

MINUTES
General Education Committee
November 5, 2024
9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Montecito Room

Members present: Gregg Afman (Professor of Kinesiology), Alister Chapman (Professor of History), Jana Mayfield Mullen (Director, Library & Information Services), Tatiana Nazarenko (Dean of Curriculum and Educational Effectiveness), Tara Sturges (Recording Secretary, Associate Registrar), Telford Work (Chair, Professor of Religious Studies)

Absent: Michelle Hardley (Registrar)

Guests: Sarah Skripsky (Professor of English)

I. Prayer Sarah Skripsky

II. The minutes from October 22, 2024

Review of the minutes from October 22, 2024, was postponed to the next meeting.

III. WI Syllabi Audit Report: Sarah Skripsky (Google Drive), Telford Work (E&B update)

The chair of the English department reviewed the provisional action steps noted on the WI Syllabi Audit report, including minor revisions, particularly in regard to the potential decoupling of the WI and SI GE requirements. Discussion included the proposal that ENG-002 be added as a prerequisite to all upper division WI courses to ensure students taking the courses in the latter category will be well-prepared to engage with higher-level material with improved outcomes as college graduate.

The committee approved the creation of a proposal to Academic Senate to recommend that ENG-002 be added as a prerequisite to all upper division WI courses. The drafting of the proposal will take place at a future meeting.

The chair of the GE Committee also provided an update on a recent conversation with the E&B department co-chairs. The co-chairs affirmed

t writing proficiency is a critical skill in the business world, and the repetition of writing-intensive training will provide opportunities for high level of mastery in their graduates to prepare them for their future careers.

IV. The GE annual assessment report (Google Drive)

Discussion was postponed to a future meeting.

