

## COGE report for December 2021:

- Please see minutes below of the last COGE meeting.
- COGE has met and recommended to the Provost that she convene an ad hoc general education task force for the spring. As in the past, the Provost will select a committee in consultation with chairs, deans, and COGE.
- The regular business of COGE continues. See minutes for BPS proposal approval
- The Chair of COGE has met with the college's MOU committee on assessment and faculty compensation. We have made progress, will meet again, then make our recommendations to the Provost and the Erik C., president of RIC AFT.
- The college's Assessment coordinator, Tanni Chaudhuri, convened a meeting of the ad hoc FAS Assessment subcommittee in order to plan for assessment of FAS and General Education as soon as contractual issues related to assessment have been settled.

## COGE 12/10/2021. Minutes.

### Attendance:

J. Zornado, H. Shadoian, P. Gullapalli, K. Almeida, S. Costa, S. Oliveira, T. Ender. E. Simson, M. Michaud, J. Capece, S. Ross,

### Excused:

W. Martin, B. Caouette, M. Reddy, D. Gill, E. Miller

The Chair called the meeting to order 10:33am via Zoom

- 1) H. Shadoian shared a UCC proposal to correct the previous BPS program proposal to reflect the introductory course be increased to 2 credits from 1. Discussion followed. The proposal was unanimously approved and recommended to UCC.
- 2) COGE took up the question of recommending to the provost that she appoint an ad hoc general education task force to continue work begun by COGE. Discussion followed. Faculty shared concerns about whether or not there was an assumed outcome for the task force, how it might be comprised, that it should be data driven in order to determine if our current program requires large, small, or no changes. The importance of separating a general education task force from COGE's ongoing tasks was emphasized. The committee members agreed that the data COGE has so far gathered about our current general education program warrants further investigation, and in a unanimous vote agreed to recommend to the Provost that she convene an ad hoc general education task force.

Respectfully submitted,

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