

Gen Ed DRC Minutes

12/05/2013; 1:00 pm

Present: Matt Ruane (co-Chair), Andy Stanfield (co-Chair), Joel Olson (minutes), Maria Lavooy, Cecilia Knoll, Veronica Giguere, Stephani Cuddie, Alan Roseine

Absent: Alex Vamosi

Update from Various Program Areas

AS: Provided an update on the implementation for the different programs. He also suggested renaming to 'GEDRC' for brevity sake. The committee agreed.

Policies and Procedures Manual

MR: Policies and procedures manual is almost done. Once completed, the policies and procedures will need approval from the committee. Will revisit at next meeting.

Math Review Items

CK: With math changing to HAWKS learning system. Answers are now 'fill in the blank' so the SLOs are irrelevant now, and the rubric is similarly irrelevant. Old and newly proposed SLOs were distributed. Now outcomes are met if a student scores 70% on the final exam.

JO asked whether this is a number that most students would accomplish. It was decided to leave it at 70% for now and make adjustments later.

AR asked if item analysis is possible. CK indicated that it is not possible since the new system changes questions from student to student. Also AR indicated that this would then have to constitute a single measure.

MR: Committee's consensus is to allow the changes.

Changes to Psychology

SC: The communication portion (Measure 2.1) is causing difficulties with both on-campus and off-campus students. It's becoming apparent that students are not prepared at the time of the assessment – it would be more appropriate in a later class.

MR suggested that including the measure may have been overly enthusiastic, and perhaps not properly discipline-specific. Therefore, it may be most appropriate to drop the measure. The committee agrees with dropping the measure.

MR also pointed out that dramatic changes to the measures must be justified in WEAVE.

Discussion of including Aeronautics/Update from meeting with Monica Baloga

AS: We're writing the reports in March (not June).

MR: We want all data (from spring 2013 and earlier) entered by January 2014.

MR: Part of this ongoing discussion is that Aero is an unknown. So starting in January, the GEDRC will approach the Aero program regarding planning and executing their inclusion in gen ed assessment.

Meeting adjourned.