

English Department Minutes
October 8, 2015

Attendees: J. Annick, M. Ansite, G. Armao, S. Bachmann, D. Breckheimer, E. Brenes, B. Budrovich, R.A. Cerofeci, M. Cheung, T. Cody, S. Corbin, D. Crotwell, K. Degnan, A. Gallagher, B. Halonen, C. Henson, L. Hong, B. Isaacs, B. Jaffe, B. James, J. Jung, R. Ketai, R. Kistler, S. Kushigemachi, M.A. Leiby, R. Lewitzki, J. Madden, P. Marcoux, J. McMahan, S. Merz, C. Nagao, C. Page, B. Peppard, J. Sandor, S. Schwartz, A. Sharp, C. Somin, D. Thompson, S. Waterworth, L. Welsh, E. Williams, J. Zhao, Tom Lew (Dean), Elise Geraghty (Associate Dean)

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1.1 Great Southern California Shakeout Earthquake Drill: Thurs. Oct. 15 at 10:15; let Elise know of any mobility-impaired students.
- 1.2 English Majors workshop, October 27, 1:00 to 2:00 p.m., H-305
- 1.3 Kathy Hall reading from her published short story in *The Anthology of Los Angeles Short Fiction* at Pages: A Bookstore in Manhattan Beach on April 7, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.
- 1.4 Evaluation packets due November 13.

2. ENGLISH 1A ARTICULATION (Tom & Deb)

- 2.1. Tom reviewed some points of our articulation agreement with the UCs to remind faculty of English 1A requirements, including word count, number of unique essays, and type of readings that students are expected to do in ECC's English 1A in order for the course to transfer to a four-year institution.
- 2.2. Deb is working on reviewing and revising the English 1A COR and aims to clarify certain points on it to ensure adherence to the COR and consistency among all sections, particularly in objectives, outcomes, standard, and rigor.

3. READING CONSISTENCY PROJECT (Rose Ann)

- 3.1. Rose Ann will be revamping the standardized exit exam for English 82. The English 84 exam, revised last semester, will be used again; it is set up so that the questions are aligned to the course SLOs so that SLO assessment is much clearer. Rose Ann will work on this for the English 82 test as well. English 82 is being assessed this semester, and Rose Ann is leading.

4. SLO UPDATE (Kevin)

To be assessed this semester (fall, 2015):
82 Cerofeci
1A Breckheimer
1B [MOVED TO SPRING, 2016]
1C [MOVED TO SPRING, 2016]
15A Lyman Hong & Sean Donnell

25A Adrienne Sharp & Ashley Gallagher
30 Bruce Peppard
39 Sue Bachmann
40A Tom Cody
50RWA Laura Welsh & Pete Marcoux

5. SENATE/TECHNOLOGY UPDATE (Pete)
 - 5.1. Faculty will be receiving new laptops or tablets soon. The faculty will have the opportunity to “try out” the options before choosing. More information coming.