

## Liberal Studies Committee Minutes

14 February, 2013

3:30 p.m.

Stabley 101

Present: Y. Asamoah, L. Evering, M. Florez, M. Hildebrandt, E. Hwang, M. Knoch, D. Pistole, F. Slack, J. Smith

Excused: R. Sweeny, M. Swinker

Guest: Bryna Siegel Finer

Welcome to our newest student member James Smith.

**I. For Information** - The following provisionally approved proposal revisions were received and passed on to the UWUCC:

### Geoscience

12-76b GEOS 203 Surficial Processes

12-76c GEOS 105 Exploring the Universe

### Nursing

12-69g NURS 312 Professional Nursing – Type II Writing Course

12-69h NURS 316 Evidence-Based Practice – Type II Writing Course

## II. For Discussion

### Writing Intensive criteria

1. the model of two writing intensive courses with at least one being in the major is still viable.
2. Type III Specific Course and Specific Professor should be discontinued.
3. Type II Department Course should be continued but mechanisms such as a workshop for anyone teaching Type II courses should be added – further discussion of ways to enhance the category will occur.

Finer pointed out that in the Spring 2013 semester 101 professors are teaching W courses but only 32 of them are Type I. Finer continues that the question becomes are there ways we can get more professors to be Type I rather than having the majority of W courses taught by non-W professors?

4. Specifics associated with ways to quantify the writing portion of proposals will continue with Finer and Pistole with a report to the committee to follow.

### Global and Multicultural Awareness Category

Asamoah brought forward issues that his college was having with defining this area. The committee reviewed the criteria and discussed how to help

individuals and committees review and/or put forward proposals for this area.

### **III. Course Revisions/Proposals**

#### **NSM & HHS subcommittee proposals**

##### Biology

12-83 BIOL 117 Understanding HIV Biology and AIDS – Non-lab Natural Science course.

Motion to provisionally approve: Knoch/Florez – Passed Unanimous.

#### **HSS & FA subcommittee proposals**

##### Anthropology

12-38 ANTH 250 Human Origins – LS Elective Scientific Literacy

Motion to provisionally approve: Hildebrandt/Asamoah – Passed Unanimous.

##### Latin American Studies

12-53a LAS 350: The Mayas: Culture, Literature and Numbers – LS Elective Quantitative reasoning and Global and Multicultural Awareness

Motion to provisionally approve: Evering/Asamoah – Passed Unanimous.

Motion to Adjourn: Evering/Knoch. Approved Unanimous – the meeting adjourned at 5:00.