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#### **Term Information**

**Effective Term** Autumn 2025

#### General Information

Course Bulletin Listing/Subject Area Arts and Sciences

Fiscal Unit/Academic Org ASC Administration - D4350

College/Academic Group Arts and Sciences Level/Career Undergraduate

Course Number/Catalog 3120

Information, Citizenship, and Social Justice **Course Title** 

**Transcript Abbreviation** Info, Ctznshp & SJ

An exploration of the intersections of citizenship and justice through the lens of information; how the creation of and access to information impacts the ability to act as a global, national and digital citizen and **Course Description** 

is an issue of justice.

**Semester Credit Hours/Units** Fixed: 3

#### Offering Information

**Length Of Course** 14 Week **Flexibly Scheduled Course** Never Does any section of this course have a distance No

education component?

**Grading Basis** Letter Grade

Repeatable No **Course Components** Lecture **Grade Roster Component** Lecture Credit Available by Exam No **Admission Condition Course** No Off Campus Never

**Campus of Offering** Columbus, Lima, Mansfield, Marion, Newark, Wooster

### Prerequisites and Exclusions

Prerequisites/Corequisites

**Exclusions** 

**Electronically Enforced** No

### **Cross-Listings**

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## Subject/CIP Code

Subject/CIP Code 24.0101

**Subsidy Level** General Studies Course

Intended Rank Junior, Senior

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### **Requirement/Elective Designation**

Citizenship for a Diverse and Just World Survey Course

#### **Course Details**

# Course goals or learning objectives/outcomes

- Define active and informed citizenship within a global and digital society
- Identify power structures that influence the production, dissemination, access, use, and value of information
- Analyze information privilege in relation to their lived experience and their position as a global and digital citizen
- Consider how access to information, or the inability to access information, has historically contributed to and continues to contribute to systematic inequities that marginalize some individuals or groups
- Explore how information can be used to advocate for personal or social change
- Demonstrate critical and informed information behaviors as related to global citizenship, intercultural competence,
   and social justice

#### **Content Topic List**

- Information inequalities
- information sources
- information lifecycle
- organization of information
- copyright and intellectual property
- misinformation
- ethical information use
- citizenship and information
- social justice and information
- activism

#### **Sought Concurrence**

No

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#### **Attachments**

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- ISJ Course Syllabus\_Jan\_25.pdf
   (Syllabus. Owner: Primeau, Hanna N)

#### Comments

- Please see Subcommittee feedback email sent 10/28/24. (by Neff, Jennifer on 10/28/2024 10:06 AM)
- - On the form, please check off "General Education course 2021" and then the "Citizenship" theme category.
- Per OAA, please check off all campuses on the form for a course in the new General Education program.
- Please request concurrences from the following units: (1) School of Communication, (2) Dept of Political Science, (3) College of Social Work, (4) Dept of Sociology, and (5) John Glenn College.
- Please fill out and upload the document to request the Citizenship Theme:

  https://oaa.osu.edu/sites/default/files/uploads/general-education-review/new-ge/submission-doc-citizenship.pdf (by Vankeerbergen,Bernadette Chantal on 12/18/2023 08:32 AM)

#### COURSE REQUEST 3120 - Status: PENDING

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#### ARTS SCI 3120 Course Re-submission cover letter 1/17/25

We wish to thank the reviewing faculty of the Themes 2 Subcommittee for their feedback on ASC 3120: Information, Citizenship, and Social Justice. Based on the recommendation of the committee, we met with the Chair of Themes 2 Subcommittee on November 18, 2024 to discuss how best to implement the feedback provided by the committee. As a result, we have made revisions in the following areas:

- Course Description and Course Details
- GE Goals Expected Learning Outcomes and Course Goals
- Course Assignments
- Course Path
- Required Syllabus Elements

### Course Description and Course Details

We have provided an updated course description (pgs. 1-2) to highlight how the course engages with the Citizenship in a Just and Diverse world theme. We outline the importance of information to society in general, and more specifically, to the ability of diverse individuals and groups to act as engaged and informed citizens. We have included reflective questions to illustrate the types of topics that students will explore throughout the course. These questions help to clarify the connections between information, citizenship, and social justice.

The course description has also been updated to provide clarification on the disciplinary lens of the course (pg. 2). We explain that this is an interdisciplinary course which draws on the related disciplines of information science and information literacy, and we provide further clarification on each of these fields.

Please note that we also have a paragraph explicitly describing how this course engages with the theme of Citizenship in a Just and Diverse world following the GE and Course Goals on pages 10-11.

In addition, in this section, based on the recommendations of the Subcommittee Chair, we have added:

- Course instructors' names, contact information, and office hours
- Meeting dates, times, and locations for the course

#### In short:

- Updated Course Description to highlight the course's engagement with Citizenship in a Just and Diverse world theme
- The Disciplinary Lens has been clarified for readers, describing the interdisciplinary lens of information and how it relates to the course topics
- Reflective questions that are core to the course are included
- Instructor information, classroom information and course times added

### GE Goals Expected Learning Outcomes and Course Goals

The GE Goals and Expected Learning Outcomes and Course Goals have been reformatted for greater clarity (pages 4-10). The GE Goals and Expected Learning Outcomes for the Citizenship in a Just and Diverse world theme have been separated from the course specific goals. For each of the GE ELOs, information on related course content is included.

The additional goals for the course have been listed separately, with a note indicating which GE ELOs are related to each goal.

#### In short:

- Reformatted this section to:
  - Provide Clarity
  - o Separate GE goals and Course goals per recommendation

# Course Assignments

In the most recent feedback, the reviewing faculty requested additional information on how course assignments engage with the citizenship theme. In response to these concerns, the descriptions of the different categories of course assignments (pages 14-17) have been reformatted to show greater clarity in what the assignments for the course are and how each is connected to the theme. Sections such as "What are they" "What will you do" and "For Example" have been added to each assignment category.

#### In short:

- Assignment connections with GE themes clarified
- Reformatted to provide evidence of assignment interaction with themes as well as general engagement.

#### These changes look like the following:

Foundational Assignments – 20%, 200 pts. (8 Assignments)

What Are they? These assignments will focus on the knowledge foundational to the understanding of all other course content and will support your work on all other assignments.

What will you do? These assignments connect to citizenship by encouraging you to learn new vocabulary, reflect on your own relationships to citizenship, which includes multiple ways to engage as a global and local citizen. These assignments will take various formats including Carmen quizzes, document submissions in Carmen, and other formats.

For Example...The Question Formulation Technique assignment teaches a structured method for generating and improving questions. The idea is that instead of answering the instructor's questions, which is how most classes are structured, learning can actually be more meaningful if you learn how to answer your own questions. But in order for you to answer your own question, you need to know the right way to ask questions. QFT is a technique that helps you build the lifelong skill of asking questions, something which we hope will empower your confidence and self-efficacy.

#### Course Path

In the most recent feedback, the reviewing faculty requested greater clarity in the course path and how the course topics build upon each other. In response to these concerns, the course schedule (pages 17-24) has been reformatted.

An opening paragraph has been added to the course schedule which indicates that the course is organized into four broad parts, each of which builds on previous sections. These four parts are:

- Part 1: Course Foundations: Connecting Citizenship, Social Justice, and Information:
   (Weeks 1-2): The focus for these two weeks will be on the introduction of key concepts for
   the course, including citizenship, social justice, and information inequality. The work in
   these two weeks will prepare students for engaging with the intersections of information,
   citizenship, and social justice during the remaining weeks of the course.
- Part 2: Creating, Organizing, Accessing, and Valuing Information: Intersections with Citizenship and Social Justice (Weeks 3-5): In these weeks, the focus will be on how information is created, organized, accessed, and valued. Students will explore how the creation, dissemination, and control of information intersects with key issues related to citizenship and social justice, such as: What are the factors that limit access to information for various individuals or groups?
- Part 3: Information Authority and Mis/Disinformation: Intersections with Citizenship
  and Social Justice (Weeks 6-7): After developing a better understanding of the ways in
  which information is created, organized, and shared in the previous weeks, students will
  explore more specifically how authority is determined in relation to information. This will
  include a focus on how and why mis/disinformation is created and shared. Students will
  consider how issues of information authority intersect with key issues related to citizenship
  and social justice, such as: Who determines which information is considered
  "authoritative?"
- Part 4: Activism and Action: Connecting Citizenship, Social Justice, and Information
  (Weeks 8-15): In this part of the course, students build about what they have learned in the
  first 7 weeks of the course about the processes by which information is created, organized,
  accessed, and valued, and the intersections of citizenship, social justice, and information,
  in order to explore how they can take action as engaged and informed citizens in order to
  address information inequalities.

In addition to this new information, each week in the course has been renamed to better reflect the content of that week, highlighting the part of the course as well as the specific topic for that week.

#### For example:

Week 2: Course Foundations: Connecting Citizenship, Social Justice, and Information (Topic: What is Citizenship? What is Social Justice?)

For each week, related readings and assignments are listed, along with the relevant GE ELOs.

#### In short:

- An opening paragraph added to help describe the scaffolding built into the course
- The courses has been broken down into 4 sections to show the distinct sections

# Required Syllabus Elements

According to the recommendations of the reviewing faculty, we have also updated:

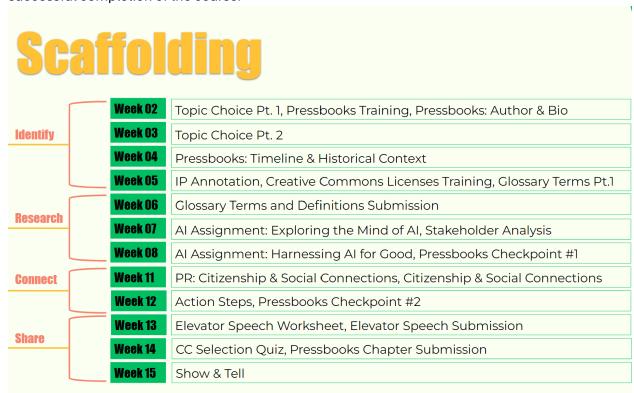
- the diversity statement
- religious accommodations
- concurrence

To further address the concern about the connection between course topics and assignments, we would like to highlight that the following graphic is built into the course. Each related assignment shows this graphic with a different bubble to show where they are in the process, and how they connect to each other.



Identify the Is	ssue Research	Research the Issue		Make Connections		Share and Grow	
and Histo Con	nd Definitions	Stakeholder Identification and Analysis	Citizenship and Social Justice Connections	Action Steps	Elevator Speech	Show and Tell Presentation	

• Additionally, we have included the graphic below for the reviewers as we hope it lends greater clarity to how the assignments scaffold into each other, as well as the reflective components. For example the reflective components can be seen in the following assignments: Citizenship and social connections in week 11, Week 6 glossary terms and definition submissions, week 3 topic choice pt2 for, each which are essential to the successful completion of the course.



