

**General Education Committee  
Minutes  
October 10, 2022**

Present: A.I. Ross, Teri Walker, Michael Braunstein, Tim Hargrave, Maura Valentino, John Choi, Elaine Glenn, John Neurohr, Jessica Olguin, Mike Gimlin, Yoshiko Takahashi, Michael Goerger, and Megan McConnell

Absent: Peter Gray

Guest(s): None

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

Tim moved to approve the October 3, 2022. Elaine Glenn seconded and motion passed.

Chair report - Maura presented some of her questions in regards to the email the committee received from Dean Takahashi regarding General Education course planning.

How many GE course on average each quarter does each undergraduate take?

How many do online students take?

On average, how many GE courses do transfer students still require?

Will the new associate's degree add more students to GE?

Once we analyze this down to that we need so many in each knowledge area by quarter, how do we capture what is being offered.

Is there a way to capture it automatically as part of the process of offering the course?

Is there a way to add a step to the process of offering a GE course?

Is there a way to determine what courses are normally offered in each department?

Once we have that data, we would need to analyze how many more courses of each type will be required for any given quarter, and who asks for them and who is asked for them. Also, how would the extra costs to departments be handled?

It might be easier to ask more popular offerings if there could be stand by for another section.

None of this addresses the pathway issues.

Dean Takahashi indicated the Provost office does have a data analyst. She asked if he could come talk with the committee next week.

Student petitions – None

GE proposals –

CHIN 301 – Currently the department has more than 3 courses in the P6: Ways of Knowing pathway. The committee discussed potential solutions. The committee reviewed the learner outcomes, and the committee agreed the course does appear to meet the K3: Creative Expression learning outcomes. The committee also reviewed the pathway criteria and felt that they also appeared to meet the identified P6: Ways of Knowing pathway criteria.

Michael B moved that the committee communicates with the department and let them know about the problem with too many courses in the pathway and let them know of some of the possible solutions. John N seconded and motion passed.

Michael B moved that in addition the committee chair communicate one of the possibilities is for a different course to be removed from the pathway. If that is the chosen approach, the committee will accept the proposal past the GE deadline. John N seconded and motion was approved.

COM 250 – This department also has too many courses in P3: Perspectives on Current Issues pathway. Maura indicated the committee can communicate with the department to ask them to eliminate P3 pathway and this would keep them within the rule.

Tim moved to deny COM 250 as it does not meet the outcomes for K3: Creative Expression. Michael B seconded and motion was approved.

CS 481 – Michael B moved to approve this course for Culminating Experience. Teri seconded and motion was approved.

DHC proposal – Concerns were brought forward about students either going into DHC later or those coming out of the program prior to finishing. Concern that the committee may not consider a similar proposal from other departments.

Will continue this discussion at the meeting next week.

Meeting adjourned at 5:02 p.m.