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Central Washington University
General Education Committee
January 11, 2010
Minutes

Present: Cynthia Coe, Bobby Cummings, Duane Dowd, Aaron Montgomery, Sharon Rosell, Megan Hammond, James Beaghan, Scott Carlton and Sheryl Grunden.

Absent: John Alsoszatai-Petheo, Gregory Brown, Maya Chachava, Tracy Pellett.

Guests: Amber Paulk and Michael Young

Meeting was convened at 2:05 p.m.

No changes to the Agenda

Cynthia moved to approve the minutes for November 30, 2009. Sharon seconded and motion was approved.

Announcements – Aaron announced that John AP will be out for the quarter on medical leave.

Committee chair decision for winter quarter – Sharon will be acting chair for the January 25th meeting. Aaron will finish out the quarter as chair.

FCSF 101 Skills for Marriage – Amber Paulk spoke to the committee regarding this course. Dr. Paulk resubmitted the paperwork with the suggested changes from the committee. The course will be changing from 3-4 credits even if it is not approved by Gen Ed. The course has run 36 – 48 students. It is required for family studies majors, but there have only been approximately 10 students per course that are majors. The rest have been undeclared and other majors. The committee discussed the proposal. There are still a few concerns. Aaron will put together the concerns and pass it back to the committee for review before sending on to Dr. Paulk.

FIN 364 Personal Finance – Michael Young spoke to the committee regarding this course. This course is not intended for business majors and would not satisfy upper division business requirements. After discussion the consensus was the course fit in Foundations of Human Adaptations and Behavior. Aaron brought up that this is a new course and the committee needs to know if it has been approved through the Curriculum Committee. Janet will check with Linda Hoff about this. The committee also requested the learner outcomes for the course.

Petitions/appeals (if any) – Sheryl has three petitions to bring forward to the committee.

1. A student who scored 46 on her CLEP test is asking that it count toward general education. The petition was originally denied by the registrar's office because a score of 50 or more is required. Cynthia moved to deny the student's petition to use the CLEP test for general education requirements. Duane seconded and motion was approved.
2. CWU student on study abroad wants to use Italian renaissance as perspectives on world cultures. Scott asked if the committee wants to allow CWU students to take narrower courses abroad and use them as gen ed courses? Duane moved to reject the petition to have the Italian renaissance used to fulfill a course in perspectives on world cultures. Motion was seconded by Bobby and motion was approved.
3. A student who came to CWU a year ago petitioned to have English 215 that they took at North Carolina Wesleyan College. The student wants to use it for the Literature and Humanities category and was originally denied by the registrar's office. Sheryl read the course description and information that student provided on this petition. Bobby felt based on the information provided it was parallel to our English 105. Bobby moved to accept the petition to allow the student to use the English 215 course to satisfy their Literature and Humanities general education area. Cynthia seconded and motion was approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:21 p.m.

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