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To: General Studies Council

From: Humanities, Arts and Design Subcommittee
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Re: Recommendations for Course Proposals for HU designation

Course Recommendations

Approve for HU designation

ASU

HON 370	History of Ideas
HST 306	Studies in US History (History of the American West)
HST 306	Studies in US History (Outlaws, Indians, and Ladies of the West)

Revise and Resubmit

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HST 306	Studies in US History (The U.S. Presidency)
Rationale:	The subcommittee would like to see more evidence of interpretation and analysis. The final assignment seems to be more historically-based (when and why) rather than analysis and interpretation from a humanistic viewpoint.

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HIS 251	History of England to 1700
HIS 252	History of England 1700 to Present
Rational:	Both of these courses suffer from the same weakness, from the point of view of the subcommittee. The assignments mention Shakespeare, for example, but we don't know if that means discussing his historical importance or is there interpretation/analysis? Are the students reading Shakespeare? It's not clear from the syllabus. We would like to see more interpretation/analysis from a humanistic viewpoint.

