

MCC General Education Newsletter

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Welcome to the final issue of the MCC General Education Newsletter for the 2012-2013 academic year.

The *Re-Imagine, Re-Invent, Re-Engineer General Education Committee* has been very productive this semester. Our three subcommittees continued to work on specific projects while meeting regularly as a whole committee in order to collaborate.

Updates:

- The Data Analysis Subcommittee administered the *General Education Faculty Survey*. Mark Ernsthause, Chair of the General Education Committee, visited several departments to administer the survey in person and answer questions. An in depth analysis of the survey results continues and is near completion. One of the survey questions revealed that many faculty members were interested in further discussing aspects of general education. As a result, faculty focus groups are being considered for this coming academic year.



- The Focus Groups Subcommittee conducted many student focus groups this past Spring 2013 semester. The preliminary results were interesting and led to the development and implementation of a student survey. The survey, reaching a wide array of classes, was completed at the end of the Spring semester. The data are now being analyzed.
- The MCC Catalog edits that the Communication Subcommittee created were handed over to the appropriate office and will be included in the next printing of the MCC catalog. Also, general education websites of various colleges were examined; attributes of those websites were discussed and recorded. It is hoped that this information will be helpful if and when improvements are made to the functionality of MCC's general education website.

Lastly but most importantly, the *Re-Imagine, Re-Invent, Re-Engineer General Education Committee* is happy to report that the committee is on track and has arrived at a general education framework by following our research protocol. This Fall the committee will start to fill in the framework. We look forward to bringing you updates.

Until next time.....Happy Summer!

Please contact one of the committee members listed below if you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions.

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