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Dear Karen and Debra,

On Wednesday, September 9, the Arts and Humanities Panel 1 of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed new course English 5612.

The panel unanimously approved the request with four recommendations/questions that I here report:

- Recommend making the syllabus more legible. Pages 1 and 2 especially appear like a wall of text.
- The course description (that will appear in the course catalog) indicates that “[t]he course is embedded in the collections of OSU’s Rare Books and Manuscripts Library.” The specific syllabus at hand indicates that in-person visits to the Library will take place every class meeting. How does this reconcile with four regional campuses being checked off for the course on the form in curriculum.osu.edu? Would it be possible to offer this course with the Rare Books and Manuscripts Library not being nearby? In other words, would it be advisable to offer this course with possibly only virtual access to the collections? Related to this question, this 5000-level course is designed for upper-level undergraduates and graduate students. Would appropriate faculty be available to teach the course at Lima, Mansfield, Marion, and Newark? The list of faculty interested in teaching the course in the future (see list included in the rationale document) all teach on the Columbus campus. (The Panel simply wants to double-check that the regional campuses were checked off by design rather than automatically.)
- Related to the point above, the Panel notices that on the form in curriculum.osu.edu all the lengths are checked off for the course. Could this course realistically be taught in 4 weeks?
- The panel recommends that the course goals be added on the syllabus.

For points 2 and 3 (which pertain to the form in curriculum.osu.edu), I will wait to hear back from you before I advance the course. The two other points are recommendations regarding the syllabus that can just be addressed by the faculty member before the course is taught.

Should you have any questions about the feedback of the panel, please do not hesitate to contact Brad Steinmetz (faculty chair of the A&H1 Panel; cc’d here), or me.

Best,
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