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TO: Committee to Oversee General Education Members and Liaisons
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FROM: John Geiser, COGE Chair

COMMITTEE TO OVERSEE GENERAL EDUCATION
Monday, 4 November 2013, from 10 to 11:30 a.m.
in the Faculty Lounge of the Bernhard Center

AGENDA

Procedural Items

1. Welcome
2. Acceptance of the agenda
3. Approval of the 23 September and 21 October minutes
4. Chair's comments on procedures for review of curriculum proposals requesting procedural changes only with no change to the course curriculum.
 - a) [CAS14-16] ENGL 3050, Introduction to Professional Writing – approve addition of two majors/minors to take course.
 - b) [CAS14-30] GWS 3000, Working Women, Past and Present – approve deletion of course, no longer taught.
 - c) [CAS14-31] GWS 3300, Gender Issues in Education – approve deletion of course, no longer taught.
 - d) [CAS14-32] GWS 4010, Foundations of Feminist Theory – approve addition of minimum grade of C in prerequisites.
 - e) [CAS14-37] PSCI 1050, Critical Thinking about Politics – approve updating of language in catalog description to better reflect course. No change in content.
 - f) [CAS14-38] PSCI 3620, Theoretical and Ideological Bases of Contemporary Politics – approve change of title for course and updating of language in catalog description to better reflect course. No change in content.
 - g) [CAS14-39] PSCI 4050, National Public Policy – approve updating of language in catalog description to better reflect course. No change in content.

Action/Discussion Items

1. Review of curriculum proposals:
 - a) Department of Comparative Religion

[CAS 1184] REL 2000, Introduction to the Study of Religion – existing course, requests title change to REL 2000 Thinking about Religion; addition of ENG 1050 or equivalent as a prerequisite; approval as general education course in Proficiency 4a, Advanced Writing
(NOTE: This proposal tabled 23 September 2013 - Response from department received for COGE review.)

b) Department of Gender and Women's Studies

[CAS 14-34] GWS 3200, Women, Multiculturalism and Social Change – request title change to *Women, Globalization and Social Change*, change description, remove prerequisite and change general education designation from Area V, Social and Behavioral Sciences, to Area IV, Other Cultures and Civilizations (NOTE: On 21 Oct 2013 agenda – moved to 4 November agenda.)

c) Department of Political Science

[CAS 14-42] PSCI 4940, Seminar in Political Science – requests approval as variable topics course repeatable for credit when the course topics change. Retain approval in Proficiency 2, Baccalaureate-Level Writing.

d) WMU Bronson School of Nursing

[CHHS 13-13] HSV 3550, Perspectives in Women's Health – New course that will be cross-listed with NURS 3550. Requests approval in Area III, The United States: Culture and Issues.

2. Discuss procedures for 2013-14 review for re-approval of courses in Proficiency 1, College-Level Writing and Proficiency 2, Baccalaureate-Level Writing

3. Other

TABLED PROPOSALS – Action Pending
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1. Department of Comparative Religion

[CAS 14-20] REL 3190, Religion and Health – new course, approve for Area V, Social and Behavioral Sciences (NOTE: Tabled 21 Oct 2013 - Response from department pending.)

2. Department of Philosophy

[CAS 14-21] PHIL 3350, Medical Humanities – existing course, approve for Area II, Humanities
(NOTE: Tabled 21 Oct 2013 - Response from department pending.)

3. Integrated Holistic Health and Wellness

[CHHS 002-13] HOL 2701, Resiliency Training for Leaders – change title to Resiliency Training for Life, approve for Area VIII, Health and Well-Being
(NOTE: Tabled 23 Sept 2013 – Response from department pending.)

4. Lee Honors College/Biological Sciences

[CAS1029] HNRS 4701, Global Climate Change Effects on Ecosystem and Human Health – new course, requests approval for Area VII, Natural Science and Technology: Applications and Implications
(NOTE: Tabled in 2012-13 AY – No response from either the college or department.)