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Good morning,

On Friday, February 25th, the Themes Panel of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed new GE Theme: Sustainability proposals for History 2702 and 3314. Please see below for the Panel's feedback:

History 2702 was not voted on as the Panel would like the following feedback items addressed:

- The reviewing faculty are supportive of this course being included with the category but would like to see revisions made beforehand.
- The review faculty found interesting connections to the GE Theme but the elements of sustainability (or unsustainability) were not presented within the proposal as contributing to the Theme. They request that additional emphasis be placed on meeting the GE Theme: Sustainability ELOs.
- The reviewing faculty suggest that a summary of the theme justification narratives in the GE forms could be added to the syllabus to help describe to students how the Goals and ELOs will be met.
- The reviewing faculty suggest making the link between the GE Theme and the final paper more explicit by adding the word "sustainable" to relationship to the planet and to the human body (not just a relationship) as it addresses "responses to problems and arguments" in food systems sustainability.
- The reviewing faculty request that a statement that explains how the GE ELOs will be fulfilled be added to the course syllabus, per a requirement for GE courses in the College of Arts and Sciences.
- The reviewing faculty recommend removing the letter grade of D- from the grading scale, as the Ohio State University does not award the letter grade D-.
- The reviewing faculty request that a cover letter be provided that details all changes made to the proposal in response to the reviewing faculty's feedback and requests.

History 3314 was not voted on as the Panel would like the following feedback items addressed:

- The reviewing faculty were unsure how the GE Theme: Sustainability will be engaged within the course in its current form, as they could not find evidence of the Theme being addressed beyond the description.
 - They recommend adding more explicit references in the course syllabus to how assignments and topics will be used to meet the Theme-specific ELOs as well as adding more consideration to the use of "sustainability" as a term.
- The reviewing faculty believe this to be an excellent course but are unclear how it will fulfill the generic Theme ELOs and request additional, explicit explanation about how the course will satisfy the ELOs.
- The reviewing faculty request that a cover letter be provided that details all changes made to the proposal in response to the reviewing faculty's feedback and requests.

I will return History 2702 and 3314 to the departmental queue via curriculum.osu.edu in order to address the Panel's feedback.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Jim Fredal, faculty Chair of the Themes Panel, Maria Conroy, faculty Chair of the Theme Advisory Group: Sustainability, or myself.

Best,

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