

GENERAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL  
MINUTES

April 4, 2012

Present: Jon Comer, Ted Drab, Amy Martindale, Bob Miller, Bridget Miller, Michael Rabens, Mark Weiser, and Pamela Fry.

**1. General Education Excessive Prerequisite Rule**

Members as a whole agreed that eliminating the practice of automatically denying or discontinuing general education credit for a course that carries multiple prerequisites for the "International and Diversity" general education designations is needed. Members also agreed that this restriction was problematic in that students who tested out of the lower division Mathematic courses weren't able to take a course that carried the designation. Dr. Comer commented that the General Education Task Force is talking about infusing general education credit throughout the disciplines and one of the processes discussed was attaching a percentage of the "I or D" credits to several courses in the students curriculum. There also were some discussions regarding statics course, ENSC 2113. Members felt that the course should be approved for the "Analytical and Quantitative Thought - A" designation and encourages the department to submit a request for the designation.

The General Education Advisory Council may consider "International and Diversity" general education designations with multiple prerequisites. The requests, however; will stay within the criteria and goals and writing expectations of the general education designations.

**2. New General Education Designation Requests**

**A&S 4000** – Native American and Indigenous Rights, request the "D" designation, one-time only, effective Fall 2012.

**3/12/12 - Denied the "D" designation.** It is not clear from the form or syllabus that the course meets the criteria and goals of the "D" designation, and the Council requests clarification of the writing requirements.

**4/4/12 - Approved the "D" designation, one-time only, effective Fall 2012.**

**BADM 4010** – Social and Cultural Impacts on International Business, request the "S and I" designations, one-time only, effective Spring 2013.

**Approved the "S and I" designations, one-time only, effective Spring 2013**

**BADM 4050** – Social and Cultural Impacts on International Business, request the "S and I" designations, one-time only, effective Summer 2013.

**Approved the "S and I" designations, one-time only, effective Summer 2013**

**ENGR 4060** – Technology of Brazil, request the "I" designation, one-time only, effective Summer 2012.

**Approved the "I" designation, one-time only, effective Summer 2012.** It was noted that the request was also for the "D" designation and presently courses cannot carry both the "I and D" designations.

**ENGR 4060** – Technology of China, request the "I" designation, one-time only, effective Summer 2012.

**Approved the "I" designation, one-time only, effective Summer 2012.**

PHIL 3920 – Philosophy, Genocide and the Holocaust, request the “H and I” designations, one-time only, effective Fall 2012.

Approved the “H and I” designations, one-time only, effective Fall 2012.

REL 4050 – Religions and Sects of the Middle East, request the “H and I” designations, one-time only, effective Fall 2012.

Approved the “H and I” designations, one-time only, effective Fall 2012.

SOC 4950 – Gender and the Middle East, request the “S and I” designations, one-time only, effective Spring 2012.

Approved the “S and I” designations, one-time only, effective Spring 2012.

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Approved the “S and I” designations, one-time only, effective Summer 2012.

### 3. General Education Five Year Review of “I” Designations

**AVED 4653** – International Aerospace Issues, request continuation of the “I” designation, effective Spring 2012.

**2/13/12 - Tabled pending receiving evidence on the application form and syllabus that the course meets the criteria of the “I” designation; at least one-half of the course materials must relate to contemporary, not historical, cultures outside of the US.**

**4/4/12 – Discontinue the “I” designation, effective Spring 2013. It is still not clear that the course meets the criteria for the “I” designation.**

**FREN 2112** – Intermediate Reading and Conversation, request continuation of the “I” designation, effective Spring 2012.

**3/12/12 - Tabling Foreign Language reviews until the Council can meet to revisit the prerequisite rule.**

**4/4/12 – Provisionally approved continuation of the “I” designation, effective Spring 2012 pending confirmation to Dr. Pamela Fry that the course meets the writing requirements.**

**FREN 2232** – Intermediate Reading and Conversation II, request continuation of the “I” designation, effective Spring 2012.

