

## UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA AT OMAHA GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE Friday, November 17, 2023 - Minutes

- Gen Ed & Transfer Policy
  - Advising Leads in full support of AA/AS & BS transfer student policy
  - EPAC advancing review of transfer student policy
- Forms of Inquiry Courses
  - What distinguishes *general education* inquiry courses from courses in the natural sciences, social sciences, or humanities/fine arts that aren't gen ed?
    - Context
    - Content
    - Re-enforcement of skills
    - Sparks interest (course needs to be for everyone not a targeted audience)
  - Clearly articulated in our model (specific questions on Gen Ed syllabus to be included in the course)
- Freshman year 1-2 credit hour transition course
  - Does this belong in gen ed?
  - How does this relate to efforts being spearheaded by Dusten Crichton with the colleges?
- Portfolio requirement
  - Purpose of requirement / operationalizing requirement
    - Junior year 1 cr hr course include written work student dis (2 or 3) and include resume writing
- 1<sup>st</sup> year seminar Deliberate course(s) (inspiring, engaging, what is uniquely Maverick)
  - Ideas of Value, Ideas of Justice, Human Migrations, What is Nature, Ideas of Freedom, forms of Government
  - Have multiple Seminar courses and each course can have multiple routes for different major?
  - Discussion based/writing/reading
  - What is the best way to retain students
  - See Portland State website: <u>https://www.pdx.edu/university-studies/freshman-inquiry</u>
- Diversity requirement
  - Appropriate Name: No Feedback from College DEI representatives
  - Matt is meeting with A T Miller next week

Next meeting: December 8, 2023 1-3pm via zoom