

General Education Academics
2 November 2021
Minutes

Mission: Cloud County Community College prepares students to lead successful lives and enhances the vitality of our communities.

1. Roll Call:

Present: David Shirkey (Math), Cathy Forshee (Business) Kristina Frost (Behavioral and Social Sciences and Criminal Justice), Brent Phillips (Humanities and Dean of Communication, Humanities and Business), Sara Beikman (Nursing), Dennis Smith (Sciences), Kit Thompson (Renewables), Suzette Ghent (Communications), Cindy Lamberty (Director of AIEP).

Absent: Don Benjamin (Interim Dean/ Agriculture), Dr. Kimberly Zant (Vice President of Academic Affairs)

Guest: Amanda Kendall, Coordinator/Instructor for Allied Health (new hire)

2. Minutes

Question from Dennis regarding ILOs and whether they need to be the same forever. We can look at changing them as needed. Lamberty suggested making sure we have good assessment data first, especially using the rubrics. Motion by Brent, second by Kit to accept the October minutes. All in favor, minutes approved.

3. HLC update:

Nothing to add.

4. Old Business

a. ILO Critical Thinking revision of rubric.

Outcome 2 and 3 Meets Expectations was revised slightly by Suzette. Motion by Suzette to accept the revised rubric, second by Kit. No further discussion. Motion passed.

b. General Education Philosophy Statement

Time to share word/phrase of what General Education means. Discussion on changes to the 2017 version – it is the one in the catalog. No decision was made but Lamberty will send out versions discussed at the meeting. A decision will be made in December regarding the final version.

5. New Business

a. Updates from Professional Development

Lamberty discussed “A Simple Model for Learning Improvement” from NILOA. To have continuous improvement, good assessment must be done, then an intervention, and re-assessment. This is what is happening with the General Education outcomes. They were assessed by evaluators in the summer. Rubrics were developed aligned with the outcomes and differentiated at the student mastery levels. This will be a better tool to develop appropriate assignments. The

artifacts will be evaluated in Summer 2022. The desired goal is to see an increase in student learning. A similar process with ILOs. Presenting the defined mastery levels will help instructors prepare assignments aligned with the outcomes.

b. General Education Rubrics

The current outcomes to be continued through the whole academic year. Any changes to outcomes will be effective Fall 2022.

c. Newsletter

A Newsletter for Assessment will be developed. Once a semester seems appropriate right now. Sections with reminders and due dates are helpful

6. NOTE: Next meeting is December 7 not November 7.

7. Adjournment:

Meeting ended due to time.

Attachments

ILO Critical Thinking with Rubric

General Education Philosophy and suggested versions.



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