

Meeting Notes

Item	Description
Name/Title	General Education Review Committee
Date	December 17, 2014
Time	11:00-noon
Location	200 McKenny
Members Attending	Zenia Bahorski, Doug Baker, Chris Foreman (co-chair), Lisa Klopfer, John Koolage (co-chair), Konnie Kustron, Peggy Liggitt.
Absent	Christopher Gardiner, Gerald Newberry, Mariana Nicolae, Mary Rearick, Bob Winning.

2015 Meetings:

- Committee proposes meeting on Wednesdays at 11 in McKenny every second week during January and February, starting on January 14th.
- At the first meeting of 2015, a SWOT analysis will be conducted. Subcommittees should be prepared to lead the conversation, having discussed SWOT for their criteria. They should also see this as a start to drafting sections of the final report.
- The General Education Office will work on benchmarking with the MI public universities and include links to their General Education programs.

Data and Questions:

- Anomalies in passing rates were discussed, with some courses having over 100% passing rates and other having low passing rates. At what percentage are we concerned with the pass rate?
- Are there categories where students are being impeded from moving forward?
 - Where a course in part of a major and the General Education program, what are the pass rates? Do disciplinary expectations work for or against students? Advising considers it an advantage for students to take General Education courses as part of a major.
 - Advising does not see General Education requirements as an obstacle to graduating in four.
 - What General Education classes are students consistently missing for graduation? E.g. speech, quantitative reasoning. We should track this data.
- Advising is more concerned with how frequently a course is offered. Also, advisors are most likely to suggest 100 level courses to freshmen.
- CMTA example of consistency in classes and standards should be reflected as a success in report.
- Do we have data for who is teaching General Education courses? Departmental level issue.