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**Subject:** New First-Year Seminar "What Detective Stories Can Teach Us About Empathy"  
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Professor Thompson,

On Friday, March 10, the Arts and Humanities 1 Panel of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed a proposal for a new first-year seminar, "What Detective Stories Can Teach Us About Empathy."

The panel unanimously approved the seminar with one question and two recommendations (for when the course is taught):

Syllabus does not provide course number or indicate if course is graded A-E or S/U. A letter-graded seminar will be 1137.xx, whereas an S/U seminar will be 1138.xx. Could you please clarify?

Correct the syllabus to reflect the recent change from "Freshman Seminar" to "First-Year Seminar."

Syllabus does not list course time, which should be 55 minutes.

Should you have any questions about this feedback, please feel free to contact Janice Aski, Chair of the Arts and Humanities 1 Panel, or me. I am also cc'ing Todd Bitters, who administers the First-Year Seminar program. He will be in touch with you for the practical arrangements related to teaching the course in the Fall.

Congratulations on your new first-year seminar.

My best,  
Bernadette



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