

**General Education Curriculum
Committee
(GECCo)**

**Faculty Assembly Update
September 25, 2013**

Summary

- We've completed the first three year assessment cycle
- We have begun the second cycle, implementing lessons learned
- This fall we will assess Written Communication and Quantitative Reasoning
- GECCo is immensely grateful for the inordinate level of support we have had from faculty in our work



- ### GECCo Web Page
- To access the GECCo reports:
 - Go to the Faculty Assembly page, and choose GECCo
 - From Google Search, enter the text "ramapo GECCo"
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- ### Background
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Foreground

- While the General Education Task Force II performs its work, GECCo will continue its second three year cycle of assessments
- Our primary objective during this cycle is to better integrate the SLOs used in the assessments into Gen Ed courses within the College
- GECCo will continue to play it's role in seeking to better integrate Gen Ed courses into the broader Ramapo curriculum, acting as a quasi convening group for the Gen Ed Program

First Three Year Assessment Cycle

Fall 2010 •Written Communication	Fall 2011 •Oral Communication •Information Literacy	Fall 2012 •Awareness (Values and Responsibility) •Interdisciplinary Analysis (mission pillar)
Spring 2011 •Quantitative Reasoning	Spring 2012 •Critical Inquiry •International Perspective •Intercultural North America Perspective	Spring 2013 •Experiential Learning (mission pillar) •Understanding the Way the World Works

Observations

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Lessons Learned

- GECCo needs to communicate its work with the Faculty community more effectively
- Gen Ed category descriptions and category level SLOs need to be better conveyed to faculty teaching in the Gen Ed Program
- GECCo's current practice of holding "Closing the Loop" sessions with all faculty teaching within a particular category is being enhanced

Proposed Actions

- GECCo will present updates at each Faculty Assembly
- We propose that, following the end of each FA this semester, "Closing the Loop" meetings be convened for the following assessments:
 - Awareness (10/30 FA)
 - Understanding the way the world works (11/20 FA)
 - Experiential (11/20 FA)

Punch Line

- If you teach in a Gen Ed category
 - Please find and incorporate the Category SLOs for your course into your syllabus

Questions?

Respectfully presented by the members of the
General Education Curriculum Committee
