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Charles Toomajian
Editor
The chartering of Williams College in 1793 was an act of faith and certainly an act surpassing the modest intentions of Colonel Ephraim Williams, for whom the college is named.

Colonel Williams had not intended to found a college. Enroute with his regiment of Massachusetts militia to join the battle with the French and Indians at Lake George, the Colonel had tarried long enough in Albany to write his last will and testament on July 22, 1755. In it he bequeathed his residuary estate for the founding and support of a free school in West Township, where for some years he had commanded a detachment of militia at Fort Massachusetts, farthest outpost of the province. The will stipulated that West Township, then in dispute between Massachusetts and New York, must fall within Massachusetts and that the name of the township must be changed to Williamstown, if the free school was to be established at all.

On September 8, 1755, Colonel Williams was killed at the Battle of Lake George. On October 26, 1791, after many delays, fifteen scholars were admitted to the free school in Williamstown. Within a year the trustees, not content with the original modest design of the founder, were captivated by the idea of creating a college where, as they put it, “young gentlemen from every part of the Union” might resort for instruction “in all the branches of useful and polite literature.” The proposal was extremely ambitious, to be sure, but ambition was a common American ailment. England did not develop a third university until the nineteenth century; Williams was the twenty-first institution of higher learning to flower in onetime British colonies, the second in Massachusetts, the sixth in New England. On June 22, 1793, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts granted a charter to Williams College.

The bold decision to plant a college in the wilderness betrayed the intentions of Colonel Williams; yet the new vision had been fed by the same sort of dreams that had led Ephraim Williams to see a school and a comfortable community where only a military outpost had stood. The early trustees and the legislature of the Commonwealth were to be remembered for their foresight, but in the decades after 1793 they had reason to acknowledge that the soil they had chosen was stubbornly uncongenial—so uncongenial, in fact, that for many years the trustees of Williams spent more time and energy in trying to close the College than in trying to keep it open.

In 1819 they petitioned to move the college to Northampton, and in 1821, having been spurned by the legislature, President Zephaniah Swift Moore took matters into his own hands. Convinced that almost everything about Williams was impossible—its location, its funds, its enrollment—he led a group of students over the mountains into the Connecticut Valley. There he became their president once again, at the struggling new college known as Amherst. As for Williams, one member of the senior class wrote home to his father: “It remains for us to say whether it shall die suddenly, or whether it shall linger along for two or three years.”

In the past the public had come to the support of the institution. A lottery furnished funds essential to the opening of the free school. A public subscription was the answer of Berkshire County to the threat of removal in 1819. What saved the College in 1821 was the willingness of the Reverend Edward Dorr Griffin to take the job of president and the determination with which he drew upon the College’s reputation for religious conservatism to collect much-needed funds. By 1828, the Reverend Griffin could be seen sitting in the middle of Main Street, supervising the construction of a handsome new building, housing a chapel, a library, and classrooms, a testament to his confidence and his skill. The building is now known as Griffin Hall.

The College which had been taking shape under Griffin and his predecessors was not unlike many other New England colleges where the classical curriculum and a moral atmosphere served as the basis for training young men for professional life. The college turned out its share of clergymen, doctors, lawyers, and teachers, serving the needs of Western Massachusetts and surrounding communities in New York and Vermont. But Williams was not yet a place to which “young gentlemen from every part of the Union” resorted. In fact, Nathaniel Hawthorne, attending the commencement exercises in 1838, jotted in his notebook some observations on the Williams students he saw there: “Country graduates—round, brown–featured, schoolmaster–looking…A rough hewn, heavy set of fellows from the hills and woods in this neighborhood; unpollished pumpkins, who had grown up as farmer–boys.”

Williams seldom knew financial security until the end of the nineteenth century. But it did have assets that enabled it to develop into a prototype of the small New England liberal arts college. Scenery, a reputation for moral soundness, a loyal body of alumni, and a devoted faculty went a long way toward compensating for inadequate funds.

Of the scenery, Thoreau remarked, after a visit in 1844, “It would be no small advantage if every college were thus located at the base of a mountain.” For Thoreau the location of Williams was “as good at least as one well–endowed professorship.”

