

SOC Meeting Minutes
May 05, 2011 – 3:00-4:30 p.m., CTL Conference Room

In Attendance

Emi Ahn, Brian Dille, Tim Florschuetz (Co-Chair), Dave Harris, Stan Kikkert, Sam Martinez, Juan Marquez, Dennis Mitchell (ORP), Betty Parisek (Co-Chair), Ly Tran-Nguyen

Assessment Scoring

Tim reported that a group of faculty completed the scoring rubric for the pilot of the global awareness assessment. Brian will lead a faculty group to score these assessments this summer. Tim will recruit faculty to score the arts and humanities assessment and also complete the scoring over the summer.

Clusters

Information Literacy Cluster: Tim informed the committee of his research on new information literacy outcomes. He recommended using outcomes developed by the American Library Association.

Workplace Skills Cluster: Stan Kikkert updated the committee on the work of the workplace skills cluster. The cluster recommended adding a workplace awareness outcome to the current set of workplace skills outcomes. Committee members were unsure if this required the approval of the faculty senate. Once the final set of outcomes is determined, the cluster will recommend a revised or new instrument. Stan said he would like to increase the size of the cluster for next year.

HLC Pilot Project Presentation

Brian gave a general overview of the HLC Pathways Project. He said that SOC may be able to help departments create needs analyses. Derek wondered if the level of expertise needed for this would require a faculty trained in a research-based field, rather than a SOC member who may just have a periphery understanding of research issues. Brian said that they are evaluating several options, including hiring an external consultant or using MIL alumni.

Continued SOC Recruitment

Tim asked SOC members to talk to colleagues to recruit new members. He emphasized recruiting from new departments with no current representation on the SOC. He also said that they plan to start recruiting for assessment volunteers earlier next year, and Ly mentioned this would help reach adjunct faculty at early all-department meetings. Dave asked if the faculty senate could require representation on the committee from each department, and Tim said they would try to get on the senate agenda.