

History 2001

Steele, Rachel <steele.682@osu.edu>

Wed 3/27/2024 8:29 AM

To: Soland, Birgitte <soland.1@osu.edu>; Getson, Jennifer L. <getson.3@osu.edu>

Cc: Fletcher, Richard <fletcher.161@osu.edu>; Vankeerbergen, Bernadette <vankeerbergen.1@osu.edu>; Steele, Rachel <steele.682@osu.edu>; Hilty, Michael <hilty.70@osu.edu>; Neff, Jennifer <neff.363@osu.edu>

Good morning,

On Friday, March 8th, the Race, Ethnicity, and Gender Diversity Subcommittee of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed a course proposal for History 2001.

The Subcommittee unanimously approved the request with one contingency and 3 recommendations:

- a) **Contingency:** The Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee recently (03-01-2024) updated the list of required syllabus statements for all syllabi to include a new statement on religious accommodations. The new version of this required statement is a result of a directive by the Executive Vice President and Provost and can be found here on the [ASC Curriculum and Assessment Services website](#). The Subcommittee thanks you for adding this revised statement to your course syllabus.
- b) *Recommendation:* Subcommittee appreciates the accurate use of the term “genocide” in the GEN Submission Form and the course content warning on pg. 4 of the syllabus. In addition to this, they recommend that the department include in the course content/readings/lectures some attention to the vocabulary that is often used to “soften” or “talk around” this topic, and how scholarly ideas about this have evolved and changed within the discipline.
- c) *Recommendation:* The Subcommittee greatly appreciated the inclusion of the details about the critical essay paper and how it is connected to the REGD goals and ELOs. They recommend that the department consider including similar information in the syllabus for all of the course’s assignments so that students better understand how the assignments are connected to the intersectional study of race, gender and ethnicity. The Subcommittee notes that there is some excellent material in the GEN Submission Form that could be easily modified/shortened for this purpose.
- d) *Recommendation:* The Subcommittee observes that this course is not open to students with credit for History 1151 (i.e., students who have taken and passed the AP U.S. History exam with a score of 3 or better, students who have taken and passed History 1151 at Ohio State, or students who have taken and passed an equivalent course at another university, thus earning transfer credit for History 1151). While they understand that this exclusion was originally in place due to a significant overlap in content, the Subcommittee recommends that the department consider the removal of this exclusion if the History faculty believe that the new version of the course is now significantly different from the material covered in History 1151 and/or the AP U.S. History curriculum. Should the department wish to remove this exclusion, the ASC Curriculum and Assessment staff also offer the friendly reminder that the exclusions for History 1151 will need to be updated, removing the exclusion for students who have taken/have credit for 2001, and potentially also removing the exclusion for History 1150 (a course that never completed the approval process and thus has never been offered).

As a reminder, **contingencies** (in bold above) must be addressed and resubmitted via curriculum.osu.edu before a course can move forward in the approval process. *Recommendations* (in italics above) should be implemented when the course is next taught. I will return History 2001 to the department queue via curriculum.osu.edu in order to address the Subcommittee’s requests.

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

Best,

Rachel



Rachel Steele, MA

(Pronouns: she/her/hers / Honorific: Ms.)

Program Manager, Office of Curriculum and Assessment

College of Arts and Sciences

306 Dulles Hall 230 Annie and John Glenn Ave. Columbus, OH 43210

(614) 292-7226

Co-chair, College of Arts and Sciences Staff Advisory Council

Member, University Conduct Board

-BLACK LIVES MATTER-

STOP AAPI HATE

DACA/undocumented ally



I acknowledge that the land that The Ohio State University occupies is the ancestral and contemporary territory of the Shawnee, Potawatomi, Delaware, Miami, Peoria, Seneca, Wyandotte, Ojibwe and Cherokee peoples. Specifically, the university resides on land ceded in the 1795 Treaty of Greenville and the forced removal of tribes through the Indian Removal Act of 1830. I honor the resiliency of these tribal nations and recognize the historical contexts that has and continues to affect the Indigenous peoples of this land.