GENERAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL
MINUTES
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204 Whitehurst

Present: Kristen Baum, Rebecca Bensen Cain, Jon Comer, Carol Jones, James Knecht, Amy Martindale, Bridget Miller, Bill Ryan, Joe Schatzer, and Brenda Master (chair).

1. New General Education Designation Requests:

   AGCM 3203 – Oral Communication in Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, requests the “S” designation, effective Fall 2015. Sciences

   Members denied the “S” designation. The course doesn’t appear to meet the criteria for the “S” designation and it wasn’t clear from the information provided that the course met the writing requirements. Members suggest clarifying the writing assignments and clarifying the association with the social and behavioral sciences.

   SOIL 1113 – Land, Life, and the Environment, requests the “N” designation, effective Fall 2015.

   Members approved the “N” designation, effective Fall 2015.

2. General Education Review of the “S” Designations:

   AMST 3333 – Crime, Law and American Culture, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

   Members approved continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

   ANTH 3353 – Cultural Anthropology, requests continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015.

   Members approved continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015.

   ANTH 3443 – Peoples of Mesoamerica, requests continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015.

   Members approved continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015.

   ANTH 4883 – Comparative Cultures, requests continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015.

   Members approved continuation of the “S and I” designation, effective Summer 2015.

   ECON 1113 – Economics of Social Issues, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

   Members approved continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

   ECON 2103 – Introduction to Microeconomics, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

   Members approved continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

   ECON 3613 – International Economic Relations, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

   Members approved continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

Members tabled as it is not clear if the course meets the criteria for the “S” designation. Members asked that a syllabus be provided detailing course topics.


Members approved continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015.

GEOG 2253 – World Regional Geography, requests continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015.

Members approved continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015.

GEOG 3053 – Introduction to Central Asia Studies, requests continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015. (Crosslisted with HIST 3053, POLS 3053, and RUSS 3053)

Members tabled pending clarification that students have the opportunity to received feedback on writing assignments.

Upper division courses - outside of class writing assignments that give students the opportunity to incorporate feedback in subsequent writing assignments (by revising and resubmitting one assignment or submitting more than one assignment). Minimum of 10 pages of writing assignments during semester.

GEOG 3123 – Urban Geography, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

Discontinuation of the “D” designation, effective Spring 2016.

Members approved continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

GEOG 3133 – Political Geography, requests continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015.

Members tabled pending clarification that students have the opportunity to received feedback on writing assignments.

Upper division courses - outside of class writing assignments that give students the opportunity to incorporate feedback in subsequent writing assignments (by revising and resubmitting one assignment or submitting more than one assignment). Minimum of 10 pages of writing assignments during semester.

GEOG 3153 – Conservation of Natural Resources, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

Members tabled pending clarification that students have the opportunity to received feedback on out-of-class writing assignments. The writing requirements on the syllabus and online form are not consistent.

Upper division courses - outside of class writing assignments that give students the opportunity to incorporate feedback in subsequent writing assignments (by revising and resubmitting one assignment or submitting more than one assignment). Minimum of 10 pages of writing assignments during semester.

GEOG 3173 – Cultural Geography, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

Members approved continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

GEOG 3703 – Geography of Oklahoma, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

Members approved continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.
GEOG 3733 – Russia and Its Neighbors, requests continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015.
Members approved continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015.

GEOG 3753 – Geography of Asia, requests continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015.
Members approved continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015.

GEOG 3763 – Geography of Africa, requests continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015.
Members approved continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015.

GEOG 3793 – Geography of Australia and the Pacific Realm, requests continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015.
Members approved continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015.

GEOG 4213 – Sport, Place and Society, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.
Members approved continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

HDFS 2113 – Lifespan Human Development, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.
Members tabled pending clarification of the number of pages of required writing.

HDFS 3423 – Adolescent Development, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.
Members approved continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

HDFS 4443 – Fatherhood, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.
Members approved continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

HIST 3053 – Introduction to Central Asia Studies, requests continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015. (Crosslisted with GEOG 3053, POLS 3053, and RUSS 3053)
Members tabled pending clarification that students have the opportunity to receive feedback on writing assignments.
Upper division courses - outside of class writing assignments that give students the opportunity to incorporate feedback in subsequent writing assignments (by revising and resubmitting one assignment or submitting more than one assignment). Minimum of 10 pages of writing assignments during semester.

