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Good afternoon,

On Monday, March 8th, the Arts and Humanities 2 Panel of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed distance learning proposals for History 2002 and 2303. Please find below the Panel's feedback for these courses.

- History 2002 (distance learning proposal) approved with four recommendations:
 - **Recommendation:** The Panel recommends utilizing the ASCTech syllabus template (found at <https://ascstech.osu.edu/teams/academic-technology/instructor-elearning-resources/pedagogy>) in order to make the syllabus to make the syllabus feel easier-to-absorb for students.
 - **Recommendation:** The Panel suggests clarifying which sessions of the course are optional and which are mandatory, as discussed on page 2 of the syllabus.
 - **Recommendation:** On the top of page 1 of the syllabus, it mentions the semester this course will be taught is Spring 2021. Please update this when you teach the course to the proper semester.
 - **Recommendation:** The Panel suggests including additional information within the syllabus regarding instructor interaction within the course, such as feedback and response time to emails/inquiries.

- History 2303 (distance learning proposal) approved with five recommendations:
 - **Recommendation:** The Panel suggests removing references to the GEC (such as on page 1 of the syllabus) as this is not the name of the current General Education program.
 - **Recommendation:** On page 8, it is mentioned that there is an option to take an exam in-person yet this is a 100% distance-learning course and this should not be an option.
 - **Recommendation:** On pages 7 and 8 of the syllabus, Proctorio is mentioned as the proctoring method for the final exam. The Panel strongly recommends Proctorio not be used as it no longer is recommended by ODEE. The program has severe privacy issues, is not ADA-compliant, and recent research has shown that it causes students unneeded stress and anxiety. They recommend either finding different proctoring methods or creating assignments that do not need traditional proctoring.
 - **Recommendation:** The Panel recommends stating up-front that this course is being offered in a distance-learning format, as they feel it is not stated early enough within the syllabus.
 - **Recommendation:** On page 12 of the syllabus, under the Title IX section, Kellie Brennan is mentioned as the current Title IX Coordinator. Kellie Brennan is no longer the Title IX Coordinator and the most up-to-date language surrounding Title IX can be found at <https://ascas.osu.edu/curriculum/syllabus-elements> .

History 2002 and 2303 will continue through the approval process.

Should you have any questions about the feedback of the Panel, please feel free to contact Luke Wilson (faculty Chair of the A&H2 Panel; cc'd on this e-mail), or me.

Best,
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