From: Vankeerbergen, Bernadette
To: "Baker, Paula"; Bowerman, Ashley
Cc: Heysel, Garett; Fletcher, Richard
Subject: History 2720 and 4798.02
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Dear Paula and Ashley,

On Friday, April 18, the Arts and Humanities Panel looked at two new course requests for History 2720 and 4798.02. Please find below the feedback of the Panel:

- 1. History 2720 (new course; requesting GE Historical Study):
- The Panel did not formally review this course yet; it is first necessary for the Department of
  History to obtain concurrences from the following units: (1) Astronomy, (2) Anthropology,
  (3) EEOB, and (4) CFAES.
- 2. <u>History 4798.02 (new course; requesting GE Historical Study and GE Diversity—Global Studies)</u>:
- The Panel did not formally review this course yet; it is first necessary for the Department of History to obtain a concurrence from the Department of East Asian Languages and Literatures.
- As indicated above, the Panel did not formally review this course. However, a few feedback comments were made so far, and it would be beneficial for the Department of History to take these into consideration before resubmitting the proposal:
  - Is this course requesting GE Education Abroad or not? Form in curriculum.osu.edu
    does not indicate so and there is no mention of this GE status anywhere else in the
    proposal except for p. 2 of the syllabus that says, "History 4798.02 may also satisfy
    the 2 open options for the GE as well as the Education Abroad Open Option GE."
  - Prereq on the form seems to be the standard prereq for all 4000-level History courses:
     "Prereq or concur: Any 3000-level History course, and English 1110.xx; or permission
     of instructor." Note that anyone who has already taken a 3000-level History has
     already fulfilled one or two GE Historical Study GE requirements. Furthermore, p. 2 of
     the syllabus lists what seems to be another prereq: "All students are expected to have
     prepared for this three-week (sic) study tour by having taken at least one Humanities
     course in Chinese studies (History or DEALL) on the OSU campus in advance..."
  - If the course is approved for GE status, how will GE assessment happen since students take classes at East China Normal University (with presumably non-OSU faculty)? This point should be addressed in the GE assessment plan for the course.

I will return the courses via curriculum.osu.edu in a minute to enable the Department to address the points above.

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.

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