

COMMITTEE: General Education and Instructional Effectiveness Committee

MEETING DATE: 19 April 2021 (2pm)

PERSON PRESIDING: Chair George Bailey

REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Randall Martoccia, Sue-L Cohen, George Bailey (Chair), Chris Oakley (Secretary), Karen Vail-Smith (Vice Chair), Crystal Chambers

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: John Collins, Ying Zhou, Elizabeth Mizelle

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Mary Tucker-McLaughlin, Puri Martinez, Rachel Baker, Karla Thompson Varnell, Edmund Wall

ACTIONS OF MEETING

Agenda Item: Announcements: Chair Bailey thanked members of the committee for their service this year. Chair Bailey announced that Global Diversity transfer credit was approved for MUS 2018 (Introduction to World Music) from Appalachian State University. Global Diversity credit for LBST 2102 Global and Intercultural Connections, UNC Charlotte. Domestic Diversity for SOCI 1101, Introduction to Sociology, Augusta University. Domestic Diversity for HIS 105, United States to 1865, UNC-W. Global Diversity for HST 104, Introduction to Global History Since 1848, UNC-W. Global Diversity credit for HIS 208-02, The Great War, UNC Greensboro. Global Diversity Credit for MUSC 1010 Music Appreciation, College of Central Florida.

Discussion: None

Action Taken: None

Assigned additional duties to: None

Agenda Item: General Education Social Sciences credit, Comm 1003, Introduction to Mass Media.

Discussion: Professor Tucker-McLaughlin discussed the course and proposal.

Action Taken: Committee members approved awarding GE SS credit to COMM 1003.

Assigned additional duties to: None

Agenda Item: Domestic Diversity Credit for COMM 2340, Development of American Journalism.

Discussion: Professor Tucker-McLaughlin discussed the course and proposal.

Action Taken: Committee voted to approve DD credit for COMM 2340.

Assigned additional duties to: None

Agenda Item: Domestic Diversity for ITEC 3300 Technology Project Management.

Discussion: Professor Karla Thompson Varnell discussed the course and proposal.

Action Taken: Committee voted to approve DD credit for ITEC 3300.

Assigned additional duties to: None

Agenda Item: Global Diversity request for GRBK 3601: Great Books of the 19th and 20th Centuries.

Discussion: Professor Ellison discussed the request to add GD credit for GRBK 3601.

Action Taken: Committee voted to approve GD credit for GRBK 3601.

Assigned additional duties to:

Agenda Item: General Education Humanities credit for PHIL 1700, Death and Dying.

Discussion: Professor Wall discussed the course and proposal.

Action Taken: Committee voted to approve GE HU credit for PHIL 1700.

Assigned additional duties to:

Agenda Item: SSOI survey update

Discussion: Committee members continued discussing bias in student evaluations.

Action Taken: Committee decided take this issue up at the beginning of the 2021-22 academic year.

Agenda Item: Syllabi Review for GE HU

Discussion: Committee discussed the completion of the syllabi review for a representative sample of courses designated GE HU.

Action Taken: Committee will complete the review by April 26th and give the results to IPAR.

Agenda Item: The requirement that students take two courses to satisfy the health (HL) and physical activity (EX) General Education requirement is inconsistent with the committee's recommending that one course (RCTX 2200) carry both designations.

Discussion: The committee discussed the awarding of both HL and EX General Education credit given that the health and physical activity requirement must be met by taking two courses. Currently, four sections of RCTX 2200 are enrolled for Fall 2021 that will receive HL and EX credit. The committee will discuss this at the beginning of the fall 2021 term.

Action Taken: Committee decided to address this issue at the first meeting of the 2021-22 academic year.

NEXT MEETING: August 2021

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED: Bias and the SSOI, what actions might be taken to prevent the impact of bias in the SSOI on faculty evaluations; Review of granting RCTX 2200 both HL and EX General Education credit given that the health and physical activity requirement must be met by taking two courses.