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Good afternoon,

On Wednesday, April 10th, the Themes I Subcommittee of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed a GEN Theme: Lived Environments request for Anthropology 3360.

At this time, the Subcommittee declined to vote on the proposal as they would like to see the following feedback items addressed in a revision:

- The reviewing faculty would like additional explanation surrounding the Lived Environment that the course will be examining, as they were unclear and do not believe students will be able to immediately identify the Lived Environment. While they believe that the course may be focusing on the interactions between humans and animals, and how this has changed over time and cultures, they ask it to be made clearer within the syllabus and the proposal if this is the case.
- The reviewing faculty suggest revising the course title to help refocus the emphasis of the course on the Lived Environment being examined, as this may help clarify to students (and, by extension, the reviewing faculty) the core topic of the course.
- The reviewing faculty ask that more information be provided within the course syllabus surrounding the course assessments, with special attention paid to the Research Project and Final Presentation (as found on page 4 of the syllabus). While they appreciate the brief description found there, they would like more information about the details of the project and how students can expect to engage with the GEN Theme category while they complete these assessments.
- The reviewing faculty ask that specific assessments and assignments be identified that will fulfill the GEN Theme ELOs within the GE application form.
- The Subcommittee asks that the Religious Accommodation statement be updated within the course syllabus. On March 1st, 2024, the Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee updated the required statement to be in compliance with the new statement, which was provided by the Office of Undergraduate Education and vetted by the Office of Legal Affairs. As a helpful reminder, the link at the end of the statement labeled "Policy: Religious Holidays, Holy Days and Observations" is a required part of the statement and must be included. The newly updated statement can be found on the [syllabus elements page of the ASC Curriculum and Assessment Services website](#).
- The reviewing faculty ask that a cover letter be provided that details all changes made as a result of this feedback.

I will return Anthropology 3360 to the departmental queue via curriculum.osu.edu in order to address the Subcommittee's feedback.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Liz Griffith, faculty Chair of the Theme Advisory Group: Lived Environments, Jim Fredal, faculty Chair of the ASCC Themes I Subcommittee, or me.

All my best,
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