In the early years the religious reputation of the College depended on the essential orthodoxy of its presidents and faculty. It gathered strength from the famous episode of the “haystack meeting” in the summer of 1806. Five Williams undergraduates, seeking to continue their prayers and conversations in spite of a sudden thunderstorm, retired from a grove of trees to the shelter of a nearby haystack, where they were inspired to launch the great adventure of American foreign missions.

During a crisis in the affairs of the College in 1821, a group of alumni met in Williamstown and organized the Society of Alumni, dedicated to the future welfare of the College. Their action gave Williams the distinction of organizing the first college alumni society in history. Alumni loyalty was rewarded when, in 1868, the College provided for official alumni representation on the board of trustees, an act of recognition in which only Harvard, among American colleges, anticipated Williams.

But essentially the College has built its reputation around teachers and teaching. Mark Hopkins, who was a Williams professor from 1830 to 1887 and president of the College from 1836 to 1872, has become a symbol of this emphasis. In American education Hopkins pioneered in what he did “not see how the College could have got on” without state aid. A new and more dependable source of financial support was developed as the century drew to a close. In the 1890’s Frederick Ferris Thompson of the Class of 1856 became the first of many individuals to supersede the Commonwealth as the largest benefactor of the College. Ephraim Williams’ original bequest of $9,297 has since grown by additional gifts and bequests to an endowment valued at approximately $1.3 billion.
Williams moved into the twentieth century firm in its intentions to remain a college, at a time when aspirations toward university status were unsettling many of the old colleges. It adhered to a curriculum that was designed for undergraduates; it made room for the elective principle, but it subjected course election to safeguards and controls. The idea of a liberally educated man was not jettisoned in favor of the widely accepted idea of almost complete student freedom in course election. A survey of the college curriculum in 1925 showed that Williams had combined the principles of prescription and election, the goals of concentration and distribution, in such a way as to be the only major American college without any absolutely required courses and without any uncontrolled wide-option electives. The Williams curriculum has continued to evolve, but it has not undergone such a series of major overhauls as characterize curriculums inspired by the popular educational fancy of the moment. Not having abandoned itself to the elective principle in the nineteenth century, Williams did not need to rescue itself with the general education principle of the twentieth century.

During its long history much of the life and tone of the college was shaped by students. While the same influence continues, the competitive pressure for admission since World War II has allowed for a new and significant degree of selectivity on the part of the College. Among the consequences of this change have been a quickening of the intellectual life of the College and a reconsideration of traditions and emphases no longer considered appropriate for an institution of liberal learning.

Among the first traditions to go was compulsory religious exercises, abandoned in 1962 after a hundred years of gradual but steady erosion. Voluntary worship in the form of ecumenical chapel services and the activities of student religious organizations carry on another long tradition. In response to the concern of undergraduate leaders and the faculty and in recognition of the failure of Greek Letter Fraternities to fulfill adequately objectives consistent with college purpose, the Trustees in 1962 took the first of a series of actions that replaced fraternities with a residential house system. Williams became, as a result, a much more open community. The decision to become coeducational and the admission of women to Williams as degree candidates in 1970 have reinforced the spirit of equality and freedom conducive to a climate of learning.

In this atmosphere of change and heightened purpose the curriculum underwent appropriate transformations, as a careful comparative study of the yearly catalogues readily shows, leading to the present 4–1–4 curriculum and a more flexible and wide-ranging schedule and program both on and beyond the campus. Changes in the curriculum included the addition of majors and the introduction of interdisciplinary programs, along with the expansion of language offerings to include full, four-year cycles in Chinese and Japanese. Continuing the tradition of putting the student at the center of the educational experience, Williams in the Fall of 1988 introduced in each department at least one course taught as a tutorial, in which, typically, pairs of students meet weekly with the professor to discuss a paper, problem set, or work of art produced by one of the students. By 1992 some 40 percent of the graduating class had experienced at least one tutorial course either in Williamstown or in the Williams–Oxford program, run in association with Exeter College, Oxford, which provides each year for some 30 Williams juniors a year-long immersion in the life of Oxford University.