We have also attached a screen capture of what students see to welcome them into a week of work, with week 4 as our living example, some of which we believe will help also with clarity for the

#### committee.

# Week 4: What's Up



#### Intro & Notes

This week will focus on the organization of information and information searching. There will be time spent on the impact of information organization and the impact on historically marginalized and BIPOC communities. For the second session, our guest lecturer will return and we will have more time to explore with Pressbooks and learn a new tool for creating timelines called KnightLab.

Here are our general learning goals for the week.

- Recognize that information is intentionally organized
- Acknowledge the bias and harm that information and technology can perpetuate
- Practice using Pressbooks and KnightLab tools

#### Session 1 (XX/YY/ZZ)

#### Before class

- Read <u>Organizing the World's Information</u> → from Google
- Read Algorithms of Oppression: Searching for Communities 🗗

#### **During Class**

■ This week, we will explore a few activities related to information searching in class. We will look at searching for information across different borders, as well as have time to search for information related to your project topic. You should use context from the previous week to think about the historical context of your project topic and come to session 2 with 2-3 points/important dates related to your project and ideas about what media could support them.

#### After Class

• Submit Timeline accountability quiz

#### Session 2 (XX/YY/ZZ)

#### Before class

- Read KnightLab Timeline examples (at least one)
  - A History of Wine Around the World
  - Revolutionary User Interfaces →
  - The Republican Run-Up
  - Whitney Houtson 1963-2012 →
- Watch How to Use KnightLab Timelines 🖶

#### **During Class**

Our guest lecturer will return to share aspects of Pressbooks and introduce a new tool, KnightLab which will allow you to create interactive timelines to
accompany your final project chapter. We will be using themes of historical context from the previous week to help us think about how we will tell the story
of our information inequality issue.

#### After Class

• Submit Submit Historical Timeline Points

# Information, Citizenship, & Social Justice ASC 3120 Course Syllabus

# **Course Information**

#### **Classroom Details**

Monday & Wednesday 10-11:30

Classroom: Thompson Library Room 149

#### **Instructors**

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## **Course Description**

We are all information consumers and information creators. Each day, we take in vast amounts of information. We search for information on Google, read news articles, watch YouTube videos, or listen to podcasts. The information we have access to, and our ability to comprehend that information and determine its credibility and relevance, impacts every aspect of our lives. We use information to make decisions, from little decisions such as where to go for lunch to major decisions such as who we vote for or which policies to support. We also create information every time we post on social media or share our scholarly or creative works with others. As information creators, we can contribute, in both positive and negative ways, to others' understanding of key issues in our society. If, for example, we unknowingly share false information, we contribute to the spread of misinformation.

Our ability to act as engaged citizens in a just and diverse world is deeply impacted by the information that we have access to and our ability to effectively utilize that information to learn, to make decisions, and to act. Those who are able to access information, and who are able to use information to advocate for their positions, can exert a great deal of power. On the other hand, those who are unable to access, evaluate, or share information effectively may find themselves unable to fully participate in society. In this course, students will critically consider the idea of citizenship in a just and diverse world through the lens of information and technology. Students will explore how the ability of individuals, and groups, to act as engaged citizens is impacted by the ability to access, evaluate, use, and share information. Specifically, in the course, students will consider questions such as:

- What are the various factors that impact one's ability to access, evaluate, use, and share information?
- How does access to information impact one's ability to act as a local, national, global, and digital citizen?
- How do barriers to information access, such as information paywalls or internet access, hinder one's ability to participate as an informed citizen?
- How does access to information vary across diverse groups? Why might some groups have more access to information than other groups?
- How does an individual's information practices, such as their ability to evaluate information for credibility and relevance, impact their ability to act as a citizen?
- What knowledge, skills and dispositions are necessary to act as a responsible and ethical information consumer and creator, and an informed citizen? What are the responsibilities that citizens have in relation to their information practices?
- What role does technology play in both contributing to, and bridging, gaps in access to information? How does the "digital divide", or inequalities in access to information, impact different individuals and groups?
- How can citizens use information as a powerful tool to advocate for social change and increased justice?

This is an interdisciplinary course which draws primarily upon the scholarship, research, and modes of inquiry and analysis found within the related disciplines of information science and information literacy. As a discipline, information science is concerned with investigating the ways in which information and knowledge is created, organized, accessed and disseminated and the forces that impact how information is communicated and used. Information science also includes a critical focus on the complex relationships between technology, information, and society. As both a discipline and a practice, information literacy is focused on identifying and teaching a range of skills, behaviors, and conceptual understandings which enable individuals and groups to navigate a complex information environment and act as ethical information consumer and creators.

Within the course, the knowledge and practices of these disciplines will be applied more specifically to explore the complicated connections between information, citizenship, and justice in a diverse world. By the end of the course, students will be better equipped to navigate this complex environment and to act as engaged citizens. Through coursework and reflection, students will develop a greater understanding of their own information practices and knowledge and their rights and responsibilities as information consumers, information creators and informed citizens.

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#### **Course Details: The Essentials**

This course includes both twice weekly in-person class meetings and assignments completed in Carmen.

In this course, students will examine how information, citizenship, and social justice intersect.

We will explore how information is:

- Created
- Accessed
- Shared
- The influence this has on their impact as active and engaged global citizens.

Through readings and coursework, we will uncover the power dynamics related to information and the harm this information privilege can perpetuate or communities it can oppress.

Students will also explore an information inequality issue that interests them and research its history, the different groups involved, the specific terminology used, and how it connects to citizenship and social justice. Most significantly, students will learn how information can be a powerful tool for positive change. This project will be a step-by-step process throughout the semester, culminating in the creation of a digital chapter in a class webbook. Students will learn and determine the licensing rights for their works and even have the opportunity to decide how their work is shared with others.

# **General Education Goals and Learning Outcomes**

This course fulfills the requirement for the General Education category "Citizenship for a Just and Diverse World." The goals and expected learning outcomes for courses in this category are listed as follows. Related course content for each of the ELOs is indicated.

#### Themes Goals and Learning Outcomes (shared across all GE Themes Courses)

Goal 1: Analyze concepts of citizenship, justice and diversity at a more advanced and in-depth level than in the Foundations component.

Expected Learning Outcome 1.1: Successful students will engage in critical and logical thinking about the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.

#### Related Course Content for ELO 1.1:

- Question Formulation Technique Assignment: Students will build the skills needed to formulate critical questions
- Information Lifecycle Assignment: Students will recreate the lifecycle of information and reflect on how this connects to the credibility of different information sources

- Pre-Bunking Worksheet: Students will learn to identify and address misinformation and disinformation
- Doxing Assignment: Students will be introduced to the concept of doxing and how to protect their digital identity. Doxing is the act of making personally identifiable information about a person available online, often for negative reasons such as revenge or shame.
- Social Annotation & Reflection Assignments: Students reflect on and annotate course readings by adding critical questions or comments and replying to others (four assignments).
- Authority, What is It?: Students make choices related to a specific scenario to give them
  practice in determining the credibility and authority of information sources

Expected Learning Outcome 1.2: Successful students will engage in an advanced, in-depth, scholarly exploration of the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.

#### Related Course Content for ELO 1.2

- The course requires students to carry out a focused exploration of citizenship and social justice in relation to the power dynamics involved in information creation, control, access, and dissemination. Students will be actively involved in identifying information inequalities and in some instances exploring potential solutions in the pursuit of a more just society.
- To engage in an exploration of citizenship and social justice, students will complete readings such as:
  - o Defining Citizenship: Students will review multiple definitions and descriptions of citizenship, global citizenship, and digital citizenship
  - o Defining Social Justice: Students will review multiple definitions and descriptions of social justice
  - o Defining Privilege and Power Reading: Students will review definitions of the concepts of privilege and power
  - Defining Equality, Equity, and Inequality Reading: Students will review multiple definitions of equality, equity, and inequality
- Students will complete assignments such as:
  - O Collaborative Definition Building: Students will complete activities in which they discuss the concepts of citizenship and social justice to develop class definitions of these concepts. Students will continue to use these definitions, refining them as they gain more knowledge, throughout the course as they complete other activities and assignments.
  - O Article Search and Share: Students will locate an article that represents citizenship in some way or that connects to the definitions of citizenship discussed in class and in course readings as well as a personally chosen topic, creating a larger resource for the course.
  - o Final Project: Students will complete a scaffolded, semester long project that requires them to identify an information inequality. Potential topics include textbook costs, news deserts, and lack of access to books for the incarcerated. A core component of the project will be for students to explicitly connect these issues to questions of citizenship and justice. To support their ability to do this, they will complete:

- A Citizenship Worksheet: Exploring/discussing how the information inequality they have identified is connected to citizenship. For example, how does it prevent an individual or group from engaging as an active and informed citizen? Or, more broadly, why is it important for citizens to be aware of this issue?
- Social Justice Worksheet: Exploring/discussing how the information inequality they have identified represents a social justice issue.
- ♣ The final deliverable for the project will be in the form of a chapter in a class Pressbook. As part of their chapter, students will need to clearly articulate the citizenship and social justice connections for their selected inequality.

Goal 2: Integrate approaches to understanding citizenship for a just and diverse world by making connections to out-of-classroom experiences with academic knowledge or across disciplines and/or to work they have done in previous classes and that they anticipate doing in future.

Expected Learning Outcome 2.1: Successful students will identify, describe and synthesize approaches or experiences as they apply to citizenship for a just and diverse world.

#### Related Course Content for ELO 2.1:

- Students will consider citizenship and social justice through the lens of information. Students will consider critical questions about who can create information, who can access information, and the legal and economic context in which information is disseminated or restricted, and then connect these issues with questions of citizenship and social justice.
- Students will complete course readings on such topics as:
  - o Gender bias in Wikipedia representation
  - o The commodification of information and data
  - o Artificial intelligence and bias
  - o How access to information is critical for citizens

Expected Learning Outcome 2.2: Successful students will demonstrate a developing sense of self as a learner through reflection, self-assessment and creative work, building on prior experiences to respond to new and challenging contexts.

#### Related Course Content for ELO 2.2

- Final Project: The students' final project will be to produce a chapter that will be published in a
  class Pressbook. Producing this chapter will require students to deeply engage with an
  information inequality, not only by identifying and analyzing the issue through various lenses
  including citizenship, but also through developing a short-, medium- and long-term\_plan to
  advocate for change related to the issue. The final project will be scaffolded throughout the
  semester and will require students to:
  - Create and submit the complete chapter, including:
    - Timeline and historical context
    - Key stakeholders
    - Citizenship and social justice connections

- Action Steps: Steps that they and others can take to address the information inequality
- Elevator Speech
- o Act as a peer reviewer for other students' draft chapters
- o Give an oral and visual presentation related to their topic
- Students will also be required to incorporate multimedia objects in their chapter, which will require them to develop a greater understanding of issues related to copyright, attribution, and authorship
- o Students will submit drafts of key components of the chapter throughout the semester, with time to receive feedback for revision and reflection. Students will be expected to incorporate feedback from both peers and instructor.
- Overall, the assignment will require students to develop or enhance a range of skills and competencies related to writing, information literacy, and effective communication practices. Students will also develop a deeper understanding of themselves as information creators, rather than just information consumers, and a deeper sense of themselves as active and engaged citizens capable of advocating for change.

