

# General Education Committee Minutes

Thursday, November 18, 2021

11:00 a.m. – 11:39 p.m.

Zoom

## Present

J. Stanley, A. Fu, M. Junker, Q. Geng, K-H. Hsu, K. Newlander, K. Rauch, and K. Stanfa

## Also Present

J. Chernekoff, B. Meares

## Call to order

J. Stanley called the meeting to order at 11:00 am

### I. Approval of Minutes

- No Minutes submitted for the meeting.

### II. Announcements

- GEC now has an email address ([gec@kutztown.edu](mailto:gec@kutztown.edu)) and J. Stanley will update the website listings with the new email. Documents can now be shared via OneDrive. GEC is also reviving the Sharepoint location as an archive for meeting documents, and will continue using D2L for sharing current documents.
- CSM-JEDI Rubric was completed, and J. Stanley has submitted it. He thanks the committee for their input.
- Bylaws Revision – J. Stanley suggested focusing on this in Spring 2022, and perhaps defining who would be on a future redesign committee.
- Writing Group update – A. Fu led the last meeting discussion, and shared that they made it through all the bullet points, and is hoping GEC can review and refine them for future use. There were discussions in the group about what is needed in CMP courses.
- Meeting with Chairs for SLO 3 – J. Stanley attended ChairNET yesterday. Department chairs shared concerns about the look of the SLO 3 rubric, and concerns about elements of the rubric with larger classes. J. Stanley asked them not to submit 300-level courses until absolutely necessary. There was also concern about how Math courses can fit the SLO 3 rubric better. Discussion ensued.

### III. Proposals

- LAS 22037 FYS Tell Me a Story. J. Chernekoff was present to speak to this proposal. Discussion on need for FYS courses in interim semester spaces (Winter, Summer terms). Moved for approval by K. Newlander and seconded by M. Junker. MOTION PASSED.
- LAS 22015 ANT 235 Pennsylvania Archaeology. K. Newlander was present to speak to this proposal. J. Stanley asked about rating expectations for SLO 3 in this courses, and K. Newlander responded better than a 2, since this is a 200-level course. Moved for approval by K. Newlander and seconded by K. Rauch. MOTION PASSED.

- LAS 22014 ANT 239 Historical Archaeology. K. Newlander was present to speak to this proposal. Moved for approval by K. Newlander and seconded by M. Junker. MOTION PASSED.

#### IV. Other Business

- Social Media Posts as Creative Works:
  - o J. Stanley has had inquiries about using social media posts in creative works under Category D. Discussion ensued. Committee agrees that social media posts can be used as creative works.
- Five Year Review – Fall 2022:
  - o J. Stanley has asked GEAC to summarize their findings for the last 5 years, and show the recommendations they have made and changes that have been implemented. K. Rauch shared that Middle States recommended that the GE redesign schedule be added to the external review schedule for GE. GEAC will provide the assessment portion of the program review, and GEC will cover the other groups and what they have done. K. Rauch recommended including the history of how processes have been refined, and recommendations for the future to make it run better.
  - o J. Stanley plans to ask for release time for those who will be writing the report and editing it. They will need to begin working on it in Fall 2022, and this does not need to be done by the GEC chair. He suggested having two members from GEC and two from GEAC working on the program review and report.
  - o Discussion ensued. The five-year review only needs to go back to the beginning of this general education model in 2018, and can talk about the old general education model for historical comparison.
  - o K. Rauch shared about a professional organization that has outlines and question on how to conduct a General Education Program Review, and suggested using this as a guideline. The organization is the Association for General and Liberal Studies (<https://www.agls.org>).
  - o J. Stanley asked the committee to think about what data to request and review. GEAC only includes data on the SLOs.
- J. Stanley will ask A. Pabon and D. MacIlwraith to come to GEC in January and present the newest GEAC report.
- A. Fu brought up concerns that courses are not being updated with the GE attribute in MyKU on time. When he contacted the Registrar's Office it was fixed quickly, but wanted to make GEC aware of it. B. Meares responded that a few courses were identified that needed adjustments to the GE categories; it is being worked on and should not be an issue in the future.
- A. Fu noted that there is a faculty member teaching an A4 course with 40 students, when A4 courses are supposed to be capped at 25 students. J. Stanley stated that the cap should be set by the Dean, and that GEC only makes recommendations on class sizes. Discussion ensued.

V. Next meeting: January 25, 2022, via Zoom.

VI. Move to adjourn by K. Newlander, seconded by A. Fu. Meeting ended at 11:55am.

