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**Subject:** Re: MA WGSS & MA JGC / MA WGSS & MPA JGC  
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Dear Bernadette,

My apologies for the delay in responding. We are going to submit a program redesign for our MA and PhD programs this summer, so I think it's best if we withdraw our dual degree proposal until we get through the other big changes. We will be eliminating the gateway courses entirely, for example, in the new program design. I have confirmed that this is the best path with the Glenn School, so they are aware of the delay.

Thank you again for your feedback on the dual degree proposal, which will prove very useful when we resubmit.

All best,  
Mary

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On Tue, Apr 18, 2017 at 12:06 PM, Vankeerbergen, Bernadette <[vankeerbergen.1@osu.edu](mailto:vankeerbergen.1@osu.edu)> wrote:

Dear Mary,

We can postpone an in-person meeting.

The main issue is that the WGSS component of the dual degrees does not appear to fulfill all of the requirements of the existing master's degree in WGSS, as required by the Graduate School. For a dual degree each part must fulfill the requirements of the existing solo degree—not just in terms of credit hours but also the courses that are mandated in the solo master's degree. So, for example, in the current dual degree proposal, we can't find the following requirements: (1) Where is WGSS 7702? (a core course in the solo MA); (2) How come that there are no Gateway courses? (the mandatory 2 courses that need to come from this list: WGSS 7710, 7720, 7740, 7780); (3) In the solo MA, 15 cr hrs of electives need to be taken: 6 cr must come from 6000-level or above WGSS courses and the rest can come from other depts. Where are the required 6 credits at 6000-level+ out of WGSS in the dual degree proposals? (The only WGSS electives we see are at the

5000-level or above.) These are some of the questions we have. Perhaps some equivalent Public Affairs courses are substituted for these requirements (?) but the proposal does not outline this.

I hope this helps. If at any point you'd like to chat about this informally (in person or not), let me/us know.

Thank you,

Bernadette



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