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Subject: Revision Communication PhD
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Dear Professor Slater,

On Monday, Oct. 19, the Social and Behavioral Sciences Panel of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed a proposal to revised the Communication PhD.

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

- Clarify the changes in the proposal. Readers not part of SOC and already thoroughly familiar with the structure of the PhD have a hard time understanding some of the changes: e.g., Comm 6763 (number of course is never given) is dropped and replaced with elective; some Panel members thought 3 credit “course” taught in May term is dropped altogether (whereas it would appear that the 3 credits dissertation exam just takes place another semester).
- Provide current description of the PhD program (Panel downloaded this sheet for the meeting <http://www.comm.ohio-state.edu/images/stories/PhDnew2.pdf> to try to understand the current structure of the PhD) and provide a revised advising sheet.
- Will the requested changes take effect Autumn 2016? Please clarify in proposal.
- The credit change for Comm 6500 should actually be submitted. Right now, the course change request for Comm 6500 is in the dept queue in curriculum.osu.edu (i.e., has not been advanced). It appears this course change will need to be reviewed by the Panel at the same time as the PhD program change—therefore, it should be advanced via curriculum.osu.edu.

Should you have any questions about the feedback above, please feel free to contact Professor Pok-sang Lam (Chair of the SBS Panel; cc’d on this message), or me.

Please know that your colleague David Ewoldsen is a voting member of the SBS Panel. It might be a good idea to consult with him before resubmitting the proposal.

Best regards,
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