General Education Committee Curriculum and Assessment Subcommittee February 1, 2021 Minutes

Present: Cynthia Pengilly, Michael Braunstein, Tim Hargrave, Maura Valentino, Becky Pearson, Emily Arras, Toni Woodman, Mike Gimlin, and Greg Lyman

Absent: Teri Walker and Bernadette Jungblut

Guest(s): None

Meeting was called to order at 3:11 p.m.

Maura moved to approve the January 25, 2021 minutes. Michael seconded and motion was approved.

Academic Record policy - The committee reviewed the Academic Record (AR) policy changes that Mike Gimlin and Maria Sanders worked on. Michael B. indicated this might not be good for some students. Some might benefit from having it within their program year. This change would allow, for the purpose of the AR report, for the General Education program to not be tied to a particular program year. If this creates an issue for students, they may use the petition process. Becky asked Cynthia to send her proposed changes to the language to help simplify and clarify. Toni asked if this would allow a student who took a proposed course spring quarter, for it to count once the fall changes go into effect. Would this create an issue if the student was expecting it to count for one knowledge area, but changed and counted for another? Becky will talk with the Curriculum Committee to see if they feel this would resolve the issue or if they would be open to another approach.

STEP AWII pre-requisite – The program is asking AWI pre-req to not be applied on STEP 101, but on STEP 103. They could also put a co- requisite on STEP 102 for ENG 101B. Cynthia indicated that if a student is in the stretch program, they would need to take ENG 101A and 101B in fall and winter and not wait. ENG 101B is not being offered spring quarter, which would create an issue for the student taking STEP 103. The committee will recommend that the program add a co/pre-requisite to STEP 102 of "must be enrolled in or have completed in 101B or AWI".

CWU 184 section distribution/regulation – Becky reported that there was an issue brought up by ADCO of chairs not being told how many sections need to be offered during the academic year. There was a suggestion by a department chair to allow the Registrar office to tell departments how many sections a department can offer and have the Registrar office enforce the allocations. Cynthia asked if there needs to be allocations for the 184 sections.

GE Student petition form – This will be put on agenda for next week.

Assessment – This will be put on agenda for next week when Teri and Bernadette can be in attendance.

GE Structure – Becky did an audit of the role of the director and the responsibilities. She laid out where the responsibilities should be and their status of what has been completed. Becky shared her audit document with the committee. One recommendation is to separate the Director and committee chair position.

The committee talked about the GE committee structure. Cynthia suggested adding a NTT faculty member to the committee regardless of college.

Becky submitted an abstract for a March symposium on antiracist teaching in FYE structure. The abstract was accepted. She is working from strategies used in PUBH 184 in the fall.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.