

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA
General Education Council
Minutes for February 19, 2024

PRESENT: Marie Bourgeois, Chair (PH), Joanna Burchfield, Vice-Chair (EN), John Abresch (LIB), Karen Atwood (AC), Sara Callahan (AC), Maureen “Mo” Chiodini-Rinaldo (EU), Shane Combs (US), Michael Cross (HC), Madeline Domino (BU), Jane Govoni (EU), Fanni Green (FA), Morgan Gresham (AC), Manisha Joshi (BC), Jay Michaels (AC), Daniel Marlin (BU), Catherine Rogers (BC), Walter Silva Sotillo (EN), Richard Smith (AC)

ABSENT: Jennefer Karnegie (EU), Emily Mann (LIB), Jason Nethercut (AC), Gauri Pradhan (AC), Patrick Rodriguez (PH), Yolanda Torres (NR), Natasha Zurcher (NR)

GUESTS/EX-OFFICIO: Brandis Baines-Waiz (ODS), Scott Besley (BU), Kyna Betancourt (US), Mazhab “Mazi” Ferguson (OCE&P), Colin Forbes (US), Rebecca Gibbons (ODS), Lorene Hall-Jennings (US), Timothy Henkel (CITL), Jennifer Lister (BC), Diane Mellon (US), Monica Miranda (OCE&P), Ali Mrani Alaoui (US), Robyn Tornay (RO), Jennifer VanDeWoestyne (US)

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Meeting Called to Order at 3:00 p.m. (EST).

1. Welcome and Announcements

Marie welcomed everyone to a new GEC meeting.

2. Approval of January 29, 2024 General Education Council Meeting Minutes

The meeting minutes were approved as submitted (no revisions).

3. Informational Items

a. General Education Council Resource Guide – Marie Bourgeois

Marie informed the council that the updated GEC Resource Guide is officially live and available for viewing on the GEC website. It features checklists necessary for new courses, answers questions on the mechanics of assessing courses, and includes general information on the committee along with the roles of each member.

b. Updates for Knowledge Tier (Legislative Impacts) – Marie Bourgeois

Marie relayed that MGF1130 Mathematical Thinking is a course only present in the Knowledge Tier of the Student Learning Objectives (SLO), and that there are no SLOs built in. She inquired about what SLOs, if any, should be added to the course. Kyna informed the council that, per new Florida regulation, all Gen Eds must feature a state approved SLO and a state approved course description. Faculty are free to add their own outcomes to courses, but they must not conflict with the state-regimented outcomes. All Gen Eds must fit into one of five state

tiers: communication, humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, or mathematics.

4. Consent Agenda Course Proposals

Course Change Short Forms

- a. [ECH 4615C Product and Process Design](#) **APPROVED**
- b. [ECH 4680C Product Development](#) **APPROVED**
- c. [EML 4550 Capstone Design I](#) **APPROVED**
- d. [EML 4551 Capstone Design II](#) **APPROVED**

5. Old Business

New Course Proposals

- A. [ACG 4841 Analytics in Accounting](#) (Walter Silva) **TABLED**
- B. [CCJ 3091 Myths of Crime and Criminal Justice](#) (Madeline Domino) **APPROVED**
- C. [CJL 3062 Know Your Legal Rights](#) (Michael Cross) **APPROVED**
- D. [GEY 4945 Internship](#) (Rick Smith) **APPROVED**
- E. [MGF 1130 Mathematical Thinking](#) (Gauri Pradhan) **TABLED**
- F. [MHS 2441 Fundamentals of Romantic Relationships](#) (Mo Chiodini) **APPROVED**
- G. [MHS 3064 Gender Diversity Sexuality and Behavioral Healthcare](#) (Natasha Zurcher) **APPROVED**
- H. [RCS 2000 Disability and Popular Culture](#) (Jay Michaels) **TABLED**
- I. [SOW 3203 Introduction to Social Work](#) (Michael Cross) **TABLED**

Course Change Proposals

- A. [EEC 4940 Internship Early Childhood](#) (Jane Govoni) **TABLED**
- B. [NUR 4948L Preceptorship](#) (Marie Bourgeois) **APPROVED**

Course Recertification Proposals

- A. [BOT 3850 Medical Botany](#) (Jason Nethercut) **APPROVED**
- B. [CCJ 3058 Professionalism in Criminology and Criminal Justice](#) (Jennifer Karnegie) **TABLED**
- C. [CHM 3080 Chemistry for Sustainability](#) (Madeline Domino) **TABLED**
- D. [COM 3014 Communication, Gender and Identity](#) (Morgan Gresham) **TABLED**
- E. [GEY 4401 Research Methods in Aging](#) (Jason Nethercut) **APPROVED**
- F. [HFT 3894 International Food and Culture](#) (Natasha Zurcher) **APPROVED**
- G. [LIS 4934 Information Science Senior Capstone](#) (John Abresch) **TABLED**
- H. [NSP 3667 Introduction to Global Health](#) (Cathy Rogers) **TABLED**
- I. [SPS 3003 The Meaning of Madness](#) (Sara Callahan) **TABLED**

Course Recertification Proposals (Pending)

- A. OCE 2001 Introduction to Oceanography (New classification) **TABLED**

6. New Business

New Course Proposals (Proposals Needing Reviewer Assignment)

- A. [APK 2079 Lifestyle Fitness](#) (Maureen Chiodini-Rinaldo)
- B. [DIG 3121 Principles of Visualization](#) (Shane Combs)

- C. [GRA 2109 Graphic Design Theory and Culture](#) (Fanni Green)

Course Change Proposals (Proposals Needing Reviewer Assignment)

- A. [COP 4703 Advanced Database Systems for Information Technology](#)
- B. [ENC 4940 Professional Internship](#)
- C. [MAD 2470 Introduction to Cryptography and its Applications](#)
- D. [MUS 4954C Music Performance Recital](#) (Madeline Domino)
- E. [SOW 4522 Multicultural America in a Global Society](#)

Course Recertification Proposals (Proposals Needing Reviewer Assignment)

- A. [ECH 3783 Sustaining the Earth: An Engineering Approach](#) (Jay Michaels)
- B. [ECH 4680C Product Development](#) (Michael Cross)
- C. [LDR 4204 Ethics and Power in Leadership](#) (Madeline Domino)
- D. [MUE 4854C Global Music Pedagogy in Local Context](#) (Jane Govoni/Richard Smith)
- E. [MUE 4940 Internship: Music Education](#) (Jane Govoni)
- F. [MUS 4954C Music Performance Recital](#) (Fanni Green)
- G. [PHC 4376 Disaster by Design: Exercise Development for Homeland Security Professionals](#) (Shane Combs)

The meeting adjourned at 4:02 p.m. (EST)

Next UGC Meeting: Monday, March 04, 2024

Upcoming General Education Council Meeting Schedule*

Spring 2024

1. March 04, 2024
2. March 18, 2024
3. April 01, 2024
4. April 15, 2024
5. May 06, 2024

Fall 2024 (Tentative)

1. August 19, 2024
2. September 16, 2024
3. October 07, 2024
4. October 21, 2024
5. November 04, 2024
6. November 18, 2024
7. December 02, 2024

Spring 2025 (Tentative)

1. January 27, 2025
2. February 03, 2025
3. February 17, 2025
4. March 03, 2025
5. March 17, 2025
6. April 07, 2025
7. April 21, 2025
8. May 5, 2025

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