

Social-Behavioral Sciences Subcommittee Report

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To: General Studies Council

From: Social-Behavioral Sciences Subcommittee

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Re: Recommendations for Course Proposals for SB Designation

Social-Behavioral Sciences (SB)

Recommend Approve

Courses from ASU

AIS 445 Principles of American Indian Leadership (new)

ASM 450 Bioarchaeology (new)

Both proposals are developed and documented well. The syllabi are presented effectively. There is a clear and dominant focus on studying and understanding human interaction in novel contexts and using novel methodologies.

Recommend Revise and Resubmit

Courses from ASU

FSH 204 Social Aspects of Fashion (new)

This is an interesting course that has some SB content. For SB approval, the proposal needs to provide further clarification and illustration of the course elements – content, methods and outcomes -- that directly address interactive human behaviors. There are sociological, cultural and critical methods being used, and both social expression and social interpretation are core constructs. Further, some units and chapters appear to align well with SB criteria. Yet, overall, there needs to be more specific evidence that (behavioral) human interactions are the dominant theme of the course.