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Subject: RE: Russian 7150 and 8150
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Dear Alex,

We have received a revision for Russian 7150, which course was approved with contingency by the Arts and Humanities Panel on January 26 (see original feedback in e-mail below). The revised submission has been reviewed by Janice Aski.

At this point, there are still some aspects of the contingencies listed below that need clarification. Specifically,

- Second bullet point below. Information about how the readings and other materials (films, songs etc) will be provided has been added in the revised syllabus. However, Panel also wanted to know what kinds of readings, movies, programs, songs, etc will be used. Please include samples of possible readings, movie excerpts, programs, songs etc.
- Third bullet point below. The revised syllabus explains the difference between the 1 and 2 hr version of the course. It is now clear that Russian 7150 will be taken for only 1 credit if the graduate students only needs the professionalization part of the course. Is there any specific schedule of activities for the professionalization hour? (Indeed the weekly schedule presented in the syllabus only pertains for the language maintenance activities.) Furthermore, if students only attend the team meetings, how is grade attributed? Is grade solely based on participation? Conversely, could it be that some students will only register for one hour of language maintenance without doing the professionalization part? In that case, what happens to the 20% for attendance and participation in class and the 50% for the round table/topic discussion? Do these become 35% and 65% respectively? Finally, the point about whether students can use the course up to 16 hrs in their degree is not answered.

Please let Janice or me know if you have any questions about this.

I will return Russian 7150 one more time via curriculum.osu.edu.

My best,
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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.

- o 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.

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