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UMN Morris Curriculum Committee

April 13, 2022, 3:30 p.m. Meeting #16

Zoom

Members Present: Peh Ng (Chair), Stacey Aronson, Barbara Burke, Rebecca Dean, Jennifer Deane, Simón Franco, Kiel Harell, Rachel Johnson, Nic McPhee, Marcus Muller, Michelle Page

Members Absent: Jade Allard, Ben Narvaez (on leave), John Barber, Stephanie Ferrian

Others present: Jeri Squier, Robyn VanEps

In these minutes: Gen Ed

#1 Gen Ed discussion

This is the last opportunity to discuss Gen Ed before bringing it to Campus Assembly. Ng shared the slides that she plans to share and present. McPhee suggested changing “simple and common message” to “simple and shared message”. After more discussion, members agreed on “simple and shared message”. Worked through other wording changes. Under III.B. simplified “Communication, Language, Literature, and Philosophy” to “Humanities”. IS 1101 is included in the plan, but with asterisks that it is still being evaluated. IS 1102 has never been taught or piloted and so members of the Curriculum Committee are reluctant to include IS 1102 as a requirement for now. Franco raised that “First Year Experience” should include more than academics. A different name might better reflect the academic portion of a first year experience. Settled on “A First Year Introduction to the Liberal Arts”.

Ng asked if there were suggestions to make the descriptions easily readable for incoming or prospective students and their families. Dean will compare the descriptions to the outcomes created for GenEd assessment to see if language can be simplified. Ng asked for this by April 18. Ng has asked MCSA for time to share this at their executive meeting.

What is being presented aligns with MN Transfer Curriculum and aligns with the UMN Morris Mission.