

## Core Review Committee meeting minutes

Meeting date: December 7, 2016

Meeting time: 4:30 – 5:30 pm

Meeting location: Chancellor's Conference Room

Meeting convener: Andy Seitz

Name	Present
Andy Seitz (chair)	X
Daryl Farmer	X
Alex Hirsch	
Kevin Sager	
Margaret Short	X
Larry Duffy	X
Kathy Arndt	X
Tony Rickard	X
Kevin Berry	X
Marsha Sousa	X
Caty Oehring	
Gabrielle Russell	X
Ginny Kinne	X
Hayley Williams	X
John Smelter	X
Victoria Smith	X

1. Approved meeting minutes from 9 November 2016
2. Petitions
  - a. Approved:
    - i. Petition to allow PSY F497 Clinical Psychology (a "Directed Study" version of PSY 455 Clinical Psychology that has been modified to meet W requirements) to fulfill the requirements of a "W" course. The course syllabus demonstrates that the course meets the "W" criteria.
    - ii. Blanket petition to allow BA F457 Training and Management Development to fulfill the requirements of a "O" course for all students that take the class in Fall 2016 and Spring 2017. The course syllabus clearly demonstrates that

- b. Denied:
  - i. Petition to transfer SPE 210 Interpersonal Communication taken at Mendocino College as COMM F121X and count towards a GER communications requirement. After discussion, it was agreed that although the two courses have identical titles, SPE 210 is a theory based course while COMM F121X is a

#### 4. Discussion

- a. Counting regularly scheduled non-X UAF courses as satisfying GER requirements: As a result of the new GER at UAF, there is interest by advisors to petition to count regularly scheduled non-X UAF courses as satisfying GER requirements, specifically in the Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences categories. Approval of these potential petitions by the Core Review Committee causes concern by various faculty in other curriculum committees (Curriculum Review Committee and Curricular Affairs Committee) and staff (Office of Admissions and the Registrar) because of the potential ramifications of approving such petitions. The Core Review Committee agrees with this concern because approving such petitions essentially sets a precedent that would effectively

## GER Course Approval Guide

### Adding a Course

1. Both new and currently existing courses may be proposed for a GER category.
2. Each program will be able to have 5 courses total across the GER arts, humanities, and social sciences categories.
3. Course descriptions must reflect how the course meets the category as defined by University regulations.
  - a. Social Sciences: "Courses that fulfill this requirement are **broad survey courses** which provide the student with exposure to theory, methods, and data of the social sciences."
  - b. Arts: "Provide the student with an **introduction** to the visual arts and performing arts as **acquired by the student**"