Good morning,

On Friday, February 9th, the Social and Behavioral Sciences Subcommittee of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed a new course proposal for ASC 3120.

The Subcommittee unanimously approved the proposal with **four contingencies**, *three recommendations*, and one comment:

- **Contingency**: The Subcommittee requests that the unit include information regarding the article search and shares in the Course Contribution Assignments description, which seems to focus solely on the annotation assignments. [Syllabus p. 7]
- **Contingency**: Subcommittee would like to inform the department that the syllabus is missing the Goals for the Theme: Citizenship for a Diverse and Just World, which is a required syllabus element for GE courses and will be flagged at the Themes Subcommittee. The Subcommittee requests that the department revise this in hopes of getting the course approved in the Theme category as quickly as possible when the time comes. The Citizenship Goals can be found in an easy to copy/paste format on the <u>Arts and Sciences Curriculum and Assessment</u> <u>Services website</u>. [Syllabus p. 3]
- **Contingency**: The Subcommittee requests that the department use the most recent version of the Student Life Disability Services Statement, 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 <u>Arts and Sciences Curriculum and Assessment Services website</u>. [Syllabus p. 4]
- **Contingency**: The Subcommittee requests that the department add the required religious accommodations statement into the syllabus. The Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee recently updated the list of required syllabus statements for all syllabi 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 in an easy to copy/paste format on the <u>Arts and Sciences Curriculum and Assessment Services website</u>.
- *Recommendation*: The Subcommittee recommends that the department use the most recent version of the mental health statement if it wishes to keep the statement in the syllabus. The statement was updated to include the new Suicide and Crisis Lifeline number. The updated statement can be found in an easy copy/paste format on the <u>Arts and Sciences Curriculum</u> and <u>Assessment Services website</u>. [Syllabus pp. 15-16]
- *Recommendation*: The Subcommittee recommends that the department include in the course schedule an estimate of the number of required pages of reading per class session in order to provide an idea of the work expectations to students.
- *Recommendation*: The Subcommittee recommends that the unit replace the statement on diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice with the approved diversity statement if it wishes to keep it in the syllabus. The approved statement can be found in an easy to copy/paste format

on the Arts and Sciences Curriculum and Assessment Services website. [Syllabus p. 16]

• Comment: The Subcommittee notices that the categories of assignments tables are slightly overwhelming at first glance and advises the unit to either include a description of what each individual assignment entails or remove them from the tables, keeping only the larger assignments as a whole. [Syllabus pp. 7-9]

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. *Recommendations* (in italics above) should be implemented when the course is next taught.

I will return ASC 3120 to your queue 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 Amy Nathanson (faculty Chair of the SBS Subcommittee; cc'd on this e-mail), or me.

Best, Jennifer



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