

GEEC Minutes - Meeting of April 9, 2024

Meeting called to order by Chair Travis at 11:05 AM

In attendance: Travis, Rendon, Sayegh, K. Johnson, Wallis, Scepanski, Sheridan, Gerard, Shin, Heyadatipour, Hartzell, Tchen, Quam-Wickham

M/S/A- Mainutes of March 26

Chair Travis notes at this may be a short meeting. First order of business is recertification of COMM 110. M/S/A to open discussion of COMM 110:

1. Need to clarify and simplify the GELOs/SLOs as presented in the SCO
2. SLOs, not SCOs is the correct acronym
3. The numbering system may be off for alignment between GELOs and SLOs
4. Discussion of the GELO for listening: we may be able to measure this through reflective essays or peer feedback
5. Note that “teaching objectives” do not equal SLOs. This needs to be changed as we are not evaluating instructors.
6. Consensus was that we table recertification again for now until the department makes required changes, as above.

Discussion of COMM 132 artifacts. Chair Travis shares with the committee the various kinds of artifacts that she has gathered from the department for assessment of this course.

Discussion assessment process using the A1 rubric, as edited in Canvas. Hartzell and others agreed that edits seem appropriate.

Discussion of the how the committee will assess GE courses moving forward using various rubrics:

1. We will ask departments for their grading rubrics, as part of requested material
2. We will also develop our own rubrics; invite departmental comment on our rubrics and assessment guidelines
3. Let the minutes reflect that the committee expects departments to submit their rubrics once notified of impending assessment. This will allow the committee to move forward in constructing its own rubrics.

Chair Travis discussed the guidelines for notifying departments about impending assessment. Discussion of timeline for sending notification to departments teaching written communication and critical thinking GE courses.

Discussion of what artifacts are available for review by the committee; this includes COMM 110 and 130 speeches. COMM 132 artifacts may not be available, but chair will inquire of the department.

For the process moving forward, we will work individually or in teams of two or three. Groups and committee members will be expected to evaluate artifacts outside of committee meeting time.

Chair Travis introduced a document, "Examples of Criteria for Assessment" which is available in Canvas. Quam-Wickham briefly shared a different document that provides examples of measurable behaviors for A1 rubric criteria, as created with generative AI. Assessment professionals across the country are now using AI to assist with assessment. (Both documents available in Canvas now,)

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 PM

Respectfully submitted, N. Quam-Wickham

These minutes have not yet been approved.