This curricular expansion, and another in the first decade of this century, reflected, and in part resulted from, the fact that the makeup of the college community was changing to mirror more closely the growing racial, ethnic, and religious diversity of American society and of the world more broadly. The percentage of students who identified themselves as members of one or more American minority group or were overseas citizens rose to 40 percent, of faculty to 22 percent.

At the same time, programming and structures were introduced to student residential life and major projects were completed to enhance greatly the College’s student center, its facilities for theatre and dance, and its office and teaching spaces for faculty.
MISSION AND PURPOSES

Williams seeks to provide the finest possible liberal arts education by nurturing in students the academic and civic virtues, and their related traits of character. Academic virtues include the capacities to explore widely and deeply, think critically, reason empirically, express clearly, and connect ideas creatively. Civic virtues include commitment to engage both the broad public realm and community life, and the skills to do so effectively. These virtues, in turn, have associated traits of character. For example, free inquiry requires open-mindedness, and commitment to community draws on concern for others.

We are committed to our central endeavor of academic excellence in a community of learning that comprises students, faculty, and staff, and draws on the engagement of alumni and parents. We recruit students from among the most able in the country and abroad and select them for the academic and personal attributes they can contribute to the educational enterprise, inside and outside the classroom. Our faculty is a highly talented group of teachers, scholars, and artists committed deeply to the education of our students and to involving them in their efforts to expand human knowledge and understanding through original research, thought, and artistic expression. Dedicated staff enable this teaching and learning to take place at the highest possible level, as do the involvement and support of our extraordinarily loyal parents and alumni.

No one can pretend to more than guess at what students now entering college will be called upon to comprehend in the decades ahead. No training in fixed techniques, no finite knowledge now at hand, no rigid formula can solve problems whose shape we cannot yet define. The most versatile, the most durable, in an ultimate sense, the most practical knowledge and intellectual resources that we can offer students are the openness, creativity, flexibility, and power of education in the liberal arts.

Toward that end we extend a curriculum that offers wide opportunities for learning, ensures close attention of faculty to students but also encourages students to learn independently, and reflects the complexity and diversity of the world. We seek to do this in an atmosphere that nurtures the simple joy of learning as a lifelong habit and commitment.

To serve well our students and the world, Williams embraces core values such as welcoming and supporting in the College community people from all segments of our increasingly diverse society and ensuring that College operations are environmentally sustainable.

From this holistic immersion students learn more than they will ever know. Such is the testimony of countless graduates—that their Williams experience has equipped them to live fuller, more effective lives. Ultimately, the College's greatest mark on the world consists of this: the contributions our alumni make in their professions, their communities, and their personal lives.

Therefore, we ask all our students to understand that an education at Williams should not be regarded as a privilege destined to create further privilege, but as a privilege that creates opportunities to serve society at large, and imposes the responsibility to do so.

At the same time, being itself privileged by its history and circumstances, Williams understands its own responsibility to contribute by thought and example to the world of higher education.

The above description arises on its surface from public statements made by Williams presidents and others associated with the College, from which it borrows, and at a deeper level from the felt experience of students, faculty, staff, alumni, and parents over many decades. It was approved by vote of the Board of Trustees on April 14, 2007.
THE CURRICULUM

Williams College offers a course of study leading to the degree of Bachelor of Arts. The course requirements prescribe both the number of courses to be completed and the minimum grade level to be achieved; the curriculum also requires that each student explore several fields of knowledge and concentrate in one. The full requirements for the degree include meeting the minimum academic standards stated below, residing at the College, fulfilling the distribution requirement, completing a major, and completing the physical education requirement.

The academic year is divided into two regular semesters and a Winter Study Period. The student takes four courses in each semester and during January pursues a single program of study on a pass-fail basis.