Goals and Learning Outcomes (specific to Citizenship in a Just and Diverse World Courses)

Goal 3: Explore and analyze a range of perspectives on local, national or global citizenship and apply the knowledge, skills and dispositions that constitute citizenship.

Expected Learning Outcome 3.1: Successful students will describe and analyze a range of perspectives on what constitutes citizenship and how it differs across political, cultural, national, global and/or historical communities.

#### Related Course Content for ELO 3.1:

- Students will review a range of different definitions for citizenship, global citizenship, and digital
  citizenship. Students will collaborate in class to develop definitions for these concepts.
  Throughout the rest of the course, students will be required to continue to consider these
  definitions as part of activities and discussions related to information access and information
  inequality.
- Students will complete a "Search and Share" assignment in which they identify an article related to their topic that also provides an example of "citizenship" and explains how that article represents citizenship or demonstrates citizenship in action.
- Students will complete a "Citizenship Connections" worksheet in which they explicitly reflect on and explain how the information inequality that they have selected is connected to citizenship.
- Students' final project, the Pressbooks chapter, will focus on a specific information inequality selected by the student. In the chapter, students will describe how this information inequality impacts an individual or groups' ability to act as a citizen, or why it is an issue that should be concerning to citizens. In selecting their information inequality, students will be able to select from topics at different levels, such as news deserts (local), access to information for the incarcerated (national), or the digital divide (global).

Expected Learning Outcome 3.2 Successful students will identify, reflect on and apply the knowledge, skills and dispositions required for intercultural competence as a global citizen.

#### Related Course Content for ELO 3.2:

- In completing course assignments and activities, students will develop, enhance, and apply a range a differing skills and dispositions necessary for intercultural competence, including critical reading, question formulation, and written and oral communication skills. For example:
  - o Students will be required to complete assignments in which they annotate course readings to raise key issues.
  - Students will complete an activity intended to help them learn how to formulate better questions.
  - O Students' final project will require them to develop a written chapter in a class Pressbook critically exploring their selected information inequality as well as to give an audiovisual presentation. Creating their chapter and presentation will also require students to consider issues related to intellectual property and attribution. The project is also intended to help students learn to think of themselves as information creators, rather than just as information consumers, and to recognize that they have the ability to not only identify but also to advocate for change as active and informed citizens.

Goal 4: Examine notions of justice amid difference and analyze and critique how these interact with historically and socially constructed ideas of citizenship and membership within society, both within the United States and around the world.

Expected Learning Outcome 4.1: Successful students will examine, critique and evaluate various expressions and implications of diversity, equity and inclusion, and explore a variety of lived experiences.

#### Related Course Content for ELO 4.1:

- Throughout the course, students will be encouraged to consider issues of diversity, equity, and
  inclusion, as they ask critical questions about who has access to information and who does not,
  who has the power and ability to create and share information and who does not. Students will
  consider how individuals or groups may be marginalized due to unequal information access, but
  also how marginalized groups may use information to raise awareness and advocate for
  change.
- In exploring their selected information inequality for the final project, students will be required
  to consider the historical context and the key stakeholders or groups that have impacted, or are
  impacted by, the information inequality. The information inequalities selected may be ones
  that impact them personally (such as high textbook costs) but may also be ones that primarily
  impact individuals or groups with backgrounds or experiences that differ from those of the
  student.
- In addition, students will learn about and reflect on the topics selected by their classmates and will provide both formal and information feedback. This will provide students with practice listening to and engaging with others with a varied of lived experiences.

Expected Learning Outcome 4.2: Successful students will analyze and critique the intersection of concepts of justice, difference, citizenship, and how these interact with cultural traditions, structures of power and/or advocacy for social change.

#### Related Course Content for ELO 4.2:

- Students will explore the concepts of justice, citizenship, and difference through consideration of the power structures that determine who has ability to create, access, manipulate, and distribute information. Students will consider how access to information, and the ability to create information, both contributes to and results from the differing positions and backgrounds held by individuals or groups. Students will be encouraged to think about the way in which access, or lack of access to information, is both an issue of justice and directly impacts an individual's ability to act as an informed and engage citizen in multiple contexts.
- In the final project, which is scaffolded across the semester and is supported by readings, activities, and class discussions, students identify an information inequality (such as lack of access to scientific articles due to paywalls) and they consider that inequality within the context of citizenship and social justice. For example, which individuals or groups may be most harmed by the inability to access information? How does one's differing levels of power or privilege impact one's ability to act as a citizen, or to impact the laws or policies that govern citizens' behavior?
- Beyond just identifying how information inequalities relate to citizenship and justice, students
  will also learn skills and practices that will enable them to act as effective advocates for social
  change. In their final Pressbook chapter, students will be required to provide action steps for
  addressing the information inequality they have selected. Students will also develop an elevator
  speech and give a final presentation on their topic for their classmates in which they outline
  how they, and others, can support change related to the information inequality.

# **Additional Course Goals**

Along with the goals and outcomes for the GE Citizenship for a Just and Diverse World theme, this course has the following goals. The related GE ELOs are indicated for each course goal.

#### Course Goal 1- Information has Value and Power

Students will analyze the intersections between information and power, including how existing power structures influence the production, dissemination, access, use, and value of information, and how information can be used to replicate or challenge power structures. This course goal is aligned with GE ELO 1.1 and GE ELO 2.1.

#### Course Goal 2 – Information and Citizenship

Students will construct a definition of active and informed citizenship in a global and digital society, explore the connections between informed citizenship and information access, and reflect on their own ability to participate as an active and informed citizen. This course goal is aligned with GE ELO 2.2 and GE ELO 3.1.

#### Course Goal 3 – Information and Social Justice

Students will analyze the intersections between information, citizenship and justice, identify the ways in which the current information ecosystem privileges some citizens over others, and explore the potential uses of information to advocate for or enact personal and social change. This course goal is aligned with GE ELO 4.1 and GE ELO 4.2.

#### Course Goal 4 – Critical and Responsible Information Behaviors

Students will identify and critically reflect on their rights and responsibilities as a global and digital citizen and apply their knowledge to make informed choices when accessing, sharing, and using information. This course goal is aligned with GE ELO 1.2 and GE ELO 3.2.

#### How This Course Relates to the GE Theme Citizenship for a Just and Diverse World

This course requires students to explore and deeply engage with the intersections of citizenship, diversity, and justice through the lens of information. Students will critically explore and reflect upon multiple definitions and descriptions of citizenship, global citizenship, and digital citizenship. Throughout the rest of the course, students will be required to continue to consider these definitions as part of activities and discussions related to information creation, information access and information inequality. Students will explore the power structures that impact how information is produced, accessed, disseminated, and valued. They will investigate how diverse individuals or groups may be privileged, marginalized, or oppressed because of these processes, but also how marginalized groups may use information to raise awareness and advocate for change. Students will consider how the ability to create, control, access, or share information is connected to the ability to act as an informed and engaged citizen, and will also learn skills and habits that will support their own abilities to act as informed and engaged global, national, local, and digital citizens who are prepared to identify and take steps to address issues related to information and justice. Students will complete multiple assignments to support their ability to engage in critical, logical, and reflective thinking around issues of citizenship in a diverse world and will be actively involved in identifying information inequalities, reflecting on the diverse stakeholders and historical context, and exploring potential solutions in the pursuit of a more just society. Assignments will require students to develop or enhance a range of skills and abilities necessary for intercultural competence, including critical reading and writing skills, information literacy, and effective communication practices. Students will also develop a deeper understanding of themselves as information creators, rather than just information consumers, and a deeper sense of themselves as active and engaged citizens capable of advocating for change.

# **Course Expectations**

#### **Course Materials**

This course requires no textbook. All required readings will be linked in the module for the week in which they are assigned. These readings are listed later in this document in the course schedule.

## **Course Technology**

If you do not have access to the technology you need to succeed in this class, you can review options for technology and internet access at <a href="mailto:go.osu.edu/student-tech-access">go.osu.edu/student-tech-access</a>

- Computer: current Mac (MacOS) or PC (Windows 10) with high-speed internet connection, webcam, and microphone
- BuckeyePass: a mobile device (smartphone or tablet) to use for authentication
- Microsoft Office 365: All Ohio State students are eligible for free Microsoft Office 365.
- Visit the installing Office 365 (go.osu.edu/office365help) help article for full instructions.

#### Core technology skills:

Navigating CarmenCanvas (go.osu.edu/canvasstudent)

For help with your password, university email, CarmenCanvas, or any other technology issues, questions or requests, contact the IT Service Desk, which offers 24-hour support, seven days a week: https://it.osu.edu/students

Review the Answers to Common Questions (FAQ) Page linked on the course home page for tips and information on course software & technology use.

#### **Accessibility Accommodations for Students with Disabilities**

The university strives to maintain a healthy and accessible environment to support student learning in and out of the classroom. If you anticipate or experience academic barriers based on your disability (including mental health, chronic, or temporary medical conditions), please let me know immediately so that we can privately discuss options. To establish reasonable accommodations, I may request that you register with Student Life Disability Services. After registration, make arrangements with me as soon as possible to discuss your accommodations so that they may be implemented in a timely fashion.

If you are ill and need to miss class, including if you are staying home and away from others while experiencing symptoms of a viral infection or fever, please let me know immediately. In cases where illness interacts with an underlying medical condition, please consult with Student Life Disability Services to request reasonable accommodations. You can connect with them at <a href="mailto:slds@osu.edu">slds@osu.edu</a>; 614-292-3307; or <a href="mailto:slds.osu.edu">slds.osu.edu</a>.

### **Late Assignments**

Pay attention to due dates. You will see these listed on the home page of your Carmen course. Upcoming due dates can also be found under your To-do list in Carmen. Due dates are set to help you stay on pace and to allow timely feedback that will help you complete subsequent assignments. Work submitted after the deadline may receive less feedback and, unless excused, may not be accepted. Please communicate with your instructor about scheduling issues as soon as possible, regardless of the reason for late work.

### **Faculty Feedback and Response Time**

Information on the instructor's feedback and response time policy can be found on the course home page in Carmen below their contact information. Assignments submitted after the due date, even if excused, may have reduced feedback, and confirmation of satisfactory completion may take longer to be posted.

