

Committee on General Education

Report to Faculty Senate for AY 2016-17

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Expenditures: Out of a total budget of \$10,983 for AY 16-17 roughly \$9,800 has been spent or allocated as of April 25:

1. Support for Goal 10 Testing: \$2200
2. Support for faculty professional development travel (AACU General Education Conference): \$3648
3. Support for Concord Coalition Campus Visit: \$1500
4. Support for ENGL 165 / Writing-infused Assessment Design: \$2000
5. Support for Goal 3 Assessment: \$500

New/Revised General Education Courses: Only two proposals came our way this year—

1. Course change to CMSC 121: Students who have already completed CMSC 201 are no longer allowed to enroll.
2. Name change to MANG 474: Managing Business Ethics ~~and Diversity~~

Assessment of General Education Courses: After consulting with the Office of Institutional Research, the committee decided to review assessment data for all general education courses on a three-year cycle. Since there are 14 goals, this entails dividing the work up into not-quite thirds—e.g., goals 1-4 in AY 14-15, goals 5-9 in AY 15-16, and goals 10-14 in AY 16-17, and then back to the top for AY 17-18. The current iteration of general education is slated to be replaced (gradually) beginning in AY 18-19.

Promotion of Faculty Development related to Vice Presidential Debate: After consulting with both the Chair of Faculty Senate and the VPAA, the committee offered to serve alongside CAFE as the point of contact for faculty interested in revising and/or developing debate-related courses in fall 16. We also developed and used an evaluative rubric for vetting proposals so that faculty can be paid for their efforts. We received over 30 proposals from more than 10 different disciplines, and helped to secure and distribute roughly \$60,000 in support for faculty involved in developing and teaching these courses.

Respectfully submitted,

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