

General Education Committee
Meeting Minutes 11/23/2021
Tuesday, 10:00AM

Attending Members:

Suanne Ansari (Chair)
Carmen Grace

Will McCorkle
Kate Owens

Gia Quesada (Ex-officio)
Karen Smail (Ex-officio)

Guest in Attendance: Simon Lewis (Speaker of the Faculty)

Additionally, Guests Chair Christine Finnan and Dr. Can Dalyan join us to discuss ANTH101 for REI requirements.

Dr. Can Dalyan explained REI requirements for his ANTH101. He answered our questions: he forgot to add the 4th written assignment, but he added it already.

Motion to approve minutes from previous meeting; seconded; previous minutes approved from 11/12/2021.

Discussion of rescheduling the next meeting. *Proposed time:* Reading Day (Tuesday, December 7th), 10:00AM-11:30AM. Suanne will send an email to see if committee members will be able to attend, and if not, a Doodle poll will be created.

Approved Proposals:

- HPCP 325 Community Planning for Preservationists
- MEDH 200 Introduction to Medical Humanities
- PSYC 330 Psychology of Prejudice and Discrimination
- PSYC 332 Psychology of Social Change
- RELS 118 Modern History of Religions
- RELS 215 Religion and Globalization
- RELS 250 Religion in America
- RELS 260 Native American Religions
- RELS 270 African-American Religions ~ *Note:* The assessment mechanism for the REI SLOs (e.g., “these outcomes will be assessed on the final paper”) was not specified. Is it the same as for the general education SLOs? The committee requests an updated syllabus that supplies this info. The committee votes to approve ahead of this update.
- RELS 305 Topics in Indigenous Religions
- RELS 348 Asian Religions in America ~ *Note:* The assessment mechanism for the REI SLOs (e.g., “these outcomes will be assessed on the final paper”) was not specified. The committee requests an updated syllabus that supplies this info. The committee votes to approve ahead of this update.
- SOCY 102 Contemporary Social Issues
- SOCY 107 Issues of Race and Ethnicity
- SOCY 326 African American Culture and Society
- SOCY 337 Prejudice

- SOCY 366 Race and Ethnic Relations

Clarification Requested

PORT 150 Intensive Elementary Portuguese through Culture ~ *Note:* The committee requests an updated syllabus, as the syllabus supplied does not list the Final Exam (where SLOs would be assessed) in the course grading percentage breakdown by assignment type, found on page 5.

Math Alternative Sub-committee update:

1. Kate updates about our meeting with Rene McCanley of the Computer Science Department. The Sub-committee (Kate Owens & Carmen Grace), together with Karen Smail, met with Rene to ask if the CS department would be interested in suggesting additional courses for the MLA requirement. Rene will be asking her department to propose a course for the Math Alternative.
2. After the Thanksgiving holiday, Kate will reach out to the Philosophy Department to determine additional information about the scheduling/offering of PHIL 115 (Critical Thinking). This course is approved for the Math/Logic Alternative but it is unclear how often it runs, or on what schedule. We hope to find out how often it is offered, on what schedule, and find a place to supply this information to the students who qualify for the Math/Logic Alternative.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting Dec. 7 at 10AM on Zoom rescheduled from Dec. 10.