GENERAL EDUCATION COURSE REVIEW - SUBMISSION FORM

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The GEC is a University Shared Governance Committee composed of members of the faculty with representatives from every college. The “general education program develops a foundation and motivation for the lifelong pursuit of learning in undergraduate students at Arkansas State University by introducing them to a broad range of essential areas of knowledge that will enable them to participate in our democratic nation and in a global society” (Undergraduate Bulletin).

General Education Goal: Developing a strong foundation in the social sciences.

The following course has been accepted into the General Education Curriculum to promote the goal of training students to “develop a strong foundation in the social sciences,” and has set as the appropriate learning outcome that students should be able to

- Explain the processes and effects of individual and group behavior;
- Analyze events in terms of the concepts and relational propositions generated by the social science tradition.

1. Title of Course

2. Course description as it appears in the Undergraduate Bulletin

3. All prerequisites

4. Course Frequency (e.g. fall, spring, summer)

5. General education outcome the Department has chosen to assess for all sections of this course (check only one)
   - [ ] Explain the processes and effects of individual and group behavior.
   - [ ] Analyze events in terms of the concepts and relational propositions generated by the social science tradition.
6. Core content currently taught across all sections of the course

7. Please detail the staffing for all sections of this course for the previous Fall and Spring semesters.

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Please attach to this form an assessment report including the following:

- Method or methods used to measure the level of proficiency of all students completing the course.

- Documentation of how the resulting assessment data from two or more successive years were used to improve student learning outcomes. (You may list “See Tracdat” if documentation already has been sent to the Office of Assessment – Student Learning Outcomes.)

Please submit a copy of every syllabus from the current semester with faculty identifiers removed. If a faculty teaches more than one section of the course using the same syllabus and delivery method, a single syllabus may be submitted.

Assessment Coordinator ___________________________________ Date ______________ (if appropriate)

Department Chair ___________________________________ Date ______________

Dean ___________________________________ Date ______________

Received by GEC Chair ___________________________________ Date ______________

Approved 10/30/2012 ; Revised 12/11/2012
GENERAL EDUCATION COURSE REVIEW – CURRICULUM MAPPING INVENTORY

The following questions are used to evaluate the broader general education curriculum at ASU as it relates to University student learning outcomes. The General Education Committee is assisting the Learning Outcomes Assessment Council (LOAC) in collecting the data as part of the Quadrennial Course Review. The provided information will be reviewed by the LOAC. Each course under review is not expected to meet every campus-wide learning objective.

**Directions:** Each instructor of the course under review should answer the questions below and attach to this form his or her current syllabus.

Are students required to use Blackboard (Bb) for this course?  □ Yes □ No

For this course, do students use any technology other than Bb? □ Yes □ No

If yes, please explain: ________________________________________________________________

Does this course encourage/require use of ASU’s writing center or or a college specific writing center? □ Yes □ No

Does this course encourage/require use of Grammarly? □ Yes □ No

Does this course include graded drafts of required papers? □ Yes □ No

About how many pages of reading does this course require per week? __________

About how many pages of writing does this course require per semester? __________

Does this course require students to give an oral presentation? □ Yes □ No

Does this course include any collaborative assignments? □ Yes □ No

Does this course emphasize global issues? *(Circle One)* Minimally Indirectly Directly

Does this course emphasize critical thinking? *(Circle One)* Minimally Indirectly Directly
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Year: 2014        General Education Goal: Developing a strong foundation in the social sciences.

Title of Course:

☐ Syllabi reflect brief course description (40 words or fewer), as it appears in bulletin.
☐ Syllabi list general education goal and related student learning outcome.
☐ Prerequisites are appropriate for level of course.
☐ Level of education of instructors for this course complies with ADHE and ASU Faculty Handbook.

ADHE - Masters’s with at least 18 graduate hours in field for general education courses
ASU Faculty Handbook - section II.h. Credentials, p. 40

Assessment of General Education Goal – Developing a strong foundation in the social sciences:

☐ Explain the processes and effects of individual and group behavior;

☐ Analyze events in terms of the concepts and relational propositions generated by the social science tradition.

☐ The above student learning outcome is being assessed across sections for continuous quality improvement of student learning.

☐ Report of the assessment findings has been submitted.

☐ Data are being used to improve student learning.
DECISION OF GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

☐ Course is acceptable as a general education course linked to the General Education goal of developing a strong foundation in the social sciences.

☐ Course is not acceptable as a general education course linked to the General Education goal of developing a strong foundation in the social sciences.

☐ Course is acceptable as a general education course linked to the General Education goal of developing a strong foundation in the social sciences given the following modifications:

☐ Unable to evaluate as a general education course linked to the General Education goal of developing a strong foundation in the social sciences.

The following information or documentation is needed:

ACTION REQUIRED

☐ None

☐ Follow-up Review 2013 2014 2016

☐ Meeting with Department Chair

GEC Chair _____________________________ Date ______________

Approved 10/30/2012