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Subject: Medical Anthropology BA and BS
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Dear Scott,

On Monday, April 3, the SBS Panel of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed proposals to create a new major in Medical Anthropology leading to the BA on one hand and the BS on the other hand.

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

- Request concurrences from (1) College of Public Health, (2) EEOB, (3) English (they have a Medical Humanities minor and MA in Medical Humanities and Social Sciences), (4) Center for Life Science Education, and (5) Sociology.
- Differentiate program goals for the B.A. and B.S. or indicate how program goals for the B.A. and B.S will be measured differently. (Also please do note that on the form for the B.A. in curriculum.osu.edu, goal 6 seems to have been inadvertently left off.)
- Panel is concerned that the department may not be able to teach courses on a regular basis. Can the department provide assurance that courses will be offered on a regular basis so that students can complete a degree in four years? Additionally, are courses outside the Anthropology Department offered regularly? Do all of the courses, both in the Anthropology Department and outside the department, have the necessary capacity to support students in the major?
- Panel feels that the section "Relation to Other Programs/Benchmarking" on page 6 of the proposal only discusses the proposed major in relation to outside universities, not in relation to other OSU departments or other programs in the Anthropology department. Please reread the instructions on page 89 of the ASC Curriculum and Assessment Handbook.
- Correct page 4 of proposal which currently says "Both B.A. and B.S. students will also be required to complete a minimum of one health-related course outside the anthropology department..." However, page 7 and the Appendix A indicate that students will be required to take two courses outside the department.
- Indicate if courses in Appendix A have any pre-requisites.
- Department did not provide advising sheet for the B.S. with medical school pre-requisites. Instead, two copies of the advising sheet for the B.S. without medical school pre-requisites were uploaded.
- Clarify if Anthropology 4597.05 is offered as a non-honors version or only as Anthropology 4597.05H. If 4597.05 is only offered as an honors course, correct the course number to 4597.05H.
- Panel recommends consistency in abbreviation for Anthropology, which is abbreviated as either ANTH or ANT in the document.

I will return the two major proposals via curriculum.osu.edu to enable the department to address the points above. Should you have any questions about the feedback of the Panel, do not hesitate to contact Pok-sang Lam, or me.

My best,
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