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Dear Amy,

On Friday, March 28, the Social and Behavioral Sciences of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed proposals to add GE status to Public Health 2010, 2410, and 3310.

Please find below the feedback of the Panel:

Public Health 2010 (request to add GE Social Science—Individuals and Groups & GE Diversity—Global Studies): unanimously approved.

- Justification for both GE categories is strong.
- *Recommendations for syllabus when course is taught:*
  - Add D and E in grading scale.
  - Write statement about disability services in 16-point font.
  - On p. 2 of syllabus, after the GE goals and expected learning outcomes add a statement/paragraph explaining how the course will fulfill the stated expected learning outcomes.

Provided that the course is subsequently approved all the way to the Office of the Registrar's, Public Health 2010 will become a GE course in Spring 2015. Please know that the GE assessment plan will need to be implemented each time Public Health 2010 is offered and GE data gathered. After the second offering of the course, the Unit will be asked to submit an initial report summarizing GE assessment results of those first two offerings (following the format of sections I and II of the Assessment Report Requirement in Appendix 6 of the ASC Curriculum and Assessment Operations Manual [p. 75] [https://asccas.osu.edu/sites/asccas.osu.edu/files/ASC\\_CurrAssess\\_Operations\\_Manual.pdf](https://asccas.osu.edu/sites/asccas.osu.edu/files/ASC_CurrAssess_Operations_Manual.pdf)). Our program assistant Danielle Hogle (hogle.12) can help the Unit with any aspect of the GE assessment requirement. She will also make sure to contact the Unit before the course is offered and provide any assistance that the faculty member(s) may need. Could you please communicate this information to the faculty member(s) who will be teaching the course?

The course request will next advance to the full ASC Curriculum Committee for the standard 2-weeks comments period.

Public Health 2410 (request to add GE Social Science—Individuals and Groups): not approved

- The course does not meet the expected learning outcomes for a GE Social Science—Individual and Groups course. It is not clear how the course is a social science course; the readings, assignments, and topics are not social science-related.

Public Health 3310 (request to add GE Diversity—Global Studies): the panel did not take a vote on the course but would like the following points to be addressed first.

- The topics provided in the course schedule are foremost process topics. Please provide

more evidence/specific examples of how the GE Diversity--Global Studies (its expected learning outcomes) is covered in some of those words. Indeed, words like “biological agents”, “chemical agents”, “climate change” and others do not show how the course will focus on Global Studies. Will that aspect be addressed in the readings? Will global experts be brought in the classroom? Please explain.

- Syllabus: top of page 3: The paragraph that combines reworded GE learning outcomes and course goals needs to be replaced by the standard (boilerplate) GE goals and expected learning outcomes for GE Diversity—Global Studies. Underneath that, please provide a short statement on how those learning outcomes for the GE will be met. Course goals can be stated elsewhere in the syllabus but should be separate from GE language.
- The GE assessment plan has a note 3 that refers to an Appendix C; however, that Appendix C is not provided.

I will return Public Health 2410 and 3310 via curriculum.osu.edu in a minute.

Should you have any questions about this feedback, please do not hesitate to contact Prof. Tom Schwartz (Chair of the SBS Panel; cc'd on this e-mail), or me.

Best regards,  
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