semester only.

Director's Report – The Digital Literacy group has decided to have three levels of digital skills. These include basic skills, digital literacy, and advanced skills. The category names have not been set. There will be a digital literacy inventory done at some point.

Some courses have WRT 150 as a prerequisite, but the university now accepts WRT 120+130 in place of WRT 150. The GE Office is in the process of having the catalog fixed so all prerequisites say "Fulfillment of Foundations – Writing" instead of WRT 150. Similarly, courses have MTH 110 as a prerequisite but that can also be fulfilled by MTH 108+MTH 109. We will work on a wording change for this as well.

The director was asked to present at the GVSU assessment conference and will present the four-year assessment report if GEC approves.

Provost Office Report – GVSU is having an assessment conference in January. EAC and Blackboard will be sponsoring a breakfast and lunch for all attendees. The conference will address both program assessment and classroom assessment. Presenters are needed for both, and GE is invited to present.

New Business

- Examples of Integration and Problem Solving assignments
Problem Solving recommendations - AHS 352, WRT 354, SOC 351, CHI 324
Integration recommendations – WRT 354, SOC 350
- Mid-year Report
Action Taken: H. Chen moved to approve. B. Choi 2nd. Motion carries 11-0.
- Written Communication Rubric Changes
Action Taken: D. Danko moved to approve. F. Hindeleh 2nd. Motion carries 10-0.

Curriculum

- GPY 328: Urban Ecological Design (Log# 13246) – Add to Cultures-U.S. Diversity
Action Taken: D. Malaret moved to ask for an amendment as discussed. M. Hobscheid 2nd. Motion carries 11-0. Amendment to be returned to committee.

- CHM 125: Principles of Chemistry I (Log# 12727) – Add to Foundations-Physical Sciences w/Lab if taken with CHM 126
Action Taken: P. Curtiss moved to approve. D. Danko 2nd. Motion carries 11-0.
- CHM 126: Principles of Chemistry I Lab (Log# 12724) – Add to Foundations-Physical Sciences w/Lab if taken with CHM 125
Action Taken: P. Curtiss moved to approve. D. Danko 2nd. Motion carries 11-0.
- PHY 110: The Physics of Climate Change (Log# 13439) – Add to Foundations-Physical Sciences-Lab
Action Taken: B. Drake moved to approve. B. Choi 2nd. Motion carries 11-0.
- HST 207: European Civilization to the Later Middle Ages (Log# 13297) – Current course in Historical Analysis--Add to Cultures-Global Perspectives
Action Taken: J. Schut moved to approve. K. Lowman 2nd. Motion carries 11-0.
- EDS 319: Universal Design for Learning: Secondary (Log# 13005) – Add to Issues-Human Rights
Action Taken: D. Danko moved to approve. J. Schut 2nd. Motion carries 10-0-1.
- SOC 105 Skill Change – IL and ER to CT and PS
Action Taken: J. Schut moved to approve. D. Danko 2nd. Motion carries 11-0.

Adjournment – 4:16 p.m.