#### **Student Participation Expectations**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention <u>released new guidance</u> for people who test positive for COVID-19. The CDC no longer recommends a five-day isolation for those infected with the virus. Instead, individuals can leave home after they have been fever-free for at least 24 hours and have mild and improving symptoms. This move aligns COVID-19 guidance with other common respiratory viral illnesses, such as the flu.

Stay home and away from others if you are experiencing symptoms of a respiratory virus, including fever, chills, fatigue, cough, runny nose and headache.

You may return to normal activities when both are true for at least 24 hours:

- Symptoms are improving
- Fever-free without using fever-reducing medication

### **Course Participation Required**

One hundred (100) points, or 10% of the points in the course, can be earned by attending class meetings and submitting assignments regularly. The work completed in this course supports future assignments and learning. Your instructor's feedback on assignments should be applied in future assignments. This course is not self-paced. Part of your grade will be earned through your participation in various activities, primarily in class. Instructors have some flexibility in the event individual accommodations are needed, and some points may be available out of class, for example, through discussion posts or peer feedback.

### **Respectful Engagement Required**

Your participation will be evaluated in part on your ability to communicate constructively and respectfully with other members of the class. To create a space that is welcoming to all learners, please maintain a respectful tone in your posts and responses, even when there is disagreement. Often when we disagree, asking questions of each other is an opportunity for us to learn more, challenge ourselves and grow in our ways of thinking.

# Discussion and communication guidelines

Above all, please remember to be respectful and thoughtful. Additional guidance on this subject is available in the Answers to Common Questions (FAQ) in your course in Carmen.

# **ChatGPT/AI Usage**

ChatGPT and other AI tools have become widely accessible and heavily used. It is important to remember that Generative AI tools are not a replacement for your own critical thinking and original ideas. The ultimate goal of this course and any tool used to submit work is to enhance your own learning and understanding, not to undermine it. There are, however, some instances in which the use of AI tools is permitted and may be beneficial.

- Manage your time (for instance, break a project into smaller steps with deadlines)
- Check the grammar of content you've written
- Generate email templates

Keep in mind that these tools may use your prompts to train themselves and may store the information that you provide. Consider this when creating your prompts for AI to protect your privacy and sensitive data.

#### Resources

Security and Privacy Statement on AI from OTDI

#### **How to Succeed**

To do well in this course, you should:

- participate in class activities
- suspend your assumptions before responding
- read everything carefully
- submit work on time
- read the rubric (detailed description of grading criteria) for each assignment

# **Grading and Course Schedule**

#### How Your Grade Will be Calculated

There are a total of 1000 points available in this course.

Your work in this course will fall into one of a few categories. Below is a brief description of those categories & their associated assignments.

#### Course participation – 10%, 100 pts.

Participation and engagement points require that you attend class for specific activities and assignments that support learning in this course, or that you participate in an out-of-class activity within a specific timeframe.

#### Foundational Assignments – 20%, 200 pts. (8 Assignments)

What Are they? These assignments will focus on the foundational knowledge to the understanding of all other course content and will support your work on all other assignments.

What will you do? These assignments connect to citizenship by encouraging you to learn new vocabulary, reflect on your own relationship to citizenship, which includes multiple ways to engage as a global and local citizen. These assignments will take various formats including Carmen quizzes, document submissions in Carmen, and other formats.

For Example...The Question Formulation Technique assignment teaches a structured method for generating and improving questions. The idea is that instead of answering the instructor's questions, which is how most classes are structured, learning can actually be more meaningful if you learn how to answer your own questions. But in order for you to answer your own question, you need to know the right way to ask questions. QFT is a technique that helps you build the lifelong skill of asking questions, something which we hope will empower your confidence and self-efficacy.

#### Course Contribution Assignments – 10%, 100 pts. (6 Assignments)

What Are they? These assignments will require you to interact with readings directly by reflecting on their relevance to the weekly themes and the overarching course themes of global citizenship and by annotating them, either individually or collaboratively.

What will you do? In some instances, instead of collaboratively annotating course readings, you will instead be locating articles relevant to course topics (such as citizenship), writing and sharing a brief description of the content and relevance, and responding to articles shared by classmates.

#### For Example...

Your first annotation will be on a specific chapter, <u>The Digital Reproduction of Inequality by Eszter Hargittai.</u> You will then be asked to do the following:

- pose questions/seek clarifications about the author's key ideas and how they might relate to citizenship
- call our attention to a key phrase or step in the author's argument
- compare and contrast with other readings (if you wish, add a link)
- challenge an author's claims, evidence, assumptions, or perspective
- propose an alternative idea that the author might have considered
- find related media to the concepts being explained in the text and share them with a link

#### Final Project Milestones: Refining Skills & Reflecting – 10%, 100 pts. (8 Assignments)

What Are they? These individually graded assignments are checkpoints during your work towards your final project. These assignments will include constructing different sections of your project on a defined timeline and reflecting on the relationship between the course theme of citizenship and justice and your final project. These assignments also provide practical experience in the process of research, from searching to evaluation to creation and citing.

#### What will you do?

These assignments will require you to interact with readings directly by reflecting on their relevance to the weekly themes and the overarching course themes of global citizenship and by annotating them, either individually or collaboratively. In some instances, you will instead be locating articles relevant to course topics (such as citizenship), writing and sharing a brief description of the content and relevance, and responding to articles shared by classmates.

#### For Example...

In the assignment "Authority, what is it?" you will be lead through a scenario that will teach you how to reflect on how corporations and individuals attempt to place themselves in a position of authority. You will then decide for yourself if they are or not actually an authority on the topic, reflecting on how this may change how reliable the information they are sharing is.

#### Final Project Milestones: Drafts – 30%, 300 pts. (8 Assignments)

What Are they? These assignments include the creation of the major building blocks of the final project and reflection on the course themes of citizenship and justice relationship to that work.

Each component is individually graded and introduced over the course of the semester allowing students to complete the major components of their project along a planned timeline with support as the related content is discussed in class.

What will you do? These assignments step into each other, from topic selection, timeline and historical context creation, the creation of a glossary for your chapter, completing a stakeholder analysis exploring how the topic of citizenship affects those outside of yourself, and then completing two more comprehensive reflections on how the work cumulatively connects to citizenship and then justice.

For Example... For part one of the choose your topic assignment you will be asked to identify the topic you plan to explore for your final assignment and provide a brief reflection on your selection. The topic should be an information inequality of some type, in which individuals or groups have unequal access to information or an inability to create and share information, which limits their ability to engage as active and informed citizens.

#### Final Project & Presentation - 20%, 200 pts. (3 Assignments)

What Are they? These assignments are the cumulation of your work for the semester, you will be sharing the final chapter that you created over the semester focusing on your chosen topic related to citizenship and justice. You will be sharing how the course, and the work you've completed in it, has shifted your mindset from a passive view of citizenship to an active one, in whatever way that is defined by you.

#### What will you do?

The final project in this class culminates in the publication of a chapter of a book in Pressbooks (an online publishing platform) as well as a final presentation. There are 3 individually graded assignments including a midterm, (the completion of the first half of the book chapter content), the Final Project (the finalized book chapter), and the Final Presentation. These final two assignments are the submission of your final pressbooks chapter, one that you have been working on through the entire semester, and finally a short presentation, sharing the essentials with your classmates so we each have a crash course in the type of global or local citizenship you have been focusing on and the types of actions that can be taken related to it.

#### For Example...

Your presentation may take the form of a short video, sharing your issue, defining key terms, sharing who the key stakeholders are, an action step and describe how it could alleviate or aide a Social Justice or Citizenship issue, as well as links to further resources.

#### **Grading Scale**

Α	93 - 100%	В	83 - <87%	С	73 - <77%	D	60 - <67%
A-	90 - <93%	B-	80 - <83%	C-	70 - <73%	E	<60% and
B+	87 - <90%	C+	77 - <80%	D+	67 - <70%		below

#### **Course Schedule**

See details for each graded item in Carmen under ASSIGNMENTS and when they're assigned in the COURSE MODULES.

#### Course Path

This course is organized into four broad sections:

Part 1: Course Foundations: Connecting Citizenship, Social Justice, and Information: (Weeks 1-2): The focus for these two weeks will be on the introduction of key concepts for the course, including citizenship, social justice, and information inequality. The work in these two weeks will prepare students for engaging with the intersections of information, citizenship, and social justice during the remaining weeks of the course.

Part 2: Creating, Organizing, Accessing, and Valuing Information: Intersections with Citizenship and Social Justice (Weeks 3-5): In these weeks, the focus will be on how information is created, organized, accessed, and valued. Students will explore how the creation, dissemination, and control of information intersects with key issues related to citizenship and social justice, such as: What are the factors that limit access to information for various individuals or groups?

Part 3: Information Authority and Mis/Disinformation: Intersections with Citizenship and Social Justice (Weeks 6-7): After developing a better understanding of the ways in which information is created, organized, and shared in the previous weeks, students will explore more specifically how authority is determined in relation to information. This will include a focus on how and why

mis/disinformation is created and shared. Students will consider how issues of information authority intersect with key issues related to citizenship and social justice, such as: Who determines which information is considered "authoritative?"

Part 4: Activism and Action: Connecting Citizenship, Social Justice, and Information (Weeks 8-15): In this part of the course, students build about what they have learned in the first 7 weeks of the course about the processes by which information is created, organized, accessed, and valued, and the intersections of citizenship, social justice, and information, in order to explore how they can take action as engaged and informed citizens in order to address information inequalities.

# Week 1: Course Foundations: Connecting Citizenship, Social Justice, and Information (Topic: What is Information Inequality?)

#### Readings

- Syllabus
- Hargittai, E. (2008). The Digital Reproduction of Inequality from The Inequality Reader

#### **Assignments Due**

- Course Norms Acknowledgment
- Reading Reflection & Annotation

#### **Connected ELOs**

- ELO 1.1: Successful students will engage in critical and logical thinking about the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.
- ELO 1.2: Successful students will engage in an advanced, in-depth, scholarly exploration of the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.
- ELO 3.1: Successful students will describe and analyze a range of perspectives on what constitutes citizenship and how it differs across political, cultural, national, global and/or historical communities.

# Week 2: Course Foundations: Connecting Citizenship, Social Justice, and Information (Topic: What is Citizenship? What is Social Justice?)

#### Readings

- Defining Citizenship (Carmen)
- Defining Social Justice (Carmen)
- Defining Power and Privilege (Carmen)
- Defining Equality, Equity, and Inequality (Carmen)
- Pressbooks: What is a Webbook?

#### **Assignments Due**

- Final Project: Choose your Topic Part 1
- Question formulation technique
- Add author bio and picture to Pressbooks

#### Connected ELOs

- ELO 1.1: Successful students will engage in critical and logical thinking about the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.
- ELO 1.2: Successful students will engage in an advanced, in-depth, scholarly exploration of the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.
- ELO 3.1: Successful students will describe and analyze a range of perspectives on what constitutes citizenship and how it differs across political, cultural, national, global and/or historical communities.

