

**UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA**  
**General Education Council**  
**Minutes of April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

Present: Karla Davis-Salazar (chair), Jane Noll, Sonia Wohlmuth, Audrey Powers, Barbara Shircliffe, Audra Parker, Jerry Collins, Amy Thompson, Susan Silver, Marty Gould, Jeff Cunningham, Sandy Reynolds, Mary Fournier

Absent: Alison Oberne, Eleni Manolaraki, Greg Herbert, Jianping Qi, Michael Bowen (excused), Roger Boothroyd (excused), Phil Levy

Guests/Ex Officio/ Resource Staff: Michael Kanning (UGS), Diane Williams

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m.  
The minutes of April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010 were approved with minor revisions.

**Old Business**

- **Global Citizenship Program Update** – Chair Davis-Salazar updated the council on the latest developments in the Global Citizenship program. A sample course sequence was shared and discussed. Questions about language requirements and assessment practices were raised. New learning outcomes for the program are being developed in conjunction with the Office of Institutional Effectiveness and Assessment.
- **Recertification Process** – Some changes to the Recertification form were reviewed, and additional clarifications were requested. The changes to the form were approved with the discussed amendments.
- **Adding lower-level FKL courses** – The council reviewed and discussed language written to clarify the procedure for requesting the review of new lower-level courses. The approved statement, to be placed on the FKL Proposal Website, is as follows:
  - “The General Education Council has announced the completion and full implementation of the General Education portion of the Foundations of Knowledge and Learning (FKL) Core Curriculum. Proposals for courses intended for the General Education portion of the curriculum, submitted after December 1st, 2010, will no longer be considered. However, the Council recognizes that, over time, changes in personnel, faculty interest, and disciplinary practice may prompt departments to review and revise their curricula, including their General Education offerings. Therefore, only under exceptional circumstances will the Council consider a department’s request to expand its General Education offerings by adding additional courses to the curriculum. Proposals for Exit-level courses may still be submitted.”

**Courses Approved**

<b>1. AMS4935 – Senior Seminar in American Studies</b>	
Core Area – Capstone	Dimensions – CT, INQ, CPE
An interdisciplinary capstone course in American Studies, treating multiple artistic forms or cultural practices and relating them within a defined, social, historical, or intellectual context.	

<b>1. ENC3249 – Communication for IT Professionals</b>	
Core Area – Writing Intensive	Dimensions – CT, INQ, WLS
<p>This course provides students the opportunity to learn professional writing techniques including common grammar and spelling errors, writing styles, the ethics of authorship, reference and citation systems, and guidance for scientific communication. This course is devoted to the written and oral communication concerns of the 21st Century information technology professional. Students will be engaged individual and team development of professional and technical documents relevant to the IT field.</p>	

**Course Review Issues**

- EUH2012, was resubmitted and is ready for review.
- MUH4058 was submitted and is ready for review.
- FIL3854, IDH5975 and NUR4636 were tabled.
- REL4499, a non-FKL course, was approved as a Gordon Rule – Communication course.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40pm.  
The next meeting will be on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 at 3pm in BEH 318.