

## General Education Core Curriculum Review and Reform Executive Committee Meeting Nov 1, 2004 Minutes

The General Education Core Curriculum Review and Reform Executive Committee met on Wednesday Nov 1, 2004 in Dowdy 311 at 10:00 AM. The following were present: Dr. Robert Davis, Dr. Sanjiv Sarin, Dr. Scott Simkins, Dr. Lea Williams.

1. Committee members reviewed Dr. Simkins' revised version of the position announcement for UNST faculty members. After several changes, the announcement was approved for sharing with the full committee on Wednesday for further comment.
2. It was agreed that the Town Hall meetings (on Nov 15 2005 in the New Classroom Auditorium and on Tuesday Nov 16 in the McNair Auditorium) will focus on two items: clarification of the curriculum structure and a discussion of cluster themes. Cluster proponents will be expected to write a 100-word description of the cluster prior to the meeting. It was also recommended that courses be interdisciplinary and preferably team-taught.
3. It was agreed that a letter be drafted requesting departmental meetings with representatives from the UNST Committee. Committee members will divide up the presentation task and be accompanied by UNST Executive Committee members. Simkins will develop an initial draft of the letter.
4. Given the need to identify cluster themes before deciding courses, it was agreed to cancel the previously planned Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> workshop planned for the Spring 2005 course developers.
5. Simkins reminded members of Dr. Richard Carp's (Chair, Department of Interdisciplinary Studies, Appalachian State University) workshop on Nov 10 (10-12, Library Seminar room) focusing on how to transform discipline-centric courses to interdisciplinary courses. Simkins will arrange for a meeting between Dr. Carp and the UNST Committee following the workshop on Nov. 10.
6. Davis reminded members of the need to hold a meeting with University administrators as called for in the planned schedule. It was agreed to move this meeting to February 2005.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 AM

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