## The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences The Undergraduate Educational Policy and Curriculum Committee

## **Minutes** 240 SH May 4, 2023

Attending: Melissa Bates, Jill Beckman, Asha Bhandary, Roxanna Curto, Jennifer Eimers (staff), Erin Irish, Cornelia Lang (chair), Cinda Coggins Mosher, Christine Shea, Jenna Yang

Absent: Alan Huckleberry, Jan Wessel

- 1. The minutes from April 27, 2023, were approved.
- 2. Associate Dean Lang gave an update on the assessment of GE CLAS Core area <a href="International and Global Issues">International and Global Issues</a>. Assessments were submitted for 30 courses across 14 departments and discussed by the General Education Curriculum Committee (GECC). The results of the IGI area assessment will be compiled into a 3-4 page report with examples of innovative teaching practices being used by instructors and general recommendations for the IGI area of the GE CLAS Core program by early in the fall semester.

Many of the courses assessed for IGI carry an additional GE CLAS Core status that was grandfathered in when the GE CLAS Core program was restructured in 2011. In the IGI assessment, departments were asked to comment on their interest in keeping two GE statuses for each of these courses. Students may not use a single course to satisfy more than one GE CLAS Core requirement, but the two GE statuses do provide some flexibility in advising. UEPCC members spent some time discussing this topic. It can be a challenge to teach to and assess two sets of GE outcomes for each course. For the past five years (or more), courses proposing for new GE areas are allowed to apply for only one GE area (Sustainability being an exception). UEPCC and GECC will return to this topic next academic year.

- 3. The committee continued discussing a response to University Student Government (USG) on their Mental Health Days resolution. They decided to send a short response now and, owing to the complexity of addressing student mental health, to create a working group during the fall semester with USG leadership.
- 4. Adjournment of meeting

Respectfully submitted,

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