

30 November 2023

**TO:** **WMU Essential Studies Executive Advisory Committee:** Elissa Allen, Elizabeth Isidro, Lindsay Jeffers, Lois Lemon, Lei Meng, Jessica Parker, Brenda Srof, Brian Tripp, Kathryn Wagner  
**Advisory Members:** Jonathan Bush, Carrie Cumming, Lisa M. DeChano-Cook, Randy Ott  
**Ex Officio Members:** Decker Hains

**FROM:** Brian Tripp, Chair

**WMU Essential Studies Executive Advisory Committee:  
AGENDA**

5 December 2023, 1 – 2:30 p.m.

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1. **Call to Order**
2. **Acceptance of the Agenda**
3. **Approval of Minutes/Notes**  
WMU Essential Studies Executive Advisory Committee – 14 November 2023 minutes
4. **Reports of Officers**
  - a. Chair Report – Tripp
  - b. Ex Officio Report – Hains
5. **Reports of University Representatives**
  - a. WMU Essential Studies Faculty Director – Bush
  - b. Merze Tate College – Ott
  - c. Curriculum Manager – DeChano-Cook
6. **Unfinished Business**
  - a. WMU Essential Studies Course Review and Approval Committee Vacancies – Bush (Education and Human Development, Arts and Sciences, and Fine Arts)
  - b. Ad Hoc WMU Essential Studies Transfer of Credit Report – DeChano-Cook and Ott
7. **New Business**
  - a. WMU Essential Studies Course Review and Approval Committee Appointment – Bush (Anne-Marie Guidy-Oulai, Business Information Systems, Hayworth College of Business)
  - b. WMU Essential Studies Course Proposals
    - i. AE2610-Intro to Aerospace Engineering (APPROVED)
    - ii. ANTH1500-Human Biocultural Diversity (APPROVED)
    - iii. ANTH2520-Scientific Applications in Forensic Anthropology (APPROVED)
    - iv. ANTH3440-Indigenous North America (APPROVED)
    - v. ART1200-Introduction to Art (APPROVED)
    - vi. ART2450-Graphic Design Topics (APPROVED)
    - vii. CYIS2310-Ethics and Impacts (APPROVED)
    - viii. EDLD3020-Leadership and Advocacy for a Diverse Society (APPROVED)
    - ix. HNRS2500-The Politics of Genocide (APPROVED)
    - x. HNRS2501-Thinking with Rivers (APPROVED)
    - xi. HNRS4302-Study in the States - Planetary Sustainability (APPROVED)
    - xii. HNRS4303-Study in the States (APPROVED)
    - xiii. HPHE1701-Health and Personal Wellness Practices (APPROVED)
    - xiv. MDVL2000-Medieval Encounters (APPROVED)
    - xv. PHIL2000-Introduction to Philosophy (APPROVED)
    - xvi. PHIL3010-Modern Philosophy (APPROVED)
    - xvii. PHYS1020-Energy and the Environment (APPROVED)

- xviii. PHYS1070-Elementary Physics (APPROVED)
- xix. PHYS1130-General Physics 1 (APPROVED)
- xx. PSCI3040-American Public Policy (APPROVED)
- xxi. REL1050-What is Religion Today (APPROVED)
- xxii. REL1100-Native Am Magic (APPROVED)
- xxiii. SWRK4230-History, Policies, and Confronting Disparities in Child Welfare (APPROVED)
- xxiv. SWRK4530-Child Maltreatment, Prevention, Assessment, and Intervention (APPROVED)

**8. Announcements**

**9. Adjournment**