Winter Study Period, which began in 1967, is intended to provide students and faculty with a dramatically different educational experience. The differences are in the nature of the courses, the nature of the learning experience, and the change of educational pace and format from the fall and spring semesters. These differences apply to the faculty and students in several ways: faculty can try out courses with new subjects and techniques that might, if successful, be used later in the regular terms; they can explore subjects not amenable to inclusion in regular courses; and they can investigate fields outside their usual areas of expertise. In their academic work, which is graded Honors, Pass, Perfunctory Pass, or Fail, students can explore new fields at low risk, concentrate on one subject that requires a great deal of time, develop individual research projects, or work in a different milieu (as interns, for example, or on trips outside Williamstown). In addition, Winter Study offers students an opportunity for more independence and initiative in a less formal setting, more opportunity to participate in cultural events, and an occasion to get to know one another better.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE

Academic Requirement

To be eligible for the Bachelor of Arts degree a student must pass 32 regularly graded semester courses and receive grades of C minus or higher in at least 19 of those semester courses, pass four Winter Study Projects, fulfill the four-part distribution requirement, complete all requirements for the major including an average of C minus or higher, and complete the physical education requirement. A student may not repeat a course for which degree credit has been awarded.

Distribution Requirement

The distribution requirement falls into four parts. Please note that courses used to fulfill these requirements must be regularly graded.

1) DIVISIONAL REQUIREMENT—designed to ensure that in their course of study at Williams, students take an appropriately diverse distribution of courses across the full range of the curriculum.

For the purposes of the requirement, courses are grouped into three divisions: Division I, Languages and the Arts; Division II, Social Studies; and Division III, Science and Mathematics. A full listing of the subjects in each division appears below.

Students must complete at least three graded semester courses in each division. Two in each division must be completed by the end of the sophomore year. No more than two of the courses used to satisfy the requirement may have the same course prefix. The courses must be taken at Williams or at programs under the direction of Williams College Faculty.

Courses that fulfill the distribution requirement in Division I are designed to help students become better able to respond to the arts sensitively and intelligently by learning the language, whether verbal, visual, or musical, of a significant field of artistic expression. Students learn how to develop the capacity for critical discussion, to increase awareness of the esthetic and moral issues raised by works of art, and to grow in self-awareness and creativity.

Courses which fulfill the Division II requirement consider the institutions and social structures that human beings have created, whether knowingly or unknowingly, and which in turn markedly affect their lives. These courses are intended to help the students recognize, analyze, and evaluate these human structures in order that they may better understand themselves and the social world in which they live.

Courses which fulfill the Division III requirement are intended to provide some of the factual and methodological knowledge needed to be an informed citizen in a world deeply influenced by scientific thought and technological accomplishment, and to cultivate skill in exact and quantitative reasoning.

Courses with the following designations receive divisional distribution credit as indicated:

DIVISION I. Languages and the Arts

Arabic
Art History
Art Studio
Chinese (except CHIN 223)
Classics
Comparative Literature
Critical Languages
Dance
English
EXPR 245
First-Year Residential Seminar 101
French
German
Greek
INTR 252
Italian
Japanese (except Japanese 217, 218, 321, 486T)
Latin
Literary Studies
Maritime Studies 231
Music
Russian
Spanish
Theatre

DIVISION II. Social Studies

African Studies
American Studies
Anthropology
Asian Studies
Chinese 223
Cognitive Science
Economics
Environmental Studies 101, 309, 351
Experimental Studies—EXPR (except 245)
History
History of Science (except HSCI 224)
Interdisciplinary Studies—INTR (except INTR 160, 223, 225, 315)
International Studies
Japanese 217, 218, 321, 486T
Jewish Studies
Latin/o Studies
Leadership Studies
Legal Studies
Maritime Studies 351, 352
Philosophy
Political Economy
Political Science
Psychology (except PSYC 212, 315, 316, 317T, 318)
Religion
Science and Technology Studies
Sociology
Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies

DIVISION III. Science and Mathematics

Astronomy
Astrophysics
Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
Biology
Chemistry
Computer Science
Environmental Studies 102
Geosciences
History of Science 224
INTR 160, 223, 225, 315
Maritime Studies 104, 211, 311
Mathematics
Neuroscience
Physics
Psychology 212, 315, 316, 317T, 318
Statistics
Please note: Any Environmental Studies course that is also cross-listed with another subject carries distribution credit of that subject. Other Environmental Studies courses may fulfill distribution requirements as indicated under individual course listings.

