**General Education Council Minutes – February 19, 2013**

**Members Present**:

Joe McGarrity (Coll of Bus)

Susan Gatto (Coll of HBS)

Carey Smitherman (Coll of FAC)

Charles Watson (Coll of NSM)

Lori Isom (CAR – Chemistry)

Kondwani Phwandaphwanda (CAR – Music)

Jim Deitrick (CAR – Phil & Rel)

Mary Beth Sullivan (CAR – Poli Sci)

Carl Olds (CAR – Film)

Lorien Foote (CAR – History)

Colby Qualls (SGA)

Conrad Shumaker (Ex-officio, GEC Chair)

Wendy Castro (Ex-officio, Dir of Assessment)

Renee LeBeau-Ford (Ex-officio, Library)

**Members Absent:**

Lisa Daniels (Coll of Ed)

Jeff Allender (Coll of Lib Arts)

**AGENDA for Feb. 19 Meeting:**

1.  Honors 1310 and 1320 as FYS (In consultation with the Honors College and the Provost's Office, I recommend the following:  Students who take HONC 1310 or 1320 as a Writing requirement cannot count the course as a FYS; students who take the courses as a different requirement may count it as a FYS.  The Honors College realizes that this means that all sections of the courses will follow the FYS guidelines and that all students in the course will be appropriately assessed.)

2.  MCOM 1300 in Responsible Living (This is the expedited proposal that I sent you but failed to include in the draft check sheet that we voted on.)

3.  MKTG 2376 in Oral Communication (I will be sending you materials from the MKTG Department in support of the course's inclusion and addressing the issue of its being a course for majors)

4.  NUTR 1300 Nutrition in Life Cycle, FACS 2351 Family Relations, and FACS 2341 Lifespan Development to count as Social Science requirements under Responsible Living.

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Director Recommendation: “In consultation with the Honors College and the Provost's Office, I recommend the following:  Students who take HONC 1310 or 1320 as a Writing requirement cannot count the course as a FYS; students who take the courses as a different requirement may count it as a FYS.  The Honors College realizes that this means that all sections of the courses will follow the FYS guidelines and that all students in the course will be appropriately assessed.”

Discussion on course NOT able to count as FYS if counting for Writing course.

**Motion** to approve (Gatto), 2nd (Watson) – motion unanimously passed

**2.  MCOM 1300 in Responsible Living**

Expedited proposal for MCOM 1300 (Media and Society) did not get voted on in last meeting.

**Motion** to approve (Sullivan), 2nd (Isom) – motion unanimously passed

**3.  MKTG 2376 in Oral Communication**

Motion had been tabled during last meeting – Motion to approve (McGarrity) with 2nd (Isom)

Discussion followed about the course’s fitness for program and the requested limitation to majors/approval of chair

**Motion** to call the question (Qualls) – **Course approved** 9-3-1 (counting 1 against and 1 abstention by proxy)

**4.  Courses to count as Social Science requirements under Responsible Living**

NUTR 1300 Nutrition in Life Cycle, FACS 2351 Family Relations, and FACS 2341 Lifespan Development to count as Social Science requirements under Responsible Living.

Discussion about GEC definition of Social Science and whether these courses fit the definition.

**Motion** to approve (Gatto), 2nd (Phwandaphwanda) – **Motion failed** 4-7-1 (counting 1 proxy no, 1 proxy abstention)

5. Other non-agenda items:

Designate HED/KPED 1320 as Social Science options within Responsible Living area

Discussion about whether the course fits the definition

**Motion** to approve (Gatto), 2nd (Sullivan) – **Motion failed** 3-6-1 (counting 1 proxy yes, 1 proxy no, and 1 proxy abstention)

Designate HED 2320 (Mental Health) as Social Science option within Responsible Living area

**Motion passed**