

General Education Sub-Committee Meeting

February 29, 2012

The Feb 29, 2012 meeting of the General Education Sub-Committee was canceled due to inclement weather. By unanimous consent of the committee, the items on the agenda were considered and voted on by email ballot. All items on the email ballot were approved by unanimous vote of all who responded to the email (11 in favor, none against). Since this represents a majority of the 15 voting members of the committee, all items have been approved by the committee.

Respectfully submitted by Mark Jackson, Chair of the General Education Sub-Committee

The following is the email ballot that was distributed:

Dear General Education curriculum subcommittee members,

Since I received no objections to conducting a "virtual" general education curriculum subcommittee meeting, here is a list of the items we need to vote on. I am listing the items by the item numbers from this month's agenda, so please refer to the agenda for details (and I think the links below should work too). I am providing a short description of the issue and a specific motion for each item or group of items.

Please reply to this email to cast your vote. You may send me a separate vote for each item, or if you wish you may tell me that you are either for or against the entire slate of items. In addition to this vote, please remember that each of these items can still be discussed at the main curriculum meeting next Wednesday. We will probably keep these items off of the consent agenda just to make it easier if anyone wants to open a more in-depth discussion

Please note the following. There are a few items on this list which are not listed on the agenda as GE, but we noticed a few items on the agenda (English department items) that needed to have several gen ed issues reconfirmed. Also note that **Item 2.1. Undergraduate Course Revision: CHIN 261** has been withdrawn so we will not be voting on that item.

Here are the items we are voting on:

- **Item 2.2. Undergraduate Course Addition: HUM 270 cross-listed with CINE 270**
 - *This is the creation of two cross-linked courses on "Studies of World Culture Through Cinema" with study area I (Arts and Humanities) and international credit.*
 - **Motion: add study area I and international credit for new courses Hum 270 and Cine 270**
- **Item 3.8 Undergraduate/Graduate Course Revision: ENG 488 Advanced Studies in World Literature**
 - This course currently carries **international** credit and we are being asked to reconfirm international credit
 - **Motion: reconfirm international credit for Eng 488**
- **Item 4.1. Undergraduate FYS topic assignment to GenEd (No electronic link, please refer to agenda for description)**
 - Proposed new course "FYS 104 Apocalypse 101: Why the World Won't End on December 21, 2012" is asking to be assigned Study Area IV (natural sciences)
 - **Motion: assign study area IV to FYS 104 Apocalypse 101**
- **Items 3.14 and 3.15 can be considered as a package (see List of Undergraduate English Courses]**
- These two items are standardizing the prerequisites for several current English courses, many of which current carry gen ed credit.
- **Motion: reaffirm International credit for Eng 347, 363, 364, 365, 367, 465 & 488, reaffirm the Literature designation**

for Eng 347, and reaffirm Study Area I for Eng 347