**ASCC Themes I Subcommittee**

Approved Minutes

Wednesday, March 27th, 2024 2:00-3:30 PM

CarmenZoom

**Attendees**: Andridge, Daly, Downing, Fredal, Neff, Palazzi, Rehbeck, Steele, Tanner, Vankeerbergen

**Agenda:**

1. Approval of 2/28/24 minutes
	1. Rehbeck, Palazzi; unanimously approved.
2. History 3251 (existing course with GEL Historical Study; requesting GEN Theme: Traditions, Cultures, and Transformations) (return) (FULLY APPROVED BY THEMES SUBCOMMITTEE; TAG NEEDS TO VOTE)
	1. TAG
		1. *Recommendation*: The Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee recently (03-01-2024) updated the list of required syllabus statements for all syllabi to include a new statement on religious accommodations. The new version of this required statement is a result of a directive by the Executive Vice President and Provost and can be found here on the [ASC Curriculum and Assessment Services website.](https://asccas.osu.edu/submission/development/submission-materials/syllabus-elements) The reviewing faculty thank you for adding this statement to your course syllabus.
		2. Unanimously approved with *one recommendation* (in italics above).
3. Scandinavian 3350 (existing course with GEL Literature and GEL Diversity—Global Studies; requesting GEN Theme Traditions, Cultures, and Transformations) (return) (FULLY APPROVED BY TAG; SUBCOMMITTEE NEEDS TO VOTE)
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		2. Palazzi, Andridge; unanimously approved with **one contingency** (in bold above).
4. English 3361 (existing course with GEL Literature; requesting GEN Theme Health and Wellbeing) (return)
	1. TAG
		1. Unanimously approved.
	2. Themes
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		2. Rehbeck, Andridge; unanimously approved with **one contingency** (in bold above).
5. WGSS 2325 (existing course previously approved for 100% DL; requesting GEN Theme Health and Wellbeing) (return)
	1. TAG
		1. Unanimously approved
	2. Themes
		1. **Contingency:** The Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee recently (03-01-2024) updated the list of required syllabus statements for all syllabi to include a new statement on religious accommodations. The new version of this required statement is a result of a directive by the Executive Vice President and Provost and can be found here on the [ASC Curriculum and Assessment Services website.](https://asccas.osu.edu/submission/development/submission-materials/syllabus-elements) The reviewing faculty thank you for replacing the previous statement found on pgs. 10-11 of the syllabus.
		2. *Recommendation:* The reviewing faculty recommend removing the word “synchronous” from the description of the course meetings (syllabus pg. 2 under “How This Course Works – Mode of Delivery”), as this word implies online instruction and may confuse students about the course’s mode of delivery.
		3. *Recommendation*: The reviewing faculty recommend that the department use the most recent version of the Mental Health Statement (syllabus, pg. 9), as the name and phone number of the Suicide/Crisis hotline have changed. The updated statement can be found in an easy-to-copy/paste format on the [ASCCAS website.](https://asccas.osu.edu/submission/development/submission-materials/syllabus-elements)
		4. Rehbeck, Andridge; unanimously approved with **one contingency** (in bold above) and *two recommendations* (in italics above).
6. Kinesiology:Spt Indsty Spt Mgt 3100 (new course requesting GEN Theme Lived Environments) (return) (FULLY APPROVED BY TAG; SUBCOMMITTEE NEEDS TO VOTE)
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		1. **Contingency**: Changes in University policies recently (03-01-2024) required the Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee to update the list of required syllabus statements for all syllabi to include a new statement on religious accommodations. The new version is a result of a directive by the Executive Vice President and Provost and can be found here on the [ASC Curriculum and Assessment Services website.](https://asccas.osu.edu/submission/development/submission-materials/syllabus-elements) The reviewing faculty thank you replacing the previous statement found on pg. 8 of the syllabus.
		2. *Recommendation:* The reviewing faculty recommend that the department consider removing the ELO column from the chart on pgs. 5-6 of the syllabus. While they appreciate the detail provided for the faculty reviewers, they note that this column may make the table more difficult for students to digest.
		3. Rehbeck, Andridge; unanimously approved with **one contingency** (in bold above) and *one recommendation* (in italics above).