

MINUTES
General Education Committee
November 3, 2022
3:15-4:45 pm
Montecito Room

Members present: Steve Hodson (Professor of Music), Carmel Saad (Professor of Psychology), Felicia Song (Professor of Sociology & Anthropology), Tara Sturges (Assistant Registrar, Recording Secretary)

Members absent: Theresa Covich (Instructional Services Librarian), Tatiana Nazarenko (Dean of Curriculum and Educational Effectiveness)

I. Prayer - Steve Hodson

II. Minutes of October 20, 2022.

The committee members unanimously approved the minutes from October 20, 2022.

III. NUR-260 syllabus; NUR-260 submission form

Steve Hodson will reach out to Carol Velas with a request that she add explicit detail to the NUR-260 syllabus concerning which assignments specifically fulfill the WSI certification criteria.

IV. NUR-290 syllabus; NUR-290 submission form

Steve Hodson will reach out to Carol Velas with a request that she add explicit detail via annotation to the NUR-290 syllabus to identify how the course fulfills certification criteria #1 of the Serving Society requirement regarding the theological motivations for service.

V. NUR-280 syllabus w/ additional doc; NUR-280 submission form; NUR-280 syllabus

The committee unanimously approved NUR-280 to fulfill the Thinking Globally Common Inquiries requirement.

VI. Understanding Society syllabus audit (Google drive)

The committee unanimously moved to postpone the Understanding Society syllabus audit discussion.

VII. Working Artistically Syllabus audit (Google drive)

The committee unanimously moved to postpone the Working Artistically syllabus audit discussion.

VIII. The GE proposal to the Senate: Sarah Skripsky's suggestions

The committee considered Sarah Skripsky's suggestions. The discussion resulted in updating the wording of the GE proposal, changing "relevant expertise" to "relevant experience." The group collaborated concerning suggested language for the presentation of the proposal to the Senate. It was noted that the change from "i.e." to "e.g." will make the course approval process more equitable while removing rigidity such that courses from a wider range of departments might be considered. Appropriate faculty members will continue to be consulted and the process of decision-making will remain unchanged.

IX. Working Artistically update: Felicia Song

All relevant departments and instructors reviewed and assessed selected courses per a common rubric with the outcome that the current wording of the certification criteria of the Working Artistically GE is sufficient and requires no updated language. Felicia Song mentioned that a reminder will be sent in January 2023 to add updated syllabi to the website, as needed.

X. Understanding Society update: Carmel Saad

Carmel Saad will contact the appropriate department chairs to arrange a time for this assessment. During the discussion, it was mentioned that having department chairs from each program/department is important for thorough and relevant feedback.

XI. Other business

None.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Sturges