

**GENERAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL**  
**MEETING MINUTES SUMMARY**  
**Monday, April 16, 2001**  
**8:00 a.m., 101 Whitehurst Conference Room**

**Present:** P. Bettis, J. Comer, G. Gates, J. Hattey, W. Ivy, E. Jones, N. Jones, T. Krehbiel, J. Nelson, J. Vitek, J. Wallin

Dr. Vitek informed Council members that a delegation from Thailand will visit Oklahoma State University in April to learn about General Education in the hopes of improving the General Education program at Prince of Songkla University, Thailand. The Vice Presidents and Deans of Prince of Songkla University will be in attendance; Ms. Eunyoung Kim, University Extension, International and Economic Development, is the campus contact for the visit.

Vitek reminded members that all requests must meet the goals as described in the new *General Education Courses Area Designations – Criteria and Goals*.

Council proceeded to review/approve general education requests for Spring 2002.

**ARTS AND SCIENCES**

1. **BIOL 3243 - Biological Rhythms in Humans - Request “N” Designation – CAF – Tabled** – Members need more information on course subject – need a reading list. GE Worksheet states no prerequisites; however, the syllabus states, “successful completion of BIOL 1114 or an equivalent course is recommended for participation in this course.”
2. **BOT 4123 – Ethnobotany – Request “N” Designation – CAF – Tabled -** Members believe the course relates more to an “S” designation than “N.” A course syllabus is needed. Justification of “N” indicating the difference from “S” is required.
3. **FLL 3103 – Hispanic Literature in Translation – Request “H” Designation – CAF – Approved** It was noted that the form needs to request more detailed information. J. Wallin will edit the form to comply.
4. **SPAN 4163 – Don Quijote – Request “H” Designation – CAF - Approved**
5. **HIST 2343 – Religion in America – Request “H” Designation – CAF - Approved**
6. **HIST 3483 - Reformation Europe, 1517-1648 – Request “H” Designation – CAF – Approved**

7. **HIST 3533 –Historical Archaeology – Request “H” Designation – CAF – Denied** – Council members do not view this as a humanity course – question “historical archaeology.” Ivy will check with the department for clarification.
8. **HIST 3543 – Islamic Institutions – Request “H” Designation – CAF – Tabled** Council was concerned that no contact with REL 4113 was indicated. Could conflicts exist? Concern also existed regarding lack of prerequisite for upper division course.
9. **HIST 3553 – Media and Popular Culture in the Arab Middle East – Request “H” and “I” Designations – CAF – Approved**
10. **HIST 3963 – Ideas and Ideologies in Modern Europe – Request “H” Designation – CAF – Approved**
11. **HIST 4543 – Vietnam War – Request “H” Designation – CAF – Approved**
12. **HIST 4563 – Cold War – Request “H” Designation – CAF – Approved**
13. **HIST 3683 – United States History Since 1945 – Request “H” Designation – CAF – Approved**
14. **CSD 2033 – Sign Language – Request “S” Designation – Tabled** – After considerable discussion, members decided the social aspects were not apparent. Issues should be addressed per guidelines and goals – grade based on mechanical skills.
15. **CSD 2213 – Phonetics – Request “S” Designation – Tabled** – Department needs copy of new form, more information needed.
16. **CSD 3213 – Survey of Communication Disorders – Request “S” Designation – Denied** – Societal aspects not evident through information provided.
17. **CSD 3224 – Speech and Language Development – Denied** – Prerequisites dropped, yet course description did not change.
18. **HIST 3113 – Germany Since 1815 – Request “H” Designation – Approved**
19. **HIST 3503 – Islamic Civilization 600-1800 – Request “H” Designation – Approved**
20. **HIST 3513 – Modern Middle East Since 1800 – Request “H” and “I” Designations – Approved**

21. **HIST 3613 – Colonial American History to 1750 – Request “H” Designation – Approved**
22. **HIST 3263 - Era of the American Revolution – Request “H” Designation – Approved**
23. **HIST 4273 - American Foreign Relations Since 1917 – Request “H” Designation - Approved**

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

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