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Good morning,

On Monday, March 31st, the Themes 1 Subcommittee of the ASC Curriculum Committee and the Theme Advisory Group for Health and Wellbeing reviewed a GEN Theme: H&W request for Plant Pathology 3920.

The reviewing faculty approved the request with the following feedback:

- **Contingency:** The reviewing faculty request that the unit use the most recent versions of the Religious Accommodations and Student Life Disability Services statements in the syllabus. Up-to-date versions of university syllabus statements can be found in an easy to copy/paste format on the [Office of Undergraduate Education website](#). [Online syllabus pp. 21-22, in-person syllabus p. 20-21]
- *Recommendation:* The reviewing faculty recommend revisiting the document to replace the term "wellness" with "well-being" to ensure consistency with terminology.
- *Recommendation:* The reviewing faculty recommend that the course description in the syllabus be reviewed to ensure a clear, logical connection to the Health & Wellbeing Theme. The reviewing faculty offer the friendly advice that a more concise revision of the description may also enhance clarity for students.
- *Recommendation:* The reviewing faculty note that Proctorio is referenced for the online exam, but OSU now uses Honorlock as proctoring software. They recommend updating this policy in the syllabus. [Online syllabus pp. 13, 21]
- *Recommendation:* The reviewing faculty note that the syllabus states that the window for the final exam will be open for 3 days, while the course schedule indicates that the final will follow the OSU exam schedule (limiting it to a single day/window). The reviewing faculty recommend clarifying this to avoid confusion among students. [Syllabus pp. 13, 23]
- *Recommendation:* The reviewing faculty note that there is a section in the syllabus that includes a link to outdated information regarding COVID-19. Given that this information is no longer relevant, it is recommended that this section be removed. [Online syllabus p. 19, in-person syllabus p. 18]
- *Recommendation:* Due to the recent closure of the Student Life Center for Belonging and Social Change and the Office of Diversity and Inclusion, the reviewing faculty recommend removing the links to their websites from the syllabus. [Online syllabus p. 20, in-person syllabus p. 19]

As a reminder, **contingencies** (in bold above) must be addressed and resubmitted via curriculum.osu.edu before this course can move forward in the approval

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

I will return Plant Pathology to the department queue via curriculum.osu.edu in order to address the above feedback.

Should you have any questions about the feedback of the reviewing faculty, please feel free to contact Harald Vaessin (faculty Chair of the Themes 1 Subcommittee), Molly Downing (faculty Chair of the Theme Advisory Group: H&W), or me.

Best,
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