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Re: Proposal for ASC 7XX: Graduate Introduction to the Study of Sexuality

Enclosed is a proposal for a new graduate-level course that would introduce graduate students to the study of sexuality, along with letters of support or concurrences from departments who have faculty who might teach this course in the future. The course will serve as a foundational course for the proposed Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in Sexuality Studies, which has been approved by the Graduate School and is awaiting CAA approval. Initially, it will be a highly recommended course for the GIS, but by 2009-10, when we have had time to get the specialization off the ground and establish a student base for the course, we plan to require it of students pursuing the GIS. We also expect that other students throughout the university will be interested in taking the course, even though they might not be pursuing the GIS in Sexuality Studies.

The rationale for the course is included along with the sample syllabus. The oversight committee for both the Interdisciplinary Minor in Sexuality Studies and the pending GIS will be responsible for ensuring that the course is staffed on a regular basis and that the teaching of the course rotates fairly among the departments who have qualified faculty. This committee includes the following faculty and graduate students:

Debra Moddelmog, Professor of English (Coordinating Adviser and Organizer)

Mollie Blackburn, Assistant Professor of Teaching and Learning (Coordinating
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Please let us know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

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Sample syllabus for ASC 7XX Letters of support and concurrences