Williams-Exeter Programme at Oxford University tutorial courses (WIOX) may be used toward fulfilling the divisional distribution requirement; a student may earn a maximum of three distribution requirements, with no more than one from each division, for the year. All tutorial courses in the Williams-Exeter Programme at Oxford University (WIOX) meet the Williams College ‘W’ designation, except for those in studio arts, mathematics, and the sciences. Courses at the Williams-Mystic Program may also be used toward fulfilling the distribution requirement as appropriate.

2) THE EXPLORING DIVERSITY INITIATIVE REQUIREMENT—Williams College is committed to creating and maintaining a curriculum, faculty, and student body that reflects and explores a diverse, globalized world and the multi-cultural character of the United States. Courses designated “(D)” in the College Bulletin are a part of the College’s Exploring Diversity Initiative (EDI); they represent our dedication to study groups, cultures, and societies as they interact with, and challenge, each other. Through such courses, students and faculty also consider the multiple approaches that engage these issues. Rather than simply focus on the study of specific peoples, cultures, or regions of the world, in the past or present, however, courses fulfilling the requirement actively promote a self-conscious and critical engagement with diversity. They urge students to consider the operations of difference in the world and provide them with the tools to do so. The ultimate aim of the requirement is to lay the groundwork for a life-long engagement with the diverse cultures, societies, and histories of the United States and the rest of the world.

Courses that comprise the Exploring Diversity Initiative may fall under a variety of categories, including (but not limited to) the following:

1. Comparative Study of Cultures and Societies. These courses focus on the differences and similarities between cultures and societies, and/or on the ways in which cultures, peoples, and societies have interacted and responded to one another in the past.

2. Empathy and Understanding. These courses explore diverse human feelings, thoughts, and actions by recreating the social, political, cultural, and historical context of a group in order to imagine why within that context, those beliefs, experiences, and actions of the group emerged.

3. Power and Privilege: These courses link issues of diversity to economic and political power relations, investigating how cultural interaction is influenced by various structures, institutions, or practices that enable, maintain, or mitigate inequality among different groups.

4. Critical Theorization: These courses focus on ways scholars theorize the possibilities of cross-cultural understanding and interaction; they investigate the ways that disciplines and paradigms of knowledge both constitute “difference” and are reconfigured by the study of diversity-related questions.

5. Cultural Immersion: In various ways these courses immerse students in another culture and give them the tools with which to understand that culture from the inside. They include those foreign language courses that explicitly engage in the self-conscious awareness of cultural and societal differences, traditions, and customs as an integral aspect of language study.

All students are required to complete ONE course that is part of the Exploring Diversity Initiative. Although this course, which may be counted toward the divisional distribution requirement, may be completed any semester before graduation, students are urged to complete the course by the end of the sophomore year.

By immersing students in foreign cultures, and often by furthering language acquisition, study abroad programs can offer a robust way to study cultural diversity. Students wishing to fulfill the EDI requirement via the completion of a study abroad program must submit a petition before departure proposing EDI credit for a particular course on their program, for particular experiences (such as independent research or a homestay), or for a specific language training program they will undertake while abroad. The petition will require students to describe how they believe their proposed study abroad experience will meet one or more of the goals of the Exploring Diversity Initiative; it will be considered by the Director of the Exploring Diversity Initiative working in concert with the Committee on Academic Standing.

The one-course EDI requirement must be met by all members of the classes of 2012 and 2013; members of the class of 2011 who have already completed a course designated “People’s and Cultures” do not need to complete an EDI course.

Click here for a list of courses offered in 2011-2012 that meet the requirement.

3) QUANTITATIVE/FORMAL REASONING REQUIREMENT is intended to help students become adept at reasoning mathematically and abstractly. The ability to apply a formal method to reach conclusions, to use numbers comfortably, and to employ the research tools necessary to analyze data lessens barriers to carrying out professional and economic roles. Prior to the senior year, all students must pass a Quantitative/Formal Reasoning (QFR) course—those marked with a “(Q)” Students requiring extra assistance (as assessed during First Days) are normally placed into Mathematics 100/101/102, which is to be taken before fulfilling the QFR requirement.

