

**General Studies Council Minutes**  
**October 5, 2017 – 3:30 p.m.**  
**Warner Hall, Warner Conference Room**  
**\*\*\* Approved via email \*\*\***

**Present:** Debbie Bridges, Derrick Burbul, Joel Cardenas, Scott Darveau, Tim Farrell, Beth Hinga, Katherine Kime, Kristi Milks, Tami Moore, Amy Rundstrom, Kenya Taylor, Rebecca Umland, Beth Wiersma, Ron Wirtz

**Absent:** Julie Agard, Karl Borden, Greg Brown, Kay Hodge, Miechelle McKelvey, Kim Schipporeit

**Guests:** Tom Martin

**I. Call to Order:**

Debbie Bridges called the meeting to order.

**1. Approve Agenda:**

Wiersma/Burbul moved to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

**2. Minutes from the September 7, 2017 meeting were approved via email.**

**II. Old Business (Open Items):**

**1. Course Proposals (review for final approval): None**

**III. New Business:**

**1. Course Proposals (New):**

**a. PHIL 388: Philosophy of Culture (Department: Philosophy; Instructor: Tom Martin)**

Moore/Umland moved to approve sending the above course to campus for comment. Motion carried with a few minor changes.

**2. Assessment and GS Program:**

**a. Initial Results from Spring 2017 Portal Course Assessment:**

Darveau/Wiersma moved to approve sending the portal assessment information out to campus. Motion carried.

**b. Revised Syllabi Submitted for GSC Review:**

Some of the syllabi still need revisions. The faculty members have been contacted; however, some of the suggested changes have not made. Bridges will contact the department chair to discuss the issue.

**c. Syllabi Review Fall 2017:**

At the November meeting the teams will discuss their findings and summary with the syllabi they reviewed.

**3. On-Line GS Course Offerings:**

Bridges discussed with the Council the data summary of the GS online enrollment over the past several years. The summary includes the courses, number of sections offered and the number of students enrolled.

**4. Review/Revision of General Studies Program:**

The Council began discussions regarding GS program. In particular, three areas of the GS program were discussed and a summary of the comments will be discussed at the November meeting.

**IV. Other:**

**V. Adjournment:**

Moore/Darveau moved to adjourn at 4:40 p.m. Motion carried.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:** Thursday, September 2, 2017, at 3:30 p.m., Warner Conference Room.