Core Review Committee - Tuesday 11/18/14

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1. Discussed one petition, for a student to use a first-year seminar from 1997-8 with claimed 4 individual presentations and one group presentation to satisfy the COMM 121/31/41 requirement. No syllabus was forwarded to Core Review. Tabled until we get further information.

2. Continued discussion of whether the table of how transfer courses are interpreted vis a vis satisfying Core requirements should apply to Advanced Placement/CLEP/International Baccalaureate courses as well. This table was extensively revised last year by Faculty Senate (meeting #197) (from a motion from Core Review) to allow transfer students more flexibility.

Recommendation: The Core Review Committee recommends that AP, CLEP and IB courses be treated like transfer courses in terms of determining whether they satisfy Perspectives on the Human Condition requirements for the core.

Commentary: In particular, this would allow students who took the US History AP exam to get core credit (instead of it transferring as HIST 131/132 which does not satisfy the requirements of the current Core). Note that this is more in line with UAA.

Meta-commentary: This is also in line with GERC’s new GER proposal, which is currently stalled because of GER complications.
Comment: Caty is working on tables of what will substitute for what, a la the current tables of substitutions for UA and non-UA transfer courses.

3. We are still in discussion on the ED 486W proposal. Still tabled.

4. DANSRD had submitted a proposal which after communication with them turned out to be that they wanted to use ANS 101 to satisfy one of the Perspectives on the Human Condition requirements. Core Review briefly discussed this and thought that perhaps revising the PHC requirements of the current core significantly was beyond the scope of the committee’s work. Leah will communicate this to DANSRD. [Update: they’re not happy.]