Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Undergraduate Outcomes Assessment Committee (UOAC) Meeting Minutes
Date: Monday, February 21, 2022
Location: ZOOM meeting

Present: Kate McIntyre (Chair, HUA), Andrea Arnold (MA), John Bergendahl (CEAE), Chrys Demetry (Morgan Center), Art Heinricher (Provost’s Office), Melissa Leahy (Office of Strategic Initiatives), Doug Petkie (PH)

1. Chair K. McIntyre called the meeting to order at 1:03 PM.

2. Minutes from the meeting on Feb. 7, 2022, were approved with minor edits.

3. C. Demetry gave an update on communication with Kent Rissmiller and Laureen Elgert about assessment of Learning Outcome 8 for IQPs. The committee discussed potential options moving forward and agreed that adding a question to the IQP student and advisor surveys to address Learning Outcome 8 would be a positive next step in gathering data and determining which projects involve aspects of global and intercultural learning. A. Arnold asked about formulating a similar survey question for all of the four main undergraduate projects (HUA, GPS, IQP, MQP), and the committee agreed that this was doable in order to gather data more broadly. A. Heinricher suggested a pilot study after formulating the question.

4. The committee continued discussion of findings related to assessment of Learning Outcome 8 at the level of MQPs. J. Bergendahl noted that the MQP learning outcomes do not directly address Learning Outcome 8, but some projects may have related aspects including societal and ethical standards. The committee agreed that having a question on project surveys would help to determine which MQPs included global and intercultural learning components. The committee is excited to work on formulating the question in D-term!

5. The meeting adjourned at 1:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Arnold, C-Term Secretary