

**General Education Council
Minutes
February 24, 2023**

The General Education Council met for their regularly scheduled meeting on Friday, February 24, 2023 at 3:00 pm via Zoom. Dr. Ted Zerucha, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm when a quorum was met.

Voting members present: Rob Brown, Germán Campos-Muñoz; Beth Carroll, Carolyn Edy, Tracy Goodson-Espy, Brandy Hadley, Steve Hageman, Marc Kissel, Rick Klima, Laura Langberg, Melissa Lesbines, Susan Lutz, Jayjit Roy, Susan Weidmann, Ted Zerucha (chair)

Non-voting members present: Christine Anderson, Eric Berry, Kristin Hyle, Sheryl Mohn, Carla Penders

Voting members absent: Ed Behrend-Martinez, Trey Blackwood, Cameron Gokee, Saskia van de Gevel.

The following actions were taken:

VOTE 1:

Minutes from January 27, 2023 meeting – motion to approve made and seconded

Yes = 12 No = 0 Abstain = 1 *Motion carried – minutes approved as written*

VOTE 2:

Renew Literary Studies Designation (LS) courses:

ENG 2130, Ethnic American Literature

ENG 2360, American Literature and the Arts

LLC 2025, Literature in Translation

LLC 3430, Arthurian Legends

REL 1010, Religion and Imaginary Worlds

REL 2010, Old Testament: The Jewish Scriptures

REL 2020, New Testament

REL 2030, Islamic Literature

WRC 2403, The Practice of Poetry: Where Your Life Still Matters

Yes = 15 No = 0 Abstain = 0 *Renewals approved.*

VOTE 3:

Renew Science Inquiry Designation (SI) courses:

CHE 1101, Introductory Chemistry I

CHE 1102, Introductory Chemistry II

CHE 1110, Introductory Chemistry Laboratory I

CHE 1120, Introductory Chemistry Laboratory II

Yes = 15 No = 0 Abstain = 0 *Renewals approved.*

VOTE 4:

Renew Fine Arts Designation (FA) courses:

ART 2022, Cultivating Creative Expression Teaching Visual Arts

DAN 2010, Exploring the Arts: Dance

DAN 2020, World Dance

DAN 2030, Dance, Media, and Culture
IND 1401, Product Design
INT 1300, Design Matters
THR 2005, Page & Stage
THR 2010, The Theatre Experience
THR 2020, World Culture & Performance Studies
THR 2022, Cultivating Creative Expression Through Theatre
THR 3640, Solo and Group Performance
Yes = 15 No = 0 Abstain = 0 *Renewals approved.*

Discussion Items:

Unsubmitted course renewals – how to handle:

Dr. Zerucha introduced the discussion for Council input that there is still a department that has not submitted any renewals. Despite multiple emails to the department chair, and efforts from their dean’s office, there has been no response. These were due well over a year ago. Dr. Zerucha asked for Council input as to what the consequences should be. Following excellent discussion of possible actions and their ramifications to students, a motion was made and seconded as written below for Vote 5.

VOTE 5:

Motion for General Education Council to not consider proposals from departments with unsubmitted renewals after one year from the due date.

Yes = 13 No = 0 Abstain = 0 *Motion carried.*

Gen Ed Revision update:

Dr. Zerucha updated Council members on the progress of the curriculum revisions. We are moving forward with revisions. The hope is to have the formal proposal to this body before the end of this semester, and to AP&P by the April or May meeting. This schedule will give departments all summer and Fall '23 semester to get their proposals submitted and through the process with an eye towards having the new General Education Program effective fall 2024.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:05 pm.

Submitted by,
Sheryl Mohn, Scribe