**3/12/12 - Tabling Foreign Language reviews until the Council can meet to revisit the prerequisite rule.**

**4/4/12 – Provisionally approved continuation of the “I” designation, effective Spring 2012 pending confirmation to Dr. Pamela Fry that the course meets the writing requirements.**

**LSB 4633** – Legal Aspects of International Business Transactions, request continuation of the “I” designation, effective Spring 2012.

**2/13/12 - Tabled pending receiving evidence on the application form and syllabus that the course meets the criteria of the “I” designation; at least one-half of the course materials must relate to contemporary, not historical, cultures outside of the US. The writing requirements were not clear on the syllabus.**

**4/4/12 – Approved continuation of the “I” designation, effective Spring 2012.**

**MGMT 4883** – Multiple Perspectives in Global Management, request continuation of the “I” designation, effective Spring 2012.

**3/12/12 - Tabled – it is not clear from the syllabus that the course meets the writing requirements.**

**4/4/12 - Tabled – it is not clear from the syllabus that the course meets the writing requirements and there is no indication of a term paper on the syllabus.**

**SPAN 2232** – Intermediate Reading and Conversation, request continuation of the “I” designation, effective Spring 2012.

**3/12/12 - Tabling Foreign Language reviews until the Council can meet to revisit the prerequisite rule.**

**4/4/12 – Provisionally approved continuation of the “I” designation, effective Spring 2012 pending confirmation to Dr. Pamela Fry that the course meets the writing requirements.**

**TCOM 3153** – International Aspects of Telecommunications, request continuation of the “I” designation, effective Spring 2012.

**2/13/12 –Tabled pending receiving evidence on the application form and syllabus that the course meets the criteria of the “I” designation; at least one-half of the course materials must relate to contemporary, not historical, cultures outside of the US.**

**Note: it was discovered that this course was under review prematurely. The course will be pulled from the review and the “I” designation will be retained.**

#### **4. Postponed Five Year Review of the “I” Designations**

**ANSI 3903** – Agricultural Animals of the World, postpone review of the “I” designation until Fall 2012 due to a change in department head status.

**Members approved postponement until Fall 2012.**

**CTED 4333** – International Career and Technical Education, postpone review of the “I” designation until Fall 2012 due to a misunderstanding within the department.

**Members approved postponement until Fall 2012.**

#### **5. Five Year Review of the “I” Designations not Submitted for Review**

**BADM 3713** – International Business, discontinue the “I” designation, effective Spring 2013.

**Discontinued the “I” designation, effective Spring 2013.**

**MC 4153** – International Mass Communications, discontinue the “I” designation, effective Spring 2013.

**Discontinued the “I” designation, effective Spring 2013.**

#### **6. Foreign Language Five Year Review of the “I” Designations not Submitted for Review**

**GRMN 2112** – Intermediate Conversation and Composition I

**GRMN 2113** – Intermediate German I

**GRMN 2222** – Intermediate Conversation and Composition II

**GRMN 2223** – Intermediate German II  
**JAPN 2113** – Intermediate Japanese I  
**JAPN 2223** – Intermediate Japanese II  
**RUSS 2115** – Intermediate Russian I

**RUSS 2225** – Intermediate Russian II  
**SPAN 2115** – Elementary Spanish I  
**SPAN 2233** – Intermediate Composition and Grammar  
**Postponed five year review of the “I” designations for the above courses until Fall 2012 pending submission of the courses in the database.**

**7. General Education Substitution Requests**

This item will be discussed in a future meeting.

**8. Other**

Members were asking if the General Education Database could be upgraded to accept punctuation.

Members asked that general education submissions be entered into the database three week prior to each meeting and that the deadline and meeting schedules be posted on the cover page of the database.

Members noted that discussions regarding application timelines need to be addressed in a future meeting.