

**Regents Advisory Committee on the Humanities
Meeting Minutes**

January 28, 2022, 9 a.m., via Microsoft Teams

In attendance:

Abraham Baldwin	Branagan Webb
Albany State	Charles Williams
Atlanta Metropolitan State College	Jamie Butler
Augusta University	Wes Kisting (Chair and Presider)
BOR University System Liaison	Barbara Brown for Cynthia Bolton-Gary
Clayton State University	Adam Tate
Columbus State University	Gary Sprayberry
East Georgia State College	Courtney Joiner
Fort Valley State	Berlethia J. Pitts
Georgia College & State University	Aran MacKinnon
Georgia Gwinnett College	Teresa Winterhalter
Georgia Highlands College	Allen Dutch
Georgia Institute of Technology	Aaron Santesso
Georgia Southern University	John Kraft
Georgia Southwestern State University	Paul Dahlgren (Past Chair)
Georgia State University	Denise Davidson
Kennesaw State University	Carmen Skaggs (Chair-Elect)
Perimeter College (Georgia State)	Colleen Ijuin
Savannah State University	Darryl Thompson-Norton
University of Georgia	Nicolas Allen
University of North Georgia	Leigh Dillard
University of West Georgia	Timothy Schroer (Secretary)
Valdosta State	Mark Smith

1. Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m.
2. Reminder of Humanities RAC resources. The following links were shared.
 - a. Bylaws:
https://www.usg.edu/strategic_academic_initiatives/assets/strategic_academic_initiatives/committee_docs/bylaws/HumBylawsFall2020.pdf
 - b. Membership (appointed by the EVCAA/Provost of each institution):
<https://www.usg.edu/committees/view/humanities>
3. Reminder of USG's 2021-22 charges for RACS:
 - a. Review your system-wide Area F guidelines and institutional Area Fs.
www.usg.edu/curriculum/area_f_guidelines
 - b. Review common course prefixes, numbers, titles, and descriptions.
www.usg.edu/academic_affairs_handbook/section2/C738/#p2.4.10_common_course_prefixes_numbers_and_descriptions
 - c. Make recommendations for appropriate math pathway for your discipline.
https://www.usg.edu/curriculum/mathematics_pathways
 - d. Provide informed comments and reviews of core course proposals submitted to the Council on General Education by USG institutions.

4. Discussion about developing a templated Course for HUMN 1000.

A templated course would avoid the need for an institution to go through the Humanities RAC. The institution would only need to show that the course meets Area C learning outcomes and was approved by the institution.

Institutions would be free not to use the template. The template provides a pre-approved option, but does not oblige institutions to offer such a course.

A motion was made and seconded to form a subcommittee to explore developing a templated course for HUMN 1000. The motion carried with 17 votes. Berlethia Pitts, Allen Dutch, and Paul Dahlgren volunteered to serve on that subcommittee.

More information about templated courses here:

www.usg.edu/strategic_academic_initiatives/assets/strategic_academic_initiatives/committee_docs/documents/TemplatedCourses.pdf

5. Other Business/Announcements?

Georgia College and State University is developing a Digital Humanities collaborative. They are interested in advice or suggestions related to that initiative.

The USG recently approved a Digital Humanities course proposal from Columbus State. UGA also has a Digital Humanities program.

Georgia State's Humanities Center received a grant from the Georgia Humanities Council. The center will be hosting three live-streamed events. Members of the

Humanities RAC will be added to their mailing list and are asked to pass on information about those events.

Papers and Publications, an undergraduate research journal from the University of North Georgia, provides an opportunity for undergraduates to publish their work.
<https://digitalcommons.northgeorgia.edu/papersandpubs/>

6. The meeting adjourned at 9:37.

Minutes submitted by Tim Schroer