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ACADEMIC SENATE

GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

REPORT TO

THE ACADEMIC SENATE

GE-009-201

AG 1110: Agriculture: The Foundations of Civilizations (C2, Modification)

General Education Committee

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Academic Senate

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First Reading

TITLE OF REFERRAL: GE-009-201: AG 1110: Agriculture: The Foundations of Civilizations (C2, Modification)

BACKGROUND:

This is a request to convert an Area D3 Social Science course Ag 1010 to an Area C2 Humanities course AG 1110. This is in response to the elimination of GE Area D3 at CPP. It will be open to all majors and required by AG majors.

RESOURCES CONSULTED:

Office of Academic Programs, HST Department.

DISCUSSION:

Changing a GE designation from Social Science to Humanities is a big task. It requires a near complete revision of the course. After the committee's first reading of the proposal, the subcommittee in charge of this referral recommended revision because it still looked closer to an area D3 course than a C2. We sent it back to the AG Department and they spent considerable time and energy to revise. Upon reading the revision, the committee was pleased to see that it did indeed comply with Humanities GE requirements. In general, courses in this area will provide students with an appreciation of languages and literature, underscoring both the relationships between culture and language and the significance of literature in the interpretation of culture. Proposals should also engage with the great creative writings and communicative customs and traditions of particular cultures. The course must also analyze the historical development of diverse cultures and the role they play in shaping core institutions and practices of individuals and societies, among others. The committee was happy to welcome representatives from the AG Department met with the committee to go over their revisions and answer any questions. They told us they consulted with colleagues in literature, poetry, and other humanities. In all, the GE Committee enthusiastically supports this GE revision and hopes the Academic Senate will too.

For more information on the course please refer to Curriculog.

RECOMMENDATION:

The GE Committee recommends the Academic Senate pass the referral, GE-009-201: AG 1110: Agriculture: The Foundations of Civilizations (C2, Modification).