

ANTHROPOLOGY 597.05: THE GLOBAL FOOD CRISIS

CONCURRENCE:

I have already sought concurrence with the three departments on campus I thought would most likely offer coursework on similar topics covered in this proposed course.

Those department were:

1. The Department of Agricultural, Environmental, and Development Economics:

Contact: Dr. Douglas Southgate

2. Geography

Contact: Dr. Becky Mansfield

3. Human Nutrition

Contact: Dr. Earl Harrison

The email correspondence is documented below. As you can see Geography has already given concurrence. Dr. Southgate in the department of Agriculture, Environmental, and Development Economics has also agreed to write a letter of concurrence – although I have not yet received it. I never received a response from the Human Nutrition Department.

1. THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS: EMAIL CORRESPONDANCE (DR. DOUGLAS SOUTHGATE)

From: Barbara Piperata [mailto:piperata.1@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, April 13, 2009 2:28 PM

To: Douglas Southgate

*Subject: Seeking concurrence - Global Food Crisis - PIPERATA Dept Anthropology
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Dear Doug,

Please find attached a revised syllabus for the Honors course "The Global Food Crisis" which was selected by the committee last year. I attached our last correspondence below - as it has been some time since we last spoke. I revised the syllabus to minimize overlap with the two courses taught in your department. I have expanded section II on impacts which now includes an evolutionary dimension, I also revamped the whole first 1/3 where much of the overlap was. This first section is now focused around a new textbook on environmental history which should provide the students with a good overview of where we are and how we got here and at the same time minimizes overlap with the courses taught in your department. I hope that after reviewing it you would be willing to write a letter of concurrence.

Thank you for your help. The syllabi you sent were extremely useful.

Best,

Barbara

*Douglas Southgate to hitzhusen.1, kraybill.1, me
show details Apr 17 (1 day ago) Reply*

Hi, Barbara.

Sorry about taking so long to get back to you. After discussing the course you're proposing with Fred Hitzhusen and David Kraybill, I've decided to write a brief letter of concurrence. I'll send it electronically later today.

Doug

**2. GEOGRPAHY:
EMAIL CORRESPNDANCE (DR. BECKY MANSFIELD)**

On Fri, Nov 21, 2008 at 1:48 PM, Barbara Piperata <piperata.1@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Becky,

My name is Barbara Piperata and I am an assitant professeor in anthropology. I submitted a course to the honors department as part of this years new course competition and while I have not received word regarding a decision yet, I wanted to pass the syllabus on to your department for concurrence. Kendra McSweeney suggested I send the syllabus to you to begin this process. The course is titled "the global food crisis" and its goal is to introduce students to the issue, the multi-faceted causes of the problem, the consequences it is having on human populations around the world and the importance/usefulness of an interdisciplinary approach for coming up with solutions.

If I have made an error and need to send this to another person in your department please let me know.

I look forward to hearing from you and am happy to discuss the course with you if you have any questions.

Best,

Barbara

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*date*Mon, Nov 24, 2008 at 4:18 PM
*subject*Re: seeking concurrence
*mailed-by*gmail.com

Dear Barbara,

I am happy to offer concurrence from the Department of Geography on this course. We do not offer any courses specifically on food in our department, though we do cover issues related to food and global agriculture in courses such as 210 (Physical Geography and Environmental Issues) and 635 (Globalization and Environment). I think the proposed course would be an excellent complement to the material covered in these courses. It would also complement more general knowledge students gain in two of our specializations: Environment and Society, and Urban, Regional, and Global Studies. I could certainly imagine advising a range of geography majors to consider the course to satisfy their GEC requirements.

Thanks for sending the proposal to us for consideration.

Becky
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**3. HUMAN NUTRITION:
EMAIL CORRESPONDANCE: (DR. EARL HARRISON)**

*from*Barbara Piperata <piperata.1@gmail.com>
*to*eharrison@ehe.osu.edu

*date*Fri, Nov 21, 2008 at 3:19 PM
*subject*seeking concurrence
*mailed-by*gmail.com

Dear Dr. Harrison,

My name is Barbara Piperata and I am an assistant professor in anthropology. I submitted a course to the honors department as part of this year's new course competition and while I have not received word regarding a decision yet, I wanted to pass the syllabus on to your department for concurrence. The course is titled "the global food crisis" and its goal is to introduce students to the issue, the multi-faceted causes of the problem, the consequences for human populations around the world and the importance/usefulness of an interdisciplinary approach for coming up with solutions.

If I have made an error and need to send this to another person in your department please let me know.

I look forward to hearing from you and am more than happy to discuss any questions you may have.

Best,

Barbara

(NOTE: I NEVER RECEIVED A RESPONSE FOR THE HUMAN NUTRITION DEPARTMENT)