
Biology 4210

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Good evening,

On Thursday, October 9th, the Themes I Subcommittee of the ASC Curriculum Committee reviewed a course proposal for Biology 4210 to be included in the GEN Theme: Lived Environments category. Unfortunately, the Subcommittee voted "no" on the course, offering the following comments:

- a) The Subcommittee commends the Center for the creation of this compelling course, and they note that it will likely be an excellent course for students in life sciences majors, minors, or certificates. However, they do not see how this course, which is focused on undergraduate research in the life sciences, could be reimaged to center the theme of "Lived Environments" without changing the content of the course so substantially that it would essentially be a different course, and thus be of less service to the Center's academic program as a whole.

I will return Biology 4210 to the department queue via curriculum.osu.edu so that the request can be cancelled. Should you have any questions about the feedback of the Subcommittee, please feel free to contact Philip Tuxbury-Gleissner (faculty Chair of the Themes I Subcommittee; cc'd on this e-mail), or me.

Best,
Rachel



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