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**General Studies Council Minutes**  
**December 7, 2009 Meeting – 4:00pm**  
**Founders Hall, Warner Conference Room**  
**Approved via email 2/19/10**

**Present:** Vijay Agrawal, Sylvia Asay, Debbie Bridges, Jeanne Butler, Mary Daake, Tommy Eshleman, Tommy Hansen, Ralph Hanson, Sherri Harms, Daryl Kelley, Sonja Kropp, Carol Lilly, Kristi Milks, Darleen Mitchell, Marta Moorman, Daren Snider, Ron Wirtz

**Absent:** Janet Moore, Kim Schipporeit

**Guest:** Tim Obermeir

**I. Call to Order:**

Daren Snider called the meeting to order.

**II. Open Items:**

**a) Final Approval:**

Courses that were initially approved with no revisions required have now been approved Lilly (Harms) moved to approve. Motion carried.

**b) Course Approvals:**

**Foundation:**

ITEC 290 – Training and Instruction Systems – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Make outcome #5 more explicit and change the title.

SPCH 100 - Oral Communication – Approved.

**Portals:**

ENG 188-01 (portal) - Hollywood in Literature and Film - W/D

FORL 188-01 (portal) - Paris & Berlin: Tales of Two Great Cities – Approved.

TE 182 (portal) - Leadership for Today and Tomorrow - Tabled - No syllabus only cover sheet.

SPCH 117 (portal) - Speeches that Changed the World – Approved.

**Aesthetics:**

ART 100 - Art Structure – Approved.

MUS 100 - Music Appreciation. Approved. Change course goals rather than objectives.

ART 120 - Art Appreciation. Approved.

MUS 106 - Intro to Jazz and Blues. Approved.

MUS 107 - Intro to Rock and Blues. Approved.

MUS 101 - American Musical Theater. Approved.

MUS 159 - Piano Fundamentals. Approved.

THEA 121 - Completing the Look: The Art of Costuming. Approved.

DANC 122 - Dance Appreciation. Approved.

THEA 120 - Intro to Theater. Approved.

**Humanities:**

ENG 251 - Intro to Literature: American – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Make application complete, submit sample syllabi, no grading criteria, indicate how outcomes will be achieved.

HIST 212 - Non-Western World History. Approved.

ENG 252 - Intro to Literature: Western Civilization – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Make application complete, submit sample syllabi, no grading criteria, indicate how outcomes will be achieved.

HIST 215 - Introduction to Latin America – Not approved. Send back for revisions. List specifics of how each outcome will be met.

SPCH 154 - Cross-Cultural Communication – Not approved. Needs to be restructured to meet the new criteria and what primary sources will be used.

ENG 234 - Reading and Writing about Literature – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Make application complete, submit sample syllabi, no grading criteria, indicate how outcomes will be achieved.

ENG 253 - Intro to Literature: Non-Western Civilization – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Make application complete, submit sample syllabi, no grading criteria, indicate how outcomes will be achieved.

HIST 250 - American History I – Approved.

ENG 235 (H) - American Studies - Tabled

ENG 254 - Intro to Literature: Special Topics – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Make application complete, submit sample syllabi, no grading criteria, indicate how outcomes will be achieved.

SPAN 200 & 201 - Intermediate Spanish/French/German I & II – Approved.

SPAN 204/GERM 204 - Culture, Conversation, and Writing – Approved.

ENG 240 - Literary Classics of the Western World - Not approved. Send back for revisions. Make application complete, submit sample syllabi, no grading criteria, indicate how outcomes will be achieved.

ENG 280 (H) - Special Topics – Tabled.

HIST 210 - Western Civilization I – Approved.

ENG 250 - Intro to Literature: British – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Make application complete, submit sample syllabi, no grading criteria, indicate how outcomes will be achieved.

HIST 211 - Western Civilization II – Approved.

HIST 251 - American History II – Approved.

**Social Sciences:**

BFIN 250 - Psychology of Investing – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Too specific and too narrowly focused to be a GS course. Need to have current objectives. It is not apparent it is an introductory level course.

CJUS 380 - Minorities in Criminal Justice – Approved.

ECON 270 - Principles of Economics: Macroeconomics – Approved.

SOC 100 - Intro to Sociology. Approved.

ECON 271 - Principles of Economics: Microeconomics – Approved.

FSID 151 - Human Sexual Behavior – Not approved. Needs more explanation on how the learning outcomes are being met.

GEOG 104 - World Regional Geography. Approved.

SOC 250 – Anthropology – Not approved. Clarify how the learning outcomes will be met.

