GENS Committee AY24-25 Report

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School Reps:

Christina Morus (ARHU) (2023–2025)
Ellen Kraft (BUSN) (2023–2025)
Jung Lee (EDUC) (2023–2025)
Geoffrey Gust (GENS) First Year Seminar Convener
Barbara Amendolia (HLTH) (2023–2025)
Joyce DeStasio (Library) (2023–2025)
Sarah Gray (NAMS) (2023–2025)
Christine Ferri (SOBL) (2023-2025)

EX-OFFICIO: Robert Gregg PROVOST'S REP: Marissa Levy

2024-2025 Activities

I. Meetings and Course Reviews

Meetings:

Oct. 11, 2024 (agenda)
Nov. 14, 2024 (course review meeting)
December 6, 2024 (course approval meeting)
Feb. 20, 2025 (agenda)
April 10, 2025 (course review meeting)
May 6, 2025 (course approval meeting)

The GENS committee reviewed and provided extensive written and in-person feedback for 25 new course proposals in AY24-25, and held two public, end of term feedback meetings pertaining to courses approved at committee level.

Fall 2024

10 course proposals, 4 approved, 6 Revise and Resubmit

Spring 2025

15 course proposals, 11 approved, 4 Revise and Resubmit
.XLS File Inventory – All Proposed and Approved Courses 2024-25

2025-26 GOALS: Work with new Dean of General Studies to revisit all processes for course planning, proposals, promotion, webpage redesign, etc.

II. Program Assessment & GOALS

The GENS committee chair worked with Alaina Walton to revise and condense the 13 General Studies Objectives to bring them in line with assessment goals. Several meetings were held with Alain Walton and Tracey Meilander to plan 2025-26 GENS assessment, presented as a priority for institutional assessment.

2025-26 GOALS: Integrate new GENS LO's on webpage and other information venues including course proposal form.

2025-26 GOALS: Revise course proposal form and streamline course proposal process.

2025-26 GOALS: Implement Helio for GENS Learning Outcomes Assessment

2025-26 GOALS: Inform faculty via 2025 FFC about the process of GENS assessment via Helio/Blackboard integration.

2025-26 GOALS: Plan/participate in workshops related to assessment with Helio and Blackboard for GENS.

Chair submitted 2025 IR institutional data on Dual Credit High School (link below)

III. Faculty Outreach

a. CTLD New Faculty Workshop: "Developing, Designing and Proposing G Courses."

GOALS: Continue informing and recruiting new faculty to GENS

GENS course enrollment by program major and minor (.xls)

IV. Other Activities

The GENS committee continues its efforts to understand the breadth of the G curriculum and its alignment to missions and standards by acquiring and interpreting data on G courses:

Impact of DCHS (2025): First Time Students with Credits Earned Before Graduating HS DCHS (2024): First time students with Credits Earned before Graduating HS (.xls)

Registration Snapshot: Online v. F2F G courses (.xls)

Five Year Study: Total # of courses taught by academic school faculty (.xls)