

General Education Committee combined groups
September 30, 2019
Minutes

Present: Teri Walker, Michael Braunstein, Tim Hargrave, Maura Valentino, Becky Pearson, AI Ross, Shaffer Claridge, Joshua Buchanan, Carey Gazis, Karisa Terry, Victoria Flanagan, Michel O'Brien, Bernadette Jungblut, Gail Mackin, Jason White, Mike Gimlin, Lizzie Brown and Greg Lyman

Absent: Cynthia Pengilly

Guest(s): None

Meeting was called to order at 3:08 p.m.

Becky talked with the committee about the meeting time. There has been a request to change it to 3:10 p.m. The committee would like to informally start at 3:10 fall quarter and see how it goes, then put in a formal request.

Michael moved to approve the minutes of September 23, 2019. Tim seconded and minutes were approved with 2 abstentions.

Chair update- Becky met with Faculty Senate Executive Committee (EC) representatives today and talked about charges and priorities. Lizzie has put together a spreadsheet with information on action items. What do we need and what do we already have but we are just not aware that it exists. Becky has scheduled Mondays 1:00 - 2:45 in Samuelson 165 and via Zoom as well to discuss the future of the General Education program. The first meeting was today and was a very good meeting.

Student petitions - Mike indicated he has 19 student petitions. Becky talked with the committee how they would like to move forward with petitions.

Student #1 – The student would like a transfer course Bellevue College course CMST& 101, which transfers in as the equivalent to COM 201. Student would like this course to count for the K4: Global Dynamics. COM 201 is not currently in the new GE course. The course does not appear to meet the outcomes for Global Dynamics. The committee agreed that if there is an articulation for a course and it is not part of the GE program, it will be denied by the University. The student also requested transfer course BIOL 108 be used for K7: Physical and Natural Sciences. This course was articulated as a Biology lower division elective and not a specific course. It does meet Bellevue College lab requirement. The third request is to use a CWU course CS 111 to meet K8: Science Technology. This one is a CWU course and not is part of GE. The committee doesn't typically approve CWU courses that are not part of the GE program. Michael moved deny the first the COM 201 course, accept the BIOL 108 course, and deny the CS 111 substitution. Shaffer seconded and motion was approved.

Michael moved to allow the Registrar offices to utilize transfer courses that already have an articulation with CWU General Education course, but to not approve transfer courses that are not currently part of the GE program. Josh seconded and motion was approved.

Maura moved to accept Bellevue College BIOL 108 for K7: Physical and Natural Sciences for any student who transfers it in the future. Teri seconded and motion as approved.

Maura moved that if a student brings in a CWU course that is not in GE program it is to be denied. A.I. seconded and motion was approved.

Student #2 – The student is requesting that a transfer course, ART 155 Art History from Clark College be used for K3: Creative Expression. This articulates to CWU as ART 236 that is an inactive course. Jason indicated it might be similar to ART 103 which is in creative expression. #2 ENG 131 is being requested to be used for K5: Humanities. There is not a current rule and was brought in as ENG lower division credit. This is an Introduction to Poetry three credit course. Michael moved to approve the ART 236 for K3 and refer for department to review the ENG 131 for K5. A.I. seconded and motion was approved.

The ART 155 course is a one-time substitution and is not set as a General Education precedent.

184 pre-req – The committee talked about the CWU 184 pre-req. The original shell course was put in with a pre-req that students need to be eligible for Academic Writing I. Due to a technical glitch, this pre-req was not enforced during Fall quarter.

Michael moved that a course change be submitted for CWU 184 to remove the writing pre-req on CWU 184 as soon as possible. Motion was approved.

The committee will meet separately the first 50 minutes next week and then come together. The curriculum and assessment committee will be responsible for reviewing student petitions. Janet will put together groups to review

Meeting was adjourned at 4:47 p.m.