

**General Education Council (GEC)**  
**General Committee**  
**Minutes**  
*MS Teams Virtual Meeting*

August 17, 2021

- I. Attendance
- Attendance (and quorum verification) was documented based on the individuals attending who typed their name in the chat box to be recorded. (*Attached*)
- II. Minutes
- The Chair called for any corrections to the minutes from the April 20, 2021 GEC General Committee meeting. There were none. Jeanne Bohannon motioned to approve, and Lauren Taglialatela seconded. The minutes were approved as written.
- III. Updates
- GEOG 1125 was approved by the Board of Regents and will be implemented in Spring 2022. GEOG 1102 was returned by the Board of Regents with comments and is being reworked. Both courses were designed with the goal of creating more three-credit hour options without prerequisites in the science courses for non-Stem students in Area D.
  - The USG General Education redesign is still paused, and it is anticipated that there will be no movement until a permanent new chancellor is in place and that person reviews and decides on if or how it will move forward. However, KSU will still move forward with the discussion of what changes need to be made that are the best for our students but are still aligned with USG policy.
  - This academic year is the inaugural year of having an Executive Committee. The Executive Committee members should be communicating outward to the colleges and any GEC advisory members with updates and pertinent information.
- The General Education Council is a very important committee. The core curriculum touches every student at Kennesaw State and Areas A through E, which totals 42 credit hours, and another 18 credit hours with Area F. That is half of a typical 120 credit hour degree.
- IV. New Business
- The Curriculog system has a new interface. If you need any information about it, there are resources on the [cia.kennesaw.edu](http://cia.kennesaw.edu) website, including recordings of a presentation done the beginning of August, or you can contact the Curriculog team – Amy Jones and Raven Malliett.
  - There are numerous resources available to you on the [cia.kennesaw.edu](http://cia.kennesaw.edu) website: updated Curriculum Guide, 2021-2022 GEC Member Resource Guide and specific GEC information is posted in D2L.
  - GEC and eCore – Kris DuRocher announced that she had been added to the USG RACA for eCore and they were updating the cooperative academic agreement. Previously, the KSU GEC had not been engaged in these discussions. A new

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MOU was issued this summer that explicitly outlined the roles and responsibilities of an institution. KSU's GEC will be participating in reviewing eCore courses that are proposed to align with area learning outcomes.

V. Looking Forward

- 2.4.10 Audit – comparison of common course numbers, prefix titles, and course descriptions in the 1000/2000 level courses that are shared by USG institutions.
- Comparison of content in the Areas across the USG.
- The Executive Committee will be tasked with preparing a draft of bylaws for the General Education Council.
- Foreign Languages proposal to move 1002 courses from Area B2 to Area C1, which is where most USG universities house them.
- A working group in RCHSS has been formed to look at Area B2 and revising its content.
- Revisit revision of some learning outcomes, especially in Area C.

VI. Announcements

- Next GEC Executive Committee meeting: Tuesday, September 7, 2021
- Next GEC General Committee meeting: Tuesday, September 21, 2021

Meeting schedules with links, agendas, and minutes can be found on the <https://cia.kennesaw.edu> website under Curriculum Committees, GEC, Schedule/Agenda/Minutes.

VII. Adjournment

- The meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

**General Education Council  
Attendance – 8.17.2021**

<b>Representing</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Proxy Name</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Bagwell College Education	Brendan	Callahan	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Coles College of Business	Tim	Mathews	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
College of Architecture and Construction Management	Jacqueline	Stephens	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
College of Computing and Software Engineering	Holly	Deal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
College of Science and Mathematics	Matthew	Laposata	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
College of the Arts	Edward	Eanes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Journey Honors College	Vacant		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Radow College of Humanities and Social Sciences	Tom	Doleys	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Southern Polytechnic College of Engineering and Engineering Technology	Matthew	Marshall	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Wellstar College of Health and Human Services	Afekwo "Mary"	Ukuku	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Total Voting Members in Attendance</b>	7				

