

Writing Across the Curriculum Committee Minutes

February 8, 2021

3:00pm

Teams Videoconference

IN ATTENDANCE:

Facilitator: Lisa Ellison (Committee Chair)

Regular Members: Jeanette Avery, Ann Mannie, Heather Ries, Jen-Scott Mobley

Ex-officio Members: Marina Alexander, Will Banks, Michelle Eble, Tracy Morse, Wendy Sharer, Kristen Gregory, Tory Rose Harris

Others in Attendance: Claudia Sadowski

I. Call to order

II. Approval of minutes from January 25, 2021

Motion to approve: Avery; 2nd Ries. All approved.

III. Ongoing business

a. WI Review: Approval of Notification Letters

In noting some of the difficulties of the Honors College providing a complete review package, Banks pointed out that Honors courses are not needed for Honors students as WI is a requirement by major, so students meet their WI requirements through their various majors; Honors WI credits are "extra." The Honors College may want to reconsider having most of their courses as WI. Sharer noted that English 3880 was mistakenly added to the English courses that that the WAC Committee expressed concerns over.

Motion to approve with requested revisions: Mobley; 2nd Avery. All approved.

b. 2201 co/pre-requisite update (Ellison)

Ellison indicated that programs/departments must request WI co-pre-requisites through the University's Undergraduate Curriculum Committee but will not be required to attend the meeting.

c. WI Transfer Guidelines Subcommittee Update (Banks, Eble, Ellis, Gregory)

Banks indicated that he had shared a draft of the working group's revised transfer guidelines with staff in the Registrar's office for comment/suggestions on implementation. He noted, as well, that he would be in touch with the Advising Collaborative by email to see if the members of this group had any concerns/comments on the proposed revision. Writing Liaisons have thus far provided only positive responses from each department/college.

IV. Announcements

- a. University Writing Program/University Writing Center (Banks) Eighteen people are enrolled in the Spring 2021 Book Club (Flower & Darby's *Small Teaching Online*) and books have been mailed out. He also noted that the UWP would be promoting the various Canvas-based professional development workshops that they had created; these are self-paced and faculty can complete them when they have time. Because the resources are in Canvas, faculty retain

access to handouts and other materials indefinitely. Banks reported only a couple of issues with Portfolium (UWPort) so far this semester and that the system seems to be working well for faculty and students.

b. Writing Foundations (Morse)

No reports

V. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Mobley; 2nd: Avery at 3:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Mannie; February 8, 2021