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General Education Committee (GEC) Report Academic Year 2019-2020

The GEC meets, as needed, from 10am to 12 pm on the second and fourth Mondays of the month to consider course GE program proposals and/or for discussion of or to provide expertise on GE-related topics or issues. The GEC is assisted in its responsibilities by two staff persons from the Provost's Office, Tracey Haney and Lilliana Sanchez. The committee thanks both Tracey and Lilli for their valuable assistance.

At the final meeting of GEC in spring 2019, the committee elected Salvatore (Sam) Russo and Pat Kalayjian as co-chairs for the 2019-2020 AY. Because of his appointment as Chair of the Educational Policy Committee, Dr. Russo had to decline the co-chairmanship of GEC. At its first meeting for 2019-2020, the new committee elected Dr. David Hoopes as co-chair. Although the student appointed to the committee by ASI was not able to fulfill their duties, the senate faculty appointees (2) and the faculty elected from the colleges (6) all ably performed their committee service. The full committee membership, including its *ex officio* members, is listed below.

After a review of relevant GE documents (e.g., EO 1100), the committee began its work with an update on the activities of the General Education Assessment Working Group (GEAWG), which had been convened by Dean of Undergraduate Studies Kim Costino and co-chaired by Dean Costino; Dr. Matt Mutchler, CSUDH Assessment Director; and Dr. Patricia Kalayjian as GEC co-chair. Periodically over the course of the semester, the members of GEC (several of whom served both on GEC and GEAWG) provided their valuable feedback on matters regarding both the reintegration of the former campus-specific GE Area G ("Cultural Pluralism") and the development of meaningful assessment of GE as a university program.

The GEC's efforts to simplify and improve the submission process saw very positive results in many of the proposals it received this AY, although the number of courses proposed seemed fewer (perhaps due to the changes taking place in the Curriculum Process). We provided proposers with up-to-date CSU/CCC guidelines for the various lower division areas as well as a sample matrix through the adaptation of which each proposer can show GEC members how the course aligns with GE outcomes as well as how, through specific assignments and assessment vehicles, those outcomes are being

evaluated. The list of courses approved this year for inclusion in the Dominguez Hills GE program is included below. As can be seen, the list includes several Anthropology courses that moved from the former Area G into Area F3 as well as several other courses that moved from umbrella-course numbers in HUM (e.g., HUM 310: Key Concepts) to individual course numbers and descriptions. Such changes reflect the campus's intention to retain the positive aspects of what was known as "Cultural Pluralism" as well as improve the clarity of choice for our students.

GEC will elect next year's chair or co-chairs at its last meeting of the 2019-2020 AY on May 11, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,
David Hoopes, Co-chair
Patricia Kalayjian, Co-chair
General Education Committee

GEC Voting Membership

David Hoopes, Co-chair: CBAPP
Patricia Kalayjian, Co-chair: Senate appointee
Salvatore Russo: Senate appointee
Angela Macias: COE
Carolyn Caffrey Gardner: LIB [Maggie Clark substituted for Carolyn early in the year]
Mohsen Beheshti: CNBS [Mohsen replaced Antonia Boadi, who was unable to serve]
Payman Nasr: CHHSN
Hal Weary: CAH

***Ex-Officio* Non-voting Members**

Kim Costino, Dean of Undergraduate Studies
Cynthia Turner, Campus Articulation Officer

Courses Approved (Exception)

AFS 100	D1	The African American Experience
ANT 312	F3	Language and Culture

ANT 336	F3	Comparative Cultures: Culture, Environment, and Globalization
ANT 337	F3	Ethnography and Film
ANT 338	F3	Mainland Southeast Asia
ANT 342	F3	South America
BIO 370	F2	Biology of Human Behavior (pending)
BIO 374	F2	Drug Abuse (pending)
HUM 300	F1	Health Humanities
HUM 301	F1	Mind/Brain and the Arts
HUM 302	F1	Deals with the Devil
HUM 303	F1	Animals from Sacred to Endangered
HUM 304	F1	Vampires
IDS 304	F3	Issues in Global Studies