<b>Advisory (Non-voting)</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>Present</b>		<b>Absent</b>
COTA-Art and Design	Joe	Thomas	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
COTA-Dance	Natalie	Berry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
COTA-Music	Edward	Eanes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
COTA-Theatre & Performance Studies	Jim	Davis	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CSM-Biology: Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal	Matthew	Laposata	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
CSM-Biology: Molecular and Cellular	Liz	Harrison	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
CSM-Chemistry	Thomas	Leeper	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
CSM-Mathematics	Ken	Keating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
CSM-Physics	Ben	Rybolt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
HONORS	Daniel	Audia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
RCHSS-Anthropology & Geography	Susan	Kirkpatrick Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
RCHSS-Communication	Meredith	Ginn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
RCHSS-Composition & Literature	Jeanne	Bohannon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
RCHSS-Criminal Justice & Sociology	Linda	Treiber	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
RCHSS-Foreign Languages	Audry	Garcia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
RCHSS-History & Philosophy	Susan	Rouse	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
RCHSS-Interdisciplinary Studies	Lauren	Thompson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sara Giordano	<input type="checkbox"/>
RCHSS-Political Science	Tom	Doleys	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
RCHSS-Psychology	Lauren	Tagliatela	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

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Faculty Executive Director of General Education and Curriculum Development	Kris	DuRocher	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Advising	Jerryl	Morris	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Assessment Office	Donna	DeGrendel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Associate Vice President for Curriculum or designee	Anissa	Vega	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Chairs Directors Assembly	TBD		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Curriculum Support Office**	Amy	Jones	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Curriculum Support Office**	Raven	Malliett	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Registrar or designee**	Gabriel	Lindo-Ardila	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Undergraduate Student Representative (SGA)**			<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Guests</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>			
RCHSS	Carmen	Skaggs			

General Education Council (GEC)  
August 17, 2021  
via MS Teams  
(<https://cia.kennesaw.edu/curriculum-committees/gec.php>)  
12:30 p.m.

## AGENDA

- I. Welcome and Attendance
  - Attendance
  - Introductions
- II. Old Business
  - Approval of April 20, 2021 minutes (*Attached*)
- III. Updates
  - GEOG proposals
  - USG Redesign
  - Executive Committee
- IV. New Business
  - Curriculog Interface
  - Member Resources
  - GEC and the eCore
- III. Looking forward
  - FL proposals
  - Fall projects
- IV. Announcements
  - Next Executive Committee Meeting: September 7, 2021, at 12:30pm
  - Next General Committee Meeting: September 21, 2021, at 12:30pm

# Welcome!

## The meeting will start shortly

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We ask that everyone mute their mic and turn off their camera when you are not speaking. (This will assist with bandwidth issues.)

We ask that you please use the “Raise Your Hand” feature to request to speak. (*You need to have the full screen shown to see the “raise your hand” icon.*)

- Click the icon and wait for your name to be called.
- If you are not called upon in a timely manner, speak during the next pause in the discussion.

Please turn on your camera when you are speaking for accessibility purposes.

*[For individuals with any hearing impairment, “Live Captions” is available. To turn on “Live Captions”, click on the ellipsis (⋮) and select the option.]*

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# Agenda

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*Welcome, Attendance, and  
Introductions*

# Attendance

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- Attendance is recorded by members and guests by typing their name in the Chat Box.
- If you are a proxy for a member, please note your name and then “proxy for <member name>”

# Welcome & Introductions

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- ◆ Welcome from Kris DuRocher, chair  
[kduroche@kennesaw.edu](mailto:kduroche@kennesaw.edu)
- ◆ Please introduce yourself



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*Old Business*

# Old Business

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- ◆ Approval of March April 20, 2021 meeting minutes
- ◆ Any updates or changes?
- ◆ Please type a motion to approve in the chat
- ◆ Please type a second in the chat
- ◆ Vote: Please type your last name and vote

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*Updates*



# Curriculum Updates

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- ◆ Goal of 3 credit Science courses for non-STEM majors
- ◆ Geography proposals
  - GEOG 1125
    - Effective spring 2022
    - Students in 2021-2022 catalog years and forward
  - GEOG 1102

# USG Updates

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- ◆ General Education Redesign
  - Remains on hold
  - Reminder – nothing was finalized
- ◆ No other updates from the USG
  
