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**GENERAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (GEAC) MEETING
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Members suggests highlighting any revisions made to resubmitted syllabi.

1. General Education Designations – New Courses

GS 4200 - Study Abroad - The Intersection of Culture and Industry of France, requests the S and I designations, one-time only, effective Summer 2022.

Prerequisites: Consent of instructor and consent of SGSP Director of Academic Programs.

Description: Academic work abroad on either a group or individual basis. Offered for variable credit, 1-6 credit hours, maximum of 6 credit hours. Previously offered as INTL 4200. May not be offered for degree credit with GS 5200.

Members approved the I designation, one-time only, effective Summer 2022.

Members tabled the S designation as it was not clear if the course met the specific learning objectives for the S designation in that 50% or more of the course content should address social and behavioral sciences. Council will need to see more explanation, in a detailed course schedule, of how the course meets both the requirements.

Revisions will be reviewed by Council.

HONR 1000 – Place as Text: Singapore, requests the I designation, one-time only, effective Spring 2022.

Members approved the I designation, one-time only, effective Spring 2022.

UNIV 3110 – Perspectives in International Leadership: McKnight Scholars, requests the I designation, one-time only, effective Summer 2022.

Members approved the I designation pending clarification of the dates when feedback is received. Students must be able to receive feedback on writing assignments to be incorporated in subsequent writing assignments. Revisions will be reviewed by Chair.

2. General Education Five-Year Review of the S, SD, SI, and I - Resubmission

GEOG 4213 – Sport, Place, and Society, requests continuation of the S designation, effective Fall 2021.

Description - Spatial analysis of sport; its origin and diffusion, geographical organization, and regional variation. Geographical movements and interaction associated with sport. Application of geographical solutions for reorganization and reform. Focus on both U.S. and international scene.

11/19/21 - Members tabled as they could not determine from the information provided on the syllabus if the course content met the requirements for the S designation. The syllabus does not include enough detailed information in order for the Council to make a determination, particularly on requirement 2b.

2b - Students will understand the role of empirical observation using quantitative or qualitative methods in the social and behavioral sciences.

Goes back to Council.

1/11/22 – Received revised syllabus.

2/18/22 - Members tabled continuation of the S designation as it was not clear if the course content focused on empirical observation using quantitative or qualitative methods even with the highlights. There appeared to be no detailed explanation addressing the S criteria. It was not clear if the course met the writing requirements in that there should be one four-page paper focused on social and behavioral sciences.

2b - Students will understand the role of empirical observation using quantitative or qualitative methods in the social and behavioral sciences.

Revisions will be reviewed by Council.

3. General Education Five-Year Review of the S, SD, SI, and I

AECL 4800 - International Study Tour in Agricultural Education, Communications and Leadership, requests continuation of the I designation, one-time only, effective Spring 2022.

Prerequisites: Consent of instructor.

Description: An experiential learning course featuring an international travel component. Provides an integrated approach to studying the agriculture, communication, education, natural resources, culture, history, government, economy, and religion of a particular region. Special emphasis placed up on formal and informal educational programs and/or communications focusing on agriculture and natural resources. Previously offered as AGED 4803. Members approved continuation of the I designation, one-time only, effective Spring 2022.

AG 3090 (permanent zero-ending course) – Study Abroad, requests continuation of the I designation, effective Spring 2022.

Description: Participation in an OSU reciprocal exchange program. Offered for variable credit, 1-18 credit hours, maximum of 36 credit hours.

Members tabled continuation of the I designation pending clarification that the course content meets the requirements for the I designation through a schedule detailing student learning outcomes in relation to the I designation.

Revisions will be reviewed by Council.

AG 3803 - International Study Tour in Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, requests continuation of the I designation, effective Spring 2022.

Description: A two-three-week international travel component. An integrated approach to the study of agriculture, natural resources, culture, history, and technological advance of a region.

Members approved continuation of the I designation pending receipt of a syllabus clarifying that students received feedback on writing assignments to be incorporated in subsequent writing assignments and clarification that the writing assignment will be in relation to the I designation.

Revisions will be reviewed by Chair.

AGCM 3203 - Oral Communications in Agricultural Sciences & Natural Resources, requests continuation of the S designation, effective Spring 2022.

Prerequisites: Student in the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

Description: Application of oral communications skills used in the dissemination of information related to agricultural sciences and natural resources, and related topics. Acquisition of interpersonal communications skills and small group, impromptu and professional presentation skills.

Members tabled continuation of the S designation pending clarification in the syllabus of the social and behavioral sciences methods.

- Students will understand the role of empirical observation using quantitative or qualitative methods in the social and behavioral sciences.

Revisions will be reviewed by Council.

AGEC 1113 – Introduction to Agricultural Economics, requests continuation of the S designation, effective Spring 2022.

Description: Economic theory of production, marketing, and consumption of agricultural products and natural resources. The role and structure of agricultural sciences and natural resources within the American economy. Policies to achieve efficiency and welfare goals in agriculture. No general education credit for students also taking [ECON 1113](#) or [ECON 2103](#). Previously offered as AGECE 1114.

