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Subject: Political Science 4250, 4920, and 4123
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Dear Charles,

On Thursday, December 5, the SBS Panel of the ASCC reviewed new course proposals for Political Science 4250 (also requesting GE Social Science—Organizations and Politics & GE Diversity—Global Studies), 4920, and 4123 (also requesting GE Social Science—Organizations and Politics).

- Political Science 4250:
The course was *unanimously approved* with one recommendation: When the course is offered, add GE goals on syllabus. The Expected Learning Outcomes are already included, but the goals need to be included as well.
- Political Science 4920:
The course was *unanimously approved* with one recommendation: When the course is offered, include due dates for assignments in schedule. For example, no date is currently given for final paper in syllabus.
- Political Science 4123:
The course was approved with 3 recommendations and 1 contingency:
 - Recommendations:
 - Syllabus p. 2: includes an incomplete goal for GE Social Science and does not say which GE Social Science subcategory is requested.
 - Schedule: Weeks 14 & 15 list student presentations. However, these are not referenced elsewhere in the syllabus. What are these presentations? (They may be the presentations of the political strategy memos, but this is not explained anywhere.) Do these presentations count as part of the grade?
 - What is the due date for the political strategy memo? It would be useful to include it in the schedule.
 - Contingency: GE Assessment plan should be focused on learning outcomes of requested GE categories, not on course goals. GE Assessment Plan submitted for Political Science 4250 might be a good example to look at. It matters that the GE assessment plan for the GE Expected Learning outcomes (for both requested GE categories) be in place because the faculty member will need to implement this plan once the course is approved.

I will return Political Science 4123 via curriculum.osu.edu in a minute to enable the department to make the necessary changes. (Please note that the requested GE Historical Study status has not been reviewed yet. This request is within the purview of the Arts and Humanities Panel. Once the revised course comes back to us from the Department, we will submit it to the Arts and Humanities Panel.)

Should you have any questions about this feedback, please feel free to contact Tom Schwartz (Chair of the SBS Panel), or me.

My best,
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