

**GENERAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (GEAC) MEETING
MINUTES
October 10, 2023**

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(Resubmissions should include highlight updates to syllabi)

General Education Designations – New

GS 4200 - Study Abroad

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.

- Modern and Traditional Asia, requests the I designation, one-time only, effective Summer 2024. Members table the I designation as it was not evident from the information on the syllabus if the course content and readings focused on present-day international content. The syllabus should include a detailed course schedule.
- Sports Diplomacy in the UK, requests the I designation, one-time only, effective Summer 2024. Members tabled the I designation as it did not appear from the information in the syllabus that the course met the 10-page formal writing requirement, including instructor feedback on writing assignments to be incorporated in subsequent writing assignments.
- Exhibiting Democracy: Historic Preservation and the Architecture of Diplomacy, requests the I designation, one-time only, effective Winter intersession 2023. Members tabled the I designation as the syllabus only reflects a total of 9 pages of writing. It was also unclear from the information on the syllabus how the course met the current requirements for the I designation by focusing on present-day international culture. Members asked for a more specific explanation of the course content in relation to the international designation and fewer TBA references.
- Intersection of Culture & Industry of France, requests the I designation, one-time only, effective Summer 2024. Members approved the I designation, one-time only, effective Summer 2024.

HONR 1000 - Introductory Honors Topics

Prerequisites: Introductory Honors Topics.

Description: Introduction to topics in various disciplines by faculty from the undergraduate colleges for freshman and sophomore students in the University Honors College. Offered for variable credit, 1-3 credit hours, maximum of 12 credit hours.

- Roaring River State Park, requests the N designation, one-time only, effective Summer 2024. Members approved the I designation, one-time only, effective Summer 2024.

General Education Designations - Five Year Review - Tabled

(All Members Vote)

GEOG 3733 - Russia and Its Neighbors, requests continuation of the S and I designations, effective Fall 2023.

Description: A regional survey course of Eurasia extending from Central Europe to Western Siberia. Central and Southwest Asia will not be considered in this course. Thematic contemporary issues in the region will be covered, including topics on culture, politics, social issues, economic development, and others. May not be used for degree credit with GLST 3733.

11/19/22 – Members tabled continuation of the S and I designations pending receipt of a syllabus inclusive of evidence that students will receive feedback on writing assignments. Also, members need to see on the syllabus detailed information on how the course content reflects on present time international culture and clarification of the explicit timeframe. Goes back to Council.

9/20/23 – Received revised syllabus.

10/10/23 - Members approved continuation of the S and I designations, effective Fall 2023.

GEOG 3753 – Asia – requests continuation of the S and I designations, effective Fall 2023.

Description: A regional survey course of Asia from Pakistan in the west to the Asian littoral in the east, including Japan, Taiwan, and the Philippines. Central and Southwest Asia will not be considered in this course. Regionally, Asia will be approached through examination of two great cultural focal points: India and China. Thematic contemporary issues in Asia will be covered, including topics on culture, politics, social issues, economic development, and others. Same course as GLST 3753.

11/19/22 – Members tabled continuation of the S and I designations pending evidence on the syllabus and class schedule that 50% or more of the course is focused on present time international content for the I designation and that students receive feedback on writing requirements to be incorporated in subsequent writing assignments. Goes back to Council.

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10/10/23 - Members approved continuation of the S and I designations, effective Fall 2023.