

**GENERAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (GEAC)**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 19, 2021**

**Participants: Deni Blum, Jovette Dew, Robin Fitzgerald, Cristina Gonzalez, Kaitlynn Holcomb, Michael Holmes, Amy Martindale, Mindy McCann, Tammy Mix, Haley Murphy, Marianna Patrauchan, and Jeanette Mendez (Chair)**

**1. New General Education Designation Requests**

**BIOL 1111** – Introductory Biology Laboratory, requests the N designations, effective Fall 2021.

11/20/20 - Members approved the L designation, effective Fall 2021.

11/20/20 - Members denied the N designation as it did not appear from the information provided on the syllabus that the course met the requirements for the N designation. It was noted that the syllabus needs to reflect the systematic study of a particular topic, recommendations of core research expectations and a detailed description of the research activities.

2/12/21 – Received revised syllabus

2/19/21 - Members approved the N designations, effective Fall 2021.

**BIOL 1113** – Introductory Biology, requests the N designation, effective Fall 2021.

11/20/20 - Members tabled the N designation pending receipt of a syllabus which provides a list of biological concepts and lecture descriptions reflecting how these activities merge together to meet the requirements of the natural science designation.

2/12/21 – Received revised syllabus

2/19/21 - Members approved the N designation, effective Fall 2021.

**DANC 2603** – Context & Culture: Mapping the Dancing Society, requests the H designation, effective Fall 2021.

Members approved the H designation pending receipt of a revised syllabus to include evidence of a minimum five-page writing requirement.

**ENGL 4093** – Language in America, requests the S and D designations, effective Fall 2021.

11/20/20 - Members tabled the S and D designations, as it did not appear from the course content in the syllabus that the course articulates requirements of the S and D designations and that the course content focuses 50% on underrepresented groups in the US for the D designation.

2/10/21 – Received revised syllabus

2/19/21 – Members approved the S and D designations, effective Fall 2021.

**ENVR 1113** – Elements of Environmental Sciences, requests the N designation, effective Fall 2021.

Members approved the N designation, effective Fall 2021.

**LL 3633** – Language and Migration, requests the S and I designations, effective Fall 2021.

Members tabled the S and I designations pending receipt of a syllabus to include more clarity of the international content and better articulation of the social science dimensions, theories and methods for the social science designation through explicit detail in the content, description and schedule.

General Education Advisory Council Member Dr. Tammy Mix can provide guidance and assistance with questions.