

**GENERAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES SUMMARY
Tuesday, November 7, 2000
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
204 Whitehurst Conference Room**

Present: P. Bettis, G. Gates, G. Horn, W. Ivy, E. Jones, N. Jones, T. Krehbiel, B. Masters, J. Nelson, J. Vitek

Absent: J. Comer, J. Hattey, J. Wallin (Input from Comer and Hattey received via e-mail and included in discussions and voting.)

Dr. Vitek called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

1. COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES AND NATURAL RESOURCES

AG 3080 – International Travel – Request for "I" designation, **ONE TIME ONLY, approved, effective immediately for winter inter-session December 26, 2000 through January 13, 2001.**

AGEC 4803 – International Study Tour of Turkey (CAF) – New Course Request for "I" designation **approved ONE TIME ONLY, effective Summer 2001.** Request for "H" designation **denied.** Council believed the course objective fell more in line with the criteria for the social and behavioral sciences than a humanities designation. Additional information is requested focusing on the humanities criteria and why it would be appropriate for this particular Agricultural Economics course. Dr. Dan Tilley will submit new information to address the concerns of the GEAC. The information will be shared with Council members and a new vote taken. **(Please see addendum)**

The course action form for AGEC 4803 requests graduate credit in addition to the request for two general education designations. It is no longer acceptable for a course to receive both graduate credit and a general education designation. Graduate credit may be obtained by offering a separate section at a 5000 level not having a general education designation. **(Refer to addendum)**

AGEC 4990 – Ethical Issues in Agriculture and the Environment – The request for an "H" designation was **approved, effective Spring 2001, ONE TIME ONLY.** This course is being developed in response to a programmatic deficiency in ethical issues as they impact agriculture and environmental science.

2. COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

ENGL 2443 – Languages of the World (CAF) and FLL 2443 – Languages of the World (CAF) The request for an "I" designation was **approved effective Fall 2001**. The request for an "H" designation was **denied**. Council requests a point by point description of the humanities specifics.

GEOG 3243 – Geography of Indian Country (CAF) – New Course – The request for "S" designation was **approved, effective Fall 2001**. Brenda Masters questioned the title of this new course referring to "Indian" instead of Native American. B. Ivy will visit with the department to determine if a change is in order.

RUSS 4013 – Survey of Russian Literature I (CAF) – New Course – The Request for an "H" designation was **approved effective Fall 2001**. The request for an "I" designation was **denied** because the course does not focus on the understanding of contemporary societies and cultures.

RUSS 4023 – Survey of Russian Literature II (CAF) – New Course – The request for "H" and "I" designations **were approved effective Fall 2001**.

3. Other Business

A. Council briefly discussed the revised General Education Courses Area Designations – Criteria and Goals. Questions were raised regarding how soon the document would become effective and the handling of those courses already designated as meeting the general education criteria. The revised criteria and goals should be in place to evaluate new course requests in the Spring of 2001 and will be used during the next three-year review of all course designations. Dr. Vitek indicated that all current course designations will continue as is. Vitek assured members that, as soon as appropriate committees, Instruction Council, Student Academic Services Directors, and Deans Council, have an opportunity to review the revised document, it will be added to the Web. At the same time, a Web-accessible form for faculty use in requesting general education designations for new courses or those already listed in the catalog will also be implemented. Vitek indicated that the draft document will be introduced to Instruction Council members Friday, November 10.

Any additional information received regarding denied or pending items will be distributed via e-mail for further consideration by the General Education Advisory Council.

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

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Ms. Joan Payne
Ms. Linda Bentley
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Student Academic Services Directors
Dr. James Trapp (AGEC)
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Ms. Barbara Bremer

ADDENDUM

AGEC 4803

On November 10, 2000, additional information was provided to Dr. Vitek by Dr. Dan Tilley regarding justification for an "H" designation for AGEC 4803. GEAC members were provided the same information and asked to cast a second vote on this request via e-mail. **Council approved the "H" designation for AGEC 4803 as of November 15, 2000, ONE TIME ONLY, effective summer 2001.**

In addition, the request to add graduate credit has been rescinded.