

Subject: Re: New Course Proposal

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From: Barclay Barrios

To: Marina Banchetti

CC: Carol Gould

This is wonderful! You have the full support of WGSS. Once the course becomes official we look forward to adding it to our list of courses for the certificate.

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Dear Barclay,

I hope that you had a restful and enjoyable weekend. I'm contacting you in your function as Director of WGSS to inform you about a new course that philosophy will be proposing at the next CUPC meeting. The course is "Philosophy of Sexuality" and it would be great if I could get a letter of support from you to include with the proposal.

As background history, the course was once part of the philosophy curriculum and was offered fairly regularly. It had also been approved as an elective in the Women's Studies curriculum. Eventually, the professor teaching the course began teaching it more as a feminist philosophy class, so the department simply dropped "Philosophy of Sexuality" and began offering "Feminist Philosophy".

Most recently, however, Carol has been teaching an online 'Special Topics' course that focuses on philosophy of sexuality and it enrolls well. As you probably know, although philosophy of sexuality addresses issues that are relevant for feminist philosophy, these are two distinct areas of study. Even when there is overlap in the issues addressed (the nature of pornography, for example), these issues are addressed in philosophically distinct ways.

Because a course in the philosophy of sexuality would definitely complement our current curriculum, as well as serve students in other programs such as WGSS, we are proposing to include it once again in our curriculum. The course is also one of several interesting classes that the philosophy department is offering online, as part of the University's efforts to increase accessibility to students.

I have attached the syllabus to this e-mail for your review. If you have any questions about the course and its contents, please e-mail Carol at cgould@fau.edu. Because she has been teaching the course, she will be in a better position to answer any questions or concerns you may have.

Since the CUPC meeting is next week, I would need a reply from you sometime this week, with a copy to

Mark Harvey.

Thank you and best regards,

Marina

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