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General Education Subcommittee
Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2007 - 8:30 a.m.
Champ Hall Conference Room

Present: Norm Jones (Chair), John Mortensen, Nancy Mesner, Charlie Huenemann, Mary Leavitt, Richard Cutler, Wendy Holliday, Tom Peterson, Richard Mueller, Rhonda Miller, Susan Haddock (standing in for Stephanie Hamblin), Vince Lafferty, Gary Straquadine, Steven Hanks, Randy Simmons, Cathy Hartman

Absent: Ryan Dupont, Tyler Bowles, Jagath Kaluarachchi, Shelly Lindauer, Christie Fox, Jeff Smitten, Rob Barton, Kevin Abernethy

I. Approval of September 4, 2007 Minutes

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

II. Course Approvals

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| a. ARTH 4610 – CI | Waiting for more course information |
| b. ARTH 4620 – CI | Waiting for more course information |
| c. ARTH 4630 – CI | Waiting for more course information |
| d. ARTH 4510 – CI | Waiting for more course information |
| e. ARTH 4710 – CI | Waiting for more course information |
| f. FCSE 3080 – DHA | Pending |
| g. MUSC 3660 – DHA | Pending |
| h. PHIL 3700 – DHA | Pending |
| i. PHIL 4610 – DHA | Pending |

III. Syllabi Approvals

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| a. USU 1330: Civilizations: Creative Arts (Nolan Salix) | Pending |
| b. USU 1350: Integrated Life Science (Kimberly Sweeting) | Pending |
| c. USU 1360: Physics (Charley Langley) | Pending |

IV. International Baccalaureates Organization (IBO)

Christie Fox and John Mortensen proposed a change in the University policy concerning the articulation of the International Baccalaureate degree as follows:

The IBO is a nonprofit educational foundation based in Geneva, Switzerland. It grew out of international schools' efforts to establish a common curriculum and university entry credential. The schools were also motivated by an idealistic vision. They hoped

that critical thinking and exposure to a variety of points of view would encourage intercultural understanding by young people.

They concentrated on the last two years of school before university studies in order to build a curriculum that would lead to what they called a “Baccalaureate,” administered in any country and recognized by universities everywhere.

USU recognizes the International Baccalaureate program. **Students who enter with International Baccalaureate credit are awarded admission to the Honors Program.**

Students who present an International Baccalaureate diploma will be awarded a maximum of 30 credits. These credits will waive the Breadth requirements, but students ~~will still~~ **may** be required to complete the Communications Literacy, Quantitative Literacy and Computer and Information Literacy requirements, **unless their individual scores on IB exams waive those requirements. Each student’s transcript will be evaluated individually, based on the courses she/he completed.**

Students who have not completed the International Baccalaureate diploma may receive ~~up to 8~~ **6 or more** credits for scores of ~~5~~ **4** or higher on higher-level exams, up to a maximum of 30 credits. ~~No credits are~~ **Credit may be** awarded for subsidiary-level exams, based on departmental articulations.

Individual departments and/or colleges may specify the exact courses required to fill their requirements and may require more than the minimum General Education requirements. Some departments and colleges require specific coursework for General Education, which the IBO exams may not satisfy.

If, prior to (or after) taking an IBO examination, a student receives credit (including AP credit) for any coursework equivalent to the subject matter of an IBO examination, the credits earned for the course will be deducted from the credits awarded for the examination.

Other institutions have policies differing from those of USU regarding IBO scores and credits granted for those scores. For transfer students with less than an associate degree, IBO credit posted to another institution’s transcript is reevaluated based on USU’s standard.

Motion to accept was made by by Richard Mueller. Rhonda Miller seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

V. Educated Person Conference Nov. 2, Snowbird. The conference will be discussing system wide goals and outcomes for general education.

This conference will discuss general education used to make sure that articulate and transfer assessment in the Utah works well together. The conference will be addressing student mobility issues. Need to have an understanding of what GenEd curriculum means and have asked those to attend that are involved in the core GenEd areas. Redo of the GenEd standards because they wretched.

VI. Other Business

CIL fellows – anyone interested should talk to Wendy Holliday by the 12th of October. It is for those interested in teaching or in the breadth courses. The librarians will be doing the majority of the work. There will be a small stipend of \$500 paid at the end of spring semester.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 a.m.