

The College of William and Mary
Educational Policy Committee

Minutes
April 10, 2008

Attendance: Gail Bossenga, John Charles, Maureen Fitzgerald, Kim Phillips, Diane Shakes, Cory Springer

1. Meeting called to order 3:39 pm
2. 03/27/08 Minutes approved
3. New Course Applications
 - AMST 205 – AMST 205D – Approved On-line.
 - MUSC G02 – Approved On-line.
 - NSCI 495-496 – The 3.2 gpa requirement in this course description does not match the College's gpa requirement for all other honors courses. Diane will ask the department for clarification.
4. Course Change Applications
 - ENGL 467-468 – Allow repeats. Approved at meeting.
 - MUSC 281 – Change course description. Approved On-line.
5. Curriculum Change
 - AMST 205 – add to AMST requirements section A – Approved On-line.
 - ECON 456 – meets departments' writing requirement – Approved On-line.
6. GER
 - ENGL 210 – Native American Literature: Indian Stories – GER 5 Approved at meeting. Will let department know to include GER requirements in syllabus.
 - PHIL 321 – Existentialism – GER 7 Approved at meeting. EPC recommends reviewing GER 4A requirements, this course doesn't seem to fit a GER 4A. Let department know that we will be reviewing GER 4 next year and will recommend removal of this GER. Also, include GER requirements in syllabus.
7. Old Business
 - GER 3 was submitted to the faculty at the Arts and Sciences meeting. There was some discussion about the language, but it was approved.
8. New Business
 - Writing Committee Guideline changes. New guidelines for teaching a writing seminar include specific language about providing more opportunities for revisions. EPC has some problems with the 4 A and B questions on the new freshman seminar questionnaire that faculty are required to complete. Ask the committee to explain what the intent of questions A and B are. Possibly use checkboxes for A instead of leaving it open for instructors to complete. Instead of asking for B, have the Writing Committee tell the instructors what to do when they have students in these different situations.
9. Next meeting: Thursday, April 24, 2008.
10. Meeting adjourned – 4:45 pm