PSCI 110 - Intro to American Politics – Not approved. Clarify how the learning outcomes will be met.

SOWK 335 - Social Policy and Programs - Not approved. Send back for revisions. The course objectives do not meet the distribution.

SPCH 202 - Communication Concepts in Society – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Syllabus does not meet the distribution outcomes. Incorporate the cover letter material into the syllabus.

WSTD 220 - Women's & Gender Studies – Approved.

ECON 100 - Contemporary Economic Issues – Approved.

GEOG 206 - Geography of the United States and Canada – Not approved. Only two of the learning objectives are met. All need to be met.

PSCI 168 - Intro to International Relations. Approved.

PSY 203 - General Psychology. Approved.

PSY 231 - Abnormal Behavior and Society. W/D

CJUS 375 - Comparative Criminal Justice Systems. Not approved. Sent back for revisions. Isn't clear how the learning outcomes will be met.

ETHN 101 - Intro to Ethnic Studies. Approved.

FSID 351 - Marriage and Family Relationships. Approved.

GEOG 106 - Intro to Human Geography – Approved.  
ITEC 210 - Society and Technology – Approved.  
PSY 230 - Human Development – Approved.

**Natural Sciences:**

BIOL 215 - Human Physiology – Not approved. Send back for methods for meeting the outcomes listed under each outcome.  
CHEM 161 & Lab - General Chemistry II. Not approved. Send back for revisions. Need to add learning outcome #1. Lab is okay.  
GEOG 103 - Dynamic Planet: Natural Hazards. Approved.  
PHYS 132 - Einstein's Universe. Not approved. Only one learning outcome is met.  
PHYS 275 & Lab - General Physics (calculus) I – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Needs to include outcome #1 everywhere and the rest of them in the syllabus.  
PHYS 107 - Physical Science for Elementary Teachers – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Missing learning outcome #1. The outcomes need to be the new outcomes.  
PHYS 201 - Earth Science – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Need to meet all of the learning outcomes.  
PHYS 276 & Lab - General Physics (calculus) II – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Missing learning outcome #1.  
BIOL 103 - General Biology – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Uses the old objectives.  
CHEM 145 - Intro to Chemistry – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Need to add learning outcome #1.  
PHYS 205 - General Physics I – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Need to add learning outcome #1.  
PHYS 211 - Planetary Astronomy – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Uses the old objectives.  
BIOL 105 - Biology I – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Uses old objectives. Meet individual outcomes.  
CHEM 150 - Intro to Organic and Biochemistry – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Need to add learning outcome #1.  
PHYS 206 - General Physics II – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Need to add learning outcome #1.  
BIOL 106 - Biology II – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Need to add learning outcome #1.  
CHEM 160 & Lab - General Chemistry I – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Need to address learning outcomes.  
GEOG 101 - Intro to Physical Geography: The Atmosphere – Approved.  
PHYS 100 & Lab - Physical Science – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Need to address learning outcomes.  
PHYS 209 – Meteorology – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Need to use new objectives.  
BIOL 211 - Human Microbiology – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Need to add learning outcome #1. Need to use new learning outcomes.  
GEOG 102 - Physical Geography II: The Lithosphere – Approved.  
PHYS 131 - Newton's Universe – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Need to add learning outcome #1 and not all learning outcomes were met.  
PHYS 210 & Lab - General Astronomy & Lab – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Not all learning outcomes were met. Need to use new learning outcomes.

**Analytical & Quantitative Thought:**

BMIS 182 - Software Productivity Tools. Not approved. Send back for feedback and Sherri and Jan will work with Vijay for revisions.  
CSIS 111 - Applied BASIC Programming – Not approved. Send back for revisions. Syllabi need to better explain how it is meeting the objective and how it fits in the category.  
CSIS 130 - Intro to Computer Science – Approved.

BMGT 233 - Business Statistics – Approved.  
ITEC 150 - Telecommunications Literacy - Approved.  
PSY 250 - Behavioral Statistics – Approved.

**Wellness:**

FSID 110 - Intro to Nutrition – Not approved - Send back for revisions. Does not address learning outcome #1 and each outcome individually.  
HSCI 140 - Intro to Public Health – Approved - Fix the wording problems.  
FSID 160 - Personal Money Management – Not approved. Needs more detail on how the learning outcomes will be assessed.  
PSY 231 - Abnormal Behavior and Society – Approved.

**VI. Adjournment:**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:** Thursday, December 17, 2009 at 3:30 p.m., Academic Affairs Conference Room.