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| **Economics** | **History** | **Psychology** | **Political Science** | **Sociology** |
| Juan Carlos Ginarte | Tom Donaldson | Leslie Bartley (absent) | Bruno Baltodano | Phil Wiseley |
| Randy Moffett | Mark Herman | Camille Drake-Brassfield | Joel Reinking |  |
| Alexandra Nikishin | Brandon Jett | Jackie Davis |  |  |
| Phillip Post | Kaitlyn Muchnok | Terri Housley |  |  |
|  | Matt Vivyan | Sabine Maetzke |  |  |
|  |  | Sheila Seelau |  |  |
|  |  | Eric Seelau |  |  |
|  |  | Terri Taggart |  |  |

**Social Sciences**

* Guest: Dr. Page, Dean of SoAHHS

Faculty Lead – *discussed moving forward with proposal.*

Psychology BA – *discussed creating a committee to explore. Suggested to begin by checking to see if other State programs are currently offered.*

* Guest: Dr. William Kelvin - Course Assessments

*Assessment Report*

*“My top concern is to find out if anyone is changing the instrument they will be collecting data from. I believe the answer is no. Also, I believe all data is being collected through Canvas now – no papers at all.  So, please correct me as I go along here.*

***PSY 2012 / DEP 2004*** *[Eric Seelau] – instead of collecting and analyzing data, they are taking time to evaluate their assessment instrument. Previous years’ reports have shown that some items are “too easy,” among other concerns. They want to make the items, assessment statistically stronger. They might take a step back and do something different. Meeting during this meeting. Unlikely to collect student data this year.*

***AMH 2010 / AMH 2020*** *[Tom Donaldson] —the AMH instruments have also had items being “too easy” and other statistical issues, but faculty members think it may be because the answers are available (e.g., online). So, they are going to develop a new instrument and see if that helps. They are considering rotating assessments over the years. Still collecting data [I think?]. Same goal? 70% of students earning 70% or higher. [drafted replacement assessment of AMH 2010, hoping to get 2020 done by midterm – to test the idea that the answers are circulating. Not overhauls, just revisions. When they are finished, they will be sent to me, joe and commons]*

*Other academic units are using the same instruments and holding the same goals:*

*POS 2041 –60% of students scoring 60% or higher*

*ECO 2013 / 2023 –average of 70 percent or higher; [changed the macro exam – three questions to reflect changes in macroeconomic policy – in new edition of textbook [previous did not emphasize] – can download macroeconomics text 2013 from commons [with key]*

*Brief discussion topic – I’ve been in the role for a little while now and I am seeing that collecting data is a start, but accreditors want to see us acting on the results. The action does not have to be arduous or comprehensive. My analogy is working out. It is hard to start a new workout regimen, but you can do one push-up a day, or a set of push-ups once per week.*

*Maybe just pick one item on the instrument that’s been troublesome. Or look at one of students’ weaker areas and ask what can be done in the classroom to support students there. We need narrative to show that we are continually improving.*

*Question: Time limit – ECO time limits – 60 minutes”*

* History Search Committee -*will commence in November; faculty will organize committee in October; position will start in August 2025*
* Faculty Evaluation Plan (FEP) – *faculty notified; no committees required*
* Adjunct Mentor Refresher Training: *9/27/24; requirement for mentors*
* Adjunct Mentors needed -*update form in Microsoft Teams*
* Course redevelopment updates

*History- Vivyan working on completing DEV 101*

*Psychology-Maetze and Bartley working on Dep 2004*

*Political Science-Reinking working on DEV 101*

**Committee Updates (as needed)**

* Academic Standards – C. Drake-Brassfield
* Academic Technology – L. Bartley
* ARC- R. Moffett
* Curriculum Committee – R. Moffett
* E-Learning – L. Bartley
* Faculty Senate – B. Jett
* GEAC – R. Moffet, J. Reinking
* Honors Advisory Council – T. Housely, P. Wisely, B. Baltodano, M. Herman, J. Davis
* Holocaust Committee – M. Herman, B. Baltodano
* Learning Assessment – E. Seelau (Psychology), T. Donaldson (History) J. Ginarte (Economics), B. Baltodano (Political Science)
* OTOC – B. Jett
* Professional Development – S. Maetzke
* Simple Syllabus – C. Drake-Brassfield, S. Seelau

**Department Goals/Action Items**

* Psycholog BA committee – *Housley, Bartley, Drake-Brassfield, Taggart and adjunct C. Brown volunteered to review data per Dr. Page*
* Assessments-E. Seelau

*“Psychology faculty agreed to the following assessment plan for the 2024-2025 AY:*

*-Two assessment committees consisting of four full-time faculty formed*

*DEP 2004: Bartley, Drake-Brassfield, S. Seelau, and Taggart*

*PSY 2012: Housley, Maetzke, E. Seelau, Taggart*

*-Each committee will meet 3 times per semester*

*-****Fall 2024****-committees will examine topics covered and evaluate what is covered well, what is not, and consider current issues and relevant topics that should be included.*

*-****Spring 2025****- committees will devise and develop methods of assessing topics identified in the fall (e.g., assessing faculty, students, or both) depending on the issues.*

***-Fall 2025****- committees and Team AASPIRE will collect the desired assessment data, aligning with Spring 2025 plan.*

***-Spring 2026****- committee will reflect on the collected data and consider methods of implementing changes as needed.*

* POS 2041 inclusive access Spring 2025-*Baltodano-will prepare notification to send to Poli Sci adjuncts prior to Spring 2025*

**New Business (Conferences, Workshops, Presentations, etc.)**

* Textbook Adoptions schedule – *deadline to adopt new textbook is 9/27; deadline for Inclusive* *Access (IA) is 10/1. Both are posted in Microsoft Teams*
* Social Event – Drake-Brassfield – *no update*
* Florida Consortium for International Education (FCIE) – *Bartley and Jett participating in event at FGCU on 10/3/24*
* HLC Professional Development- *Jett encouraged faculty to attend event on 9/12/24@1:30pm*
* Florida Conference of Historians 2/21-2/23 2025– *Donaldson invited faculty to submit proposals. Flyer posted in Microsoft Teams*
* Workforce Education – *Housley invited faculty to attend Yoga classes. Flyer posted in Microsoft Teams.*
* Faculty discussed and agreed to use AI to take department meeting minutes.

*Next Department Meeting: October 11, 2024 @ 2:00 pm*