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Subject: RE: History 2797.02 and 3798.03
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Dear Paula,

Janice Aski, Chair of the Arts and Humanities Panel (here cc'd), has looked over the revision for History 3798.03. Many thanks to the faculty member for the changes to the content. There are just a few points that will need additional clarification.

- Panel would like a more detailed description of how assessment of GE Historical Study and GE Diversity—Global Studies will take place in the context of this study abroad experience.
- Please remove list of prereqs on p. 2 of syllabus. Prereq information on syllabus should match information on form in curriculum.osu.edu (which information will end up in course catalog). The list of possible alternate prereqs on the syllabus might confuse students.
- The Department of History has previously indicated that this course is not requesting GE Education Abroad. However, GE Education Abroad language has been added to the syllabus in the latest revision. Please remove that passage if course does not request GE Education Abroad. If course does after all request that status, please indicated so on the form in curriculum.osu.edu and provide GE rationale and GE assessment plan for that additional category.

I am cc'ing Janice in case she would like to clarify some of the information above.

I will return the course via curriculum.osu.edu in a minute.

Best,
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From: Vankeerbergen, Bernadette
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To: Baker, Paula; Bowerman, Ashley
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Dear Paula and Ashley,

On October 24, the Arts and Humanities Panel of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed requests for two new courses: History 2797.02 (with GE Historical Study) and 3798.03 (with GE Historical Study and GE Diversity—Global Studies). Please find below the feedback of the Panel:

- History 2797.02 (new course; requesting GE Historical Study)

The Panel did not take a vote on the course but would like the following points to be addressed first:

- How is GE assessment going to happen since the course is taught by non-OSU faculty? OSU faculty member seems to be a resident director.
- P. 4 of the syllabus mentions 2 pre-departure assignments. However, the daily schedule for the course only starts in-country. Please include schedule of pre-departure academic sessions with all relevant information. Will the group presentations indeed take place upon return to Ohio? If so, this post program activity needs to be included in the schedule for the course. Likewise the credit hour rationale only addresses the in-country part of the course. Academic pre- and post-trip sessions should be reflected in the credit hour rationale as well.
- The break-down of percentages / assignments is different on p. 4 of syllabus and p. 2 of credit hour rationale. Please reconcile both documents.
- Recommendation: *Form in curriculum.osu.edu should not say “independent study” for “Course Components” and “Grade Roster Component.” This is probably more a lecture and/or field experience course.*

The Panel kindly asks that when the Department of History resubmits the course, the changes be highlighted in a different color so that the Panel can easily see the changes made to the documents.

- History 3798.03 (new course; requesting GE Historical Study and GE Diversity—Global Studies)

The Panel approved the course with 6 contingencies & one recommendation listed below:

Contingencies:

- P. 2 of syllabus: Remove prereq that at least one Humanities course in Chinese studies (History or DEALL) needs to be have been taken on the OSU campus prior to departure. Indeed this is not a prereq stated on the form in curriculum.osu.edu. This statement is also repeated on p. 6.
- P. 6: Unclear why statement about grades refers to “undergraduates and non-History graduate students” since this is not a graduate course.
- How will assessment for both the GE Historical Study and the GE Diversity—

Global Studies categories be done since no OSU instructor will be involved in the actual teaching of the course? OSU faculty seems to be more a resident director.

- Panel unclear how this History course will address years between now and 2050.
- Panel needs list of readings. There is a statement on p. 6 of the syllabus: "See the 'List of Projected Possible Readings' attached to this syllabus." However, this list is not attached to the syllabus.
- Request to provide more detailed descriptions of the assignments: what assignments entail; their lengths and format; information about possible in-class quizzes; how much reading will be required on what days etc.

Recommendation:

- Form in curriculum.osu.edu should not say "independent study" for "Course Components" and "Grade Roster Component." This is probably more a lecture and/or field experience course.

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If you have any questions about this feedback, please feel free to contact Janice Aski (Chair of the Arts and Humanities Panel; cc'd here), or me.

My best,
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