

GENERAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL
MINUTES
March 5, 2018

Present: Kristen Baum, James Cain, Precious Elmore Sanders, Carol Jones, Shelia Kennison, Amy Martindale, Bill Ryan, Kelva Hunger, Mindy McCain, and Bridget Miller (chair).

1. New General Education Designation Requests:

ART 4800 – Special Studies in Art: Cambridge in the Middle Ages, requests the “H” designation, one-time only, effective Fall 2018. (Same course as HIST 3980, HONR 3000)

Members approved the “H” designation, one-time only, effective Fall 2018, pending receiving a syllabus which requires a minimum of 10 pages of writing. The current syllabus indicates a writing requirement of 9-12 pages.

3/9/18 – Revised syllabus received requiring 12 pages of essay writing. Approved the “H” designation, one-time only, effective Fall 2018.

HHP 3010 – Health in Special Populations, requests the “D” designation, one-time only, effective Spring 2018.

Rationale for Spring 2018 request: The RN to BSN program is requesting approval of the HHP 3010 International Comparative Health and HHP3010 Health Promotion in Special Populations. The RN to BSN students that wish to complete the program and graduate in May will need to take these courses the second eight weeks of this spring semester.

Members approved the “D” designation, one-time only, effective Spring 2018.

HHP 3010 – International Comparative Health, requests the “I” designation, one-time only, effective Spring 2018.

Rationale for Spring 2018 request: The RN to BSN program is requesting approval of the HHP 3010 International Comparative Health and HHP3010 Health Promotion in Special Populations. The RN to BSN students that wish to complete the program and graduate in May will need to take these courses the second eight weeks of this spring semester.

Members approved “I” designation pending additional clarification of the international aspects of modules 1, 3, and 5. Members noted that the information provided for modules 2, 4, and 6 appear to be related to international issues but it could not be determined from the information provided on the other modules if the subject matter covered international issues in order to determine if 50% or more of the course relates to “contemporary international cultures”.

3/12/18 –Revised syllabus received clarifying the international component. Approved the “I” designation, one-time only, effective Spring 2018.

HIST 3980 – Studies in History: Cambridge in the Middle Ages, requests the “H” designation, one-time only, effective Fall 2018. (Same course as ART 4800, HONR 3000)

Members approved the “H” designation, one-time only, effective Fall 2018, pending receiving a syllabus which requires a minimum of 10 pages of writing. The current syllabus indicates a writing requirement of 9-12 pages.

3/9/18 – Revised syllabus received requiring 12 pages of essay writing. Approved the “H” designation, one-time only, effective Fall 2018.

HONR 1000 – The Story of Lizzie Borden: Axe Murder in American Culture, requests the “D” designation, one-time only, effective Fall 2018.

2/9/18 - Members tabled the “D” designation pending clarification, on the information provided, that 50% or more of the course content relates to gender.

3/5/18 – Members approved the “D” designation, one-time only, effective Fall 2018.

HONR 3000 – Advanced Honors Topics: Cambridge in the Middle Ages, requests the “H” designation, one-time only, effective Fall 2018. (Same course as ART 4800, HIST 3980)

Members approved the “H” designation, one-time only, effective Fall 2018, pending receiving a syllabus which requires a minimum of 10 pages of writing. The current syllabus indicates a writing requirement of 9-12 pages.

3/9/18 – Revised syllabus received requiring 12 pages of essay writing. Approved the “H” designation, one-time only, effective Fall 2018.

HRAD 1103 – Introduction to Hospitality and Tourism, requests the “I” designation, one-time only, effective Fall 2018.

Members denied the “I” designation as the course doesn’t appear to have an international focus. Please contact Dr. Bill Ryan for more information.

PHIL 3920 – Sex, Love, and Gender, requests the “H” designation, one-time only, effective Summer 2018. (4th time to offer course under this title)

Members asked to postpone the vote for the one-time request pending review of the upcoming permanent offering.

PHIL 3920 – Happiness and Wellbeing, requests the “H” designation, one-time only, effective, Summer 2018. (5th time to offer course under this title)

Members approved the “H” designation, one-time only, effective Summer 2018.

PHIL 3920 – Artificial Intelligence and Philosophy, requests the “H” designation, one-time only, effective Fall 2018.

Members approved the “H” designation, one-time only, effective Fall 2018.

2. Review of the “A” General Education Designations:

CS 1113 – Computer Science I, requests continuation of the “A” designation, effective Spring 2018.

Members approved continuation of the “A” designation, effective Spring 2018, with a friendly recommendation to include a grading scale in future submissions.

MATH 1493 – Applications of Modern Mathematics, requests continuation of the “A” designation, effective Spring 2018.

Members approved continuation of the “A” designation, effective Spring 2018.

PHIL 1313 – Logic and Critical Thinking, requests continuation of the “A” designation, effective Spring 2018.

Members approved continuation of the “A” designation, effective Spring 2018, with a friendly recommendation to include a grading scale in future submissions.

PHIL 3003 – Symbolic Logic, requests continuation of the “A” designation, effective Spring 2018.

Members approved continuation of the “A” designation, effective Spring 2018, with a friendly recommendation to include a grading scale in future submissions.

STAT 2013 – Elementary Statistics, requests continuation of the “A” designation, effective Spring 2018. **Members approved continuation of the “A” designation, effective Spring 2018, with a friendly recommendation to include a grading scale in future submissions.**

STAT 2023 – Elementary Statistics for Business and Economics, requests continuation of the “A” designation, effective Spring 2018. **Members approved continuation of the “A” designation, effective Spring 2018.**

STAT 2053 – Elementary Statistics for the Social Sciences, requests continuation of the “A” designation, effective Spring 2018. **Members approved continuation of the “A” designation, effective Spring 2018.**

STAT 4013 – Statistical Methods I, requests continuation of the “A” designation, effective Spring 2018. **Members approved continuation of the “A” designation, effective Spring 2018.**

STAT 4053 – Statistical Methods I for the Social Sciences, requests continuation of the “A” designation, effective Spring 2018. **Members approved continuation of the “A” designation, effective Spring 2018.**

3. Request for Permanent General Education Designation for a Zero Ending Course:

AMST 3950 – Topics in American Studies, requests the “H and D” designations, effective Fall 2018. **2/9/18 - Members approved the “H and D” designations, one-time only, effective Fall 2018. Members approved the “H and D” designations, effective Fall 2019, pending submission of a course action form with a revised course description which includes evidence of critically analyzing historical and contemporary examples of socially constructed groups in American society or culture. 3/12/18 – Course action received and pending final approval for Fall 2019.**

4. Other

Members noted that future discussions should include conversations regarding the “Criteria and Goals” in regards to the following:

- “D” and “I” designations
- Course descriptions
- Detailed syllabi
- Grading scales