

## GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, January 28 | 3:30-4:30 PM

**Location:** Library Dean's Conference Room - Booth 4515

**Attending:** Anderson, Heist (chair), Elder (recording), Harvey, Knight-Davis, Sodeke, Thapaliya

**Not present:** Lucas, Snell, Taylor, Wiles

- I. Heist called the meeting to order. Elder volunteered to take notes. Call for member to take minutes-- Elder
- II. Heist announced that Spring 2024 Reports would be sent to CAA by Tuesday, February 11.
- III. Update on Spring 2025 materials: Heist will send link to Gen Ed shared folder for the committee's convenience. The files will be uploaded and organized under "Spring 2025" and divided by subject. Heist suggested that the committee check for completed folders as we go through the process; we can ask programs to supply missing materials as part of the review.
  - a. All submitted and scheduled except for:
    - i. Humanities Interdisciplinary Courses: The coordinator of that program, C.C.Wharram, teaches during our meeting times. There really is no one else who can represent the program. The committee discussed various options for an alternative presentation. It was decided that Heist will schedule a meeting at a different time and invite members of the committee who are available. That meeting will be recorded so everyone can review it.
    - ii. Medieval Studies (Julie Campbell): TABLED. Jeannie Ludlow (chair of CAA) and the provost agreed to table this because, since the retirement of the university's only medievalist, there is no one available to teach this course. Perhaps in the next cycle there will be a medievalist who can teach those courses.
    - iii. English (Angela Vietto): No word from English about scheduling this session.
- IV. GEC Reading Group: Members present agreed to table the discussion until the next meeting, Feb. 4, when we will discuss chapters 1 and 2.
  - a. Booth Library E-Book Link: [https://i-share-eiu.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/view/action/uresolver.do?operation=resolveService&package\\_service\\_id=6523294220005833&institutionId=5833&customerId=5815&VF=true](https://i-share-eiu.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/view/action/uresolver.do?operation=resolveService&package_service_id=6523294220005833&institutionId=5833&customerId=5815&VF=true)
- V. Heist presented the tentative spring calendar (appended.)
  - a. Each program will be given about 30 minutes—10 for presentation and 20 for Q and A. Most weeks we will spend the second half of the meeting previewing the files for the following week—that is, identifying which files to review before the next week's presentations.
  - b. It was suggested and agreed that next week, we decide how to divide the labor of writing draft reports so that we know at the beginning of the process who is responsible for which report.
  - c. Heist also noted that English might be slotted into the March 11 meeting time; if not, that meeting will offer an opportunity for review of presentations that have already transpired.
  - d. Heist recommended members schedule time each week to review the program materials before the presentations.

- e. Sodeke thanked Heist for her hard work putting together such an organized schedule; other members of the committee heartily agreed.

VI. Meeting adjourned at 3:59pm

Addendum: Tentative Schedule

- a. January 27
  - i. GEC Reading Group: Part I – Ch. 1 & 2 (45 pages)  
Gen Ed 2.0: Integrative Models; Gen Ed 3.0: High Impact Models
- b. February 4:
  - i. Discuss plan for upcoming presentations.
  - ii. Preview Film Studies materials
  - iii. GEC Reading Group: Part IV – Chapter 6 (26 pages)  
Leading Gen Ed Conversations: An Overview and the Early Stages
- c. February 11:
  - i. 3:30-4:00 – Marjorie Worthington (Film Studies)
  - ii. Preview History materials.
- d. February 18
  - i. 3:30-4:00 – Aura Jirau Arroyo (History)
  - ii. Preview Theatre materials.
- e. February 25
  - i. 3:30-4:00 – Nicholas Shaw (Theatre)
  - ii. Preview Philosophy and Religious Studies materials.
- f. March 4
  - i. 3:30-4:00 – Dr. Grant C. Sterling (Philosophy)
  - ii. 4:00-4:30 – Dr. Grant C. Sterling (Religious Studies)
- g. March 11:
  - i. Review DRAFT reports for:
    - 1. Film Studies
    - 2. History
    - 3. Theatre
  - ii. Preview Art, Music, World Languages, and Africana Studies materials.
- h. March 25
  - i. 3:30-4:00 – Christopher Kahler (Art)
  - ii. 4:00-4:30 – Shellie L Gregorich (Music)
- i. April 1
  - i. 3:30-4:00 – Christiane Eydt-Beebe (World Languages and Cultures)
  - ii. 4:00-4:30 – James Ochwa-Echel (Africana Studies)
- j. April 8
  - i. Review DRAFT reports for:
    - 1. Philosophy
    - 2. Religious Studies
  - ii. GEC Reading Group: Part IV – Chapter 7 (15 pages)  
Leading Gen Ed Conversations: Developing Curricular Models
- k. April 15
  - i. Review DRAFT reports for:
    - 1. Art

2. Music
3. World Languages
4. Africana Studies

l. April 22

i. Review DRAFT reports for:

1. Humanities Interdisciplinary Courses
2. English

m. April 29: Tentative, depending on how we feel

- i. GEC Reading Group: Part IV – Chapter 8 (20 pages)  
Leading Gen Ed Conversation: Deciding on and Implementing a New Model
- ii. GEC Reading Group: Part IV – Chapter 9 (6 pages)  
Creating Meaningful Assessment of General Education