

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA
General Education Council
Minutes of November 1st, 2010

Present: Karla Davis-Salazar (chair), Phil Levy, Sandy Reynolds, Sonia Wohlmuth, Jane Noll, Michael Bowen, Barbara Shircliffe, Audrey Powers, Roger Boothroyd, Alison Oberne, Jerry Collins, Eleni Manolaraki, Mary Fournier, Jianping Qi, Marty Gould, Jeff Cunningham, Rose Rezaei

Absent: Amy Thompson, Sharon Geiger, Gregory Herbert

Guests/Ex Officio/ Resource Staff: Michael Kanning (UGS), Janet Moore (UGS), Diane Williams (C21TE), Bill Cummings

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m.

The minutes of October 18th, 2010 were approved.

Announcements

- A letter announcing the dates for the closing of the FKL General Education portion of the curriculum was distributed to department chairs. GEC members should be prepared to respond to questions regarding the deadline from their fellow faculty.
- There was some discussion about the notice from Sarasota-Manatee concerning their lower-level and GenEd program offerings. It does not appear that these changes will have any effect on transfer credit between institutions.

New Business

- **Substantive Change Form** – A form to be used for submitting substantive changes to approved FKL courses was distributed and discussed. The form will be used by departments when they would like to change to their FKL course's Core Area, Dimensions, Gordon Rule status, title, etc. The form was **approved** with minor revisions. It will be available for download on the Undergraduate Studies GEC website.

Committee Reports

- **Capstone Experience committee** – The committee distributed a draft memo regarding the proposed changes to the Capstone portion of the Exit curriculum. The new option, named the Culminating Educational Experience (CEE), will provide departments with a third option for enabling students to complete part of their Exit requirement portion of the FKL. The CEE will include non-traditional, higher-level academic work that bridges the gap between student's course work and professional life. These CEEs, once submitted, will be reviewed by the GEC like other courses. They can meet the Capstone, Writing Intensive, or both Exit requirements. There was some discussion concerning the requirements for what is able to count as a CEE. Other changes were suggested to the memo, and with those changes a motion was made and approved to add the CEE language to the FKL document. Language for the website will be considered at the next meeting.

Course Review Issues

- ARC2211 are not ready to be approved and will be returned.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30pm.

The next meeting will be on November 15th at 3pm in SVC 2002.