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Good afternoon,

On Monday, October 14th, the Themes I Subcommittee of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed a GEN Theme: Traditions, Cultures, and Transformations request for Religious Studies 3888.

I am pleased to report that the reviewing faculty approved the course with one comment and one recommendation:

- **Comment:** The reviewing faculty note that this course is an excellent, full offering with sharp assignments and assessments, while providing a breadth of possible learning opportunities. They commend the instructor on such a robust, excellent proposal.
- **Recommendation:** The reviewing faculty recommend adding a statement in the “Green Lawn Analysis” assignment (on page 4 of the syllabus) that provides information on how students can receive credit for this assignment if they are unable to attend the trip to Green Lawn Cemetery. While they recognize that attendance at the Day of the Dead celebration is a valuable experience for students, this celebration typically occurs on a Saturday. Students may have outside responsibilities or religious beliefs that prevent them from attending (for example, students of the Jewish faith observe Shabbat on Saturdays). The reviewing faculty recognize that there is a note on page 5 of the syllabus. However, they believe it may be beneficial to students to make this more visible in the assignment description itself.

The course will be advanced to OAA.

Please reach out to me should you have any questions.

All my best,
Michael



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