The hallmarks of a QFR course are the representation of facts in a language of mathematical symbols and the use of formal rules to obtain a determinate answer. Primary evaluation in these courses is based on multistep mathematical, statistical, or logical inference (as opposed to descriptive answers). Click here for a list of courses offered in 2011-2012 that meet the requirement.

4) WRITING REQUIREMENT—All students are required to take two writing-intensive courses: one by the end of sophomore year, and one by the end of the junior year. Students will benefit most from the writing-intensive courses by taking them early in their college careers, and are therefore strongly encouraged to complete the requirement by the end of the sophomore year.

The goal of the writing-intensive course requirement is to improve student writing proficiency across disciplines. Students in these courses should expect to receive guidance on style, argumentation, and other significant aspects of writing, as well as evaluation and criticism of their writing throughout the semester. This may be achieved through a variety of approaches: brief assignments spaced over the semester, sequenced assignments leading to a longer final paper, etc. Writing-intensive courses may also include multiple drafts, conferencing, peer review, or class discussions designed to improve writing skills. A course with a single long paper due at the end of the semester, but with no required or structured means of addressing writing issues, would not be considered writing intensive.

Writing-intensive courses require a minimum of 20 pages of writing and have a maximum enrollment of 19 to allow the instructor to devote appropriate attention to writing over the course of the semester.

All tutorial courses in the Williams-Exeter Programme at Oxford University (WIOX) meet the Williams College ‘W’ designation, except for those in the studio arts, mathematics, and the sciences.

Click here for a list of courses offered in 2011-2012 that meet the requirement.

Major Requirement

The Major Requirement is designed to assure that all Williams undergraduates will have the experience of disciplined and cumulative study, carried on over an extended period of time, in some important field of intellectual inquiry. Juniors are required to declare a major and the selection is normally made at the time of registration in the spring of the sophomore year.

Majors are offered in the following fields:

- American Studies
- Anthropology
- Arabic Studies
- Art
- Asian Studies
- Astronomy
- Astrophysics
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Chinese
- Classics (Greek, Latin)
- Comparative Literature
- Computer Science
- Economics
- English
- Environmental Policy
- Environmental Science
- French
- Geosciences
- German
- History
- Japanese
- Literary Studies
- Mathematics
- Music
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political Economy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Religion
- Russian
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Theatre
- Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies
GENERAL STRUCTURE OF MAJORS

1) A student ordinarily must elect at least nine semester courses in his or her major field. A major may also require an additional course and/or one Winter Study Project during the junior or senior year.

A student may also fulfill the minimum requirements for a major by taking eight semester courses in the major field and two semester courses, approved by a major advisor, in associated fields. In interdepartmental majors, such as Political Economy, a larger number of courses may be required.

2) A prescribed sequence of courses, supplemented by parallel courses, and including a major seminar, is required in some major fields. Other majors ask the student to plan a sequence of elective courses, including advanced work building on elementary courses in the field, and ending in a one- or two-semester faculty-organized course or project in the senior year. All majors provide a system of counseling to help students plan programs reflecting individual interests as well as disciplined and cumulative patterns of inquiry.

Courses in many major programs require prerequisite courses in related areas. A full description of the detailed structure of each major is found under the heading of that major.

CONTRACT MAJOR

Students who wish to undertake the coherent study of an interdisciplinary subject not covered by a regularly offered major may propose to be contract majors. Procedures for arranging a contract major and for honors work in such a major are described in the section, “Courses of Instruction.” Students interested in this option should begin consulting with the Dean’s Office and with potential faculty advisors early in the sophomore year. A student completing a contract major may not do so in conjunction with a second major. For further details, click here

TWO MAJORS

A student may complete two majors with the permission of both majors and the Committee on Academic Standing. Although a student may be granted permission to use a course from one major to fulfill a particular requirement in the other, the student nevertheless must take the minimum number of courses in each field without counting any course twice. A student may be a candidate for Honors in either or both of the majors, but a course for Honors in one major may not be used for an Honors course in the other.

