

GEOC Meeting April 17, 2013

In attendance: Murphy Sewall, Anabel Perez, Tom Long, Olivier Morand, Sarah Winter, Xae Alicia Reyes, Tom Abbott, Francoise Dussart, Laurent Michel, Wally Madych, Mike Young

Not present:

Stephanie Milan, Eric Schultz, Thomas Meyer, Thomas Deans, Nicholas Leadbeater, Rosa Helena Chinchilla, Peter Kaminsky, Linda Neelly, Kailee Himes, Richard Jones, Noah Sharpsteen, Gustavo Nanclares (sabbatical)

Meeting called to order at 1:10 pm.

1. Minutes of the March 26, 2013 meeting

The minutes of the March 26, 2013 meeting were accepted as submitted.

2. Announcements

- GEOG 1000 Introduction to Geography was approved by eVote as a full online intersession course on April 9 (NOTE: Course was mistakenly reported as "provisional" on the original agenda, but has been confirmed as a full approval.)

3. Subcommittee Reports

CA1

The CA1 Subcommittee recommends approving the following new course proposals as Content Area 1 courses:

- HIST 1600 Introduction to Latin America and the Caribbean
- MUSI 1006 Earthtones: Vocal Ensemble

The CA1 Subcommittee recommends approving the following course revisions under the Content Area 1 designation:

- LAMS 1190 Introduction to Latin America and the Caribbean
- LAMS 1190W Introduction to Latin America and the Caribbean

The CA1 subcommittee recommends full approval of the following course as a CA1 intersession offering:

- ART 1000 Art Appreciation

The CA1 subcommittee recommends approval of the cross-listing between MUSI 1006 and FINA 1001

Discussion

- The GEOC will contact the FINA 1001 instructors about a CA4 credit option

The motion to approve carried unanimously.

W

The W Subcommittee recommends approving the following new course proposals for the W competency:

- SPAN 3267W The Spanish American Short Story
- FNCE 4997W Senior Thesis in Finance
- ANSC 3324W Scientific Writing in Embryo Biotechnology
- SOCI/WGSS 2363W Women and Crime
- LLAS 2011W Introduction to Latin American Writing and Research

The W Subcommittee recommends approving the following new course proposals for the W competency contingent upon revisions as requested:

- ANSC 4312W Scientific Writing in Advances Animal Nutrition
Requested Revisions: Must clarify inconsistencies within syllabus about final paper page length, and must be more specific in section 41f of the CAR. (Other minor revisions in the CAR already corrected by Karen Piantek)
- NURS 4597W Senior Thesis in Nursing (Corrected #)
Requested Revisions: Must fill in section 41f of CAR and offer more specifics on the writing process for thesis writers.

The W Subcommittee recommends approving the following course proposal revisions for the W competency:

- EKIN 3547W Service Learning Through Sport and Physical Activity

- CSE 2300W Digital Logic Design
- CSE 4939W Computer Science and Engineering Design Project I

The W Subcommittee recommends approving the following course proposal revisions for the W competency contingent upon revisions as requested:

- LAMS 1190W Introduction to Latin America and the Caribbean
Requested Revisions: The syllabus should include the "F Clause" (some version of this should be on all W syllabi): "In order to pass this course, you must receive a passing grade on its writing components." On the CAR box 41f, a required section, was left blank. Under "W Course" you must explain how the W requirements will be met. This is evident in the syllabus, but the CAR is the document serves as the archived record for the course, so the "W" section (41f) must include a summary of what the syllabus promises about writing.

Exclusion:

- BME 3600W Biomechanics was removed from the report due to further changes that are being considered

The motion to approve carried unanimously.

4. Reports and Discussion

Discussion and vote on revised edits to CA1 criteria

- The criteria were updated based on issues raised in assessment efforts and edits suggested by the GEOC during the March 26th meeting
- Will be forwarded to the Senate C&C

The motion to approve carried unanimously.

GEOC Annual Report

- The annual report is undergoing final edits and will be circulated to the GEOC shortly

Discussion of GEOC guide manual

- Section 2.1 should include information on recruiting new subcommittee members
- There should also be a description of what meetings can consist of and the allowance of electronic meetings
- The committee questioned whether the guide could/should be a wiki document
- For any other additions or corrections, please email Karen

Other

- A Doodle poll will be sent around to determine a more suitable time for the last meeting during finals week in May

Meeting adjourned at 1:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Anabel Perez and Karen Piantek