

General Education Committee motions, May 2012

Motion #1: The General Education Committee moves that the WKU Colonnade Program implementation date will be fall semester 2014.

Motion #2: The General Education Committee moves that the World Language Proficiency standard in the WKU Colonnade Program be changed to read:

“Admitted students are expected to demonstrate language proficiency at the ‘novice high’ level before completing 60 hours of coursework. Additional courses may be taken to meet this proficiency.”

Motion #3: The General Education Committee moves that the WKU Colonnade Program’s “Connections” guidelines that relate to the level of “Connections” courses be changed to read:

“Although they may be counted toward major or minor program degree requirements, Connections courses are classes at the 200-level or above designed for the general student population, and should be taken after students have completed 21 hours of WKU Colonnade Program coursework or achieved junior status.”

Motion #4: The General Education Committee moves that the following language be added to the WKU Colonnade Program’s “Connections” guidelines, in order to better define what a “discipline” is:

“Courses selected must be from three different disciplines (usually defined by course prefixes).”

Motion #5: The General Education Committee moves that the WKU Colonnade Program rules and program description be changed to indicate that all courses in the WKU Colonnade Program are categorized as General Education coursework.

Postponed from March Senate Meeting, Renumbered:

Motion #6: The General Education Committee moves that the Senate vote to charge the Senate Executive Committee to form a body (“WKU Colonnade Program Implementation Committee”) that will facilitate the implementation of the WKU Colonnade Program and oversee an orderly transition from the current program to the new program.

Motion #7: The General Education Committee moves that all currently-approved general education courses, including those that are specified by name in the WKU Colonnade Program, be decertified from automatic inclusion in the WKU Colonnade Program. The WKU Colonnade Program Implementation Committee will devise a process, criteria, and timeline for evaluating courses for inclusion in the new program. All new courses proposed for inclusion in the WKU Colonnade Program will be approved by the appropriate curriculum process (by department and college curriculum committees and the UCC) before being sent to the WKU Colonnade Program Implementation Committee for review.

Motion #8: The General Education Committee moves that the current General Education program be closed to new courses or revisions upon approval of the WKU Colonnade Plan by the Board of Regents.

Motion #9: The General Education Committee moves that the Senate recommend that the Provost/VPAA assemble a task force to review Associate Degree general education and, if necessary, propose appropriate revisions.

Motion #10: The General Education Committee moves that the Senate urge the University to provide adequate staffing, funding and training for implementation of the WKU Colonnade Program and that the regional campuses be taken into consideration if new faculty positions are created to meet the demands of the WKU Colonnade Program.