

Committee on General Education
March 5, 2020
Actions

1. The proposal to change the passing grade on language courses for the second language requirement was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously. The proposal now goes to the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee. [Proposal Catalog Copy](#)
2. Course proposals
 - a. [NURS/HCA 267](#): Intergenerational Service Learning (Sharon Galloway) – Connections
This proposal elicited an extended discussion about the nature of Connections courses and whether the proposed course was too target to nursing and health care students. That is, would it be accessible to and develop worthwhile skills for students in majors far from the field such as history and English. Eventually it was moved and seconded to return the proposal to Nursing for minor revisions to respond to the discussion. The motion carried.
 - b. [MGT 249](#): Business Statistics II (Julie Urda) – AQSR
This course solves problems for students who transfer from CCRI or who start in a major other than management. It was approved unanimously.
 - c. [PHIL 261](#): Bioethics (Amy Berg/Aaron Smuts) – Connections
This proposal met concern with the course description which is not student-centered. Questions were raised on staffing, on frequency of offering, and on the lack of detail in the learning outcomes. The proposal was tabled.
3. Informal discussion of Provost Sue Pearlmuter's proposal to convene a group to revisit the College's General Education Program.
In the absence of the provost, Holly Shadoian shared something of the current thinking. The committee recommends that COGE host an open discussion for faculty about the good and not-so-good parts of the present general education program. We intend no agenda, but only to provide information that can inform any consideration of revisions.
4. The meeting was adjourned shortly after 10 AM.
A [history](#) of General Education revisions 1968-2012.

See <http://faculty.ric.edu/organic/coge/> for the latest documents.

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Present: B. Caouette, J. Capece, S. Costa, J. Dagle, D. Espinosa, S. Galloway, J. Magyar (presiding), C. Marco, M. Michaud, M. Margenot, M. Papa, M. Reddy, E. Simson, J. Woo, J. Zornado.