

ASU GENERAL STUDIES COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
September 25, 2012
3:00–5:00 p.m.

Present: Craig Allen, Rebecca Barry, Volker Benkert, Patrick Bixby, Debra Campbell, David Carlson, Ron Dorn, Alejandra Elenes, Barbara Fargotstein, Sherry Feng, Chouki El Hamel-Chair, Tracey Hayes, Hilde Hoogenboom, Matthias Kawski, Kate Lehman, Lauren Leo, Phyllis Lucie, Lisa McIntyre, Mark Montesano

Excused: Peter de Marneffe, Antonio Garcia, Barbara Lafford, Jeff Ricker, Joe Rody, Julia Sarreal, Mike Tueller

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes—August 28, 2012

The minutes were approved as written.

3. Announcements

none

4. Old Business

The council discussed updated information needed for GSC By-Laws and Policies & Procedures (Phyllis will check with Fred Corey relating to the term Policies being changed to Protocols).

Rebecca Barry will keep notes regarding suggestions and amendments. Once all amendments are reviewed, approved, and voted upon, a final version of By-Laws will be posted on the GSC website. This discussion is ongoing.

Barbara Fargotstein, chair of Literacy & Critical Inquiry requests that the GSC discuss what constitutes “substantive” writing assignments (for L designation). Barbara respectfully requests feedback. **This item will be discussed at the October 23, 2012 GSC meeting.**

The council is encouraged to discuss and finalize “generic” questions to facilitate the revising and resubmission of a course proposal at the next GSC meeting.

5. **New Business**

None

6. **Subcommittee Reports**

A) **Literacy & Critical Inquiry (Barbara Fargotstein)**
From ASU

Approved for L designation, effective fall 2013 (new):

SCM 479 Supply Chain Strategy (revised)

B) **Mathematical Studies (MA)/(CS) (Joe Rody)**
From MCCC

Approved for CS designation, effective spring 2013 (new):

BIO 283 Bioinformatics and Scientific Computing

C) **Humanities, Fine Arts & Design (HU) (Kate Lehman)**
From ASU

Approved for HU designation, effective spring 2013 (new):

CHI 120 Introduction to Chinese Culture
GRK/SLC 194 Ancient Greek Civilization
MUS 254 Blues to Heavy Metal (revised)

Revise & Resubmit

SLC/LAT/HST 394 Roman Religion

Rationale: while the course content is clearly Humanities, there is nothing regarding assignments and the ways in which students are required to synthesize and relate the material. Please add that to the syllabus and we will have a winner.

SLC/GRK/LAT/HST 394 Greece and Rome at War

Rationale: the subcommittee does not fully understand whether the computer modeling of ancient battles (the most substantive assignments, according to the syllabus) concern the “comprehension and interpretation/analysis of writing, aural, or visual texts” and/or the “comprehension and interpretation/analysis of material objects, images, and spaces”? Please clarify for us.

D) Social and Behavioral Sciences (Rebecca Barry)
From ASU

Approved for SB designation, effective spring 2013 (new):

SWU 180 Introduction to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Studies

E) Natural Sciences (SQ/SG) (Ron Dorn)
None

F) Cultural Diversity in the United States (Alejandra Elenes)
From ASU

Approved for C designation, effective spring 2013 (new):

SWU 180 Introduction to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Studies

G) Global Awareness (Mike Tueller)
From ASU

Approved for G designation, effective fall 2013 (new):

SCM 463 Global Supply Chain Management (*revised*)

H) Historical Awareness (Jeffrey Ricker)
From ASU

Approved for H designation, effective spring 2013 (new):

GRK/SLC 194 Ancient Greek Civilization

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Submitted by Phyllis Lucie