

**GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Minutes– February 16, 2005**

The General Education Committee met on Wednesday, February 16th, 2005, from Noon to 1 p.m. in the Provost's Conference Room.

Members Present: Jim Brink (Provost's Office, ex-officio), Bryan Camp (Faculty Senate), Jim Clopton (Arts & Sciences), Ray Desrosiers (Engineering), Frank Durso (Arts & Sciences), Pamela Elrod (Visual & Performing Arts), Du Feng (College of Human Sciences), Ernest Fish (Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources), David Lamp (Arts & Sciences), Linda Krefting (Business Administration), Roger Saathoff (Mass Communications), Ben Shacklette (Architecture), and David Roach (Arts & Sciences, presiding)

Absent: Kambra Bolch (Honors), Julie Thomas (College of Education)

1. Announcements.

\* Gen Ed Meetings for Spring 2005: March 23, April 20

\* Jim Brink noted that the Committee recommendation that Writing Intensive courses be revisited was approved; will issue a refresher and reminder in the new catalog.

2. Review of minutes from the last meeting.

\*Minutes were reviewed and approved.

3. Old Business

\* Continuing review of Individual and Group Behavior category

4. New Business

\* New Proposal: CAN 4301 World Dance Forms – for inclusion in the VPA category of the TTU Core Curriculum. After discussion, motion was made that this be approved. Vote was unanimous in favor of approval.

\* Continuing review of Individual and Group Behavior category

\* Group 2 – Jim Clopton, David Lamp, Frank Durso, David Roach  
Consider revised syllabus for ANTH 3315;  
***-This syllabus was approved as an I&GB course.***

\* Group 3 – Linda Krefting, Julie Thomas, Ray Derosiers  
Consider revised syllabus for COMS 3313 syllabus.  
***-This syllabus was approved as an I&GB course.***

\* Group 4 Kambra Bolch, Du Feng, Roger Saathoff, Pam Elrod  
Courses: HDFS 2303, HDFS 2322, HDFS 3301, HDFS 3321, HDFS 3331, HDFS 3332,  
PHIL 3321, PHIL 3331  
***-All of these were approved as I&GB courses.***

\*Group 1 – Bryan Camp, Ernie Fish, Ben Shacklette

2<sup>nd</sup> Wave Courses: SOC 3324, SOC 3325, SOC 3327, EDEL 2300, EDSE 2300,  
SOC 3329

***- All of these courses were approved to remain as I&GB courses except for SOC 3324 and SOC 3325. These two courses need: titles, listings of content and course coverage, listings of courses and learning objectives. Roach will contact chair of this department to get syllabus revisions for consideration.***

\*Group 2 - Jim Clopton, Frank Durso, David Lamp, David Roach

2<sup>nd</sup> Wave Courses: SOC 3331, SOC 3337, SOC 3352, SOC 3368, SOC 3392,  
SOC 3394

***-SOC 3368 and SOC 3394 were approved. All others needed more information: listings of content and course coverage, listings of courses and learning objectives. Roach will contact the chair of this department to get syllabus revisions for consideration.***

\*Group 3 - Kinda Krefting, Julie Thomas, Ray Derosiers

2<sup>nd</sup> Wave Courses: SOC 4307, SOC 4311, SOC 4316, SOC 4325, PFP 3301,  
PSY 1300

***- All of these courses were approved to remain as I&GB courses except for SOC 4307 and SOC 4311. The committee questions approval of special topics courses. SOC 4311 has a pre req that counts for I&GB so it is felt that this course is not needed on the I&GB list. Roach will contact chair with these concerns and invite reply if so desired.***

Time constraints ended the meeting at this point. Courses listed below will be considered at the next meeting. Roach will look up courses on the I&GB list for which we never received syllabi and will check to see if they are cross listed.

\*Group 4 - Kambra Bolch, Du Feng, Roger Saathoff, Pam Elrod

2<sup>nd</sup> Wave Courses: PSY 2301, PSY 3398, PSY 4300, PSY 4325, SOC 1301,  
SOC 1320

5. Meeting was adjourned.

NOTE THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES FOR PROPOSALS  
TO THE GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

- Proposals for changes in the Core Curriculum must come to the General Education Committee (GEC) from the office of the dean of the originating college and with an indication of the dean's approval. Proposals not bearing the approval of the dean's office will be returned to the college without action.
- Proposals to add or delete a course from the Core must be accompanied by a current syllabus and may have additional supporting materials. Proposals must include a course description, course objectives, and must clearly demonstrate how the proposed course fits the Core Curriculum category objectives. Proposals not accompanied by a syllabus will be returned to the college without action.
- To ensure that proposals are considered at a meeting of the GEC, they should arrive in the Provost's office (attention Brink) no later than the beginning of the month during which they will come before the GEC. Proposals that do not arrive by this deadline may be considered, depending on the number of items on the agenda for the meeting. If late proposals cannot be included on the agenda for the meeting, they will be considered at the next meeting.
- Sponsorship of proposals is done by the GEC representative of the originating college. The presence of additional sponsors is neither necessary nor desirable unless specifically invited by the committee. GEC recommends that proposers consult with their college's representative on the GEC.