Minutes for CEPP meeting of April 27, 2011

In attendance: Michael Arnush, Rochelle Calhoun, Rubén Graciani, Winston Grady-Willis (guest), Mimi Hellman, Chris Kopec, Josh Ness, Muriel Poston, Thomas Rivera (student representative), Bob Turner (Chair)

- I. **Approval of minutes.** The minutes of April 20 were approved with minor revisions.
- II. **Intercultural Literacy Requirement.** With Winston Grady-Willis, the Committee reviewed the work of the CEPP subcommittee and discussed ongoing questions about the revision of this requirement. It was agreed that Scribner Seminars and relevant courses that count for all-college requirements could also count for the proposed NW (Non-Western) and CD (Considering Difference) requirements. Based on data from the Registrar's office, it was determined that we would need 3-6 additional courses per semester to offer enough seats, and that these could probably be provided by currently available courses that would qualify as CD under the new definition. It was determined that it is not feasible to specify a time frame for fulfillment of the requirements, but that counting Scribner Seminars and adding a requirement would increase the likelihood of students beginning to address the requirements early. Substantive questions remain about whether the requirement should be framed in terms of a distinction between national and international rather than west and nonwest. Next steps include examination of study abroad data and further consultation with the Registrar's office, Curriculum Committee, chairs and directors, and the faculty as a whole.
- III. **Transition and Transformation.** The Committee reviewed correspondence between the chair of FEC and the VPAA regarding next steps for this initiative. Discussion focused on the proposal for a working group, the respective roles of FEC and CEPP, and the role of the faculty. The conversation will continue at the CEPP retreat.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mimi Hellman