

**UNC GREENSBORO**  
**GENERAL EDUCATION COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES**  
**Friday, April 28, 2023**  
**1:00 PM • SOEB 401**

Members Present: Jessica McCall, Hunter Bacot, Angela Bolte, Frances Bottenberg, Sarah Cervenak, Jim Coleman, Indika Dissanayake, Amy Harris Houk, Izzet Lofca, Jessica Obermeyer, Chris Partridge, Jodi Pettazzoni, Gary Rosenkrantz, Dana Saunders

**AGENDA ITEMS:**

**I. Approval of Minutes from April 21, 2023**

Motion to approve April 21, 2023 meeting minutes (Harris Houk, Cervenak). Minutes approved.

**II. Advisor Appeals**

- 69370 - Request to allow GES 103 to satisfy GEC GNS requirement.  
Action: Motion to approve due to student success rationale (Cervenak, Harris Houk); motion approved, one abstention.
- 69391 - Request to allow BIOL 1050 to satisfy MAC Critical Thinking and Inquiry in the Natural Sciences competency  
Action: Motion to reject (Harris Houk, Cervenak); motion approved, one abstention. Course does not align with CTI NS learning outcomes.
- 69233, 69234, 69235, 69236 – Request to allow ELE 000 to satisfy MAC Health & Wellness competency  
Action: Motion to reject (Harris Houk, Coleman); motion approved, one abstention. There is not enough documentation to make a determination.

Council discussed the timing of Advisor Appeals for graduating students.

**III. Holistic Program Assessment – Jodi Pettazzoni**

The question of holistic program assessment was raised by the Undergraduate Studies Council. This is an appropriate time to think about the process:

- What data would Council like to review?
- What cycle of review might be important?
- Could we incorporate a way to assess growth of skills?
- Departments could complete a template similar to the program assessment template.

Departments were asked to complete a questionnaire about their undergraduate programs. One of the questions asked was how is the MAC integrated into your major? What are the

competencies you see being reinforced? The MAC rubric could be used to evaluate graduating seniors. Discussion concerned faculty workload, pre-assessment, what is needed in terms of evidence to evaluate the program.

#### **IV. Recertification**

Jodi provided an update on the recertification process. This is the process whereby a course petitions to remain in the General Education Program, offering the outcomes/competency to students. This allows the Council to affirm that we have the right courses in our program. Council reviewed the draft Recertification Form. Discussion concerned consistency between multiple sections of the same course, review of recertification syllabi, and the need to include DFW rates.

The recertification process should provide evidence that a course and all the instructors who teach it are doing what is expected. As a reminder, crosswalked courses did not have to provide any evidence of alignment with the MAC competency.

Our vision is for the recertification process to follow the year after a competency goes through the assessment process. We will send a communication with recertification information to departments in August.

#### **V. Council Discussion Items (Includes IC Updates):**

- **Moratorium Timeline**  
Chair advised she has reached out to Andrew Hamilton. Council should think about the timeline and communication to departments. Is it possible to lift the moratorium for certain competencies i.e., Data Analysis, Quantitative Reasoning? Suggestion to open the moratorium for those competencies with limited offerings.
- **Review/update Council membership in the Faculty Constitution**
- **QEP engagement with MAC**  
Chair will meet with the QEP team next week.
- **General Education Council Chair for the 23-24 Academic year (Action item)**  
Motion to elect Jessica McCall as Chair of the General Education Council for the 2023-2024 academic year (Cervenak, Coleman). Motion approved.
- **Planning for 2023-2024**

Jodi shared that she and Amy are working on a policy and a process to remove a course from the MAC program. The criteria will be shared with the Council in the fall.