Social-Behavioral Sciences Subcommittee Report - Draft

Date: 11/7/2019
To: General Studies Council
From: Social-Behavioral Sciences Subcommittee
Katherine Antonucci, Michael Mokwa, Chair
Re: Recommendations for Course Proposals for SB Designation

Social-Behavioral Sciences (SB)

Recommend Approve

The proposals are developed and documented effectively. The syllabi are presented effectively and are aligned with the proposal. There is a clear and sufficient focus on studying and understanding human interaction with socio-behavioral perspectives, theory, and research grounding the material and work.

HST 280 History of Science, Ideas and Innovation (new)
HST 303 China, Japan and East Asia in World Hist. (mandatory review)

Recommend Deny or Resubmit

The proposal is developed and presented effectively. The syllabus is presented with considerable detail. However, the proposal does not align with the syllabus. The actual coursework, as presented in the syllabus, does not have a clear and dominant focus on studying and understanding human interaction with socio-behavioral perspectives and research grounding the material and work. The course appears to focus on socio-economic institutional perspectives, and often at relatively abstract, theoretical perspectives. If the proposal is resubmitted, the human behavioral interactions and dynamics that are communicated in the proposal must be exhibited in the syllabus to be a more dominant theme throughout the course.

HST 302 History of Money (mandatory review)