

**Arizona State University  
General Studies Council  
Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, April 27, 2023  
3:00-5:00 PM**

**Present:** Anna Zischkau, Annapurna Ganesh, Ashli Morgan, Bertha Manninen, Brent Scholar, Darryl Morrell, David Corlett, Emily Mertz, Evan Berry, Jada Ach, Jose Lobo, Matt Simonton, Megan Todd, Melissa Dengler, Michael Mokwa (Chair), Michele Devine, Michelle Mancenido, Michelle Zandieh, Natalie Heywood, Patricia Webb, Steve Semken, Tamiko Azuma, April Randall, Vice Provost Anne Jones, Jennifer Malerich

**Excused:** Mina Suk

**Absent:** Marie Wallace, Michelle Saint, Peter Schmidt

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 3:02 p.m.

**2. Approval of Minutes - [March 30, 2023](#)**

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Brent Scholar and seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

**3. Announcements**

- Vice Provost Anne Jones addressed the council about several items:
  - The by-laws state that members can serve a maximum of two 3-year terms, for a total of six years. Those who have completed their two terms will be thanked for their service and new members will take their place. Those who have completed one 3-year term will be asked if they want to serve a second term.
  - The new General Studies framework
  - Quality of proposals
  - Revamping Literacy/other criteria and questions and tweaking things over the summer.

**4. Old Business**

**5. New Business**

**6. Subcommittee Reports**

**A. Literacy and Critical Inquiry (L)**

**Recommended for approval:**

From ASU:

[BIO 416 Biomedical Research Ethics](#)

[CEL 394 Women in Political Thought & Leadership](#) (Topic)

[CTE 310 Elements of Culture, Technology and Environment](#)

[EGR 401 Professional Design Project I](#)  
[ENG 302 Business Writing](#)  
[ENG 321 Shakespeare](#)  
[ENG 337 Major American Novels](#)  
[ENG 360 Western American Literature](#)  
[ENG 445 Studies in American Realism](#)  
[ENV 485 Environmental Impact Assessment](#)  
[KIN 443 Exercise Endocrinology](#)  
[MBB 490 Capstone: Issues in Biotechnology](#)  
[MBB 491 Capstone: Issues in Molecular Biosciences](#)  
[PSY 443 Child and Adolescent Psychological Disorders](#)  
[SPE 430 Professional Practices, Foundations and Collaborative Teaching in Special Education](#)  
[THE 440 Experimental Theatre and Performance](#)

**Recommended for revise and resubmit:**

From ASU:

[ASB 322 Peoples of Latin America](#)  
[ASB 443 Cross-Cultural Studies in Global Health](#)  
[BIO 304 Plants and Civilization](#)  
[BIO 410 Techniques in Conservation Biology and Ecology](#)  
[MHL 438 Topics in 18th-Century Music](#)

**Recommended for denial:**

From ASU:

[COM 328 Communicating Science](#)  
[THP 311 Drama and Education: Performance Methods for Teaching](#)

**B. Mathematical Studies (MA/CS)**

**Recommended for approval:**

From ASU:

[BIO 415 Statistical Models for Biology](#) (CS)  
[CPI 101 Introduction to Informatics](#) (CS)  
[CPI 200 Mathematical Foundations of Informatics](#) (MA)  
[CSE 194 Introduction to Computer Science and Programming for Non-Majors](#) (Topic) (CS)  
[EGR 280 Engineering Statistics](#) (CS)

**C. Humanities, Arts and Design (HU)**

**Recommended for approval:**

From ASU:

[CEL 320 Modern Political Thought: Origins and Debates about Modern Liberty](#)  
[CHI 321 Power and Poetry: Classical Chinese Literature in Translation](#)  
[COM 428 Graphic Novels and Popular Culture](#)  
[CTE 310 Elements of Culture, Technology and Environment](#)  
[HUL 494 Energy, Justice and Action](#) (Topic)

[HUL 494 Narratives of School Shootings](#) (Topic)  
[REL 394 Art and Religion in Jain Culture](#) (Topic)  
[THE 406 American Multicultural Film](#)  
[WST 371 Sex and the City: Women, Sexuality, and Popular Culture](#)

**Recommended for revise and resubmit:**

From ASU:

[CHI 294 Common Chinese Characters: Hanzi, Kanji, Hanja](#) (Topic)  
[ENG 222 Survey of English Literature](#)  
[ENG 413 History of English Language](#)  
[HUL 494 Crippling Technology](#) (Topic)  
[HUL 494 Mediating Ocean Futures](#) (Topic)  
[NEW 300 International Cities: A Study of Black Amsterdam](#) (Topic)  
[STS 102 Engineering for All](#)

From Community Colleges:

[ECE 150 Exploring Engineering and its Impact on Society](#)

**D. Social-Behavioral Sciences (SB)**

**Recommended for approval:**

From ASU:

[BIO 432 Why People Steal, Cheat and Lie](#)  
[CAP 121 Introduction to Sport, Exercise and Performance Psychology](#)  
[ECN 211 Macroeconomic Principles](#)  
[ECN 212 Microeconomic Principles](#)  
[ECN 360 Economic Development](#)  
[EVE 394 Global Environmental Perspectives](#) (Topic)  
[WST 360 Women as Healers](#)

**E. Natural Sciences (SQ/SG)**

**Recommended for approval:**

From ASU:

[BIO 112 Discovery: Why Sex?](#) (SG)  
[PHY 194 Energy Matters](#) (Topic) (SQ)

**F. Cultural Diversity in the U.S. (C)**

No submissions.

**G. Global Awareness (G)**

**Recommended for approval:**

From ASU:

[CEL 394 Russian Political Thought from Peter I to Putin](#) (Topic)

[CHI 294 Performance Cities in China-US](#) (Topic)

[JHR 378 Poverty, Inequality and Social Justice in Latin America](#)

[NEW 300 International Cities: A Study of Black Amsterdam](#) (Topic)

[REL 394 Art and Religion in Jain Culture](#) (Topic)

[TWC 435 Global Issues in Technical Communication](#)

**Recommended for revise and resubmit:**

From ASU:

[KOR 494 Translating Korean Literature](#) (Topic)

[SOC 332 The Modern City](#)

**H. Historical Awareness (H)**

**Recommended for approval:**

From ASU:

[CEL 394 Faith and Reason: The Trial of Galileo](#) (Topic)

[REL 394 Art and Religion in Jain Culture](#) (Topic)

**Recommended for revise and resubmit:**

From ASU:

[CEL 394 Russian Political Thought from Peter I to Putin](#) (Topic)

A motion to approve the subcommittee reports was made by Brent Scholar and seconded. The subcommittee reports were unanimously approved.

**7. Discussion**

**8. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:58 p.m.

Submitted by April Randall