

## **General Education Oversight Committee**

Minutes

5/3/07

### Present:

Howard Shapiro, Gayle Reynolds, Richard Marback, Laura Woodward, Mary Garrett, Karen Gurney, Peter Malcolmson, Joann Snyder, Charles Elder, Edward Golenberg, Brian Madigan, Bill Volz, Anne Duggan

HS – Introduced Gayle Reynolds who will be participating on the GEOC ex officio. She is working on the new degree audit project.

### Subcommittee Updates

#### Assessment

(A hand out was distributed)

Laura Woodward is working on compiling the course evaluations for General Education courses. Need to look at the questions used on the course evaluations.

It was asked if there is a standardized instrument that could be used for Gen. Ed. assessment.  
-Portfolio assessment? Also, could we look at alumni to assess the program?

We will need to create an assessment tool for Exposure Areas.

#### Course Review

The committee decided that we shouldn't demand that courses be offered every semester and changed the language of the policy.

We created a timeline for the submission of gen. ed. courses. Courses would be nominated once a year with an October 15<sup>th</sup> deadline for the following fall semester.

Have the review process once every three years. Is it offered and also check the content.

The courses that satisfy the Exposure Areas need to be reviewed.

Basic Competencies should be removed from form.

#### Basic Competencies

They are preconditions for success at WSU and life. All the competencies are necessary. Writing Intensive (WI) is not a precondition, but is included with the competencies.

Look into separating math test so that students can take a part to test out of 0993 or 1000. Possibly limit the exam to one attempt when students enter, if they don't pass part A, they must enroll in MAT 0993. We should enforce that the math requirement be fulfilled in the first 30 credits.

A. Duggan requested that we continue the discussion about Foreign Culture and the Exposure Areas at a future meeting.