

UWG General Education Assessment Committee Meeting

March 16, 2022 | 9:03 a.m. to 10:04 a.m.

Via Zoom

Call to Order

- A. Thomas called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Present

- Amanda Thomas, Amy Austin, Emily Hunt, Rebecca DeMayo, Shea Rose, Scott Sykes, Timothy Schroer, Ashley Dycus, David Leach, Elizabeth Falconi, Jean Cook

Absent

- None

Approval of Minutes

- Meeting minutes from February 16, 2022, were approved unanimously by voice vote.

Old Business

E4 reports in Xitracs update

- Still needing some faculty to input data and improvement plans. Still needing Geography 1013 & 2503 and XIDS. Political Science 2201 has data ready, though not sent yet. R. DeMayo will follow-up. Deadline set for Thursday, March 31.

Update on scoring of Spring and Fall '21 artifacts in Xitracs

- Thomas sent out request on Monday, March 14 asking faculty for volunteers to score artifacts. History and Math have been assigned. Working to gather assessors for remaining areas. E. Falconi will be the assessor for B1 Anthropology. A. Thomas stated that training will be available for faculty scorers that want or need it.
- E. Falconi stated that CACSI GEN ED Committee has concerns that bulk of work associated with Artifact Scoring and Core Assessment falls to Part-Time and Adjunct Faculty. A. Thomas has requested 3-4 GRAs to start Fall 2022 Semester for support. Additionally, she stated that possible realignment of current GRA work assignments could be used to assist with collecting or blinding artifacts

- A. Thomas affirmed that concerns about the current amount of required assessments will be addressed when the opportunity presents itself, and that those concerns are top-of-mind for further discussion.

Artifact sampling request for Spring '22

- A. Thomas confirmed that spreadsheet was sent out on the second week of March 2022, via published website format. As of today, A. Thomas has received two emails in reference to the spreadsheet. No additional feedback has been received from faculty.

New Business

GEAC Website updates

- Primary changes involve the GEA Committee Tab: Updated meeting agendas for this year and working to update Fall portion as well.
- Changes to For Faculty Tab: Rearranged some links and added three new tiles to include UWG GEA Plan (Coming Soon), GEA courses, SLO and types of assessment, as well as a FAQ tile, which now has its own page.
- C. Leach questioned as to if rubrics for assessment are accessible. A. Thomas will add link for access to them.

Improvement plans to be implemented in Fall 2022: B1, B2, C1, D1, E3

- A. Thomas and committee members agreed that a criteria or standard format for improvement plan submission could be developed to assist faculty submitting them.
- T. Schroer volunteered to create a Word document collecting completed Improvement Plans from A1, A2, E1 and E2 as an example for reference.
- T. Schroer also underscored the importance of workgroup coordinators understanding their responsibility to have their improvement plans in prior to the start of classes beginning in August 2022, and that giving them clear guidance as to their improvement plans would be helpful.
- S. Rose and T. Schroer discussed concerns about turn-around expectations with existing workload and obligations, specifically with an overlap with scoring requirements.
- R. DeMayo hopes to have data to faculty by the time they return from Spring Break.
- E. Hunt proposed possibility of using Summer semester and securing stipend funding for a faculty workgroup, thereby giving them additional time to complete. A. Thomas agreed to address at next Provost meeting. E. Hunt added that compensation and size of workgroups should be discussed as well. Committee members agreed that a workgroup could get everything together and ready to present at the beginning of Fall Semester 2022.
- A. Thomas agreed with members' idea. Will put together and submit a proposal.

Additional Business

- **None**

Next meeting date and time

- **April 6, 2022, at 9:00 am (via Zoom)**

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m.