General Education Committee
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9:30 a.m., 1A-406

General Education Committee: Catherine Lavender (Chair), Lisa Manne, Krishnaswami Raja, Xiaowen Zhang, Deb DeSimone, Gene Fellner, Maryann Feola, Mark Aaron Polger, Abhijit Champanerkar, Jillian Baez, Eileen Gigliotti, Siona Wilson, William Schreiber, Michael Paris, Nafees Alam, Ozlem Goner, Oswaldo Zavala
Staff: Hernan Green, Michael Anderson, Veronica DiMeglio
Guests: Jonathan Sassi, Susan Holak, Ken Gold, Marcus Tye, Mel Pipe
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1. The agenda for November 5th was unanimously approved with minor changes.

2. The minutes from the October 1st were approved with one abstention (Jillian Baez).

3. Middle States 2020: Mel Pipe provided an update to the committee on “where we are” and “where are we going”. In 2011, the self-study was completed. This past year the Monitoring Report was submitted, reassuring that CSI is on track in meeting the assessment goals of general education. It is anticipated that a complete draft of the next self-study will be submitted in 2021. The following year, the team will visit (2020). Michael Anderson provided a handout of the general education assessment cycle, complete with courses that have already been assessed for the 2015-2017 academic years. The committee was asked to review the handout. Michael Anderson confirmed that if a course has multiple goals, only one goal needs to assess. It was requested the General Education Curriculum Map be re-circulated to the committee. William Schreiber asked Michael Anderson if he could provide prior assessment materials for courses pertaining to his Department (Physics and Astronomy). Michael Paris inquired if POL 100 could be added to the schedule to assess the critical and creative thinking intercultural/knowledge goal (need to confirm that).

4. Proposal from the Department of Performing and Creative Arts for:
   a. Change in existing MUS courses: Replacing ENH 200-level course with any 200-level TALA in the prerequisite were unanimously approved.

5. Proposal from the Department of Political Science for:
   Change in existing course: GEG 212 Introduction to Geography Information Systems was withdrawn by Michael Paris.

6. Proposal from the Department of English for:
   a. New course: ENGL 190 Literature and Society was unanimously approved.

7. Town Hall on General Education: Catherine Lavender provided highlights of the discussion. The presentations will be posted to the Curriculum Blackboard site. In
addition, a Blackboard discussion group is being created to start discussing the next steps of General Education. The next Town Hall is scheduled for December 11th.

8. Old Business

a. PSGA on Core 100, Registrar, and Advising: Michael Paris inquired about the issues surrounding the misadvisement of COR 100 for transfer students. It was concluded that when a student transfers to CSI with a course that carries the US Experience in Its Diversity requirement designation, the student will be exempt from COR 100.