**ASCC Themes 2 Panel**

Approved Minutes

Tuesday, January 31, 2023 10:30AM – 12:00PM

CarmenZoom

**Attendees:**  Cody, Hadad, Kogan, Nagar, Parsons, Putikka, Steele, Tanner, Vankeerbergen

**Agenda:**

1. Approval of 1-17-23 minutes
	* Kogan, Nagar; **unanimously approved**
2. Public Health 3411 (new course requesting GEN Theme: Health and Wellbeing) (return) (FULLY APPROVED BY TAG, NEEDS ASCC THEMES VOTE)
	* Themes Panel: Health and Wellbeing
		+ *The Panel recommends that the syllabus feature the most current mental health statement (found on pages 7-8 of the document). The up-to-date language is available here:* [*https://asccas.osu.edu/curriculum/syllabus-elements*](https://asccas.osu.edu/curriculum/syllabus-elements)
		+ Parsons, Hadad; **unanimously approved** with *one (1) recommendation*
3. History 3580 (existing course with GE Historical Study & Diversity-Global Studies; requesting GEN Theme Traditions, Cultures, and Transformations)
	* Theme Advisory Group: Traditions, Cultures, and Transformations
		+ The reviewing faculty ask that the GE Form provide more specificity re: how the proposed assignments and readings for the course will engage with the Goals and ELOs for the Traditions, Cultures, and Transformations theme.
		+ **No Vote**
	* Themes Panel: Traditions, Cultures, and Transformations
		+ The Themes Panel echoes the above concerns of the Theme Advisory Group — and also encourage the department to address the theme of Traditions, Cultures, and Transformations more fully and holistically throughout the syllabus. In particular, the reviewing faculty note that the assignments’ implicit connections to the TCT theme could be made more explicit.
		+ On the first page of the syllabus, the reviewing faculty request that the department revise and remove the language stating the course “fulfills” the Traditions, Cultures, and Transformations theme, as this could prove confusing to students. The reviewing faculty in turn recommend possible alternative phrasings such as “counts toward” or “is approved as.”
		+ Page 7 of the syllabus features the Newark counseling statement, but this is a Columbus campus course. The reviewing faculty recommend amending the counseling statement accordingly, which can be found here: <https://asccas.osu.edu/curriculum/syllabus-elements>
		+ The reviewing faculty note that the course grading policy (found on page 9 of the document) does not include +/- designations; since this is not typical of an OSU course, they recommend including a statement explaining this fact in the syllabus to avoid student confusion.
		+ The reviewing faculty offer a friendly reminder that the DL version of this course should also be updated to reflect the revisions/additions made to this in-person version of the syllabus so that both provide parallel levels of engagement with the TCT theme.
		+ **No Vote**