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**Subject:** New Freshman Seminar "High and Low? Art and Popular Culture"  
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Professor Flinn,

On Tuesday, April 26, the Arts and Humanities Panel of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed a proposal for a new freshman seminar "High and Low? Art and Popular Culture."

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

- Please request concurrences from (1) Film Studies and (2) Department of English (they have a minor in Popular Culture). Contact person for Film Studies is Ryan Friedman (Director; [friedman.193@osu.edu](mailto:friedman.193@osu.edu)) and contact person for English is Debra Modellmog (Chair; [modellmog.1@osu.edu](mailto:modellmog.1@osu.edu)).
- Panel thinks that the workload for a one-hour freshman seminar is heavy: ten paragraph-long responses and a five-page analytical paper, five movies, five comics, two film screenings and two visits to museums. The guidelines issues by the Ohio Department of Higher Education indicate that for every hour of formalized instruction students should work an average of two hours at out-of-class assignments.

Should you have any questions about the feedback of the Panel, please feel free to contact/discuss possible revisions with Janice Aski, faculty Chair of the Arts and Humanities Panel (cc'd here), or me.

The Panel encourages you to resubmit by mid-May if the intent is to offer the seminar in Autumn 2016. If the resubmission is received after that, the Panel will, of course, review it but cannot guarantee that the seminar can be offered in Autumn 2016.

Best wishes,  
Bernadette



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