

University General Education Committee Meeting Minutes

March 16, 2022

4:00p

Virtual Meeting conducted via Zoom

Present: Robert Rycroft (CAS, chair), Christy Irish (COE, minutes), Leslie Martin (CAS).

1. Meeting began at 4:00p
2. Rita Dunston, Registrar, and Brian Ogle, Associate Registrar, were in attendance.
3. Approval of minutes
  - a. The minutes from the February 23, 2022 meeting were **approved via email prior to this meeting.**
4. Old Business
  - a. SAGE Contract addresses the old Gen Ed (EL/GI) Does the committee need to discuss BTC/DGP credit via the SAGE contract? COB wants to pursue a domestic travel experience and use the SAGE contract. The requirements for a reflective piece remain the same but it just happens that the experience will be here in the US. CIE is willing to use the existing contract notating that the experience is within the US or Gen Ed can formally adopt new language to reflect domestic academic travel as a means to fulfill the BTC or DGP requirement.
    - i. Rita Dunston points out it only focused on EL/GI, but needed to be updated to BTC/DGP. This issue has been resolved and the form is now up to date.
    - ii. Should DGP be listed on the form? Rita says yes, but Debra emailed that this was questioned. Any course that is now BTC, should it also carry the EL? The learning outcomes are different. Some students have SAGE contract and their own Gen EDS. EL became BTC.
    - iii. Would the new courses fulfill the old gen eds? We think learning outcomes are similar enough that it could.
    - iv. Motion: **The committee approves that newly approved BTC courses will also carry the EL designation. This will also be retroactive to Fall 2020.**
5. Course proposals

- a. Arts and Literature
  - i. FREN 250, French and Francophone Literature in Translation. The committee **approved this proposal** as submitted.
- b. Beyond the Classroom
  - i. MKTG 471, Ecotourism. The committee **approved** due to the unforeseeable nature of circumstances. This approval is retroactive (as per the SAGE approval for courses above)
  - ii. BUAD 350, Business Communication. There are concerns that the professional relationship learning outcome is not met. Revision is requested that would address that learning outcome.
  - iii. IDIS 350Q, Holocaust and Memory in Poland. The committee **approved** an exception for students to count BTC for students that did not travel request due to unforeseeable circumstances.
3. Student reevaluation requests for General Education credit
  - a. Proposal 1. The committee **tabled** this request.
4. Clarification regarding the WI/SI policy change
  - a. Brian Ogle requested clarification regarding when the policy change discussed at the previous meeting will go into effect. Per the previous meeting's minutes, the committee agreed the change in the WI/SI rule should not be in effect for students graduating Spring 2022 but should be effective for all students graduating in subsequent terms.
8. The next and final Gen Ed committee meeting of the semester will be March 30 at 4:00p.