COMMITTEE: Foundations Curriculum and Instructional Effectiveness

MEETING DATE: October 21, 2013, 13:00

PERSON PRESIDING: George Bailey


EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Rita Reaves, Purification Martinez, Gerald Prokopowicz

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Wendy Creasy, David Hisle, Jan Lewis

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ACTIONS OF MEETING

1. Approval of the Minutes from the September 16th, 2013 meeting.

   Note: Karen Vail-Smith was appointed as representative on the University Athletics Committee

2. E-portfolio

   Discussion about the use of e-portfolio and the possibility of submitting a proposal to UNC-GA for processes and procedures for using e-portfolios and other measures for assessing core competencies:

   - The General Administration would like to see e-portfolio used for competency assessment and for the students to use as a long term tool (for example, to help them prepare for job search,…)
   - Wendy Creasy stated that 2500 student subscriptions have been bought to date, but none of the students have bought a personal subscription.
   - Everybody seems to be in favor for ECU to move forward and chose an e-portfolio system, possibly a blackboard integrated tool.
   - One of the first steps will be to develop a matrix to assess people needs.
   - Before to proceed, George Bailey suggested that we email Catherine Rigsby or Andrew Morehead to obtain clarification.
   - Jan Lewis suggested that the Library could help by developing rubrics to assess critical thinking/quantitative analysis and information and technology literacy.
   - These rubric could be used to test every freshman. The students could be assessed again every year or at the end of the 4th year to measure their gain.

   The foundation committee has to define how to assess core competencies, using system in place presently.
A motion to create a subcommittee was submitted by George Bailey. The motion was approved.

George will send an email to request volunteers for the subcommittee.

3. Consideration of diversity credit course proposals and Foundations Credit course proposals

   a. Geography (Drs. Tom Rickenbach and Rosana Nieto Ferreira).

   ATMO 1300 cross-listed with GEOG 1300 – Natural Sciences Foundation Credit – Approved

   b. Psychology (Dr. Michael Baker)

   PSYC 2777 – Ethnocultural Psychology - Domestic Diversity Credit – Approved

   c. Anthropology (Drs. Meghan Perry and Randy Daniel)

   ANTH 1200 – Foundation Credit - Social Sciences – Approved

4. SPOTS workshops.

Two new workshops have been set up:

   - October 24, 8:00 am
   - October 24, 3:30 pm

Meeting was adjourned at 14:30

Respectfully submitted by

Jean-Luc Scemama

Secretary