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Good afternoon!

On Tuesday, Dec. 14th, the Race, Ethnicity and Gender Diversity Panel of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed a course proposal for Sociology 2309

The Panel did not vote on the proposal as they would like the following points addressed:

- The Panel recognizes and appreciates the changes that the department has already made to the course, and they feel that there is a very important place for a course focused on the law in the REGD area.
- The Panel feels that the course is centered around an introduction to law and criminality (with some significant attention to issues of race, gender, and ethnicity) rather than being centered around issues of race, gender, ethnicity and intersectionality while also covering an introduction to the scholarly field. The Panel respectfully asks that the department emphasize race, gender, ethnicity and their intersections as the foundation of the course.
- The Panel notes that the weekly topics are still very siloed, and they would like the syllabus to demonstrate clearly how the department will address issues of intersectionality.
- The Panel suggests that the department consider a change to the title and/or the course description to make it more clear to students that this is a course that focuses on REGD issues.
- The Panel feels that the additional readings and engagement with the work of different legal scholars could help to reframe the course.
- The Panel requests that the instructor and/or designer of the course reach out to Dr. Townsend Price-Spratlen, Panel member, to discuss the course and the ways in which the Panel's concerns could be addressed.

I will return Sociology 2309 to the department queue via curriculum.osu.edu in order to address the Panel's requests.

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

Best,
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