Cultural Diversity Subcommittee - 2017-2018

Subcommittee Members:
Dr. Patricia Hunt-Hurst, Chair
Dr. Kira Epstein, College of Veterinary Medicine
Dr. Morgan Faison, College of Education
Dr. David Okech, School of Social Work, absent
Dr. Sudhagar Mani, College of Engineering
Dr. Rodney Mauricio, Franklin College of Arts and Sciences

The Cultural Diversity Subcommittee met on April 25, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 315 New College.

The subcommittee discussed revision of Academic Affairs Policy Statement No. 11, Procedures for Establishing or Changing Implementation Plans for the Cultural Diversity Requirement. The proposed policy revision approved at the previous Cultural Diversity Subcommittee meeting and by the University Curriculum Committee was returned to the subcommittee by the Executive Committee on April 4, 2018, for further discussion. The subcommittee discussed the concerns of the Executive Committee members and how to address those concerns.

The subcommittee considered adapting an existing Intercultural Knowledge and Competence Value Rubric produced by the Association of American Colleges and Universities to determine criteria for approving courses to fulfill the Cultural Diversity Requirement.

Discussion followed of incorporating the Cultural Diversity Requirement into General Education Core Area IV, World Languages and Culture, and eliminating the separate Cultural Diversity requirement. The subcommittee will work to develop a plan of restructuring General Education Core Area IV, World Languages and Culture, to incorporate the Cultural Diversity Requirement and then present it to the General Education Subcommittee.

The next meeting of the Cultural Diversity Subcommittee will be scheduled in August 2018.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Patricia Hunt-Hurst, Chair
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