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Good morning Vlad and Charles,

On Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, the Themes 2 Subcommittee of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed a new GEN Theme: Citizenship for a Diverse & Just World and Migration, Mobility, and Immobility request for Political Science 3460.

I am pleased to report that the Subcommittee unanimously approved 3460 with one contingency and one recommendation:

- **Contingency:** The Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee recently updated the list of required syllabus statements for all syllabi within the College to include a statement on religious accommodations. This new, required statement is a result of a directive by the Executive Vice President and Provost and [can be found here on the ASC Curriculum and Assessment Services website](#). The Subcommittee thanks you for adding this statement to your course syllabus.
- **Recommendation:** The reviewing faculty offer the friendly recommendation to update the Student Life – Disability Services statement in the course syllabus, as they recently updated it for the 2023-24 academic year, and the Mental Health statement. The most up-to-date [statements can be found here](#) on the ASC Curriculum and Assessment website.

I am also pleased to report that the Subcommittee unanimously approved 2145 with one contingency and three recommendations:

- **Contingency:** The Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee recently updated the list of required syllabus statements for all syllabi within the College to include a statement on religious accommodations. This new, required statement is a result of a directive by the Executive Vice President and Provost and [can be found here on the ASC Curriculum and Assessment Services website](#). The Subcommittee thanks you for adding this statement to your course syllabus.
- **Recommendation:** The reviewing faculty recommend weaving some of the explanation provided within the GEN submission form (related to the course assignments) into the course syllabus, as this connection may be helpful to students.
- **Recommendation:** The reviewing faculty recommend removing reference to the OSU standard grading scheme (as found on page 7 of the syllabus), as Ohio State does not have a standardized grading scheme and instructors are free to utilize a grading scale that best suits the needs of their individual courses.
- **Recommendation:** The reviewing faculty recommend incorporating a reflection paper or post within the course assignments that helps to better address ELO 3.2 of the Citizenship Theme ELOs.

I will return Political Science 3460 and 2145 to the departmental queue via curriculum.osu.edu in order to address the Subcommittee's feedback.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Ila Nagar, faculty Chair of the Themes 2 Subcommittee, or me.

All my best,

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