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Members Present: A. Lawson (Chair), R. Badruddoja, B. Berrett,
M. Calvarese, D. Christensen, D. Henriques, S. Lee,
S. Lewis, D. Nef, J. Tatsumura.

Members Absent: S. Xiong (student).

The meeting was called to order by Chair A. Lawson at 11:00 p.m. in Thomas Administration #117.

1. Minutes. MSC to approve the Minutes of 10/30/09.
2. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda as distributed.
3. Communications and Announcements.

General Education (GE) writing initiative through Center for Scholarly Advancement of Learning and Teaching (CSALT).

4. Multicultural / International (MI) Courses - Members agreed to discuss the idea of meeting our program objectives within 48 units with faculty and administrators in their college.
5. Area C2 Syllabi Review.

ARM 1B - Elementary Armenian

- Due dates for writing assignments are missing and no mention of the paper in points for the course.

ARM 2A - Intermediate Armenian

ARM 2B - Intermediate Armenian

- These two courses are the same – same syllabus and same schedule of topics. There must be a differentiation to justify a different course number.
- Due dates for writing assignments are missing and no mention of the paper in points for the course.

CHIN 1A - Elementary Chinese

- No units
- No pre-requisites
- Details of major assignments are unclear
- No learning outcomes (only objectives)
- Writing assignment has no iterative component

CHIN 1B - Elementary Chinese

- No major assignments
- No learning outcomes (only objectives)
- Unclear goal
- No iterative writing

CDDS 90 - Deaf American Literature

- No non-western cultural perspective
- No honor code
- No subject to change clause

CDDS 92 - American Sign Language II

- No non western cultural perspective
- No course specific goal (only area C2 goal)
- No copyright statement

ENGL 20 - Introduction to Literature

- MSC to approve.

ENGL 30 – Masterpieces

- MSC to approve.

FREN 1B - Elementary French

- Need at least 500 word sustained writing requirement
- No course name
- No subject to change
- No honor code

FREN 2A - French for Communication

- Need at least 500 word sustained writing requirement
- No course name
- No subject to change
- No honor code

FREN 2B - French for Communication

- Need at least 500 word sustained writing requirement
- No course name
- No subject to change clause
- No honor code
- Friendly reminder – there is no “plus” or “minus” in our grading system

MSC to adjourn at 1:00 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the General Education Committee will be November 20, 2009 at 11:00 a.m. in Thomas Administration #117.

Agenda.

1. Approval of the Minutes of 11/06/2009.
2. Approval of the Agenda.
3. Communications and Announcements.
4. GE Action Plan.
5. Area C2 Syllabi Review.