

GEOC Meeting September 19, 2011

In Attendance: Murphy Sewall, Xae Alicia Reyes, Robert Cromley, Mike Young, John Ayers, Tom Deans, Eric Schultz, Olivier Morand, Peter Kaminsky.

Not Present: Elizabeth Jockusch, Richard Jones, Rosa Helena Chinchilla, Robert Stephens, Tom Roby, Anabel Perez, Suresh Nair, Wally Madych, Sarah Winter, Erin Eighan, Francoise Dussart, Alex Shvartsman

Meeting called to order at 11:08am.

1. Minutes of the Sept 9, 2011 meeting.

No changes or comments were taken.

2. Announcements

- CLAS C&CC Chair meeting. Murphy met with Bob Michel concerning how to handle Study Abroad courses, particularly those brought back as general courses. A modified Course Action Form generally usable across departments was discussed. A meeting of college curriculum chairs, study abroad, honors, ECE, UICC and UITS chaired by the chair of the Senate C&CC under the auspices of the VP for Undergraduate Programs will be recommended.
- Meeting between the GEOC chair and the director of the Office of Institutional Research (OIR) will take place this week. We hope to obtain data about CA3 labs capacity by reconstructing how rapidly lab sections fill during registration periods. It should be possible to determine the number of general education courses transferred in under 9100, 9200 designations and how many non-degree general education courses, most of which are ECE courses appear on transcripts. This data will indicate how much Gen Ed is not being taught by UConn faculty. Later in the meeting Tom Deans requested identifying the number of W courses with enrollments that exceed 19 students.

3. Reports and Discussion

- Course Alignment. Requesting any additional revisions based on the initial pilot of the process. The letter and form have been softened in terms of requesting language. Robert Cromley asked about CA2 alignment form and what the CA subcommittee should do with it. The committee is to evaluate whether the courses are still meeting standards. All comments on courses should be returned to GEOC as a whole before reporting to the responding department.

4. Subcommittee Reports

- CA2 report on Health Center course, PUBH 1001. The school probably is moving toward offering a BA in Public Health. The CA2 Committee recommends approval. Robert Cromley noted that some of the CA2 criteria were not directly presented in the application, but can be abstracted from the syllabus. The motion in favor of CA2 for PUBH 1001 passed unanimously.

Other Discussions

Women Studies 2105 (a non W version is being taught this fall). Students in the course are requesting W credit having registered in non-W offering. Enrollment exceeds the N=19 students. Other students, who might have registered for the course had it initially been a W, should be considered. GEOC did not support the request to retroactively make such a course a W.

CA3 would like to recruit 1 more member to their subcommittee. W subcommittee also needs a co-chair. Names of potential members were requested.

Peter Kaminsky moved adjournment, unanimously accepted.

Meeting adjourned at 11:42pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Young
GEOC member