Physical Education Requirement

The Physical Education requirement provides students the opportunity of establishing and maintaining a general level of fitness and well-being; of developing abilities in carry-over activities; of discovering and extending their own physical capabilities; and of developing skills in activities with survival implications, such as swimming.

A swim test is required of all first-year students at the start of the academic year. Students who fail to complete the test must pass a basic swim course given in the Physical Education program during the first quarter of the year.

Students must complete four quarters of physical education by the end of the sophomore year. Students must enroll in at least two different activities in fulfilling the requirement.

Participation in a fall or spring intercollegiate sport is equivalent to two activity units and participation in a winter sport is equivalent to three units. A maximum of three credits may be attained while participating in intercollegiate sports with the exception of a two-sport athlete who can fulfill the physical education requirement by totaling four units in two sports. Students may receive a maximum of two activity units for participation in a club sport; the remaining two units must come from the physical education activity program.

Residence Requirement

Students who begin college at Williams must spend a minimum of six semesters in residence at Williams. Students transferring to Williams from other institutions must spend a minimum of four semesters in residence at Williams, and those entering as sophomores are expected to spend six semesters in residence. Students are considered to be in residence if they are taking a program of study under the direction of the Williams College Faculty. Students must be in residence for both semesters of the final year.

The degree requirements must be completed within eight semesters, including any semesters for which a student receives credit while not in residence at Williams. Thus, semesters spent away on exchange or other approved programs at other colleges are included in the eight semesters.

ADDITIONAL CURRICULAR OPPORTUNITIES

Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate

At the discretion of the appropriate departments or programs, students presenting satisfactory scores in Advanced Placement tests or International Baccalaureate higher level examinations may be placed in advanced courses not regularly open to them and/or may receive course credit toward the major or concentration. Therefore, if granted, this credit may be used as a prerequisite or in partial fulfillment of the major or concentration requirements. AP and IB credit, however, may not be used to reduce the normal course load of any semester, to make up a deficiency incurred at Williams, or to satisfy the Distribution Requirement.

Degree Credit Based on A-Level Examination Grades

Upon petition from the student, the Committee on Academic Standing may award two course credits toward the Williams degree for each grade of A or B received on an A-Level Examination in a liberal arts discipline. These credits may be used to accelerate graduation but may not be used to lower the course load during a semester in residence.

Normally, the student must have completed at least one full year of study at Williams and have met minimum academic standards before the CAS would consider the petition. The petition must include certification that all degree requirements, including a major, can be fulfilled if the credit is awarded.

Certificate in Foreign Languages

Certificates are awarded in Arabic, French, German, Russian and Spanish. The certificate confirms a particular degree of proficiency, cultural literacy and experience with the language in the context of the student’s college education. Seven or eight courses are required, depending on the language. Please see the individual programs for details and specific requirements.

Combined Program in Liberal Arts and Engineering

The 3-2 program enables qualified students to combine a liberal arts education at Williams with undergraduate professional training in engineering. In this program, a student studies at Williams for 3 years, completing 24 courses and 3 Winter Study Projects. He or she then transfers to a leading engineering school and studies for a Bachelor of Science degree, usually for 2 more years. Upon successful completion of this program, the student receives a Bachelor of Arts degree from Williams and a Bachelor of Science degree from the engineering school.

During their 3 years at Williams, 3-2 students must complete all of the normal requirements for a Williams degree, including a major and the distribution requirements. For students majoring in physics, chemistry, computer science, or mathematics, the requirements for the senior year courses and major exercise are waived for the Williams degree. Only students who have taken the prerequisite courses, who have at least a B average in scientific subjects, and who have a good record in other subjects will be recommended by their major department and approved by the Committee on Academic Standing for this program.

The 3-2 program has an extensive list of prerequisite mathematics and science courses, so it is necessary to plan course selections at Williams carefully. The booklet “Choosing First Year Courses” includes a list of Williams courses recommended to prospective engineers.

A popular alternative to the 3-2 program is to complete the Williams B.A. in the usual 4 years, majoring in one of the sciences, and then go directly to a graduate program in engineering. Please see the section of this catalog titled “Preparation for Graduate and Professional Study.”
Also, prospective engineers at Williams have the opportunity to take undergraduate engineering courses at other institutions through various exchange programs. For information about these opportunities, please see the section titled “Exchange Programs.”