Members approved continuation of the S designation, effective Spring 2022.

AGEC 3803 - International Agricultural Economics Tour, requests continuation of the I designation, effective Spring 2022.

Prerequisites: Consent of instructor.

Description: A two-three-week international travel component. An integrated approach to the cultural, agricultural, historical, technological, political, economic, and religious backgrounds of the region. Comparison of the agricultural business environment of the region to that of the U.S. Previously offered as AGECE 4803.

Members approved continuation of the I designation, effective Spring 2022.

AGLE 2303 – Agricultural Leaders in Society, requests continuation of the S designation, effective Spring 2022.

Description: Analysis of agricultural leaders and societal impacts. Theories of authentic leadership and values-based leadership. Organizational, community, and workforce changes including diversity, technology, and globalization and the relationship to leader behavior.

Members approved continuation of the S designation, effective Spring 2022.

AGLE 2403 - Agricultural Leadership in a Multicultural Society, requests continuation of the S and D designations, effective Spring 2022.

Description: The study of leadership as it relates to a multicultural society. Cultural changes in the agricultural workplace and future impact on the industry. Personal barriers to fulfilling leadership roles in the agricultural sciences and natural resources. Skills related to managing teams in a diverse workplace specifically related to differences in gender, race and ethnicity.

Members approved pending clarification of the content of the writing assignments.

Revisions will be reviewed by Chair.

AGLE 3803 - Global Leadership in Agriculture, requests continuation of the I designation, effective Spring 2022.

Description: Contemporary global leadership in the context of agriculture. Challenges, cross-cultural conflict, managing diversity, and ethical behavior. Exploration of global leaders including Africans, Asians, Europeans, and Middle Easterners.

Members approved continuation of the I designation, effective Spring 2022.

ANSI 3903 - Agricultural Animals of the World, requests continuation of the I designation, effective Spring 2022.

Description: The production and utilization of agricultural animals by human societies.

Members approved continuation of the I designation, effective Spring 2022.

BADM 4093 - Study Abroad: Business Impacts of Contemporary International Culture, requests continuation of the I designation, effective Spring 2022.

Prerequisites: Junior standing.

Description: A study of a country and region that will provide an integrated approach to the rich cultural, commercial, historical, technological, political, economic, and religious issues. The country's role as a political and economic power will be examined. Comparisons of technology, policies, and economies will be made, as well as investigating hurdles and synergies to doing business between that country and the U.S.

Members approved continuation of the I designation, effective Spring 2022.

GEOG 4600 - Geography Study Abroad, requests continuation of the I permanent designation, effective Spring 2022.

Description: Participation in an international experience sponsored by the Department of Geography. Study Abroad courses typically involve the study of a country or region to provide an integrated understanding, through research and personal experience, of relevant cultural, historical, political, economic and environmental issues. Offered for variable credit, 1-3 credit hours, maximum of 12 credit hours.

Members approved continuing the I designation pending clarification that the course and writing assignments meet the "present times" criterion in the I requirements.

Revisions will be reviewed by the Chair.

HIST 3003 – Soviet Union: History, Society and Culture, requests continuation of the S and I designations, effective Spring 2022. Course is presently deactivated.
(Crosslisted with POLS 3003 and RUSS 3003)

Description: A comprehensive view of the Soviet Union, stressing those issues in the political, economic, technological, geographical and cultural spheres which are most relevant to the current situation. Accessible to beginning undergraduates. Same course as HIST 3003 & [RUSS 3003](#).

Members denied the I designation, effective the end of Spring 2023. The course content and title do not appear to reflect “present-day” international culture.

Members tabled the S designation as it was not clear from the information on the syllabus provided that the course met the requirements for the S designation. It wasn’t apparent that the course focused on empirical observation for the S designation.

- Students will understand the role of empirical observation using quantitative or qualitative methods in the social and behavioral sciences.

Members suggest the unit consider applying for the H designation instead of the S designation.
Revisions will be reviewed by Council.

HIST 3773 - Old South, requests continuation of the S, effective Spring 2022.

Description: Social, political and industrial conditions in the South before the Civil War.
Members approved continuation the S designation, effective Spring 2022.

HIST 4513 - American Economic History, requests continuation of the S designation, effective Spring 2022.
(Crosslisted with ECON 3823 which is being deleted)

Description: Economic development and economic forces in American history; emphasis upon industrialization and its impact upon our economic society since the Civil War. Same course as ECON 3823.

Members tabled pending the S designation. It is not clear from the information on the syllabus if the course meets the writing requirements, number of pages on writing assignments and the opportunity for students to receive feedback on writing assignments to be incorporated in subsequent writing assignments. (Typically, discussion board posts or other less formal writing assignments would not count toward the writing requirements.) The syllabus was not specific in explaining how the course met the requirements for the S designation.

- Students will understand the role of empirical observation using quantitative or qualitative methods in the social and behavioral sciences.

Revisions will be reviewed by the Council.

HLTH 3211 - International Comparative Health, requests continuation of the I designation, effective Spring 2022.

