General Education Curriculum Committee  
October 1, 2015

1:00 pm SHPS Conference Room, 3124 WSW

Present: Roy Barnes (Ex Officio), Molly Brennan, Elizabeth Collardey, Amged Eidelsafy (Student Representative), Cameron McLeman, Cathy Miller, Lyndsa Raleigh (Administrative Support)

Absent: Sarah Lippert, Shan Parker (sabbatical) Representatives from the CAS, SEHS, SHPS and SOM curriculum committees

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm.

The committee discussed and confirmed that Cathy Miller will act as Chair in Fall semester 2015, and Shan Parker will resume as Chair in Winter 2016.

Fall 2015 meetings will be held on the first and third Thursdays of each month at 1:00 pm in 3124 WSW, with the exception of October. Fall 2015 meeting dates are October 1, October 22, November 5, November 19, December 3 and December 17. Winter 2016 meeting dates and times will be determined at a later date.

The meeting began with discussion of some general procedural matters.

A committee member asked whether the committee gets a charge each year. We have a standing charge, but the group would prefer a specific charge from Faculty Council, as the committee’s work relates to the Chancellor’s Strategic Plan Priorities.

The group asked to determine whether there were any courses awaiting approval. There were two student transfer courses awaiting approval and three existing courses (ART 102, 122 and 132) awaiting general education approval. All were approved.

The committee discussed some questions presented on behalf of Student Government, regarding whether First-Year Experience and Capstone courses could be changed to be more relevant to students’ educational needs, specifically in the areas of life skills and preparedness for employment and graduate school. Roy Barnes advised that because capstones are coordinated through individual departments, Student Government would be much more successful in attempting to make changes to FYE courses.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:09 pm. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, October 22 at 1:00 pm in 3124 WSW.