

EDUCATIONAL POLICIES COMMITTEE AGENDA
6 September 2007

A meeting of the Educational Policies Committee will be held on 6 September 2007 at 3 p.m. in Old Main 136 (Champ Hall Conference Room).

I. Approval of the minutes of the 5 April 2007 meeting

II. Subcommittee Reports

A. Curriculum Subcommittee (Ed Reeve)

1. Course Approvals
2. EPC Schedule for 2007-2008

B. Academic Standards Subcommittee (Scot Allgood)

C. General Education Subcommittee (Norm Jones)

D. Distance Education and Electronic Delivery Subcommittee (Bob Heal)

III. Other Business

General Education Subcommittee report on prerequisites for USU courses.
Minutes of March 6, 2007 meeting.

Richard Mueller moved that the requirements for completion of high school core courses must be met as prerequisite for taking USU General Education concurrent enrollment courses; motion seconded by Charlie Huenemann.

- 1) Discussion on motion
 - a. Question on whether this should apply to math classes because the state's math standards are not clear
 - b. Question if prerequisite should be required for CIL (see below)
 - c. Question of how this will impact the New Century Scholarship

d. Request that a conversation be held with high school advisors to better understand their practices before enforcing change

2) Robert Schmidt moved to amend the motion that it be implemented starting Fall 2008 to allow for concerns about the motion to be addressed. Motion amendment accepted by Richard Mueller and Charlie Huenemann; motion carried.

3) Discussion of CIL test/USU 1000 course

a. Question of whether USU 1000 concurrent enrollment course should have prerequisites, since students can take the official test instead of a high school computer technology course.

b. Discussion of whether USU 1000 should be removed from General Education requirements and made a graduation requirement, or a prerequisite to registration for upper-level courses.

c. Discussion on how to enforce students taking USU 1000 during their freshman year or while taking ENGL 1010.

i. Charge students more for taking CIL later in their career.

ii. Put a hold on registration in Banner.

iii. Make the course a prerequisite to teacher education and depth/breadth courses.

d. Currently USU has to accept transfer students with course equivalent to test, but there is a question of whether a class is comparable to the test, due to possibility of course being altered to not include all basic areas.

e. A subcommittee was created to make recommendations to the General Education Subcommittee about the CIL tests. Rob Barton will chair the committee with Jeff Smitten and Wendy Holliday. Committee will report to General Education Subcommittee on April 6, 2007.