Minutes of the General Education Subcommittee
November 8, 2017
SF 329
2:00 PM – 3:50 PM

Present: Larry Bliss, Luz Calvo, Julie Glass, Zach Hallab, Caron Inouye, Derek Kimball, Rita Liberti, Sarah Nielsen, Filippo Rebessi, Aline Soules, Chongqi Wu, Mitch Watnik (remote/voice), Meiling Wu

Absent: none
Guests: none

1. Approval of the Agenda. (M Soules/S Liberti/P)
2. Approval of the Minutes. Minutes from Oct. 25 approved with revisions (to correctly spell Nielsen’s last name), (M Soules/S Liberti/P/one abstention).

3. Reports
   (a) Chair. Glass introduces new member to the GE Subcommittee, Dr. Derek Kimball from the Department of Physics. Kimball expressed great enthusiasm for serving on the committee. Glass stated that the statewide Academic Senate passed a resolution in response to EO 1100 re. standards for QR courses. The GE Subcom should review this resolution as the Subcommittee revises outcomes for B4. CIC has draft document which reopens interdepartmental consultation on semester courses—the Subcommittee may request a 2 week window (Dec. 1 – 15) to consult with departments, allowing departments/programs to identify gaps and have the opportunity to retroactively revise a course as needed. There will be a form on Curriculog for revising courses of concern.
   (b) GE Director. A draft of the long-term GE assessment plans will be submitted to the GE Subcommittee soon. This document will be submitted alongside the long-term ILO assessment plan that will go to CIC once the Subcom reviews the document.

   (a) The Subcommittee of the GE Subcommittee (“Sub Sub Committee”) will meet on the alternate/off weeks of the GE Subcommittee.
   (b) Nielsen incorrectly spelled in the minutes of the last meeting.
   (c) The Subcommittee discussed U.S. Code courses and acknowledged receipt of the comments from the History department. Committee needs confirmation of which specific Economic History courses in the CSU are approved for U.S. Code. Agree to postpone continued discussion to a time certain of 3:30 PM to get through course proposals more expeditiously.
   (d) Discussion of B6 and the major. Original policy/statement in 16-17 CIC 62. In light of the double count allowed in EO 1100, departments are now proposing/expected to propose major courses for B6 credit, particularly an issue for B6 courses cross-listed in two departments. The Sub Sub Committee has been charged with dealing with the CIC policy that is in conflict with the newly revised EO 1100.

5. Old Business. Course proposals to review left over from the 10/25/17 agenda
   (a) ART 127: M Nielsen/S Liberti/P, no discussion
   (b) ENVT 340: M Liberti/S Calvo/P, B6 and overlay forms must specify B4 as prerequisite
(c) ENVT 447: M Bliss/S Hallab/P, B6 and overlay forms must specify B4 as prerequisite, some concerns expressed re. that this is a 4 unit course, also add that this course is not for major credit.

(d) ENVT 465: M Nielsen/S Bliss/P, no discussion


(a) ART 341: M Calvo/S Bliss/P. Hallab indicated that LO 1 not well explained through activities, no social justice outcomes listed for LO 1.

(b) COMM 266: M Liberti/S Nielsen/discussion. Concern re. how the outcome about acknowledging the work of others is key and should NOT just include the work of other students. Table to discuss issues with Communications chair. M Nielsen/S Larry.

(c) DANC 233: M Bliss/S Hallab/discussion. Calvo doesn’t see intersectionality addressed in proposal for Diversity Overlay; motion to separate C3 and overlay discussion. All in favor of C3 approval, in favor of tabling Diversity Overlay decision until Calvo speaks with department chair. (M Calvo/S Kimball/one abstention).

(d) ENSC 240: Sustainability Overlay—M Liberti/S Nielsen/P.

(e) ENSC 280: Sustainability Overlay—M Soules/S Hallab/P.

(f) ENSC 320: Sustainability Overlay—M Soules/S Liberti/P. This should be an exemplar.

(g) ENSC 414: Sustainability Overlay—M Liberti/S Hallab/P.

(h) ENSC 420: Sustainability Overlay—M Bliss/Hallab/P.

(i) ENVT 101: D1 and Sustainability Overlay—M Calvo/S Bliss/P. Discussion re. the interchangeability of the Sustainability Overlay with Social Justice. GE Director agrees to contact department chairs with overlay course counts, and if courses to fill need/gap exist, departments should be urged to reapply.

(j) ENVT 307: M Nielsen/S Bliss. Discussion of course—Kimball provides clarification re. solar suitcase activities. M Calvo/S Bliss/P to table course for further clarification. Glass will contact Karina Garbesi in ENVT.

7. AIR Discussion (3:30 PM)

a. Glass proposes possibilities for Sub Sub to review all courses that have cleared already, or ask CIC to form a task force. Calvo suggests alternative to have overlay and code committees reform in the future, but for now, the GE Subcommittee should handle the issue since it is on “our plate” now.

b. Discussion of issues—plan for next meeting is to send Economic History (ECON 101) proposal back to ECON with suggestions for improvement.

c. Row 2—course lacking reference to resistance of African Americans and their contributions of groups.

d. Row 3—lacking examination of social movements, politics. Because course is focused on economics, presentation of a well-rounded perspective is unclear.
e. Bottom line: contributions need to be recognized, and this course should be HISTORY with an economic lens.

f. Table discussion of ECON 102 until next meeting. Come back with more specific comments. Want to offer courses of value to our students (Glass).

8. **Adjournment** following move and approval to meet on Nov. 29th (5th Wed.) rather than the day before Thanksgiving. M Liberti/S Rebessi/P.