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Good afternoon,

On Thursday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, the Themes Panel of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed a new GE Themes: Sustainability proposal for Philosophy 2340. As a reminder, in order to receive full approval, please submit a revision that addresses all of the Panel's contingencies as outlined below.

The Panel approved the course with two contingencies and one comment:

- **Comment:** The reviewing faculty were supportive of this course, and see a lot of potential, but ask for further clarification.
- **Contingency:** The reviewing faculty request additional clarity surrounding the course's weekly assignments and ask for additional framing to be a more cohesive fit with the GE Theme: Sustainability. They suggest adding distinct prompts or focus questions that would help students relate the assignments to the Theme category.
- **Contingency:** The final video assignment needs a more direct and explicit link to the Themes. The reviewing faculty recommend having the students engage with the question of "what can I do as a career to help the future of humanity be more sustainable?" within the final project, as this would allow students to reflect on key issues around Sustainability being solved, such as climate change and other important issues.

I will return Philosophy 2340 to the department queue via [curriculum.osu.edu](http://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 Jim Fredal, faculty Chair of the Themes Panel and Maria Conroy, faculty Chair of the Theme Advisory Group: Sustainability, or me.

Best,  
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