## Committee on General Education Report to the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee April 15, 2015

COGE met on April 13, 3016. Two courses were approved:

- <u>NURS 266</u>: Health and Cultural Diversity, Connections (proposed by Deborah Kutenplon) This additional Connections course will add to the collection offered by the Nursing Department and be an interesting and challenging course for any student, not solely students in Nursing.
- 2. <u>MATH 239</u>: Contemporary Topics in Mathematics II, AQSR (proposed by Ying Zhou) Building on the popular MATH 139, this new AQSR course will engage students who are not focused on math and science disciplines with a diverse set of topics in which quantitative reasoning leads to significant conclusions.

COGE supported a proposal presented by Julie Urda, FYS Coordinator, that there be a block on registration at 30 Credits for students who have not yet taken FYS. The Director of FYS will release the block once the student selects a FYS to take, and can reimpose it if necessary. The proposal has been forwarded to the Committee on Academic Policies and Procedures.

The campus-wide conversation on Writing in the Discipline coordinated by Mike Michaud and others is deferred to the Fall.

We are once again rewriting the language in the Catalog that describes the Second Language Requirement. We hope that the clearer text will actually be included and linked to the RICWeb.

See <u>http://www.ric.edu/faculty/organic/coge/</u> for the latest documents.

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