

Writing Intensive Committee Meeting Minutes

9/14/2016

3:00 p.m.

Writing Center

Present:

Members: Dan Hubbard (Chair), Sushma Subramanian, Caitie Finlayson

Ex-Officio: Gwen Hale, Director of the Writing Center

Voting through proxy: Marisa Martinez-Mira, Emile Lester

The following proposals were discussed and were unanimously approved:

1. Stephen Davies - CPSC 491: Modeling and Simulation of Opinion Dynamics
2. COMM 460: Senior Seminar in Digital Rhetoric, Course approved to instructor Jessy Ohl effective Spring 2017

The committee members and Director Hale then discussed the purpose of the committee and the history of the writing intensive requirement. The committee decided not to grant blanket approval to a new AP course that includes a writing component. However, if the course includes substantive editing and revision, we will reevaluate giving students WI credit. We will hold another "WI My Syllabi" event in January after a successful workshop of the same name last year. One goal is to enable students to easily graduate with more than the four required WI courses. A difficulty is that it is challenging for students to find WI courses at the lower-level in various disciplines that do not have prerequisites. The committee discussed upcoming faculty workshops and will contact departments to encourage more faculty to offer WI courses.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Notes taken by Acting Secretary, Caitie Finlayson