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Date: 24 January 2020

Time: 12:00pm - 1:00pm

Location: 3603 MHRA

**Action items:**

- Andrew will send out list of potential names for committee
  - Chris Cassidy (Art) will have students helping with brand design
- Find out what courses currently exist in the GEC inventory so that we can be proactive in approving new courses based on what the needs are
  - Dana and Amy will work on this, Tia can assist → Argos: “Course Section Search by GEC”
  - Amy worked on this list during the summer
  - See how many course are in the inventory, how many seats/term, what the distribution is across disciplines and what category they exist in
- Communicate to depts that they should be looking at their GEC course inventory *now*, not in April
  - Spread the word at Heads and Chairs meetings (Amy will look into getting on agenda for February) and at Dean’s Council meetings (Andrew)
  - Stagger deadlines so that not all new course requests come in simultaneously, allows IC to prioritize needs in a variety of disciplines
- Create “concept map” of all things GEC right now
  - What is the decision making structure? Include 11 sub groups
  - What is going on curricularly?
- Andrew: create short video
  - “Heat map” of where we are, what the plans for the committee are, how depts/people can help
  - ID Gen Ed courses and how many, ID the spread across disciplines, how many seats, etc.
- What are themes and potential course packages? - further discussion based on what comes from 11 subcommittees
  - Projecting more course amendments than new courses
  - Keep in mind how this may affect 300+ and 400+ level courses
- Course development awards and funding - Amy
  - Come up with a process of awarding and funding can come from Dean of UG studies (Andrew)
- Listening tours with UG Deans + IC
  - Purpose: hear concerns of depts but not necessarily address them during these meetings
  - Opportunity: tell depts what IC wants them to do

**FYI/Notes:**

- Curriculum Committee meets at 2:00pm on Fridays (Scott and Dana are on this committee)
- It's likely that Faculty Senate could call up IC to report so transparency is key
- Amy: on Gen Ed Council, elected Executive Committee Senator for Faculty Senate
- Scott: Chair of UG Curriculum Committee

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- Aaron is Chair of Gen Ed Council, which is under Faculty Senate and can name subcommittees who create proposals which then go to the GIC for the Council to then approve
- 11 working groups fleshing out SLOs - they do have conveners, scheduled for completion approx. April
- GIC takes outcomes from 11 working groups and makes an inventory based on their reports which is then presented to the GEC Council, which Aaron is on
- URO will work with IC, per Provost
- No new courses are being approved on current GEC
- Discussion on course approval priority
  - Courses need to be approved before consideration as Gen Ed
  - Should we even review requests for new courses if they're not Gen Ed? Hold off until later for non-Gen Ed courses?
  - Scott: thinking about work flow and selecting Gen Ed in applications so that it goes to both committees (no longer an FYI but now an action item when the apps come through)
- Discuss pushing back Oct/Nov deadline, which will be established prior to Provost's leave
- Old catalog → new catalog
  - Dana says the IC can strongly recommend that for gen ed purposes, "the catalog is the catalog," specifically when students are looking to change majors (i.e. not making them complete additional gen eds)
  - Dean of UG Studies will approve the crossfire of courses on old and new catalog
    - If there are questions, they'll go through standing subcommittees
- UNC System is pushing hard for "prior learning"
  - 24/24 did not pass
  - UNCG is bringing in an expert, Nan Travers
  - Example: military/nursing, currently no infrastructure for other programs
- Language requirements - programs/depts can now apply for exemptions from FL requirement
  - Requirements are the same but now there is a process of reviewing these requests
  - This does not change the process for students
- Discuss options for "packaging" courses for depts concerned about enrollment (example: ENG 101)
  - Competency based GEC allows depts to create courses not based in a specific discipline but on the competency

**Future meetings:**

- Day/Time: Fridays 11:30am-1:00pm
- Location: Jackson library room 374 (Jan. 31 - Feb. 28), SOEB 458 (Mar. 6 - May 15)
- Note: Aaron will be heading to meetings after teaching. Andrew will be late on 1/31 and absent on 2/7.