

**UNC GREENSBORO
GENERAL EDUCATION COUNCIL
MINUTES**

**Friday, February 23, 2024
1:30 - 3:00 PM • Virtual**

Members Present: Jessica McCall, Raina Barnett, Angela Bolte, Cindy Brooks Dollar, Jim Coleman, Andrew Hamilton, Izzet Lofca, Jessica Obermeyer, Jodi Pettazzoni, Gary Rosenkrantz, Melody Rood, Jeff Sarbaum, Dana Saunders, Natalie Sowell, Terry Wicks

AGENDA ITEMS:

I. Approval of Minutes from February 2, 2024

Motion to approve February 2, 2024, meeting minutes (Lofca, Obermeyer); minutes approved.

II. MAC/GEC Appeals

- 73845 – Request to allow ASL 101 (UNCG course) to satisfy MAC Diversity & Equity through the Humanities & Fine Arts OT through the Social & Behavioral Sciences competency.
Action: Motion to Approve (Coleman, Wicks), approved with 1 recusal
- 73916 – Request to allow BIO 112 to satisfy MAC Critical Thinking and Inquiry in the Natural Sciences competency.
Action: Motion to Table (Coleman, Lofca), approved. Suggestion to submit GEOG 302 syllabus to satisfy this competency.
- 74046 – Request to allow PHE 1000 to satisfy MAC Health & Wellness competency.
Action : Motion to Approve (Coleman, Wicks), approved.
- 74104 – Request to allow ENG 100 to satisfy MAC Written Communication competency.

Action: Motion to Approve (Coleman, Wicks), approved

- 74108 - Request to allow SPE 111 to satisfy MAC Oral Communication competency.

Action: Motion to Approve (Coleman, Lofca), approved

- 74109 - Request to allow MAT 132 to satisfy MAC Quantitative Reasoning competency.

Action: Motion to Approve (Coleman, Sowell), approved

- 74111 - Request to allow SPA 100 to satisfy MAC Global Engagement and Intercultural Learning through the Humanities and Fine Arts OR through the Social & Behavioral Sciences competency.

Action: Motion to Approve (Coleman, Lofca), approved

III. MAC Course Proposals

- CED 101 Mental Health Literacy and Wellbeing (New Course). Request MAC Health & Wellness competency.

Action: Motion to Approve (Coleman, Wicks), approved

- NAN 105 Nanotechnology: Fundamentals and Applications (Revised Course). Request MAC Foundations competency.

Action: Motion to Approve pending revision of SLOs, clearly indicate course is foundational, providing a general conceptual understanding. Motion approved.

IV. MAC Foundations

- 30-hour requirement

Andrew Hamilton estimates there were about 80+ (Jr, /Sr. standing) students enrolled in Foundations courses. Andrew will take this to the APRC for input. Going forward, an advising hold will be placed on students not enrolled in a Foundations course in their first year (first 30 credits). Next step is to communicate a policy draft to the APRC and Council.

V. Recertification update

- Foundations, Health & Wellness, Data Analysis, and Quantitative Reasoning
- Sub-committees & Chairs
- Recertification process and timeline

The chair provided an overview of the Recertification plan. Four competencies will be recertified:

Data Analysis (chair, Jim Coleman)

Foundations (chair, Izzet Lofca)

Health & Wellness (Chair, Terry Wicks)

Quantitative Reasoning (chair, Jeff Sarbaum)

The goal is to determine how courses are adapting to the new MAC program.

Fall of 2023, departments were asked to complete a recertification form and upload a course syllabus. Subcommittees, chaired by a Council Member, will review course materials, and identify courses in two categories: Approved (notified and complete) and Concerns/Questions (no decision made). The latter will require communication with the department and provide an opportunity to present more information and/or revise.

Drop-in sessions and workshops will be available for faculty to ask questions and receive assistance with revisions.

Early September deadline for revised/resubmitted proposals. The Council will need to discuss the consequences and a timeline for non-approved proposals. Council discussed committee membership and workload; Chair will communicate with departments.

Reminders:

Fall 2024 we will begin the Recertification process for:

Written Communication

Oral Communication

Diversity & Equity

Global Engagement

Fall 2024 we will begin the Assessment process for:

Critical Thinking in Social & Behavioral Sciences
 Critical Thinking in the Natural Sciences
 Critical Thinking in the Humanities & Fine Arts

Chair advised Faculty Senate approval is not required for QEP integration or 30 hours requirement; updates should be shared with the APRC.

VI. Council Membership & Terms:

<u>Name</u>	<u>School or College</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Term #</u>
Jessica McCall (Chair)	College of Arts & Sciences (CST)	2021-2024	1
Hunter Bacot	College of Arts & Sciences (PSC)	2022-2025	1
Sarah Cervenak	College of Arts & Sciences (WGS)	2023-2026	2
Jim Coleman	College of Arts & Sciences (BIO)	2022-2025	1
Gary Rosenkrantz	College of Arts & Sciences (PHI)	2022-2025	1
Cindy Brooks Dollar*	College of Arts & Sciences (SOC)	2021-2024	1
Jeff Sarbaum	Bryan School (ECO)	2023-2026	1
Natalie Sowell**	College of Visual & Performing Arts (THR)	2021-2024	1
Izzet Lofca	School of Education (ILRS)	2021-2024	1
Jessica Obermeyer	School of Health & Human Sciences (CSD)	2021-2024	1
Terry Wicks	School of Nursing	2021-2024	1
Melody Rood	University Libraries	2023-2026	1
<i>Vacant</i>	<i>Faculty Senate (VPA) - 1 year term</i>	<i>2023-2024</i>	<i>1</i>

* (completing term for Jonathan Zarecki) ^[OBJ]

** (completing term for Maranda Debusk)

*** (completing term for Lisa O'Connor)

VII. Other Discussion Items