



General Education Committee

Meeting Agenda

Thursday, December 4, 2014, 1:00 pm

Carl A. Diekhans Center for Industrial Technology room 201

Members: Tom Reagan (chair), Susanne Bentley, David Freistroffer, Cindy Hyslop, Heidi Johnston, Rick Mackey, Lynne Owens, Staci Warnert, Jan King (ex-officio)

1. POSSIBLE ACTION. Review upper division gen ed requirements.
 1. Leave the requirements as is. This will demonstrate support for the general education objectives in a more academically rigorous and unique integrated environment.
 2. Remove upper-division gen ed requirements for the BA and BSN degrees. An argument can be made that general education is best served at the lower-division level to allow more content specific concentration and flexibility of credits at the upper-division level.
 3. Retain upper-division gen ed requirements, but allow content specific courses to satisfy the requirements. Although some institutions require upper-division gen ed and some do not, the INT seminars are unique to GBC and may adversely affect transferability. With the expansion of bachelor's degree offerings, upper-division content courses at GBC are more readily available. Also, because of the 120 credit limit for bachelor's degrees, program flexibility is important.
 4. Some potential hybrid approach to #1 and #3.

2. NEW BUSINESS. Suggestions for future agendas.