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Dear Bebe,

Thanks so much for the very good news about the A&H curricular approval of the Sexuality Studies Major proposal. We thank you and the committee for your careful attention to our proposal and for your support.

We will certainly be happy to continue the conversation with the CCI about courses that should or might be included as part of the Major. The 50% guide was actually required of us by the SBS Curriculum Committee 8 years ago when we proposed the Sexuality Studies Minor, and it has served us well in terms of giving the program coherence, which has to be a major concern for us since once we include topics such as family in a course offered by one department, we open the door to much of the curriculum of other departments or colleges such as Human Development and Family Science or Social Work.

We will keep seeking courses in the social sciences and elsewhere that might be relevant to the Major or Minor, including those you list below. Indeed, since we turned in the proposal, we have been approached by Jennifer Evans-Cowley in City and Regional Planning (Knowlton School of Architecture) who is developing a course on sex in the city (i.e. governmental regulation of sexually-oriented businesses). We hope that once the course is formally approved by the various curricular committees, we will be able to make it a central course for both the Major and the Minor. In short, we're building another list of courses that we might add to the Major and/or Minor at a future date.

Thanks again for the good news and the committee's timely and thoughtful attention to the proposal.

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Dear Debra,

The Arts & Humanities subcommittee met this week and unanimously approved the new Sexualities Studies Major. It will be discussed at the Interdisciplinary Studies meeting this week as

well.

We did have some concerns that we'd like considered. These are suggestions that might merit further discussion with the full CCI, but they are not contingencies:

- In the list of electives we assume that the proposers have looked into including more social science and science courses. More existing courses may not be on hand at present but, as they become available, please consider including them in the future.

- The cover letter specifies that electives will only be considered if 50% of course content, discussions, and assignments address sexuality. If proposers would consider changing the 50% rule, some information that is not explicitly about sexuality may still be excellent preparation for a sexuality studies major. Courses such as the following would warrant inclusion in the list:
 - o Sociology 635 "Men in Society."
 - o History 528 "History of Love." (The Subcommittee is aware that the cover letter explains that this course is not included in the major because sexuality is not a prominent element. Still, this course seems to fit in the context of the major and should be considered.)
 - o Sociology 430 "Sociology of the Family"

Congratulations on an exciting and well structured new major program!

Yours,

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