Description: Global comparisons of disease, immunity and infection. Includes an exploration of the complex interaction between geopolitical systems, resource access, conflict zones, inequality and health from an international perspective.

Members tabled continuation of the international designation as the course content doesn’t appear to reflect present day subject matter. For a one-hour course, all content must focus on the present times.

Revisions will be reviewed by Council.

HLTH 3603 - Understanding HIV, requests continuation of the S and D designations, effective Spring 2022.

Description: Examines the HIV global epidemic from historical, political, epidemiological, biological, medical, psychological, legal, and ethical perspectives. Previously offered as HHP 3603.

Members tabled continuation of the S and D designations pending clarification on the syllabus of the writing assignment detail in that minimum number of pages of writing must be 10 or more with the opportunity for students to received feedback on writing assignments to be applied in subsequent writing materials.

Revisions will be reviewed by the Chair.

HONR 2013 - Honors Law and Legal Institutions, requests continuation of the S designation, effective Spring 2022.

Prerequisites: Honors Program participation

Description: An introduction to law in American society with reference to its European origins; its political, economic, psychological, and sociological dimensions; and the substantive law in selected areas. Introduction to legal reasoning and legal research techniques. For the Honors student.

Members approved continuation of the S designation pending clarification of the minimum writing requirements in that at least five pages of writing must be required. (There are maximum page requirements but no minimum requirements.) Revisions will be reviewed by the Chair.

HONR 2023 - Constitutional Dimensions of Diversity, requests continuation of the S and D designations, effective Spring 2022.

Prerequisites: Honors College participation.

Description: An introduction to American constitutional law as it relates to diversity issues through the study of landmark Supreme Court decisions affecting the rights of various minorities. Introduction to legal research techniques.

Members approved continuation of the S and D designations, effective Spring 2022.

HONR 3033 - Contemporary Cultures of the Non-Western World: Honors, requests continuation of the S and I designations, effective Spring 2022.

Prerequisites: Honors College participation.

Description: Interdisciplinary study of contemporary cultures of non-western world including lifestyle, housing and food. Team-taught by faculty from appropriate disciplines in a lecture and discussion format.

Members approved continuation of the S and I designations, effective Spring 2022.

HONR 3043 - Contemporary Cultures of the United States, requests continuation of the S and D designations, effective Spring 2022.

Prerequisites: Honors Program participation.

Description: Interdisciplinary study of racial and ethnic diversity in the United States in context of social, political, and economic systems to promote knowledge of racial and ethnic minority groups in the United States and appreciation of their contributions to the mosaic of contemporary American life. Team-taught by faculty from appropriate disciplines in a lecture and discussion format.

Members approved continuation of the S and D designations, effective Spring 2022.

HORT 4053 - International Experience in Horticulture, requests continuation of the I designation, effective Spring 2022.

Description: Participation in international travel to develop an understanding of different horticultural systems and technologies used outside the U.S.

Members approved continuation of the I designation, effective Spring 2022.

4. **General Education Designations – Existing Courses – Approved Pending (Information Items Only)**

HIST 3073 – History of Science, requests the H designation, effective Fall 2022.

10/22/21 - Approved pending H designation pending clarification on writing feedback to be applied in subsequent writing assignments.

Final decision will be made by chair.

11/18/21 – Received revised syllabus.

11/18/21 – Chair approved the H designation, effective Fall 2022.

PHIL 3793 - Sex, Love, & Gender, requests the H designation, effective Fall 2022.

10/22/21 - Members approved pending receipt of a syllabus evident of feedback on writing assignments and student learning outcomes in the topics. Final decision to be made by chair.

11/17/21 – Revised syllabus received.

11/18/21 - Chair approved the H designation, effective Fall 2022.

PHIL 3873 – Feminist Philosophy, requests the H designation, effective Fall 2022.

Members approved pending receipt of a syllabus inclusive details of the opportunity for students to receive feedback on writing assignments to be incorporated into subsequent writing assignments. Members also ask that the syllabus include student learning objectives. Final decision to be made by the chair.

11/29/21 – Revised syllabus received

1/28/22 – Chair approved the H designation, effective Fall 2022.

5. General Education Designations – Five-Year Review of the S, SD, SI, I, Designations – Approved Pending (Information Items Only)

GEOG 3133 - Political Geography, requests continuation of the S and I designations, effective Fall 2021.

9/24/21 – Members tabled continuation of the S and I designations pending clarification on the course syllabus that the course content focuses 50% or more on present day international culture and clarification on how the essay relates the I designation.

10/29/21 - Revised syllabus received.

11/19/21 - Members approved pending S and I designations pending clarification of feedback to all students on writing requirements. Chair will make final decision.

02/01/22 – Received revised syllabus.

02/01/22 – Chair approved the S and I designations, effective Fall 2021.

GEOG 3743 - Latin America, requests continuation of the S and I designations, effective Fall 2021.

(Cross-listing GLST 3743)

Same course as [GLST 3743](#).

Members approved pending receipt of syllabus with highlighting present day subject matter. Chair will make final approval.

02/01/22 – Received revised syllabus.

02/01/22 – Chair approved the S and I designations, effective Fall 2021.

6. Other