

Intercollegiate Coordination Panel
Meeting Minutes

18 May 2001

John Allard, Kevin Donnelly, Candace Pannbacker, Vicki Clegg, Rich Gallagher, Karen Pence, and Diane Tuinstra were present for the May 18, 2001 meeting. Diane Tuinstra took the minutes.

MEETING MINUTES

The meeting minutes from the April 13, 2001 meeting were approved as distributed.

PHASE II

The UGE Council (formerly the UGE Task Force) assessed three courses during the Spring 2001 semester. They intend to assess more courses next year.

On the question of whether or not the Office of Assessment has the authority to assess these courses, it has been determined that yes, they do have that authority.

It was reported that the UGE Council wants to streamline or improve the procedures for course approval to encourage more faculty members to submit their existing courses for UGE approval.

The UGE Council also wants to expand the idea of what a UGE course/experience is, to correspond more closely with the original definition that was part of the 1994 UGE proposal. Currently the template used by the UGE Council refers only to "courses" and does not mention "experiences." Experiences would cover such things as study abroad, internships, and community service. It was suggested that next fall the ICCP also look at what UGE means.

Vicki Clegg talked to Susanne Siepl-Coates regarding the study abroad/internship/community service proposals regarding the issue of UGE credit vs. a waiver for study abroad experiences. The College of Architecture, Planning, and Design will take another look at the issue and will perhaps write a proposal on the college level rather than on the university level. This college-level proposal could then be used by other colleges which wish to get UGE approval for their study-abroad programs.

The question was raised about whether Phase II had been approved yet by the Faculty Senate. It was understood that it had gone through Academic Affairs, but no one had information on

whether it had been approved by Faculty Senate.

The question was raised about what would be needed regarding Phase II for accreditation. The information to be included in the document to be submitted for accreditation will be available online on June 8. It could not be determined at the time of the meeting what information regarding Phase II assessment would be included in that document.

OTHER ISSUES

David Byrne

Although there was no official confirmation, it was mentioned that David Byrne may become involved in UGE next fall. Vicki Clegg will find out more information on this matter.

300-Level Courses

The College of Agriculture has some 300-level courses which are not filling up. Some of these courses are required courses for some students, and they often do not attract student outside of the College of Agriculture. The College was divided on whether they should advertise these course outside of the College of Agriculture, as then the UGE students might fill up the classes and shut out those for whom it was a required course.

Vicki Clegg suggested that the UGE web site could put up a list before enrollment began which listed the UGE courses offered each semester.

Concerns were raised over how UGE courses were monitored by department heads. It was suggested that some courses which were approved years ago may not be taught in the same way. This may be something David Byrne can look into next fall.

ELECTION

The election was put off until the fall meeting due to a shortage of voting members in attendance and a lack of volunteers for the position.

The first meeting next fall will be Friday, September 14, 2001.