• ELO 3.2 Successful students will identify, reflect on and apply the knowledge, skills and dispositions required for intercultural competence as a global citizen.

# Week 3: Creating, Organizing, Accessing, and Valuing Information: Intersections with Citizenship and Social Justice (Topic: How is Information Created and Accessed?)

#### Readings

- Types of Information Sources (Carmen)
- The Information Cycle (Infographic)
- Library of Congress: Becoming a Historian Historical Context
- American Historical Association: Historical Thinking Skills

#### **Assignments Due**

- Information Lifecycle Assignment
- Final Project: Choose your Topic Part 2

#### **Connected ELOs**

- ELO 1.1: Successful students will engage in critical and logical thinking about the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.
- ELO 1.2: Successful students will engage in an advanced, in-depth, scholarly exploration of the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.
- ELO 4.1: Successful students will examine, critique and evaluate various expressions and implications of diversity, equity and inclusion, and explore a variety of lived experiences

# Week 4: Creating, Organizing, Accessing, and Valuing Information: Intersections with Citizenship and Social Justice (Topic: How is Information Organized?)

#### Readings

- Fox, N. (2020). Organizing the World's Information. Google: The Keyword
- Noble, S.U. (2018). Searching for People and Communities. From Algorithms of Oppression.
- Knightlab examples and tutorials

#### **Assignments Due**

- Timeline & Historical Content Introduction
- Timeline & Historical Content Completed draft

#### **Connected ELOs**

- ELO 2.1: Successful students will identify, describe and synthesize approaches or experiences as they apply to citizenship for a just and diverse world.
- ELO 3.2 Successful students will identify, reflect on and apply the knowledge, skills and dispositions required for intercultural competence as a global citizen.
- ELO 4.1: Successful students will examine, critique and evaluate various expressions and implications of diversity, equity and inclusion, and explore a variety of lived experiences

# Week 5: Creating, Organizing, Accessing, and Valuing Information: Intersections with Citizenship and Social Justice (Topic: How is Information Valued and Commodified?)

#### Readings

- Defining Information and Data (Carmen)
- Lishchuk, R. (2020). Most Desired Data: Whose is the most in demand, and how much is it worth
- Khajbakhteev, R. (2020). How the commodification of knowledge is creating a new age of colonialism.
- Copyright Guide for Students (Carmen)

• Barnes, B. (2022, Dec 27). Mickey's Copyright Adventure: Early Disney Creation Will Soon Be Public Property. NYT.

#### Assignments Due

- OSU IP Policy Reflection & Annotation
- Final Project: Glossary term identification

#### Connected ELOs

- ELO 2.1: Successful students will identify, describe and synthesize approaches or experiences as they apply to citizenship for a just and diverse world.
- ELO 3.2 Successful students will identify, reflect on and apply the knowledge, skills and dispositions required for intercultural competence as a global citizen.
- ELO 4.1: Successful students will examine, critique and evaluate various expressions and implications of diversity, equity and inclusion, and explore a variety of lived experiences

# Week 6: Information Authority and Mis/Disinformation: Intersections with Citizenship and Social Justice (Topics: How is Authority Determined? What Authority Do Students Have?)

#### Readings

- Reporters without Borders index
- Kirschner, N. (2021). A free press requires an open internet.
- What is Publication Bias? (How to Detect & Avoid It)
- Maher, K. (2018). Wikipedia is a mirror of the world's gender biases.
- Pells, R. (2018). Understanding the Extent of Gender Gap in Citations.
- Li, W. (2022). Peer review in science: the pains and problems.

#### Assignments Due

- Authority, what is it?
- Reading Reflection & Annotation
- Final Project: Glossary term definitions

#### **Connected ELOs**

- ELO 1.1: Successful students will engage in critical and logical thinking about the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.
- ELO 2.1: Successful students will identify, describe and synthesize approaches or experiences as they apply to citizenship for a just and diverse world.
- ELO 3.2 Successful students will identify, reflect on and apply the knowledge, skills and dispositions required for intercultural competence as a global citizen.

# Week 7: Information Authority and Mis/Disinformation: Intersections with Citizenship and Social Justice (Topics: How and Why is Mis/Disinformation Created and Shared?)

#### Readings

- Information Disorder: Useful Graphics
- Adee, S. (2020). What Are Deepfakes and How Are They Created?
- Garcia, L., & Shane, T. (2021). A guide to prebunking: a promising way to inoculate against misinformation.
- Hern, A. (2022). TikTok algorithm directs users to fake news about Ukraine war, study says
- Smith, B. (2021, Dec 06). How TikTok Reads Your Mind. NYT.
- Rogers, E. (2022). Why people trust or distrust experts when it comes to critical issues. Al Image Activity

#### Assignments Due

- Reading Reflection & Annotation
- Pre-bunking worksheet
- Exploring the Mind of AI: Understanding, Implementing, and Ethically Deploying Artificial Intelligence
- Exploration Quiz and Reflection
- Final Project: Stakeholder analysis draft

#### Connected FLOs

- ELO 1.1: Successful students will engage in critical and logical thinking about the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.
- ELO 2.1: Successful students will identify, describe and synthesize approaches or experiences as they apply to citizenship for a just and diverse world.
- ELO 3.2 Successful students will identify, reflect on and apply the knowledge, skills and dispositions required for intercultural competence as a global citizen.

# Week 8: Activism and Action: Connecting Citizenship, Social Justice, and Information (Topic: What is Activism? What is Advocacy?)

#### Readings

- Greene, T. (2022). Liberated Learners: Allyship.
- Johnston, J., & Gulliver, R. (2022). "Activism and Advocacy"
- Martin, B. (2007). Activism, social and political.
- Cabrera, N. L., Matias, C. E., & Montoya, R. (2017). Activism or slacktivism? The potential and pitfalls of social media in contemporary student activism.
- Aslan, R. (2022). How to Avoid the 'White Savior Industrial Complex'.
- Linder, C., Quaye, S.J., Lange, A.C., Roberts, R.E., Lacy, M.C., & Okello, W.K. (2019). "A Student Should Have the Privilege of Just Being a Student": Student Activism as Labor.

#### Assignments Due

- Reading Reflection & Annotation
- Harnessing AI for Good: Unveiling the Potential of AI in Activism and Advocacy
- Pressbook checkpoint

#### Connected ELOs

- ELO 1.1: Successful students will engage in critical and logical thinking about the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.
- ELO 2.2: Successful students will demonstrate a developing sense of self as a learner through reflection, self-assessment and creative work, building on prior experiences to respond to new and challenging contexts
- ELO 3.2 Successful students will identify, reflect on and apply the knowledge, skills and dispositions required for intercultural competence as a global citizen.
- ELO 4.2: Successful students will analyze and critique the intersection of concepts of justice, difference, citizenship, and how these interact with cultural traditions, structures of power and/or advocacy for social change.

# Week 9: Activism and Action: Connecting Citizenship, Social Justice, and Information (Topic: Citizenship and Information in Action)

#### Readings

- A Key to Democracy: Access to Information Critical for Citizens, Governments (2005).
- Wikileaks
- How to Citizen (Podcast)

- Caroline Criado Perez Interviews
- Curristine, T., Tchelishvili, N., & Weerathunga, S. (2022). Gender Budgeting Is More Widespread But Implementation Remains a Challenge.
- Bronfman, P. (2022). Performing art as a new form of youth participation and engagement in politics: The case of Chileans' social outburst.

#### **Assignments Due**

- Article search and share: Citizenship
- Citizenship Connections reflection paper

#### **Connected ELOs**

- ELO 1.2: Successful students will engage in an advanced, in-depth, scholarly exploration of the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.
- ELO 2.2: Successful students will demonstrate a developing sense of self as a learner through reflection, self-assessment and creative work, building on prior experiences to respond to new and challenging contexts
- ELO 3.1: Successful students will describe and analyze a range of perspectives on what constitutes citizenship and how it differs across political, cultural, national, global and/or historical communities.
- ELO 3.2 Successful students will identify, reflect on and apply the knowledge, skills and dispositions required for intercultural competence as a global citizen.
- ELO 4.2: Successful students will analyze and critique the intersection of concepts of justice, difference, citizenship, and how these interact with cultural traditions, structures of power and/or advocacy for social change.

# Week 10: Activism and Action: Connecting Citizenship, Social Justice, and Information (Topic: Social Justice and Information in Action)

#### Readings

- Soken-Huberty, E. How to Become A Social Justice Advocate
- Hiner, J. (2021). Al's social justice problem: It's amplifying human bias.
- Earl, J., Maher, T. V., & Pan, J. (2022). The digital repression of social movements, protest, and activism: A synthetic review.
- List of Social Justice Movements
- #AdvocacyMatters: Budgeting with Care from Disability Rights Ohio
- The Women to Drive Movement
- Kaur, H. (2020). Indigenous people across the US want their land back and the movement is gaining momentum.

#### **Assignments Due**

- Article search and share: Social justice
- Social justice Connections reflection paper

#### **Connected ELOs**

- ELO 1.2: Successful students will engage in an advanced, in-depth, scholarly exploration of the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.
- ELO 2.2: Successful students will demonstrate a developing sense of self as a learner through reflection, self-assessment and creative work, building on prior experiences to respond to new and challenging contexts.
- ELO 3.1: Successful students will describe and analyze a range of perspectives on what constitutes citizenship and how it differs across political, cultural, national, global and/or historical communities.

- ELO 3.2: Successful students will identify, reflect on and apply the knowledge, skills and dispositions required for intercultural competence as a global citizen.
- ELO 4.2: Successful students will analyze and critique the intersection of concepts of justice, difference, citizenship, and how these interact with cultural traditions, structures of power and/or advocacy for social change.

# Week 10: Activism and Action: Connecting Citizenship, Social Justice, and Information (Topic: Universal Design and Activism in Action)

#### Readings

- What is Universal Design? From the UD Project
- Case studies on Universal design
- Innovations in Accessible Elections Final Report
- The Green Book
- The Invisible Diner
- Disability Pride Month Creators on TikTok
- Williams, G.F. (2020). A Guide to Understanding What Makes a Typeface Accessible.

