**UK Core Education Committee (UKCEC)**

**August 27, 2012**

**Keeneland Room, WT Young Library, 2:00-4:00 pm**

**Members Present: Ex Officios Present: Guests Present:**

Jonathan Allison Chris Thuringer

Ruth Beattie

Patty Cook-Craig

Amy Gaffney

Susan Larson

Juliana McDonald

Jenny Rice

1. Approval of August 14, 2012 meeting minutes. Dr. Larson motioned to approve minutes, seconded by Dr. Cook-Craig. Minutes were approved without modification.

1. Review of LIN 331. Recommended for approval by Dr. Larson. Recommended for approval by Dr. Gaffney given that the course proposer provide further details of assignments listed on syllabus. Specific assignment requirements were not clear – will they meet UK Core learning outcomes?

* LIN 331 is approved-pending receipt of these details.
* Will be added to agenda for Undergraduate Council’s September 11 meeting if course proposer has responded.

Review of HIS 296. Will be ready to present at September 17 meeting.

1. Update on courses in approval process.

Humanities: GER 343, MCL 270, SPA 262

1. Assessment: Discussion of revised rubrics.

Social Science: Dr. Cook-Craig presented revised rubric with the deletion of the word “ethical” from the phrase “ethical implications.” There is some argument to keep “ethical” in the rubric (email from David Bradshaw regarding Citizenship rubric).

* Dr. Allison suggested a version of the following: “…implications (e.g. political, intellectual, social, ethical, etc.)…”
* Other feedback from raters indicated that assignments pulled didn’t include everything that was asked for in the rubric. But assignments had been chosen before rubrics were created; should be less of a problem in the future.

Humanities: Dr. Allison presented his revisions.

* Dr. Rice questioned the inclusion of the phrase “convincingly argued.” Do readers need to be convinced by the argument made? Suggested changing to “well-argued” and “skillfully.”

Science: Dr. Beattie eliminated the word “research” from several items.

Comp and Com: Dr. Gaffney discussed how oral assignments will be captured for assessment. Hopefully video from Echo360.

Suggestion to have faculty/instructors in members’ area to review and provide feedback on rubrics. UKCEC can continue to revise rubrics if necessary.

Assessment of UK Core courses: Chris Thuringer reviewed plans for UK Core Summit to report what we’re trying to accomplish and why, share results from last year. To be scheduled in September or October.

1. Committee charge/responsibilities.

Discussion was held.

* How should members be appointed to UKCEC? Review 1.4.3.0 of the Senate Rules for appointing members to the USP Standing Committee for a starting-off point.

1. Meeting adjourned at 3:45 pm.

Prepared by Joanie Ett-Mims on August 28, 2012