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Art: Engineering Structure Minor
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Dear George and Sarah,

Recently the Arts and Humanities Panel 2 of the ASC Curriculum Committee (ASCC) considered a proposal to create a new undergraduate minor in Art: Engineering Structure.

The Panel noted that the proposed minor has received strong support from different units. It unanimously approved the proposal with a number of comments that should be addressed before the new program advances to the full ASC Curriculum Committee. The comments are:

• There is a lot of overlap with the current Studio Art minor

(https://artsandsciences.osu.edu/sites/default/files/minor-studio-art\_0.pdf). Only one course differentiates both minors: for the Studio Art minor, one has to take Art 2000. Apart from that course, a student could do the new Art: Engineering Structure minor in the curriculum of the Studio Art minor. That is, the newly proposed minor appears to be a subset of the existing minor. This, however, may very well work/be necessary for the intended purposes of the new minor: namely, appeal to engineering students or other students mostly interested in material exploration. (The new minor will be a good advertisement tool.) The Panel wonders whether the Department of Art has thought about how its two minors will co-exist and suggests it might be necessary to stipulate in the proposal that students cannot take both minors.

- Issues with the advising sheet: Please use the correct minor template: The template is on p. 117 (Appendix 4) of the <u>ASC Curriculum and Assessment Operations Manual</u>. (Or looking at the Department's Studio Art Minor sheet—see above—is useful too.)
  - Some of the course titles are slightly different from the most recent official course titles as listed in curriculum.osu.edu/SIS/the course catalog. For example, Art 3017 is "Introduction to Sculpture," not "Introduction to Sculpture: Research, Evolve, Make." Art 4007 is "Sculpture: Topics in Experiential Making: Structure, Space, and Material," not "Experiential Making: Structure, Form, and Material." Please double-check that all the titles on the advising sheet are the most up-to-date.
  - Right column, under Credit Hours Required: "1000 level courses shall not be counted toward the 15 credit minimum. At least 6 credit hrs must be at the 2500 level or above." This is a statement extracted from the old Studio Art Minor sheet, before it was corrected most recently. (Indeed, the Studio Art minor is a 15 credit minor—not 12, like the new minor—and for a while the Dept of Art did not follow the ASC 3000-level cut-off for upper-level courses, but this has now been remedied.) The correct language for the proposed new minor should be "1000 level courses shall not be counted in the minor. At least 6 credit hrs must be at the 3000 level or above."
  - The paragraph after that should read exactly like this: <u>Transfer and EM credit hours allowed</u>: A student is permitted to count up to 6 total hours of transfer credit and/or credit by examination.
  - The header <u>Overlap with the major and additional minor(s)</u> starts at the end of the previous line.

• There are two instances of the word "counselor" in the right column. Please replace with "advisor."

In a minute, I will return the proposal via curriculum.osu.edu to enable the department to address the points above. The first ASCC meeting of Spring semester will be on January 22. If you would like to have the minor on the agenda of that first meeting, could you please make sure that the updated proposal is returned to us by the first part of the first week of classes (i.e., the week of January 11)?

Should you have any questions about the feedback of the Panel, do not hesitate to contact Luke Wilson, faculty Chair of the A&H2 Panel (cc'd here), or me.

Best, Bernadette



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