

Re: Comparative Studies and Ethnic Studies 2321

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Good morning,

I am pleased to report that a member of the ASCCAS staff has reviewed and approved the revision(s) to Comparative Studies/Ethnic Studies 2321. The units' addition of the suggested language on pg. 3 of the syllabi is appreciated. However, it is strongly suggested that the unit also remove the text on pg. 2 of the syllabus that still reads: "*Credit hours from this course may be counted toward the following General Education categories: GEN Foundations: Race, Ethnicity and Gender Diversity, GEN Foundations: Historical and Cultural Studies, GEL Cultures and Ideas, and GEL Diversity: Social Diversity in the U.S.*", as this indicates that GEN students can count this toward *both* the REGD *and* the HCS categories, which is not true for individual students and could be seen as contradicting the new language on pg. 3.

Alternatively, the text on pg. 2 could read: "Comparative Studies/Ethnic Studies 2321 is approved as a part of the following General Education categories: GEN Foundation: Race, Ethnicity and Gender Diversity; GEN Foundation: Historical and Cultural Studies; GEL Cultures and Ideas; and GEL Diversity: Social Diversity in the US". This, along with the new language on pg. 3, could alleviate confusion.

Please note that Comparative Studies/Ethnic Studies 2321 will continue through the approval process to OAA, and no further resubmission is requested of the units. We offer this friendly suggestion to remain consistent with messaging to students about the GEN.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

Best,
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Good afternoon,

On Friday, January 26th, the Race, Ethnicity and Gender Diversity Subcommittee of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed a course proposal for Comparative Studies and Ethnic Studies 2321

The Subcommittee unanimously approved the request with one contingency and one note:

1. **Contingency:** The Subcommittee asks that the units modify the language on pg. 2 of the syllabus that describes how the course may apply to individual students' degree plans. Since this course fulfills a number of GEL and GEN categories, the Subcommittee requests that the information be as clear as possible for students. They recommend the following language (or similar):

“For students who entered the University in Autumn 2022 or later, this course can fulfill **EITHER** the GEN Foundation: Race, Ethnicity and Gender Diversity requirement **OR** the GEN Foundation: Historical or Cultural Studies requirement. The course may **NOT** be used to satisfy both requirements for an individual student. For students who entered the university in Summer 2022 or earlier, the course **CAN** satisfy **BOTH** the Cultures and Ideas **AND** the Diversity: Social Diversity in the US GEL categories. For more details about how this course may apply to your individual degree plan, please see your academic advisor.”

2. Note: Per a request of the REGD Subcommittee, this submission will be on the ASCCAS website as a sample course with permission of the instructor.

As a reminder, **contingencies** (in bold above) must be addressed and resubmitted via curriculum.osu.edu before a course can move forward in the approval process. I will return CompSt/EthnicSt 2321 to the departments' queues via curriculum.osu.edu in order to address the Subcommittee's requests.

Should you have any questions about the feedback of the Subcommittee, please feel free to contact Richard Fletcher (faculty Chair of the REGD Subcommittee; cc'd on this e-mail), or me.

Best,
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