

Essential Studies Meeting Minutes
January 11, 2021
10-11 a.m.
Zoom

Meeting Attendees: Jody Paulson, Michael Dodge, Kristen Borysewicz, Brooke Solberg, Julie Robinson, Tim Burrows, Christina Fargo, Mary Adkins, Chris Felege, Karyn Plumm, Thyra Knapp, Mark Jendrysik, Hans Broedel, Michele Carroll

1. Approval of meeting minutes for December 10, 2020
 - a. Minutes approved
2. Student Petitions (posted in Blackboard)
 - a. #1 – This student is requesting a full waiver of all ES requirements.
 - i. Motion to deny petition, second, motion approved to deny petition
 - b. #2 – This student is requesting a waiver for credits of HUM.
 - i. Motion to approve petition, second, motion approved to approve petition
 - c. #3 – This student is requesting that a transfer course meet requirements for W.
 - i. Motion to approve petition, second, motion approved to approve petition
3. Validations
 - a. Courses for approval:
 - i. COUN 2XX, ENTR 101, MUSC 399, N&D 240L, N&D 345, PSYC 421, and T&L 474
 1. Motion to approve courses for validation, second, motion approved to approve courses for validation
 - b. Courses for discussion:
 - i. CHEM 254 & 254L
 1. Discussion
 2. Motion to approve without Quantitative reasoning learning goal, second, motion approved to approve courses for validation
 3. Karyn will let the department know ES has approved without Q and ask if they'd like to resubmit.
 - ii. EE 206 & 206L
 1. Discussion, Karyn to reach back out to get further information, and encourage to only have one learning goal, will vote at next meeting.
 - c. Discussion of submission forms related to validation
 - i. Discussion. The new form was more streamlined. Karyn will work on changing both validation and revalidation forms to the new format.
4. Request to Deans for submission of additional W courses for validation by 1/31 for discussion at our 1/28 meeting.
 - a. A request came from Dean Rundquist that a couple of Chairs would like to submit courses for W validation, but didn't get something submitted by the original deadline. Can we push our deadline? The committee agrees, yes, will accept validations for only W courses. Submissions will be due by the end of the month, and we will vote during the February meeting. This could help build up the W list. Karyn will reopen the portal for additional submissions. Karyn will send information when it is available.
5. ES Capstone substitution request in Arts & Sciences
 - a. The request has been withdrawn
6. Matters arising
 - a. Karyn is going to work on updating items in the ES policy. She is working with Christina and Joan on the GUEST document. Changes will be discussed with the exec committee and will bring to the committee.
 - b. A reminder we will look at the survey data in an upcoming spring meeting.