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Hello Sue,

On Tuesday, October 1, the ASC Arts and Humanities Panel reviewed two new course proposals for Philosophy 3430 and Philosophy 1337 (with GE Cultures and Ideas).

- Philosophy 3430: *unanimously approved*:
  - Recommendations:
    - Make clear where readings will be (book or Carmen?).
    - Clarify attendance policy. How many absences are acceptable before grade changes—not just state when student fails.

The course will next move on to the full ASCC for a 2-weeks comment period.

- Philosophy 1337: the Panel did not take a vote on this course but would like the following points to be addressed first:
  - GE assessment plan is not GE-specific. The explanations are more about the broad course goals than the GE. For example, “ethics” (mentioned several times in the plan) is not a concept that appears as such in the two expected learning outcomes of GE Cultures and Ideas. It does, however, appear in the course title (ethical theory is the topic of the course) and in the second stated *course* goal (bottom of syllabus p. 1). The GE assessment plan should specifically be about the GE aspect of the course--which is not the same as course assessment. Clearly link GE expected learning outcome # 1 to direct and/or indirect assessment methods. Then do the same for expected learning outcome #2.
  - Clarify when readings are due. P. 2 of syllabus: “Students are expected to complete reading assignments on a topic *before* the class session covering that topic.” The passage “*before* the class session” should be replaced by “before the week” (since at this point the schedule ties readings to weeks, not class sessions). Alternatively, make schedule of readings more specific (tie readings with specific class sessions).

I will return 1337 via curriculum.osu.edu to enable the department to make the changes.

Should you have any questions about this feedback, please do not hesitate to contact Richard Fletcher, Chair of the ASCC A&H Panel (cc'd on this e-mail), or me.

Best,  
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