

General Education Committee minutes
11/14/25 meeting
A&S 2-51

Present: J. Turner, B. Conaway, S. Jordan, H. Madabaduge, K. Anderson, B. Gibbs, O. Lovell, E. Bonner (ex-officio), L. Muschell (ex-officio)

Regrets: B. Nicholson, C. Smith (ex-officio)

Absent: none

Meeting convened at 1:00pm.

Agenda and minutes of previous meeting approved by acclamation.

GC1Y/2Y Proposals:

Consideration of GC1Y 1000, “The Art Forum” proposal. Sandra Trujillo joins the discussion. Questions about field trip component, syllabus learning objectives. Unanimously approved pending edit to syllabus learning objectives.

Consideration of GC1Y 1000, “Video Games and Narrative Ethics” proposal, Jonna Smith joins the discussion. Suggestion regarding sequencing/placement of syllabus statements, instructor qualifications for course (and who could be added to the course as possible instructors). Unanimously approved, pending syllabus reordering and addition of instructors.

Consideration of GC2Y 2000, “Contemporary French Thought”. Sabrina Horn joins the discussion as proposer. Designed as a summer semester/study abroad GC2Y option. Request for the syllabus detail to be expanded with specific assignments, “career-ready” competencies articulated, and more clearly-defined writing intensive/scaffolding process for required writing assignment(s). Unanimously approved, pending syllabus edits from discussion.

Consideration of GC1Y 1000, “The Art of Argumentation”, proposed by Nathan Bedsole (not present). Suggestion for more measurable objectives in the Learning Goals section, addressing career-ready CoreIMPACTS competencies within the syllabus, and grading. Unanimously approved, pending a revised syllabus, reflective of proposed edits from discussion.

Section Modifications:

Consideration of section modification— adding D. Burt to GC2Y 2000, “10 Plants that Changed the World”. Approved unanimously.

Consideration of section modification— adding S. Auerbach to GC2Y 2000, “Human Revolutions”. Approved unanimously.

CORExplore Proposals:

None submitted

Other business:

Suggestion for committee members to offer to assist faculty who are proposing GC1Y/2Y courses for the first time, prior to formally receiving proposals at the committee level. Reminder of the timeline for new 1Y/2Y course approval.

New business:

GC1Y/2Y website cleanup of old courses and prior versions of course listings and websites.

No updates re: development of GC Learning Outcomes for areas P, A, S, at this time.

Consideration of the spring '25 Syllabus Audit followup tasks. Development of GCxY “non-section” that could be taught by any faculty on campus, S. Jordan facilitated discussion with outside faculty and reported to committee. Current process includes development of a course shell and appropriate learning outcomes. Will meet again prior to January GEC meeting.

Discussion of developing a pilot process for review of existing GCxY sections for compliance with established rubrics/policies, starting spring 2026. Desire for a formative evaluation from outside the GEC, possibly involving some sort of peer review.

Meeting adjourned at 2:05pm

Next meeting: 1/23/26 in A&S 2-51