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Dear Rachel,

On Friday, February 21, the Arts and Humanities Panel of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed course requests for Spanish 5501 and 2798.30.

The Panel did not take a vote on Spanish 5501 as the proposal was deemed too broad. Assistant Dean Heysel will contact the Department with information on how to best resubmit the proposal. Meanwhile, I will return the course request via curriculum.osu.edu.

Spanish 2798.30 was unanimously approved as a new course. The GE Education Abroad request was not discussed; this will be the purview of the GE Education Abroad ad-hoc Panel, which will review the course next. The Arts and Humanities Panel did have a brief discussion about the requested credit hours. According to the guidelines, 12.5 hours of formalized instruction equal 1 semester credit hour. That means that the 45 hrs of class/lecture contact (p. 4 of syllabus) equal 3.6 semester credit hours. Furthermore, the instructions indicate that 25 hours of "required or structured educational experiences, not conducted by an approved instructor" equal 1 semester credit hour. If the "80 hrs of experiential/site/trip contact" (p. 4 of syllabus) are indeed educational experiences as described in the guidelines, that amounts to 3.2 semester credit hours. Thus, all in all, this trip would really be worth 6.8 semester credit hours. (Please compare the 3 credit hours requested to the amount of work.) As indicated above, this course will be advanced to the GE Education Abroad Ad-hoc Panel. The latter Panel has much experience with credit allocation evaluation for study abroad courses. Should they deem it necessary, the GE Education Abroad Ad-hoc Panel may request that the Department make some changes to the credit hours.

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

My best,
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