- ◆ KSU's focus is on what is best for KSU students



# KSU GEC Updates

- ◆ Virtual meetings this fall
- ◆ Inaugural year new structure  
Executive Committee - members will meet monthly
- ◆ Advisory Committee members – encouraged to meet with EC representative
- ◆ Monthly meetings remain open to all

Schedule, Agenda, And Minutes	
2021-2022 General Committee Schedule (Virtual meetings)	
Date	Location
August 17, 2021	<a href="#">Virtual Meeting</a>
September 21, 2021	<a href="#">Virtual Meeting</a>
October 19, 2021	<a href="#">Virtual Meeting</a>
November 16, 2021	<a href="#">Virtual Meeting</a>
2021-2022 Executive Committee Schedule (Virtual meetings via M	
Date	Location
September 7, 2021	<a href="#">Virtual Meeting</a>
October 12, 2021**	<a href="#">Virtual Meeting</a>
November 2, 2021	<a href="#">Virtual Meeting</a>
December 7, 2021	<a href="#">Virtual Meeting</a>

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*New Business*

# New Business: Curriulog Interface

- ◆ New Interface
- ◆ Trainings on CIA website under Curriculum Resources

The screenshot displays the 'Proposals' section of the Curriulog interface. It features a 'Filter by:' dropdown menu with 'All Proposals' selected and 'Advanced Filter' highlighted with a red box. Below this is a 'Keyword' search bar. The 'Found Under' section includes a dropdown for 'All Entities', a 'Date Search Scope' dropdown with 'Select a date type' selected, and 'From' and 'To' date input fields. A 'Clear Dates' button is located to the right of the date fields. A red arrow points from the 'Date Search Scope' dropdown to the 'Current Step Name' dropdown, which is currently set to 'General Education Council'. Other filter options include 'Process Type' (set to 'All Processes') and 'My Role'. The 'Proposal Status' filter is partially visible at the bottom.

# New Business: Member Resources

## ◆ Member Resources

### ○ Updated:

- Member Resource Guide
- GEC website

### ○ Ongoing:

- D2L

### ○ New:

- Area Comparison
- 2.4.10 Audit

**General Education Council (GEC)**

The General Education Council serves as an advocate for and facilitator of the general education program on the KSU campus. It is the voice that speaks for the general education program, much as the academic departments speak for their majors. Its goal is to develop and maintain a unified, integrated, and effective general education program. The council is advisory and submits proposals to the UPCC.

**Membership**

- 2021-2022 Member List +

**Schedule, Agenda, And Minutes**

- 2021-2022 General Committee Schedule (Virtual meetings via MS Teams.) +
- 2021-2022 Executive Committee Schedule (Virtual meetings via MS Teams.) +

GEC Executive Committee meetings will occur on the 1st Tuesday of the month from 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. (unless noted\*\*).

GEC General Committee meetings will occur on the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 12:30 - 1:45 p.m. (unless noted\*\*). GEC General Committee meetings are open meetings to the KSU community.

**Resources**

General Education Council

Member Resource Guide



# New Business: GEC and eCore

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- ◆ eCore Cooperative Academic Arrangement update
- ◆ Going forward: GEC going to participate in reviewing for alignment with outcomes

**Review and Approval of the Course Content.** Each Partner Institution reviews and approves courses in this cooperative academic arrangement through the institution's normal faculty governance processes for curriculum review and approval. This review and approval includes determination of how these courses are used to satisfy degree completion requirements at the institution.

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*Looking Forward*

# Fall Projects

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- ◆ Drafting By - laws
- ◆ B2 Working Group
- ◆ FL Proposals
- ◆ Requests to revisit area learning outcomes





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*Announcements*



# Announcements

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- ◆ A meeting schedule with the MS Teams links will be posted on the curriculum website: <https://cia.kennesaw.edu> Under GEC and Meetings, Agendas, and Minutes.
- ◆ Next executive council meeting: September 7, 2021, at 12:30pm
- ◆ Next GEC meeting: September 21, 2021, at 12:30pm

## Meeting Adjournment

- Motion to Adjourn

**Thank you!**

Kris DuRocher

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