JEDI Committee Via WebEx February 6, 2023

1. Attendance

- a. Present: Rebecca Bacher, Mona Lucas, Chuarong (Cindy) Zhang, Micah Heumann, Diandra Prescod, Inge Marie Eigsti, Greg Reilly, Sarah Willen
- b. Absent: Caitlin Elsaesser, Kristen Govoni, Jennifer Pascal, Margaret Rubega, Cinnamon Adams, Taaseen Khan, Makenzie Robinson, Stephany Santos, Audrey Silva, Frank Tuitt

2. Review of December 2023 Meeting Minutes

- a. There were two presentations given at the December 2023 Meeting.
 - i. The first presentation was about the role of cultural centers at UConn.
 - ii. The second presentation was about reaffirming UConn's commitment to diversity in admissions.
- b. December 2023 Meeting Minutes approved.

3. Update on Anti-Black Racism Course

- a. Wrote a proposal in the Fall 2022 semester, and presented the proposal to the Senate Executive Committee on January 20, 2023.
- b. The proposal will be an amendment to the Senate Bylaws under section 2 rules and regulations.
- c. The Senate Executive Committee gave feedback based on different categories:
 - i. How does the course fit in the general education structure?
 - 1. Currently, the course will not fit into the new general education structure.
 - 2. This will result in credit requirements/structure.
 - ii. Forecast Analysis
 - 1. A 1 credit course that will be at the 1 credit cost.
 - 2. Originally the course was going to be no charge, but it could cause issues with student financial aid if students took a required no-credit course for no cost.
 - iii. How is the course going to be graded?
 - iv. How is the course going to be audited?
 - v. Course oversight/management
 - 1. The course will be taught by instructors from different municipal disciplines.
- d. There will be a possibility of waving the course, however there will be no other course that will fulfill this requirement.
- e. The grading scheme will be based on how the instructor wants to grade the class.

4. Graduate Student Experience in Research Survey

- a. Kent Holsinger will be joining in the March 2023 meeting to discuss this survey. The discussion will be focused around campus climate.
 - i. Holsinger will be open to feedback about the survey.

- b. Feedback/Suggestions about survey:
 - i. GS 1210, Page 35 (disabilities question) does not offer the option "to not disclose".
 - ii. In the section about intimidating and hostile work environments, could it add a statement item about where to report this?
 - iii. Add a question about demographics
 - On page 16 about how students are receiving instruction, would it be useful to be more specific about how students are receiving online learning (synchronous vs. asynchronous)
 - v. There is a disconnect between the topics of COVID-19 vs. non-COVID topics
- c. Continue to look at this and post the questions in Teams.