#### **Assignments Due**

- Peer review connections reflection papers
- Final Project: Social justice and citizenship connections & reflections final draft

#### Connected ELOs

- ELO 1.2: Successful students will engage in an advanced, in-depth, scholarly exploration of the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.
- ELO 2.2: Successful students will demonstrate a developing sense of self as a learner through reflection, self-assessment and creative work, building on prior experiences to respond to new and challenging contexts.
- ELO 3.1: Successful students will describe and analyze a range of perspectives on what constitutes citizenship and how it differs across political, cultural, national, global and/or historical communities.
- ELO 3.2 Successful students will identify, reflect on and apply the knowledge, skills and dispositions required for intercultural competence as a global citizen.
- ELO 4.1: Successful students will examine, critique and evaluate various expressions and implications of diversity, equity and inclusion, and explore a variety of lived experiences
- ELO 4.2: Successful students will analyze and critique the intersection of concepts of justice, difference, citizenship, and how these interact with cultural traditions, structures of power and/or advocacy for social change.

# Week 11: Activism and Action: Connecting Citizenship, Social Justice, and Information (Topic: Revisiting the Intersections of Citizenship, Social Justice, and Information Inequality and Making Change)

#### Readings

- Course definition pages in Carmen
- Innovate Ohio Resistance Guide
- Ghose, D. (2021). Meet the Columbus Activists Converting Outrage to Action.
- Marbury, D. (2022). The New Labor Movement: Inside the Resurgence of Union Activism in Columbus
- Course definitions annotation

#### **Assignments Due**

Pressbook checkpoint II

• Final Project: Action Steps

#### **Connected ELOs**

- ELO 1.1: Successful students will engage in critical and logical thinking about the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.
- ELO 2.2: Successful students will demonstrate a developing sense of self as a learner through reflection, self-assessment and creative work, building on prior experiences to respond to new and challenging contexts.
- ELO 3.1: Successful students will describe and analyze a range of perspectives on what constitutes citizenship and how it differs across political, cultural, national, global and/or historical communities.
- ELO 3.2 Successful students will identify, reflect on and apply the knowledge, skills and dispositions required for intercultural competence as a global citizen.
- ELO 4.2: Successful students will analyze and critique the intersection of concepts of justice, difference, citizenship, and how these interact with cultural traditions, structures of power and/or advocacy for social change.

# Week 13: Activism and Action: Connecting Citizenship, Social Justice, and Information (Topic: How Can You Tell Your Story?)

#### Readings

- The National Council for Mental Well-Being: Crafting Your Advocacy Message
- Telling Your Story With a Purpose
- Climate Change The Elevator Pitch: Katharine Hayhoe
- Project prep materials

#### **Assignments Due**

- Elevator speech worksheet
- Elevator speech draft

#### **Connected ELOs**

- ELO 2.2: Successful students will demonstrate a developing sense of self as a learner through reflection, self-assessment and creative work, building on prior experiences to respond to new and challenging contexts.
- ELO 3.2 Successful students will identify, reflect on and apply the knowledge, skills and dispositions required for intercultural competence as a global citizen.
- ELO 4.2: Successful students will analyze and critique the intersection of concepts of justice, difference, citizenship, and how these interact with cultural traditions, structures of power and/or advocacy for social change.

# Week 14: Activism and Action: Connecting Citizenship, Social Justice, and Information (Topic: Protecting Your Digital Footprint and Reflecting on the Course)

- Readings
- What is Doxing Definition and Explanation
- What is Doxing.
- Kozinski, K., & Kapur, N. (2020). How to Dox Yourself on the Internet. NYT.

#### Assignments Due

- Choose a license for Pressbooks chapter
- Final chapter submission

#### **Connected ELOs**

- ELO 1.1: Successful students will engage in critical and logical thinking about the topic or idea of citizenship for a just and diverse world.
- ELO 2.2: Successful students will demonstrate a developing sense of self as a learner through reflection, self-assessment and creative work, building on prior experiences to respond to new and challenging contexts.
- ELO 3.1: Successful students will describe and analyze a range of perspectives on what constitutes citizenship and how it differs across political, cultural, national, global and/or historical communities.
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# Week 15: Activism and Action: Connecting Citizenship, Social Justice, and Information (Topic: Student Presentations)

Readings

None planned

**Assignments Due** 

Course Presentations

# **Ohio State University Policies**

#### **Your Mental Health**

As a student you may experience a range of issues that can cause barriers to learning, such as strained relationships, increased anxiety, alcohol/drug problems, feeling down, difficulty concentrating and/or lack of motivation. These mental health concerns or stressful events may lead to diminished academic performance or reduce a student's ability to participate in daily activities. The Ohio State University offers services to assist you with addressing these and other concerns you may be experiencing. If you or someone you know are suffering from any of the aforementioned conditions, you can learn more about the broad range of confidential mental health services available on campus via the Office of Student Life's Counseling and Consultation Service (CCS) by visiting <a href="ccs.osu.edu">ccs.osu.edu</a> or calling <a href="614--292-5766">614--292-5766</a>. CCS is located on the 4th Floor of the Younkin Success Center and 10th Floor of Lincoln Tower. You can reach an on-call counselor when CCS is closed at <a href="614--292-5766">614--292-5766</a> and 24-hour emergency help is also available 24/7 by dialing 988 to reach the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline.

## **Academic Integrity and Collaboration**

Overall, I expect that the work you submit is your own. The type and extent of peer collaboration will, however, vary across assignments. You will find specific guidance on my expectations around peer collaboration in the detailed instructions for each assignment. Unless otherwise stated in the assignment instructions you should work on assignments individually, without collaboration from classmates or generative AI. If you have questions regarding appropriate peer collaborations, please contact your instructor.

It is the responsibility of the Committee on Academic Misconduct to investigate or establish procedures for the investigation of all reported cases of student academic misconduct. The term "academic misconduct" includes all forms of student academic misconduct wherever committed; illustrated by, but not limited to, cases of plagiarism and dishonest practices in connection with examinations. As obligated by university rules (Faculty Rule 3335–5–487), the instructor will report all instances of alleged academic misconduct to the committee. For additional information, see the Code of Student Conduct.

### Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Justice

The Ohio State University affirms the importance and value of diversity of people and ideas. We believe in creating equitable research opportunities for all students and to providing programs and curricula that allow our students to understand critical societal challenges from diverse perspectives and aspire to use research to promote sustainable solutions for all. We are committed to maintaining an inclusive community that recognizes and values the inherent worth and dignity of every person; fosters sensitivity, understanding, and mutual respect among all members; and encourages each individual to strive to reach their own potential. The Ohio State University does not discriminate on the basis of age, ancestry, color, disability, gender identity or expression, genetic information, HIV/AIDS status, military status, national origin, race, religion, sex, gender, sexual orientation, pregnancy, protected veteran status, or any other bases under the law, in its activities, academic programs, admission, and employment. (To learn more about diversity, equity, and inclusion and for opportunities to get involved, please visit: <a href="https://odi.osu.edu/">https://odi.osu.edu/</a> or <a href="https://odi.osu.edu/">https://obsc.osu.edu/</a>)

## **Copyright Disclaimer**

The materials used in connection with this course may be subject to copyright protection and are only for the use of students officially enrolled in the course for the educational purposes associated with the course. Copyright law must be considered before copying, retaining, or disseminating materials outside of the course.

# **Religious Accommodations**

Ohio State has had a longstanding practice of making reasonable academic accommodations for students' religious beliefs and practices in accordance with applicable law. In 2023, Ohio State updated its practice to align with new state legislation. Under this new provision, students must be in early communication with their instructors regarding any known accommodation requests for religious beliefs and practices, providing notice of specific dates for which they request alternative accommodations within 14 days after the first instructional day of the course. Instructors in turn shall not question the sincerity of a student's religious or spiritual belief system in reviewing such requests and shall keep requests for accommodations confidential.

With sufficient notice, instructors will provide students with reasonable alternative accommodations with regard to examinations and other academic requirements with respect to students' sincerely held

religious beliefs and practices by allowing up to three absences each semester for the student to attend or participate in religious activities. Examples of religious accommodations can include, but are not limited to, rescheduling an exam, altering the time of a student's presentation, allowing make-up assignments to substitute for missed class work, or flexibility in due dates or research responsibilities. If concerns arise about a requested accommodation, instructors are to consult their tenure initiating unit head for assistance.

A student's request for time off shall be provided if the student's sincerely held religious belief or practice severely affects the student's ability to take an exam or meet an academic requirement and the student has notified their instructor, in writing during the first 14 days after the course begins, of the date of each absence. Although students are required to provide notice within the first 14 days after a course begins, instructors are strongly encouraged to work with the student to provide a reasonable accommodation if a request is made outside the notice period. A student may not be penalized for an absence approved under this policy.

If students have questions or disputes related to academic accommodations, they should contact their course instructor, and then their department or college office. For questions or to report discrimination or harassment based on religion, individuals should contact the <a href="Office of Institutional Equity">Office of Institutional Equity</a>.

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 3345.026, the Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE) developed the following non-exhaustive list of major religious holidays or festivals. The list of major religious holidays and festivals included below is non-exhaustive and is not intended to purposefully exclude any religious holidays or festivals.

If students have questions or disputes related to academic accommodations, they should contact their course instructor, and then their department or college office. For questions or to report discrimination or harassment based on religion, individuals should contact the <a href="Office of Institutional Equity">Office of Institutional Equity</a>. (Policy: <a href="Religious Holidays">Religious Holidays</a>, Holy Days and Observances)

#### Title IX

Title IX makes it clear that violence and harassment based on sex and gender are Civil Rights offenses subject to the same kinds of accountability and the same kinds of support applied to offenses against other protected categories (e.g., race). If you or someone you know has been sexually harassed or assaulted, you may find the appropriate resources at <a href="http://titleix.osu.edu">http://titleix.osu.edu</a> or by contacting the Ohio State Title IX Coordinator at <a href="mailto:titleix@osu.edu">titleix@osu.edu</a>.

# GE Theme course submission worksheet: Citizenship for a Just & Diverse World

### Overview

Courses in the GE Themes aim to provide students with opportunities to explore big picture ideas and problems within the specific practice and expertise of a discipline or department. Although many Theme courses serve within disciplinary majors or minors, by requesting inclusion in the General Education, programs are committing to the incorporation of the goals of the focal theme and the success and participation of students from outside of their program.

Each category of the GE has specific learning goals and Expected Learning Outcomes (ELOs) that connect to the big picture goals of the program. ELOs describe the knowledge or skills students should have by the end of the course. Courses in the GE Themes must meet the ELOs common for **all** GE Themes <u>and</u> those specific to the Theme, in addition to any ELOs the instructor has developed specific to that course. All courses in the GE must indicate that they are part of the GE and include the Goals and ELOs of their GE category on their syllabus.

The prompts in this form elicit information about how this course meets the expectations of the GE Themes. The form will be reviewed by a group of content experts (the Theme Advisory) and by a group of curriculum experts (the Theme Panel), with the latter having responsibility for the ELOs and Goals common to all themes (those things that make a course appropriate for the GE Themes) and the former having responsibility for the ELOs and Goals specific to the topic of **this** Theme.

