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**Subject:** Sciences CCI Subcommittee: ASC 314.01 E-vote Result  
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Dear Sciences CCI Subcommittee Members—

Thank you all for responding to the e-vote request. Though several of you are concerned about the credit hour issue, it would seem that you all have approved (or are inclined to approve) the course as such. In my interpretation of your responses, I am lining up with Jim Fredal who in his e-mail says, "I sense that folks are not asking them to revise this down to two credits (approval with contingency) but just voting to approve the proposal without change." Therefore, I will advance this course as approved--except if I should hear otherwise from this subcommittee (or one of its members). If you'd like to add something to the discussion (or think your vote has been misunderstood) please let me know in the next couple of days.

I am here pasting all of your responses:

1. In view of the numerous supporting letters, I am inclined to vote

(1) approved.

I do however wonder whether it is appropriate for this to be a 3 credit course. The content seems somewhat thin when I compare it to 3-credit courses offered by our department, for example. I would feel more comfortable if it were a 1- or 2-credit course, e.g. 2 quarter credits, and then 1 semester credit.

I would appreciate hearing other opinions before casting my official vote.

2. I agree with Ron—it does seem a little weak on content for 3 credits. Otherwise, I would also vote to approve.
3. I would move to approve following the letters of concurrence. I do not think the course is equivalent to 3 credits based on content. I think most of the tasks will be accomplished in less time than the estimations provided. Also, there are similar courses at other universities (although offered at a higher level), which are often only 2 credits (quarter) or 1 credit (semester), but with enhanced content.
4. I agree that 3 credits is a bit high, but I vote in favor if the letters of concurrence are in place.
5. I vote to approve, and I echo the concerns about the credits.
6. I vote to approve.

7. If I recall correctly, the three credit issue came up the last time we reviewed it, and that comment was included in the letter. But I sense that folks are not asking them to revise this down to two credits (approval with contingency) but just voting to approve the proposal without change. The issue may be that at three credits, they could argue to convert the course to two semester credits, whereas a one or two credit quarter course would convert to one (not likely two) semester credits. I'm a little concerned about this, too, but if everyone else approves at three credits, then I'll draft a letter for the full CCI.
8. I vote yes and am ok with 3 hours.

Best,  
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**Subject:** E-vote: Sciences CCI Subcommittee: ASC 314.01 "Online Research and the Science Literature"

Dear Sciences CCI Subcommittee Members—

Professor Dobson has sent us additional documents in support of his course, ASC 314.01 "Online Research and the Science Literature."

Attached you will find an e-mail in which Jim Fredal was asking for additional information regarding his proposed course. In response to this request, Daniel Dotson has submitted 5 letters of support and one document explaining the rationale behind the credit hours request. Here is the link to all the information: <http://crmtview.asc.ohio-state.edu/currofc/tracking.cfm?TrackingID=2243>

The six new documents are posted at the bottom of webpage (they all have the date 1-05-2011).

After you have familiarized yourself with the new documents, please cast your vote. We'll proceed as follows: **reply to ALL** and tell us clearly whether ASC 314.01 is (1) **approved**, (2) **approved with**

**contingency**, or (3) **sent back**. If you need to add an explanation, *make sure to differentiate (1) contingencies (i.e., changes that must occur before the course can move forward) from (2) mere recommendations/suggestions.*

E-voting period will **end this Wednesday, January 12 at 12:00PM (noon).**

Please let me know if you have any questions.

All the best,  
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