

**2012-2013 FACULTY SENATE
GENERAL EDUCATION/GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS POLICIES COMMITTEE**

MINUTES

Approved: October 01, 2012

September 17, 2012

Members Present: Nicole Baptista, Fiona Glade, Lisa Harrison, Andrew Hertzoff, Sue Holl, Thomas Krabacher, Joan Neide, Reza Peigahi (Chair), Chris Taylor.

Members Absent: Dana Kivel (excused), Sheree Meyer (excused), Ravin Pan (excused).

Guests: Aaron Cohen (History), Jim Cox (Government), Lisalee Eybert (EDS), Buzz Fozouni (Government), Maria S. Mayberry (Foreign Language), Heidi Van Beek (Academic Advising).

Called to Order: 3:04 p.m.

1. Announcements and Chair's Business:

- a. Chair Peigahi welcomed everyone and thanked members for attending GE/GRPC two weeks in a row, both last Monday and this Monday. Chair Peigahi introduced members who were unable to attend the last meeting.
- b. Chair Peigahi reminded members that the stakeholders representing the American Political Institutions would be attending today's meeting from 3:30-4:15 p.m. to address graduation requirements.
- c. Heidi Van Beek mentioned that on the "Major/GE Requirement Overlap" document that was sent, that under Upper Division Math 24 Modern Business Mathematics was not highlighted and it should have been. Math 24 is required for Business majors.
- d. Chair Peigahi updated the committee on the latest information from the Chancellor's Office mandating that all majors get down to a maximum of 120 units. The mechanism by which they do this will be left up to each campus. However, the timeline is short.
- e. GE Gemmies Awards ceremony is scheduled for November 16th this year. Possible speakers and awardees were discussed and will be discussed again at future meetings. Chair Peigahi asked that members come to the next meeting with possible ideas.
- f. Chair Peigahi reported on the new transmittal form that has been created in order to bring forth policies etc. to the Executive Committee and then onto the Senate. The desire is to make the policy as clear as possible reporting the title, the purpose, why it is necessary, whom might this policy affect, whom is responsible for overseeing the policy, and how the policy would be carried out?

2. Action Items:

- a. September 17, 2012 agenda was approved as written. MSC.
- b. September 10, 2012 minutes were approved as amended. MSC.

~~Also, many students must take additional courses to receive financial aid to satisfy the 12 unit minimum.~~ In order for students to acquire full financial aid dispersement, they must

be enrolled in at least 12 units. However, they do receive aid proportionate to the number of units they are enrolled in. Some members felt that faculty are not aware of this and should be educated on this matter. Consequently, it was suggested that perhaps someone from the Financial Aid Office could attend a Senate meeting to educate faculty on dispersements.

3. Business:

- a. Chair Peigahi discussed the transmittal letter that he will be sending forward shortly for the General Education/Graduation Requirements Policy Recommendations Policy Revisions to General Education Program and its associated Graduation Requirements. Chair Peigahi will draft the policy in the new template and then send an electronic version of it and request feedback from members.
- b. Chair Peigahi turned the time over to Aaron Cohen (History), Jim Cox (Government), and Buzz Fozouni. Professor Cohen discussed the American History and Institutions of Graduation Requirement Act, commonly referred to as A.I. for American Institutions. Professor Cohen explained that this is not a CSUS graduation requirement, but a California Higher Education graduation requirement. A.I. is required by both CSUS and UC universities. A.I. is technically part of the California Code of Regulations and is separate from GE. However, both are listed under Title 5, although under different regulations. A.I. is under regulation 40404 and G.E. is under regulation is 40405. CSUS references them under separate Executive Orders. The Executive Order is: 1061. Specific coursework is required or waved under specific articulation. Changes are controversial because they have been around for a long time and are politically charged. The Executive Order was changed in August 2011, and changes and exceptions were discussed. U.S. Government and CA History are components of the course(s). All CSU's typically require two courses to fulfill the requirement, except for San Luis Obispo. San Luis Obispo created the "American Experience" and their students are allowed to take only one course to fulfill the requirement. Apparently students at San Luis Obispo are required to take one course, either a US Government or a CA History course. San Luis Obispo seems to be outside of the mandated requirements. The pathways, challenges and wavers were discussed at length. It was recommended that a similar presentation be given to the entire Senate by the three A.I. faculty
- c. In reviewing the Area D wording, some changes will be made and the revised policy will be sent to committee members for review. Within Area D, it is still the intention to require 12 instead rather than the already required 15 units.

4. Ongoing Business items and Checklist for 2012/2013 GE/GRPC:

Item	When it should be addressed	Who will address it
GE Revisioning – structure Proposed Structural Revisions to the GE Program	Fall 2012	Faculty Senate with GE/GRPC speaking for it.

GE Revisioning – models Thematic or other models of General Education Curriculum	Spring 2013	GE/GRPC with possible recommendations to Senate
Area Learning Outcomes A – convening of group	Fall 2012 convened, Spring 2013 complete	Area Working Group. Spring GE/GRPC action, Faculty Senate recommendation with Area Learning Groups speaking for it
Race and Ethnicity Graduation Requirement Outcomes – convening of group	Fall 2012 convened, Spring 2013 complete	Area Working Group. Spring GE/GRPC action, Faculty Senate recommendation with Area Learning Groups speaking for it
Area Learning Outcomes E - completion of process	Fall 2012	Area Working Group. Fall GE/GRPC action, Faculty Senate recommendation with Area Learning Groups speaking for it
Area Learning Outcomes for Areas C and D – completion of process	Spring 2013 – after Structural Revision Proposals have been acted upon by Senate	Area Working Group. Spring GE/GRPC action, Faculty Senate recommendation with Area Learning Groups speaking for it
Assessment Plan for Area B Learning Outcomes	Fall 2012/Spring 2013	Area Working Group. Faculty Learning Collaborative, GE/GRPC action. Does this go to the Senate?
GE Assessment	Fall 2012/Spring 2013	GE/GRPC, possibly additional guests Amy Liu, Lynn Tashiro, Janet Hecsh, others.
Academic Learning Collaborative Assessment	Fall 2012 / Spring 2013	GE/GRPC
GE Self-Study	Spring 2013	PROC, GE/GRPC
GE Commissioned Study on supply/demand for seats in GE	Fall/Spring 2012/13	GE, Academic Affairs, OIR/IRT?
GE Courses with Prerequisite requirements	Fall 2012	GE
Other?		

5. The next meeting will be held on Monday October 1, 2012 in Sacramento Hall 275 from 3:00-4:30 p.m.

6. Meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

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