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## GENERAL EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES

**March 18, 2014, 8:30 A.M.**  
**Champ Hall Conference Room**

**Present:** Charlie Huenemann, CHaSS; Bob Mueller, Regional Campuses; Kacy Lundstrom, Library; Dick Mueller, Science; Dan Coster, Quantitative Intensive; Harrison Kleiner, Connections; Melanie Nelson, USU Eastern; Lauren Skousen, Secretary; Scott Findley for Kathy Chudoba, Business; Brian McCuskey, Humanities; Norm Jones, Chair; Eddy Berry, Social Sciences; Nick Morrison, Honors; Shelley Lindauer, FCHD; Lee Rickords, Agriculture; Mary Leavitt, Advising;

**Absent:** Doug Fiefia, ASUSU President; Dean Adams, Engineering; Karen Mock, Natural Resources; Dan McInerney, American Institutions; John Mortensen, Student Services; Stephanie Hamblin, University Advising; Cindy Dewey, Creative Arts; Laura Gelfand, Art; Larry Smith, Provost's Office; Lezlie Park, Writing Program; Rhonda Miller, Communications; Ryan Dupont, Life & Physical Sciences

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**Call to Order** – Norm Jones

**Approval of Minutes** – February 18, 2014

*Motion to approve made by Eddy Berry; seconded by Dan Coster*

### Course Approvals

HIST 3751 (DHA/CI) DHA Approved - **CI Approved**..... Brian McCuskey/Rhonda Miller  
*Motion to approve made by Dick Mueller; seconded by Lee Rickords*

RELS 3050 (DHA/CI) DHA Approved - **CI Pending**..... Brian McCuskey/Rhonda Miller

STAT 1045 (QL) QL **Approved** ..... Dan Coster  
*Motion to approve made by Dan Coster; seconded by Dick Mueller*

SW 4100 (CI) **Pending**..... Rhonda Miller

### Course/Designation Removals

N/A

### Syllabi Approvals

HONR 1300 (BAI) Cathy Bullock **Pending** ..... Dan McInerney

USU 1320 (BHU) Kim Maughan **Pending** ..... Brian McCuskey

USU 1340 (BSS) Jennifer Truschka **Approved** ..... Eddy Berry  
*Motion to approve made by Eddy Berry; seconded by Brian McCuskey*

USU 1360 (BPS) Todd Moon **Pending**..... Ryan Dupont

## **Business**

The subcommittees for CI and QI proposed clarifications in the criteria for CI and QI. The CI criteria adopted the use of more assertive verbs, allowed for accommodations based on possibility of student learning disabilities, and clarified the appropriate balance of oral and written communication based on discipline and course content. QI criteria adopted broader language including and/or statements to introduce flexibility, substitution of “quantitative” for “mathematical” in the criteria, and requiring the acknowledgment of the limitations of quantitative tools. It was agreed by all that changed language should be adopted for the catalog.

## **Information**

The chairs of the disciplinary subcommittees met and proposed clarification of the criteria for Depth courses in the University Studies requirements. The new language clearly links the depth courses to the outcomes of the breadth courses.

Norm Jones reported he met with advisors from across campus to discuss the possible adoption of a common template for advising students through general education and into their majors. The hope is this that this common template will benefit all students in all majors by outlining 1) requirements to enter their major, 2) prerequisite courses required for success in their major 3) major requirements, and 4) the relationship between General Education and their major. A conclusion on the discussion has yet to be made.

## **Next Meeting**

Tuesday, April 15, 2014  
Champ Hall Conference Room  
8:30 a.m.