

## **Comparative Studies 3007**

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Good afternoon,

On Thursday, Nov. 21st, the Themes II Subcommittee of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed a course proposal for Comparative Studies 3007 to be included in the GEN Theme: Citizenship for a Diverse and Just World Category.

The Subcommittee unanimously approved the request with two recommendations:

- a. *Recommendation:* The Subcommittee recommends that the department remove and/or amend the language on p. 5 of the syllabus that refers to direct instruction, as this language is a part of the old Distance Learning Syllabus template that was retired in 2023. A similar statement with updated language can be found on the <a href="mailto:new template">new template</a>, accessible via the <a href="mailto:ASC Office of Curriculum">ASC Office of Curriculum</a> and <a href="mailto:Assessment Services website">Assessment Services website</a>.
- b. *Recommendation:* The Subcommittee found the following paragraph, located in the syllabus associated with the previous iteration of the course, to be extremely helpful in the context of a general education course, and they offer the friendly suggestion that this be carried over into the new syllabus:

Do not hesitate to ask me to explain unfamiliar or complex terms. Chances are there are others in the class who would benefit. You can email me with specific questions or bring them up in class. The readings contain scientific studies, theoretical discussions, and specialized language. Some of the readings will be difficult and require a second reading and/or thorough going through in class—I do not always know which readings will be tricky for the class or individuals. Speak up if you've read the article twice and still have difficulty! COME to see me at OFFICE HOURS if you are having any difficulties.

CompSt 3007 will continue through the approval process to OAA.

Should you have any questions about the feedback of the Subcommittee, please feel free to contact Birgitte Søland (faculty Chair of the Themes II Subcommittee; cc'd on this e-mail), or me.

Best, Rachel



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