Briefly describe how this course connects to or exemplifies the concept of this Theme (Citizenship)

In a sentence or two, explain how this class "fits' within the focal Theme. This will help reviewers understand the intended frame of reference for the course-specific activities described below.

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## Connect this course to the Goals and ELOs shared by all Themes

Below are the Goals and ELOs common to all Themes. In the accompanying table, for each ELO, describe the activities (discussions, readings, lectures, assignments) that provide opportunities for students to achieve those outcomes. The answer should be concise and use language accessible to colleagues outside of the submitting department or discipline. The specifics of the activities matter—listing "readings" without a reference to the topic of those readings will not allow the reviewers to understand how the ELO will be met. However, the panel evaluating the fit of the course to the Theme will review this form in conjunction with the syllabus, so if readings, lecture/discussion topics, or other specifics are provided on the syllabus, it is not necessary to reiterate them within this form. The ELOs are expected to vary in their "coverage" in terms of number of activities or emphasis within the course. Examples from successful courses are shared on the next page.

**Goal 1:** Successful students will analyze an important topic or idea at a more advanced and in-depth level than the foundations. In this context, "advanced" refers to courses that are e.g., synthetic, rely on research or cutting-edge findings, or deeply engage with the subject matter, among other possibilities.

**Goal 2:** Successful students will integrate approaches to the theme by making connections to out-of-classroom experiences with academic knowledge or across disciplines and/or to work they have done in previous classes and that they anticipate doing in future.

	Course activities and assignments to meet these ELOs
ELO 1.1 Engage in critical and	
logical thinking.	
ELO 1.2 Engage in an advanced,	
in-depth, scholarly exploration of	
the topic or ideas within this	
theme.	
ELO 2.1 Identify, describe, and	
synthesize approaches or	
experiences.	
ELO 2.2 Demonstrate a	
developing sense of self as a	
learner through reflection, self-	
assessment, and creative work,	
building on prior experiences to	
respond to new and challenging	
contexts.	

Example responses for proposals within "Citizenship" (from Sociology 3200, Comm 2850, French 2803):

<b>ELO 1.1</b> Engage in critical	This course will build skills needed to engage in critical and logical thinking
and logical thinking.	about immigration and immigration related policy through:
	Weekly reading response papers which require the students to synthesize
	and critically evaluate cutting-edge scholarship on immigration;
	Engagement in class-based discussion and debates on immigration-related
	topics using evidence-based logical reasoning to evaluate policy positions;
	Completion of an assignment which build skills in analyzing empirical data
	on immigration (Assignment #1)

Completion 3 assignments which build skills in connecting individual experiences with broader population-based patterns (Assignments #1, #2, #3)

Completion of 3 quizzes in which students demonstrate comprehension of the course readings and materials.

# **ELO 2.1** Identify, describe, and synthesize approaches or experiences.

Students engage in advanced exploration of each module topic through a combination of lectures, readings, and discussions.

### Lecture

Course materials come from a variety of sources to help students engage in the relationship between media and citizenship at an advanced level. Each of the 12 modules has 3-4 lectures that contain information from both peer-reviewed and popular sources. Additionally, each module has at least one guest lecture from an expert in that topic to increase students' access to people with expertise in a variety of areas.

### Reading

The textbook for this course provides background information on each topic and corresponds to the lectures. Students also take some control over their own learning by choosing at least one peer-reviewed article and at least one newspaper article from outside the class materials to read and include in their weekly discussion posts.

### **Discussions**

Students do weekly discussions and are given flexibility in their topic choices in order to allow them to take some control over their education. They are also asked to provide

information from sources they've found outside the lecture materials. In this way, they are able to

explore areas of particular interest to them and practice the skills they will need to gather information

about current events, analyze this information, and communicate it with others.

Activity Example: Civility impacts citizenship behaviors in many ways. Students are asked to choose a TED talk from a provided list (or choose another speech of their interest) and summarize and evaluate what it says about the relationship between civility and citizenship. Examples of Ted Talks on the list include Steven Petrow on the difference between being polite and being civil, Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie's talk on how a single story can perpetuate stereotypes, and Claire Wardle's talk on how diversity can enhance citizenship.

the contexts.

ELO 2.2 Demonstrate a developing sense of self as a learner through reflection, self-assessment, and creative work, building on prior experiences to respond to new and challenging contexts.

Students will conduct research on a specific event or site in Paris not already discussed in depth in class. Students will submit a 300-word abstract of their topic and a bibliography of at least five reputable academic and mainstream sources. At the end of the semester they will submit a 5-page research paper and present their findings in a 10-minute oral and visual presentation in a small-group setting in Zoom.

Some examples of events and sites:

The Paris Commune, an 1871 socialist uprising violently squelched by conservative forces

Jazz-Age Montmartre, where a small community of African-Americans—
including actress and singer Josephine Baker, who was just inducted into
the French Pantheon—settled and worked after World War I.
The Vélodrome d'hiver Roundup, 16-17 July 1942, when 13,000 Jews were
rounded up by Paris police before being sent to concentration camps
The Marais, a vibrant Paris neighborhood inhabited over the centuries by
aristocrats, then Jews, then the LGBTQ+ community, among other groups.

## Goals and ELOs unique to Citizenship for a Just & Diverse World

Below are the Goals and ELOs specific to this Theme. As above, in the accompanying Table, for each ELO, describe the activities (discussions, readings, lectures, assignments) that provide opportunities for students to achieve those outcomes. The answer should be concise and use language accessible to colleagues outside of the submitting department or discipline. The ELOs are expected to vary in their "coverage" in terms of number of activities or emphasis within the course. Examples from successful courses are shared on the next page.

**GOAL 3:** Successful students will explore and analyze a range of perspectives on local, national, or global citizenship, and apply the knowledge, skills, and dispositions that constitute citizenship.

**GOAL 4:** Successful students will examine notions of justice amidst difference and analyze and critique how these interact with historically and socially constructed ideas of citizenship and membership within societies, both within the US and/or around the world.

	Course activities and assignments to meet these ELOs
<b>ELO 3.1</b> Describe and analyze a range of perspectives on what constitutes citizenship and how it differs across political, cultural, national, global, and/or historical communities.	
<b>ELO 3.2</b> Identify, reflect on, and apply the knowledge, skills and dispositions required for intercultural competence as a global citizen.	
<b>ELO 4.1</b> Examine, critique, and evaluate various expressions and implications of diversity, equity, inclusion, and explore a variety of lived experiences.	
<b>ELO 4.2</b> Analyze and critique the intersection of concepts of justice, difference, citizenship, and how these interact with cultural traditions, structures of power and/or advocacy for social change.	

Example responses for proposals within "Citizenship" (Hist/Relig. Studies 3680, Music 3364; Soc 3200):

<b>ELO 3.1</b> Describe and analyze a	Citizenship could not be more central to a topic such as
range of perspectives on what	immigration/migration. As such, the course content, goals, and
constitutes citizenship <u>and</u> how it	expected learning outcomes are all, almost by definition, engaged
differs across political, cultural,	with a range of perspectives on local, national, and global citizenship.

national, global, and/or historical communities.

Throughout the class students will be required to engage with questions about what constitutes citizenship and how it differs across contexts.

The course content addresses citizenship questions at the global (see weeks #3 and #15 on refugees and open border debates), national (see weeks #5, 7-#14 on the U.S. case), and the local level (see week #6 on Columbus). Specific activities addressing different perspectives on citizenship include Assignment #1, where students produce a demographic profile of a U.S-based immigrant group, including a profile of their citizenship statuses using U.S.-based regulatory definitions. In addition, Assignment #3, which has students connect their family origins to broader population-level immigration patterns, necessitates a discussion of citizenship. Finally, the critical reading responses have the students engage the literature on different perspectives of citizenship and reflect on what constitutes citizenship and how it varies across communities.

**ELO 3.2** Identify, reflect on, and apply the knowledge, skills and dispositions required for intercultural competence as a global citizen.

This course supports the cultivation of "intercultural competence as a global citizen" through rigorous and sustained study of multiple forms of musical-political agency worldwide, from the grass-roots to the state-sponsored. Students identify varied cultural expressions of "musical citizenship" each week, through their reading and listening assignments, and reflect on them via online and in-class discussion. It is common for us to ask probing and programmatic questions about the musical-political subjects and cultures we study. What are the possibilities and constraints of this particular version of musical citizenship? What might we carry forward in our own lives and labors as musical citizens Further, students are encouraged to apply their emergent intercultural competencies as global, musical citizens in their midterm report and final project, in which weekly course topics inform student-led research and creative projects.

**ELO 4.1** Examine, critique, and evaluate various expressions and implications of diversity, equity, inclusion, and explore a variety of lived experiences.

Through the historical and contemporary case studies students examine in HIST/RS 3680, they have numerous opportunities to examine, critique, and evaluate various expressions and implications of diversity, equity, and inclusion, as well as a variety of lived experiences. The cases highlight the challenges of living in religiously diverse societies, examining a range of issues and their implications. They also consider the intersections of religious difference with other categories of difference, including race and gender. For example, during the unit on US religious freedom, students consider how incarcerated Black Americans and Native Americans have experienced questions of freedom and equality in dramatically different ways than white Protestants. In a weekly reflection post, they address this question directly. In the unit on marriage and sexuality, they consider different ways that different social groups have experienced the regulation of marriage in Israel and Malaysia in ways that do not correspond simplistically to gender (e.g. different women's groups with very different perspectives on the issues).

In their weekly reflection posts and other written assignments, students are invited to analyze the implications of different regulatory models for questions of diversity, equity, and inclusion. They do so not in a simplistic sense of assessing which model is

"right" or "best" but in considering how different possible outcomes might shape the concrete lived experience of different social groups in different ways. The goal is not to determine which way of doing things is best, but to understand why different societies manage these questions in different ways and how their various expressions might lead to different outcomes in terms of diversity and inclusion. They also consider how the different social and demographic conditions of different societies shape their approaches (e.g. a historic Catholic majority in France committed to laicite confronting a growing Muslim minority, or how pluralism \*within\* Israeli Judaism led to a fragile and contested status quo arrangement). Again, these goals are met most directly through weekly reflection posts and students' final projects, including one prompt that invites students to consider Israel's status quo arrangement from the perspective of different social groups, including liberal feminists, Orthodox and Reform religious leaders, LGBTQ communities, interfaith couples, and others.

**ELO 4.2** Analyze and critique the intersection of concepts of justice, difference, citizenship, and how these interact with cultural traditions, structures of power and/or advocacy for social change.

