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Good afternoon,

On Monday, August 26th, the Social and Behavioral Sciences Subcommittee of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed a request for the new undergraduate certificate Civil Discourse for Citizenship (<https://ascnet.osu.edu/request/6019>). The Subcommittee approved the request with the following feedback:

- **Contingency:** The Subcommittee notes a possible issue in regard to the submission and approval timeline of the short portfolio required of students at the end of the certificate program. The proposal states that students will be notified of the approval of the portfolio within 30 days of submission and that students must submit the portfolio upon completion of the full 12 credits hours. The Subcommittee is concerned of the problems this could cause for graduating students and asks that the proposing faculty consider allowing the portfolio to be turned in during students' second to last semester or even during instead of after their final semester. [Proposal p. 4 & advising sheets]
- **Contingency:** The Subcommittee requests that the advising sheets be altered to reflect that students will need to select 3-4 rather than 3-5 elective courses to complete the certificate, as there does not seem to be a combination that would require students to complete 5 of the listed elective courses.

I will return the certificate to the proposer's queue via curriculum.osu.edu in order to address these two points.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Amy Nathanson, faculty Chair of the SBS Subcommittee, or me.

Best,
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