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Subject: RE: NELC 3201
Date: Monday, September 23, 2019 5:14:00 PM
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Dear Liu, Ila, and Jeremie,

On Friday, September 13, the Social and Behavioral Sciences Panel of the ASCC reconsidered a proposal to add GE Social Science-Individuals and Groups to NELC 3201.

The Panel approved with request with one vote opposed. The panel appreciated the addition of readings and reference to theories that will be discussed. However, the panel was also hoping to see a description of the methods that will be covered in the course. The Social Science GE ELO#1 requires discussion of methods of social scientific inquiry.

We are advancing the course to the next level.

I am including the usual reminder that the GE assessment plan will need to be implemented from the very first offering of the course with the new GE status and GE data will need to be gathered. As is the case for all new GE courses, after the second offering of the course with the new GE status, the Assessment Panel will ask the department to submit an initial report summarizing GE assessment results of those first two offerings (following the format in Appendix 11 of the ASC Curriculum and Assessment Operations Manual [p. 127]

https://asccas.osu.edu/sites/asccas.osu.edu/files/ASC_Curriculum_and_Assessment_Operations_Manual.pdf). The Assessment Panel and/or our office can help the department with any aspect of the GE assessment requirement. Shelby Oldroyd will also make sure to contact the department before the course is offered and provide any assistance that may be needed with assessment.

Many thanks,
Bernadette



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Bernadette,

I have re-submitted an updated syllabus for the NELC 3201 course revision proposal request to the curriculum system. In this syllabus, Dr. Liu has added additional readings focused on theory and attempted to address the concerns of the committee.

To facilitate your review, I have also attached this syllabus here. Dr. Liu provided me a copy of his syllabus in which the sections that address the concerns of the committee are highlighted.

We currently have this course scheduled for the Spring semester, in its previously approved form, but hope it will be possible to get the course approved in time to switch this to the new version of the course before students begin enrolling next month.

As always, thank you very much for your assistance and guidance through this process.

Kindly,

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Dear Professor Nagar and Jeremie,

On Friday, August 30, the Social and Behavioral Sciences Panel of the ASCC reconsidered a proposal to add GE Social Science-Individuals and Groups to NELC 3201.

The Panel did not vote on the proposal. Please find below the specific feedback of the panel:

There is still no clear evidence from the assigned readings that the course takes a social scientific approach. The main concern is the first expected learning outcome: "Students understand the theories and methods of social scientific inquiry as they apply to the study of individuals and groups." It is not clear that the theories and methods of social scientific inquiry are presented in the course.

- Please provide specific readings that relate to the first expected learning outcome.
- Please specify exactly which theories and methods of social scientific inquiry students will know after they have taken the course.

I will return NELC 3201 via curriculum.osu.edu in a moment so that the department can address the feedback of the Panel.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Susan Kline, this year's faculty Chair of the SBS Panel (cc'd here).

Best,
Bernadette



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Dear Naomi and Jeremie,

On Friday, April 26, the Social and Behavioral Sciences Panel of the ASCC reviewed a proposal to add GE Social Science-Individuals and Groups to NELC 3201.

The Panel did not take a vote on the request but would like the following point addressed first:

To the panel, the course does not unequivocally appear to be a Social Science course. The Panel would like to see more specifics in the GE rationale document. According to the ASC Curriculum and Assessment Operations manual, the GE rationale is said to discuss how each GE expected learning outcome will be met in most or all of the following: (a) the course objectives, (b) the readings, (c) the topics, (d) the written assignments, and (e) other course components. In the answers, include specific readings, assignments, etc so that the Panel can clearly see when/where the points outlined by the faculty member in the rationale take place in the course (i.e., connect GE rationale to schedule). For ELO1, it is not clear where exactly the theories and methods of social scientific inquiry are covered in the course. Also some of the stated points for the other ELOs could in fact be covered from a humanities perspective. Finally, for the sample questions in the GE assessment plan for Social Science—Individuals and Groups, please explain how answers to those questions will cover the specific ELOs.

I will return NELC 3201 via curriculum.osu.edu in a moment so that the department can address the

feedback of the Panel.

Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Christina Roup, faculty Chair of the SBS Panel (cc'd here), or me.

Best,
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