HIST 3773 – Old South, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.
Members approved continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

Members tabled as it is not clear if the course meets the criteria for the “S” designation. Members asked that a syllabus be provided detailing specifics including topics covered in the course.
HONR 3033 – Contemporary Cultures of the Nonwestern World, requests continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015.

Members tabled as the course does not appear to meet the writing requirement. The writing assignment must consist of 10 pages of original written work with feedback.

Upper division courses - outside of class writing assignments that give students the opportunity to incorporate feedback in subsequent writing assignments (by revising and resubmitting one assignment or submitting more than one assignment). Minimum of 10 pages of writing assignments during semester.

HONR 3043 – Contemporary Cultures of the United States, requests continuation of the “S and D” designations, effective Summer 2015.

Members approved continuation of the “S and D” designations, effective Summer 2015.

POLS 2013 – Introduction to World Politics, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

Members tabled as the course does not appear to meet the writing requirement.

Lower division courses - outside of class writing assignments appropriate to the discipline that are graded with feedback on writing. Minimum of 5 pages of writing assignments during semester.

POLS 2113 – Introduction to Comparative Politics, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

Members approved continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

Reminder: keep online form and syllabus information consistent.

POLS 3053 – Introduction to Central Asia Studies, requests continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015. (Crosslisted with GEOG 3053, HIST 3053, and RUSS 3053)

Members tabled pending clarification that students have the opportunity to received feedback on writing assignments.

Upper division courses - outside of class writing assignments that give students the opportunity to incorporate feedback in subsequent writing assignments (by revising and resubmitting one assignment or submitting more than one assignment). Minimum of 10 pages of writing assignments during semester.

POLS 3193 – Politics of Latin America, requests continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015.

Members tabled pending clarification of the writing assignments. It doesn’t appear from the syllabus that the course meets the writing requirement.

Upper division courses - outside of class writing assignments that give students the opportunity to incorporate feedback in subsequent writing assignments (by revising and resubmitting one assignment or submitting more than one assignment). Minimum of 10 pages of writing assignments during semester.

POLS 3983 – Courts and Judicial Process, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

Members approved continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

PSYC 1113 – Introductory Psychology, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

Members approved continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

PSYC 2583 – Developmental Psychology, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

Members approved continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.
PSYC 2743 – Social Psychology, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015. Members tabled pending clarification of writing assignment. Lower division courses - outside of class writing assignments appropriate to the discipline that are graded with feedback on writing. Minimum of 5 pages of writing assignments during semester.

PSYC 3443 – Abnormal Psychology, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015. Members approved continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

PSYC 4123 – Psychology of Women, requests continuation of the “S and D” designations, effective Summer 2015. Members approved continuation of the “S and D” designations, effective Summer 2015.

PSYC 4213 – Conflict Resolution, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015. Members tabled pending clarification of writing assignment. Upper division courses - outside of class writing assignments that give students the opportunity to incorporate feedback in subsequent writing assignments (by revising and resubmitting one assignment or submitting more than one assignment). Minimum of 10 pages of writing assignments during semester.

PSYC 4343 – Language Development, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015. Members approved continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015.

PSYC 4483 – Psychology of Parenting Behavior, requests continuation of the “S” designation, effective Summer 2015. Members tabled pending clarification of the writing assignment on the online form and syllabus. Upper division courses - outside of class writing assignments that give students the opportunity to incorporate feedback in subsequent writing assignments (by revising and resubmitting one assignment or submitting more than one assignment). Minimum of 10 pages of writing assignments during semester.

RUSS 3053 – Introduction to Central Asia Studies, requests continuation of the “S and I” designations, effective Summer 2015. Crosslisted with GEOG 3053 HIST 3053, and POLS 3053) Members tabled pending clarification that students have the opportunity to received feedback on writing assignments. Upper division courses - outside of class writing assignments that give students the opportunity to incorporate feedback in subsequent writing assignments (by revising and resubmitting one assignment or submitting more than one assignment). Minimum of 10 pages of writing assignments during semester.

3. General Education Five Year Review of “S” Designation
   Discontinuation of the Following “S” Designations, effective Spring 2016:
   ENGR 4113
   ENGR 4123
   ENGR 4133
   HONR 2013 – Department has decided to submit the application for review. Members approved.

4. Other
   October 19 and 20 is the HLC Accreditation site visit.