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Subject: Revision to Comparative Studies MA, PhD, and Graduate Minor & New CS 6100, 6200, 6300, 6400, 6500, 8100, 8200, and 8990
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Dear Philip, Barry, and Elizabeth,

On Wednesday, October 30, the Arts and Humanities 2 Panel reviewed a proposal to revise the graduate programs in the Department of Comparative Studies & create 8 new courses: Comparative 6100, 6200, 6300, 6400, 6500, 8100, 8200, and 8990.

I am happy to report that the Panel was very supportive of the proposal and unanimously approved the proposal as well as all the courses with some comments:

- Program revision:
 - The curriculum map document: The first tab is an excellent map. However, the other four tabs present information that appears unrelated to the CS graduate program revision (eSports 4-year path information; Business courses and Games/eSports; two lists of courses in other departments, including undergraduate courses).
 - P. 13: MA Credit Requirement Proposal: Proposed requirements: Why have 12 credits at **6000**-8000 level that includes 6 credits in Comparative Studies 8100/8200 (i.e., 8000-level courses) and 6 credits in Comparative Studies 7000 to 8000 level? This category should likely just be 12 credits at the 7000-8000 level (or the 6 credits at the 7000 to 8000 level information needs to be corrected to “6000 to 8000 level”). Also, since these are all Comparative Studies courses, why then have this information in parentheses “at least 3 credits in Comp Studies”?
 - P. 20: There appear to be some issues on the MA coursework worksheet: Please double-check all the numbers. For example:
 - “Additional Courses in Comparative Studies (6000-8000-level—12 credits)” Please verify same information as for bullet point above (why 6000-8000 level?). “Must include **1** ‘Interdisciplinary Learning Laboratory’ and **one** 7000-8000 level seminar” Shouldn’t that statement be corrected to **two** labs (or **one lab sequence**) and **two** 7000-8000 level seminars?
 - “Additional Courses in Other Departments (5000-8000-level—**12** credits)” This should say **6** credits.
 - Pp. 26-27: There appear to be some issues on the PhD coursework worksheet: Please double-check all the numbers. For example:
 - Core course (6100, 6200, 6300, and 6400) add up to **12** hours (not **6**).
 - Very top of p. 27: “At least 6 credits at 7000-8000” doesn’t seem necessary there since this is the category for 6 credits at the 7000-8000 level (see last line of p. 26). In other words, that statement is repetitive.
 - P. 27: Credit hours for additional courses to be taken if one did one’s MA in Comparative Studies appear incorrect. The additional 7000-8000 level courses in

Comparative Studies should likely add up to **6** credits (not **9**). The additional 6000-8000 level courses in other departments should likely add up to **12** credits (not **15**).

- CS 8998 Candidacy Exam Preparation is nowhere included on the sheet. It should likely appear right above CS 8990.

- New courses:
 - Comparative Studies 6390 & 6391: Reminder that the courses will need to be withdrawn by the Department at some point.
 - All the syllabi provided include a D- grade. Please remove since D- is not a grade at Ohio State.
 - Should the new courses that replace 6390 and 6391 have any exclusions?
 - Should 6100, 6200, 6300, 6400 have any prereqs or permission of instructor?
 - Comparative Studies 8100 & 8200:
 - Form in curriculum.osu.edu:
 - Why allow multiple enrollments in same term?
 - If each 3-credit course can be taken up to 6 times, then the max credit hours allowed per course should be **18** (not **36**).
 - Second syllabus: p. 4: Public-facing event does not have a grade—should add 20%; p. 5: Written Reflection should be **20%** (not **2%**).
 - Comparative Studies 8200: Form in curriculum.osu.edu indicates that the prerequisite is **8200**, which is not possible. It should say **8100**.

As you know, once a proposal clears a Panel, it is reviewed by the full ASC Curriculum Committee (ASCC). The next meeting of the ASCC is on Friday, November 15, 9:00-11:00AM. The Committee will meet in 385 Bricker. It is customary to invite the appropriate faculty representative(s) to come talk to ASCC about a program request and answer any questions the committee members might have. Would you be able to attend the meeting? Thanks for letting us know.

Also, could you please send a revised proposal and a revised curriculum map that address the comments about the program revision above? Indeed, there are several discrepancies that need to be addressed so that the full ASCC sees a clean proposal. *Would it be possible for you to send the revised proposal by **Friday end of day***? As for the comments about the courses, I would only need answers to the questions so that I can make the necessary changes to the forms in curriculum.osu.edu before advancing the courses. (No need to make changes to the syllabi at this point.)

If you have any questions about the feedback of the Panel, please do not hesitate to contact Luke Wilson, faculty Chair of the Arts and Humanities 2 Panel (cc'd here), or me.

Many thanks,
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