

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE  
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Members Present: A. Lawson (Chair), Nagy Bengiamin. Paul Crosbie, Sandra Lee, Steve Adisasmith-Smith, Druv Doshi, Roksana Badruddoja, D. Christensen, S. Lewis, D. Nef, Janell Tatsumura

Members Absent: Rebekah Arredondo (excused), B.Berrett (excused), Michelle Calvarese (excused).

The meeting was called to order by Chair A. Lawson at 11:00 p.m. in Library Rm. 4164.

1. Minutes. MSC to approve the Minutes of 10/29/10.
2. Agenda. MSC to approve the agenda as distributed.
3. Communications and Announcements.

There were none.

4. Area IB Syllabi Review.
  - a. PLANT 105 - Food, Society, & Environment -
    - i. approved
  - b. PSCI 131 -Concepts of Classical Physics from Babylon to Maxwell
    - i. Integrative nature is unclear from brief syllabus
    - ii. Writing does not meet 1000 words sustained and no mention of faculty feedback
    - iii. B1#2 unclear
    - iv. B1#4 unclear
    - v. B1#7 unclear
    - vi. B1#9 unclear
    - vii. B1#10 unclear
    - viii. B1#11 unclear
    - ix. No location
    - x. Unclear prerequisites – could be specific
    - xi. no tentative schedule
    - xii. no honor code
  - c. PSCI 168 - Energy & the Environment.
    - i. Integrative nature is unclear from brief syllabus
    - ii. Iterative writing component is not mentioned

- iii. B1#5 unclear
- iv. B1#6 unclear
- v. B1#7 unclear
- vi. B1#8 unclear
- vii. B1#9 unclear
- viii. B1#10 unclear

d. PSYCH - 126 Cognitive Neuroscience

- i. Iterative writing component is not there
- ii. B2#1 unclear
- iii. B2#2 unclear
- iv. No units
- v. No prerequisites
- vi. Honor code is missing
- vii. Copyright is missing

e. CHEM 170

- i. We are concerned about the proportion of the course devoted to student presentations
- ii. Not meeting subarea specifications
- iii. No clear linkages among subareas
- iv. only 1600 words and only peer reviewed, no faculty feedback.
- v. B1#11 met, B1#7 unclear, All other B1 requirements not met
- vi. No units
- vii. No goals
- viii. No outcomes
- ix. No subject to change
- x. Cheating policy is not compliant with university policies
- xi. No copyright
- xii. No honor code

5. E-portfolios – seeking to identify courses and areas to pilot e-portfolios.

- f. The following areas were suggested for piloting e-portfolios in GE: A3 for ethics, E for engagement and MI

6. Review of GE Outcomes Assessment Plans from Departments.

- g. AgEc 155
- h. CLAS 114
- i. MCJ 1
- j. KIN 32
- k. Nut 53

Each plan was reviewed for its ability to measure learning of the stated outcome. There was considerable variability in the plans and this exercise allowed us to norm our ratings of the plans. A Lawson will send out plans to groups of two committee members to review before the next GE meeting.

7. Request from music department – Memo from Michael Caldwell dated Oct 29, 2010 – MSC to approve request to count Music 171 – Introduction to the World's Music (Integration IC) in both the GE program and as a major requirement.

MSC to adjourn at 1:00 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the General Education Committee will be Friday, December 3, 2010, at 11:00 a.m., in the Library Rm. # 4164.

#### Agenda

1. Approval of the Minutes of 11/19/2010
2. Approval of the Agenda.
3. Communications and Announcements.