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Subject: Russian 7150 and 8150
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Dear Alex,

On Tuesday, January 26, the Arts and Humanities Panel of the ASCC reviewed proposals for the following two new courses: Russian 7150 and 8150. Please find below the votes and feedback of the Panel:

- Russian 7150: unanimously approved with three contingencies and one comment/recommendation
 - Contingencies:
 - Short course description on the form in curriculum.osu.edu does not seem to satisfactorily reflect what is happening in the course. That is especially the case for the part about lesson planning.
 - Readings: It is not clear how readings are provided. What kinds of readings are these? Same questions for the movies, programs, and songs. How do the readings, films, etc fit into the discussions?
 - Both the course form in curriculum.osu.edu and the syllabus mention that the course is variable 1-2 credits. How does one take the course for 2 credits since the syllabus includes contacts hours for 1 credit? Also, the form in curriculum.osu.edu indicates that the course can be taken up to 16 credits. However, are graduate students actually able to take the course for 16 credits in their degree?
 - Comment/recommendation:
 - This is an S/U course, which is not the same as Pass/Fail (as indicated on the syllabus). The syllabus should be corrected before the course is taught. S/U is an actual marking system approved for everyone in the course. (This happens when the course is approved as a new course.) On the other hand, students who wish to take a letter graded course for Pass/Fail need to request permission from their instructor to do this.

- Russian 8150: unanimously approved with two comments/recommendations, namely
 - Same comment about Pass/Fail as above.
 - Attendance policy:
 - Mentions that “[m]ultiple unexcused absences will result in a FAIL.” Please define better what “multiple” means. Use quantifiable information. What one person understands as “multiple” might mean something else to another person.
 - Reference to “Slavic 8150.” This course does not currently exist.

I will return Russian 7150 via curriculum.osu.edu in a minute to enable the department to address

the Panel's feedback. As for Russian 8150, I will advance it to the next level.

Should you have any questions about the feedback above, please feel free to contact Robert Derr (Acting Chair for the Panel this past Tuesday), or me.

My best,
Bernadette

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