

General Education Committee Minutes
Oct. 15, 2025, 4:00 p.m.
COMBS 348

Present: Paul Fallon (chair), Leanna Giancarlo, Alan Griffin, Suzie Kim (secretary), Brian Ogle (Ex Officio).

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:02pm.

2. Community Engagement Ex-Officio Appointment

The Community Engagement Committee requested a possible ex-officio position within the General Education Committee. The GenEd Committee reviewed the email conversation with Paul and the CE Committee members and discussed whether an ex-officio member from the CE Committee was necessary.

Brian confirmed that all CE proposals are submitted directly to the GenEd Committee, not to the CE Committee. He also noted that a student may petition for the Beyond the Classroom requirement, but not specifically for CE.

Alan suggested that it might make sense for the CE Committee to review proposals before they reach the GenEd Committee. Instead of creating a formal ex-officio role, the committee agreed to extend an open invitation to CE Committee members to attend GenEd meetings when relevant. However, the CE Committee needs to identify their member participant(s) in order to include them in the meeting agenda emails.

Alan noted that consolidating all SLOs in one location would benefit the GenEd Committee. (A short list of SLOs could also be posted on the GenEd website.) Currently, the undergraduate catalog posted on the GenEd committee website is 22 pages long, and CE is not yet included.

Paul will email Debra to ask if there is a centralized place to find the most recent SLOs.

3. Courses

1.1. MUTH100: Materials and Sources for Music Theory: **QR**

The Gen Ed Committee members approved unanimously.

1.2. HIST 112: World History: **DGP** and **Humanities**

The Gen Ed Committee members approved unanimously.

4. Requests for Re-evaluation

1.1. PHIL 220: Philosophy: East & West: **DGP**

The Gen Ed Committee members approved unanimously.

1.2. AR1FOR: Forensic Anthropology and Archaeology of Death: **DGP**

The Gen Ed Committee members unanimously denied the DGP request. Although the syllabus fulfills the DGP SLOs, the student's responses were unclear, and the rationale lacked sufficient context regarding the course. The committee requests that the student resubmit a more detailed rationale statement.

5. Other Business?

The committee discussed consolidating all relevant SLOs and uploading them to the UFC website and the Canvas page for easy reference. Paul will email Debra to confirm whether a website with updated SLOs already exists.

Members also noted that the answer boxes for rationale statements appear too small, which may give students the impression that only brief responses are expected. The committee will recommend increasing the box size. Expanding the answer boxes will signal to students that more substantive and thoughtful responses are required.

6. Next Meeting: Wed. Nov. 12, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. in Combs 348

7. The meeting was adjourned at 5:08pm.

[Minutes approved electronically by the Committee on October 24, 2025]