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Good morning,

On Wednesday, August 30th, the Arts and Humanities 1 Subcommittee of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed a course proposal for History/Jewish Studies 3480.

The Subcommittee unanimously approved the request with five recommendations:

- a. *Recommendation:* The Subcommittee suggests that the department include due dates for all assignments on the course calendar (syllabus pg. 6-10).
- b. *Recommendation:* The Subcommittee recommends that the department include information about arranging for meetings with the instructor outside of the standard office hours. Since attending office hours is an opportunity for students to improve their grade in the course (syllabus pg. 2 under "Attendance and Participation"), that opportunity should be available to all students regardless of their ability to attend regularly scheduled office hours.
- c. *Recommendation:* The Subcommittee suggests that the department include the book *Citizen Strangers: Palestinians and the Birth of Israel's Liberal Settler State* as a required text on pg. 2 of the syllabus under "Required Book[s]" and explain how students should procure this text, as it appears from the description of the Book Review assignment (syllabus pg. 2-3) that all students will be required to read and review this book.
- d. *Recommendation:* The Subcommittee recommends that the department use the most recent version of the Student Life Disability Services Statement (syllabus, pg. 5-6), which was updated to reflect the university's new COVID-19 policies in August 2023. The updated statement can be found in an easy-to-copy/paste format on the [Arts and Sciences Curriculum and Assessment Services website](#).
- e. *Recommendation:* The Subcommittee recommends that the department use the most recent version of the Mental Health Statement (syllabus, pg. 6), as the name and phone number of the Suicide/Crisis hotline has changed. The updated statement can be found in an easy-to-copy/paste format on the [ASCCAS website](#).

As a reminder, *recommendations* (in italics above) should be implemented when the course is next taught. History/Jewish Studies 3480 will continue through the approval process to OAA.

Should you have any questions about the feedback of the Subcommittee, please feel free to contact Laura Podalsky (faculty Chair of the A&H 2 Subcommittee; cc'd on this e-mail), or me.

Best,
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