



Professor Luke Wilson
Chair, Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee

February 14, 2022

Dear Luke and members of the Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee,

On October 10 2021 the ASCC's Social and Behavioral Sciences Panel approved a new 'History of Capitalism' certificate proposed jointly by the departments of Economics and History. We unanimously approved the certificate (5-0) with one contingency related to the proposed assessment plan, which required more detail (i.e., a rubric). Those revisions have been successfully completed. Our approval of the certificate was subsequent to unanimous approval of the certificate by ASCC's Arts and Humanities Panel 1, in September 2021. The certificate was reviewed by both panels because it involves units in both the Arts and Humanities and the Social and Behavioral Sciences.

The History of Capitalism certificate is an 'embedded' (1b) certificate that students enrolled at Ohio State can complete as a supplement to their undergraduate degree program. The goal of the certificate is to allow students to study the historical development of capitalism from an interdisciplinary perspective. The certificate will appeal to a broad group of History and Economics majors, as well as students in the Fisher College of Business. Students are required to complete 6 credit hours of classes in History and 6 credit hours of classes in Economics – with ECON 4130 (World Economic Development in Historical Perspective), ECON 4140 (Economic History of the Americas), and either HIS 2010 (History of American Capitalism) or HIS 3705 (History of Capitalism in Comparative and Global Perspective) as required classes. Students will fulfill the remaining 3 credit hours of classes from a well-considered mix of classes on the history of capitalism in both American and global contexts.

We expect that this certificate will be attractive to students pursuing a variety of careers in the Arts and Sciences, Social and Behavioral Sciences, and more broadly. Thus, we advance the proposed certificate to the Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee with a motion to approve.

Sincerely,

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