As students analyze specific case studies in HIST/RS 3680, they assess law's role in and capacity for enacting justice, managing difference, and constructing citizenship. This goal is met through lectures, course readings, discussion, and written assignments. For example, the unit on indigenous sovereignty and sacred space invites students to consider why liberal systems of law have rarely accommodated indigenous land claims and what this says about indigenous citizenship and justice. They also study examples of indigenous activism and resistance around these issues. At the conclusion of the unit, the neighborhood exploration assignment specifically asks students to take note of whether and how indigenous land claims are marked or acknowledged in the spaces they explore and what they learn from this about citizenship, difference, belonging, and power. In the unit on legal pluralism, marriage, and the law, students study the personal law systems in Israel and Malaysia. They consider the structures of power that privilege certain kinds of communities and identities and also encounter groups advocating for social change. In their final projects, students apply the insights they've gained to particular case studies. As they analyze their selected case studies, they are required to discuss how the cases reveal the different ways justice, difference, and citizenship intersect and how they are shaped by cultural traditions and structures of power in particular social contexts. They present their conclusions in an oral group presentation and in an individually written final paper. Finally, in their end of semester letter to professor, they reflect on how they issues might shape their own advocacy for social change in the future.

### **Concurrence Form**

# The Ohio State University College of Arts and Sciences Concurrence Form

The purpose of this form is to provide a simple system of obtaining departmental reactions to course requests. **An e-mail may be substituted for this form.** 

An academic unit initiating a request should complete Section A of this form and send a copy of the form, course request, and syllabus to each of the academic units that might have related interests in the course. Units should be allowed two weeks to respond to requests for concurrence.

Academic units receiving this form should respond to Section B and return the form to the initiating unit. Overlap of course content and other problems should be resolved by the academic units before this form and all other accompanying documentation may be forwarded to the College of Arts and Sciences and the Office of Academic Affairs.

# Initiating Academic Unit Course Number Course Title Type of Proposal (New, Change, Withdrawal, or other) Date request sent Academic Unit Asked to Review Date response needed B. Response from the Academic Unit reviewing Response: include a reaction to the proposal, including a statement of support or non-support (continued on the back of this form or a separate sheet, if necessary). Position Unit Date Name 2. Name Position Unit Date Name Position Unit Date

A. Proposal to review

### Re: concurrence for 3120

### Primeau, Hanna <primeau.8@osu.edu>

Tue 1/9/2024 11:12 AM

To:Downey, Douglas <downey.32@osu.edu>

Wonderful, thank you so much Doug!

-Hanna

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I am currently Teleworking, my Skype and Teams schedule is as follows, with exceptions for meetings:

Monday- Friday: 8:00-4:00

Please feel free to message, call, or video chat for brief questions, for longer consultations



Book time to meet with me

From: Downey, Douglas <downey.32@osu.edu>

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 9, 2024 10:27 AM **To:** Primeau, Hanna <pri>primeau.8@osu.edu>

Subject: Re: concurrence for 3120

Hannah,

The information/technology distinction is persuasive. And the readings for the course backup your point.

Sociology concurs.

Doug



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From: Primeau, Hanna <primeau.8@osu.edu>

**Sent:** Monday, January 8, 2024 2:57 PM **To:** Downey, Douglas <downey.32@osu.edu>

Subject: Re: concurrence for 3120

Hi Doug,

Happy New Year and thank you for your speedy reply! We appreciate that on the surface there appears to be an overlap between our course and 3302 Technology and Society. However, we want to preface our responses to your comments with the distinction that the focus of our course is information and information behaviors, with technology only as one of many aspects of how information is created and conveyed. While in the digital era, information is often shared through various forms of technology, and it can seem difficult to separate the two, our course does not focus on the development of technology nor specifically on the role of technology within society.

- 1. In response to your first point where you mention the "development of technology," the focus of this course is geared towards information literacy, rather than information technology. For clarity, information literacy is the ability to find, evaluate, organize, use, and communicate information in all its various formats, most notably in situations requiring decision-making, problem-solving, or the acquisition of knowledge. Our course will examine the "power, social forces, and actors" specifically for information, which can be considered in separate and related contexts to technology.
- 2. We are focusing on how students can use information, rather than solely technology, to bring light to citizenship and social justice issues. Considerations of technology are encouraged, but not required for success in this course. Students will consider how a lack of access to information may impact an individual, or groups, ability to effectively engage as citizens, or why the issue should be relevant to citizens, but will not do so through a primary focus on technology.
- 3. It is the information, not the actors that make, disperse, or use the technology, that is the core focus of student work in this course. While we are asking students to explore social inequalities and the ways they can be reproduced, there are low and no tech ways that they are reproduced and exist within society. If a student chooses this path they can, but they are not being required or encouraged to choose only a technology rich path.
- 4. By critical and responsible information behaviors, we do not mean that our students will engage in focused discussion on the positive and negative implications of technology. Instead, our use of "critical and responsible" information behaviors aligns with our emphasis on information literacy. The focus in this area will be on information behaviors such as critical source evaluation, distinguishing between mis-and disinformation, understanding intellectual property and copyright, and accessible and ethical information behaviors.

Our students will be expected to consider a wide range of information inequalities, which may or may not be related to technology, and to discuss those in the context of social justice. A course example used throughout focuses on affordability initiatives within institutions, which looks at the policy, politics, and financial considerations that impact the cost of resources, such as textbooks, rather than a consideration of primarily technological solutions.

We would be happy to engage in further discussions regarding the similarities of these courses if you feel necessary, and if you believe it would be more expedient to have this chat via Zoom, we would be glad to accommodate you.

Looking forward to your response,

### Hanna Primeau MSI

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From: Downey, Douglas <downey.32@osu.edu>
Sent: Thursday, December 21, 2023 4:37 PM
To: Primeau, Hanna <pri>primeau.8@osu.edu>

Subject: concurrence for 3120

Hanna,

Greetings. I'm the Director of Undergraduate Studies in the department of sociology. I received your request

for concurrence regarding ARTSCI 3120, Information, Citizenship, and Social Justice.

It seems like a great course but we do have some concerns regarding the overlap with our course, 3302, Technology and Society. Hopefully the course can be adjusted to avoid this level of overlap.

Specifically, I see meaningful overlap between the course goals of your proposed course and our existing 3202 in the following ways:

- 1. Information has value and power—overlaps with the goal of our course to "critically analyze structures of power, social forces, and actors that determine the development of technology, and their effects on our global society."
- 2. Information and Citizenship—overlaps with the goal of our course to "Discuss the role we can play as citizens to globally achieve social justice through a better use of current technologies and the development of new alternative technologies."
- 3. Information and Social Justice—overlaps with the goal of our course to "critically analyze structures of power, social forces, and actors that determine the development of technology, and their effects on our global society" and "Distinguish, at the local and global level, the notions of

- technological progress from that of social change, economic wellbeing, standard of living, and quality of life to understand how some specific technologies affect, influence, or reproduce social inequalities."
- 4. Critical and Responsible Information Behaviors—overlaps with "Identify and discuss both the positive and negative aspects of technology. As we all know, continuous technological innovation has allowed humans to fight disease, hunger, and poverty while expanding productivity, human mobility, global communication, and cultural expression. However, thanks to technology humans also have an unprecedented power to dominate, kill humans and other species, and destroy nature to the point of threating human survival. We must then recognize and discuss the social implications of technology's dark side."

### **Doug Downey**



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### **Concurrence Form**

# The Ohio State University College of Arts and Sciences Concurrence Form

The purpose of this form is to provide a simple system of obtaining departmental reactions to course requests. **An e-mail may be substituted for this form.** 

An academic unit initiating a request should complete Section A of this form and send a copy of the form, course request, and syllabus to each of the academic units that might have related interests in the course. Units should be allowed two weeks to respond to requests for concurrence.

Academic units receiving this form should respond to Section B and return the form to the initiating unit. Overlap of course content and other problems should be resolved by the academic units before this form and all other accompanying documentation may be forwarded to the College of Arts and Sciences and the Office of Academic Affairs.

A. Proposal to review

Revised 5/27/14

# Initiating Academic Unit Course Number Course Title Type of Proposal (New, Change, Withdrawal, or other) Date request sent Academic Unit Asked to Review Date response needed B. Response from the Academic Unit reviewing Response: include a reaction to the proposal, including a statement of support or non-support (continued on the back of this form or a separate sheet, if necessary). **Signatures** Name Position Unit Date 2. Name Position Unit Date Name Position Unit Date

# RE: Concurrence Request for ArtsSci 3120

# Caldeira, Gregory < caldeira. 1@polisci.osu.edu>

Sat 12/23/2023 5:05 PM

To:Kogan, Vladimir <kogan.18@osu.edu>;Smith, Charles William <smith.3280@polisci.osu.edu> Cc:Primeau, Hanna <primeau.8@osu.edu>

We concur.

# Greg



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## RE: Concurrence Request for ArtsSci 3120

### Kogan, Vladimir < kogan.18@osu.edu>

Sat 12/23/2023 8:51 PM

To:Primeau, Hanna <primeau.8@osu.edu> Cc:Caldeira, Gregory <caldeira.1@polisci.osu.edu>

Hi Hanna, we are happy to provide our concurrence!

Vlad Kogan

From: Primeau, Hanna <primeau.8@osu.edu> Sent: Tuesday, December 19, 2023 11:20 AM To: Kogan, Vladimir <kogan.18@osu.edu> Subject: Concurrence Request for ArtsSci 3120

### Good morning Vladimir!

Please find attached a concurrence request from the University Libraries for a new course ARTSSCI - 3120 – Information, Citizenship, and Social Justice. Concurrence from the Department of Political Science is needed since the course involves Citizenship, Would you please forward the attached concurrence form and syllabus to the appropriate units within your college? We would appreciate feedback by Friday, January 19, 2024.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Take care, and have a great rest of your week and holiday break!

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# Re: Concurrence Request for ArtsSci 3120

### Primeau, Hanna <primeau.8@osu.edu>

Thu 1/4/2024 1:56 PM

To:Adams, Christopher <adams.615@osu.edu>

Thank you Chris, Happy New Year! 🙂



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From: Adams, Christopher <adams.615@osu.edu>

Sent: Thursday, January 4, 2024 10:33 AM To: Primeau, Hanna < primeau. 8@osu.edu>

Subject: RE: Concurrence Request for ArtsSci 3120

Hi Hanna,

I hope you had a nice holiday season and happy new year!

Glenn College faculty have reviewed this course, and we enthusiastically concur. We think this is a strong course that will garner lots of interest from students.

Best, Chris



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### Chris Adams, MPA

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From: Primeau, Hanna <primeau.8@osu.edu> Sent: Tuesday, December 19, 2023 10:33 AM To: Adams, Christopher <adams.615@osu.edu> Subject: Concurrence Request for ArtsSci 3120

### Good morning Christopher!

Please find attached a concurrence request from the University Libraries for a new course ARTSSCI - 3120 – Information, Citizenship, and Social Justice. Concurrence from John Glenn College is needed since the course involves Information, Would you please forward the attached concurrence form and syllabus to the appropriate units within your college? We would appreciate feedback by Friday, January 19, 2024.

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