

## Educational Policy Committee (EPC)

April 4, 2016

Present: Professors Jeanne Goddard, Niamh O'Leary (Chair), Susan Wansor; Student Representative Chris Castro '16; and Provost Cindy Speaker

The meeting began at 1:48 p.m.

1. Minutes from March 28, 2016 were approved.
2. Notice of Motion - Regarding Repeating Courses
  - Will be presented to faculty at the April Faculty Meeting
3. Feedback from Student Assembly Regarding General Education Curriculum
  - Students were respectful
  - Students recognized the necessity of the general education curriculum
  - Chris Castro provided notes outlining comments students made in regards to the curriculum. The comments centered around the following areas:
    - Proposed global languages and culture requirement
    - Proposed personal finance requirement
    - Questions about double dipping
  - Chris also shared a petition some students signed in support of the language requirement
4. The foreign language faculty have decided not to meet directly with EPC, but they have submitted their feedback via email.
5. Position Requests
  - EPC is still waiting on results from the prioritization task that Curriculum Committee is completing
  - EPC and Advisory will use the results to assist them in handling position requests
  - Concern was raised about position requests that included the names of specific people for a position
    - In the future faculty will be reminded that it is inappropriate to include a specific person's name in a position request. The committee will read past the names this time.
    - The request should be focused on the position and program needs.
  - Discussion around the budget and areas that have been budgeted for

- Requests must follow the faculty manual under Section 3, Academic Ranks

The meeting adjourned at 2:42.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan Wansor  
Secretary pro tem