**Council on Undergraduate Education 2016-2017** January 20, 2017

 Talley Student Union 4140

 Call to Order: 1:30 PM

 **Members Present:** Chair Peggy Domingue, Chris Ashwell, Karen Keene, Sarah Ash, Alice Lee (Proxy), Ozturk Hatice, Frederick Parker, Erin Sills, David Gilmartin, Kim Outing, James Knowles, Ghada Rabah, Tania Allen, Ingrid Schmidt, Morgan Travis (Proxy), Adam Rogers (Proxy),
Members Absent:, Tim Petty, Adam Skrzecz, Jeff Joines, Cynthia Levine, Andy Nowel

**Ex-Officio Members Present:** Li Marcus, Lexi Hergeth, Dr. Barbara Kirby, Melissa Williford, Erin Dixon
**Guests**: Nathaniel Isaacson, Jason Miller

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

* *Remarks from Chair—* Chair Peggy Domingue welcomed the committee and guests.
* *Dr. Barbara Kirby, Associate Vice Provost-* Reminded the committee members of the faculty senate should have received a committee on committees survey. The committee on committees uses the survey results to populate university standing committees like UCCC and CUE.
* Approval of the Minutes from December 9th, 2016. *– Approved Unanimously*
	+ Discussion: The minutes were presented and approved without further discussion. Motion to approve by member Sarah Ash.

**NEW BUSINESS**

*Consent Agenda*

* HESS 254 and HESS 260 (Courses being dropped from GEP list)- *Approved Unanimously*
Member Chris Ashwell presented the Consent Agenda.

*GEP Review*

* ANS 110 Introduction to Equine Science: (NS) - *Approved Unanimously*
Discussion: Presented by member David Gilmartin. Presenter noted that the same statement is used for the two categories and asked more senior members of the committee if this is acceptable. Member responded using the same statement is fine, more specific statements for each would be helpful, however the broad objective is acceptable to use for both categories.

* ANS/HS 215 Agricultural Genetics: (NS) *-Approved Unanimously*
Discussion: Presented by member David Gilmartin. Presenter mentioned the cost of the textbook should be noted on the syllabus. The committee discussed that this is a UCCC issue and ask this to be a friendly suggestion. Members discussed open enrollment of the course and debated if a required course would need reserved seats. The members concluded that seat reservation is not a CUE issue and the members decided open enrollment is fine.

New to GEP

* ENG 255 Beyond Britain: Literature from Colonies of the British Empire: (HUM, GK) – *Approved Unanimously*Discussion: Presented by member James Knowles. Members discussed if the GK category needs to be contemporary. The committee determined historical references and literature are acceptable resources for the Global Knowledge category.

* ENG 342 Literature of Space and Place: (HUM, USD, IP) - *Approved Unanimously*Discussion: Presented by member James Knowles. Members pointed out a few typos. Member mentioned the sample questions seem to indicate that the student determines where they identify gender, race, and sexuality without being taught how to do so. Members pointed out examples in the syllabus that provided information on how the instructor will teach students how to identify this information and explained the burden will not fall on the students. Dr. Kirby noted that a course with more than one GEP credit category requires the student to choose between non-corequisite GEP categories (ie: HUM or IP). The committee suggested indicating in the syllabus that students will need to choose which categories this course will fulfill to insure the students are aware of the process. Member suggested changing the statement “The course fulfills the GEP requirement…” to “This course fulfills a GEP requirement…OR” to clearly indicate the need for students to choose which categories the course will fulfill. Members agreed the statement should be updated.
* ENG 466 Transatlantic Literatures: (HUM, USD) - *Approved Unanimously*Discussion: Presented by member James Knowles. No further discussion.
* FLC 402 Advanced Chinese: Readings in Literature and Science: (HUM, GK) – *Approved, 2 abstentions*Discussion: Presented by member James Knowles. Member brought attention to the objectives emphasizing scientific research. Members debated making the suggestion to change the title “Advanced Chinese: Readings in Literature and Social Sciences” of “Advanced Chinese: Readings in Literature and Sciences”. Li Marcus reminded members that title was approved by UCCC. Member asked if the word “science” is necessary in the title and guest Nathanial Isaacson indicated the word “science” is used to indicate the writing style in scientific and social-scientific literature. Members asked if students will be reading scientific readings in Chinese, guest responded yes, the students will read scientific, specifically socially scientific, reading and provided an example of a student who chose a reading about air pollution. Member suggested the professor choosing the readings as opposed to the students choosing the readings. Guest explained the student-selected literature is something he has implemented in response to participating in the NC Think program. Chair reminded the committee to focus on the GEP categories. Dr. Kirby explained that sometimes the title of the course can be confusing for CUE when determining which categories are under discussion, and that it’s okay to ask for clarification when needed. Guest Nathanial Isaacson said he would be open to suggestions about changing the title in the future and reiterated the importance of allowing students to choose scientific readings. Members agreed because this is new course and title changes are approved through UCCC and the course is not seeking a Natural Science categorization to end the discussion about changing the title.

Meeting adjourned at 2:11 PM

*Respectfully submitted by Lexi Hergeth*