

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA
General Education Council
Minutes of November 15th, 2010

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

Absent: Mary Fournier (excused), Audrey Powers

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

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

The minutes of November 1st, 2010 were approved.

Announcements

- The Substantive change form is available at the GEC homepage on the Undergraduate Studies site.
- The final GEC meeting of this semester, scheduled for December 6th, was cancelled.
- In lieu of meeting, Chair Davis-Salazar asks that the committees meet to address any needed work. The funding committee has no courses approved so far requesting funding. The marketing committee should look at composing a brochure to inform students about the FKL program.
- The first meeting of the Spring semester has been rescheduled to January 10th.
- The recertification forms will be distributed to the first cohort of courses this week. The council voted to give more time to those faculty members completing the forms. The deadline for submission was extended from December 31st to February 14th.
- The work of the council next semester will include discussion on the best ways to get the results of the General Education Assessment efforts back to the faculty. This process can best be achieved through collaboration between the GEC and the Faculty Assessment Coordinators.

Old Business

- **Capstone Educational Experience** – The revised Exit course language was distributed and discussed by the council. There was an emphasis on clarifying the position of the new CEE Exit course option in relation to the existing Exit requirements of one Capstone and one Writing Intensive course. Also discussed was the extent to which the Exit courses are intended to be interdisciplinary. It was decided that rather than adding CEE language to the existing Exit course language, the entire Exit program section ought to be rewritten to clarify any potentially ambiguous language. This new language will be distributed and discussed further via email.

Courses Approved

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| 1. AMS3605 – Working Class Culture in America – COURSE APPROVED (numbering tentative – new university course) | |
| Core Area – Exit/Capstone | Dimensions – CT, INQ, CPE |
| An interdisciplinary examination of the cultural identity of American working class families from WWII to present. | |

Course Review Issues

- PET4406, ARC2701 and ARC2702 are not ready to be approved and will be returned.
- A change in title to the approved course GEY3625 was approved. The course is renamed from “Sociocultural Aspects of Aging” to “Sociological Aspects of Aging”.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30pm.

This was the final meeting of Fall semester 2010. The next meeting will be on January 10th at 3pm in SVC 2002.