

Chicago State University

University General Education Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, Feb 2, 2013 SCI 213

Members Present:

GEC Chair Steve Rowe, Vice-Chair Monique Germain, Secretary Shaila Christofferson Evelyne Delgado-Norris, Aida Abraha, Tiffany Davis, Asmamaw Yimer, Sarah Buck, Wanda Mahoney, Kamesha Khan

Ex Officio Members Present:

Interim Dean of Honor's College and UCCC Chair-Phil Cronce, Dir. of Evaluations-Matthew Harrison, GEAC Chair-Mark Suddeith, GEAC member-Victor Akatsa, Provost's Office-Bernie Rowan

1. Call to Order:

Chairperson Steve Rowe called the meeting to order as 12:37.

2. Atha Hunt

A moment of silence was observed in remembrance of former colleague Atha Hunt.

3. GEAC Members:

Eddy Gayton, Das Jensen, Victor Akatsa.

4. Provost's Office:

Bernie Rowan will be the new representative from the Provost's office

5. December Minutes: Motion to approve Evelyne, 2nd Monique.

6. Old Business:

A. Proposals received:

For the core courses, English-all, Foreign Language-all, no math applications yet.

Will math applications come in before the extension? Asmamaw Y. to find out.

Embedded requirements-some of these will overlap, some not.

English-proposal courses for Fine Arts embedded designation do not appear to be included. List of Fine Arts courses is available and was created in 07-08. However, there are online catalog errors.

Many departments are still working on course applications. Extension deadline is Feb. 28th.

Aida A.: What about substitutions, additions or changes? Steve-technically everything is an addition since we are supposed to be starting from scratch.

Phil C. regarding the form-leave addition/deletion line for later? It could be helpful. Writing Emphasis component-how to address? Defer to department or add as embedded requirement?

Phil C. posed a question concerning Critical Thinking and Diversity as embedded requirements. Existing courses can double count. Some folks see them as a separate requirements, should they be or not?

Victor Akatsa-Math 1200? 12 courses for Gen Ed in the past, but now he only sees 2 courses that look to fit the criteria. What should be done?

Evelyne D-N. asked about interdisciplinary courses. Shaila-they are required only for CAS students.

B. Subcommittee structures:

Names of GEC and GEAC members on the 3 subcommittees are located on Moodle.

Ex Officios are not required to serve, but all are welcome to participate.

Subcommittees are to determine their chairs.

C. Review of plan for course reviews:

Evaluations of all course proposals completed by March meeting if at all possible.

Subcommittee makes a recommendation to the full GEC committee. Steve then called off which course applications each of the three committees would review.

This information was also to be located on Moodle.

D. Programs requiring specific Gen Ed courses:

Example: Chem. 1050 is a Gen Ed requirement of the nursing program, and it is not taken by students from other majors. Prerequisites can be added to close a course to the general student population, but the dept will need to provide the assessment instruments. Similar course situations exist in the Honor's program and Education, as examples. Matt Harrison from evaluations noted how a limited population Gen Ed course has value, particularly when the student later switches majors.

Meeting Adjourned 1:50pm

Minutes submitted by Shaila Christofferson