



## General Education Committee Minutes

Date 09/18/2020 Start Time 10:00 AM Adjournment Time 10:50 AM Location Via Zoom

Type of Meeting  Regular  Special

<b>CHAIR</b>	Chris Michaelides
<b>SECRETARY</b>	Allison Thonpson
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	Donald Colegrove, Lauren Fee, Keith Jackson, Adam Johnson, Meredith McKinnie, Kathie Smart, Rick Stevens
<b>ABSENT (EXCUSED)</b>	Jason Constant (Excused), Sandra Jones

### Agenda

<b>GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>	
<p>Chair Michaelides welcomed everyone and had members briefly introduce themselves. Dr. Michaelides informed the group that Allison Thompson had agreed to serve as the committee's Secretary for the coming year; no other nominations or volunteers were brought forth. The Chair then provided an overview of the committee's charge and primary functions.</p>	
<b>DISCUSSION TOPICS</b>	
<p>Thompson provided an update on the assesment timetable. Due to the transition to temporary remote instruction in Spring 2020, the vast majority of assessment artifacts were not collected. The members consented to Thompson's suggestion that the Implementation Schedule be adjusted to begin with 2020-21. Concerns about ongoing instruction delivery in a pandemic context were discussed; Thompson intends to strongly encourage faculty members to consider designating activities or assignments which are, or can be if needed, adminisitered through Moodle or another remote-friendly medium. Also discussed were the requirements for the inclusion of dual enrollment course sections in general education assessment processes.</p> <p>Michaelides led a discussion on the preparation for reviewing assessment results and how the committee intends to define success. He presented several options and reminded the members that examples of each option are available for review and discssion on the committee Moodle page; this discussion among membership is a committee priority for fall 2020. Thompson added that there is a move toward setting both minimum thresholds of acceptability and aspirational targets in the assessment and accreditation communities, so that concept should also perhaps be considered by members in these discussions.</p> <p>Michaelides informed the members of discussions with Lon Smith, Chair of the University Curriculum Committee (UCC) concerning the role of the GEC in curricular review processes. GEC and UCC chairs agreed that the GEC should operate a parallel review process on such proposals which involve the core curriculum to address any concerns in tandem. Member concerns about a tandem process creating potential delays for proposal approvals were discussed, and Michaelides expressed the intent for the GEC review to be completed prior to UCC meetings to prevent any delays. Michaelides also explained that the GEC Chair would serve as an ex-officio member to UCC in a non-voting capacity. Michaelides will facilitate a revision to the GEC Committee charge to include the curricular review process in collaboration with the UCC. A member asked if core course scheduling and rotation issues were under the purview of the GEC; Michaelides said that those decisions are left to each academic college but, since he handles the majority of core course scheduling, he was certainly willing to consider issues students experience which may delay progression.</p>	
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	
<p>GEC meetings will be planned for October 30, 2020 and November 20, 2020.</p>	

ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Members should review material in committee Moodle on methods for determining success when reviewing assessment results.	Members	10/30/2020

Approved by committee/council chair  Yes on