The pre-engineering advisor, Professor Jefferson Strait, will be happy to assist students interested in any of the options leading to engineering careers. Many more details about pre-engineering can be found in the Physics Department section of the College website.

Co-ordinate Programs Offering Concentrations
In addition to majoring in a field, a student may choose to concentrate elective courses on a single topic or area. Normally, a student declares a concentration at the time of registration in the spring of the sophomore year. Concentrations are offered in the following programs:

- Africana Studies
- Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
- Cognitive Science
- Environmental Studies
- International Studies
- Jewish Studies
- Latina/o Studies
- Leadership Studies
- Legal Studies
- Maritime Studies
- Neuroscience
- Science and Technology Studies

Descriptions of these programs appear under the appropriate heading in this publication. If the co-ordinate program courses are directly related to the major, a student may be allowed to reduce the number of courses required to complete the major.

Co-ordinate Programs
A number of programs do not offer concentrations formally, but do provide students with the opportunity to work in areas that cut across departmental and program lines. These are: Bioinformatics, Genomics, and Proteomics; History of Science; Materials Science Studies; Performance Studies; and Public Health. They are listed in this publication in alphabetical order.

These programs provide guidance only and do not appear on transcripts.

The Critical Reasoning and Analytical Skills (CRAAS) Initiative
To one degree or another, every class at Williams goes beyond its subject—be it mathematics, Machiavelli, or modernism—to teach intellectual skills that have wide application in other fields as well as outside of the academy: scientific reckoning, expository writing, rhetorical analysis, oral presentation, and so on.

Courses offered under the CRAAS initiative foreground such analytical skills. While each CRAAS class covers a different topic, all are aimed particularly at developing the processes necessary for excellence in a range of fields: techniques for analyzing ideas, data, texts or artworks; approaches to interpreting, synthesizing, and developing arguments; strategies for presenting ideas and results.

CRAAS classes typically emphasize the practices of meta-analysis—self-criticism, editing, and revision—with the goal of constant improvement. Many classes feature peer tutoring, small group work, and intensive one-on-one engagement with the professor. Students should leave a CRAAS course with a substantially heightened ability to approach problems, analyze texts, and craft arguments in whatever discipline they may go on to explore.

A few CRAAS courses are restricted to advanced students, but the majority are open to all, and some are specifically targeted for first-year students. Most have strictly limited enrollment. Because these classes cultivate the general strategies of effective scholarship, students are encouraged to consider taking a CRAAS course early in their academic careers. Click here for a list of CRAAS courses offered in 2011-2012.

Cross-Enrollment Programs
A limited number of students may register at Bennington College or Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts for courses not offered by Williams. Interested students should contact the Registrar’s Office about arrangements.

Experiential Education at Williams
Experiential education, involving “learning by doing” outside the classroom, has been a relatively understated but successful part of the Williams curriculum for a number of years. In addition to the use of traditional laboratory work in the natural sciences and studio work in art, faculty have been challenging students to become engaged more personally in the Williams curriculum through field work, whether in the form of research, sustained work on special projects or through placement with community organizations. Courses which include experiential learning provide students with opportunities to encounter firsthand the issues that they read and study about, requiring them to apply academic learning to nonacademic settings and challenging them to use their experiences in those settings to think more critically and deeply about what they are studying. Courses involving experiential education as defined above range from fully integrated off-campus programs such as the Williams-Mystic Maritime Studies Program (www.williams.edu/williamsmystic) to courses involving one small field research project. The amount and nature of the experiential component(s) varies according to the instructor’s judgment. Click here for a list of 2011-2012 courses involving experiential education.

A range of non-credit experiential education opportunities is also available to interested students. Community service, internships, research, and the Museum Associates Program of the College Museum of Art all provide students the chance to “learn by doing” outside the classroom. Information on each of these opportunities is provided below.

Community Service:
Opportunities to apply creative energy and initiative abound in community organizations in the Williams College area. Service ranges from tutoring or building homes with Habitat for Humanity, to working with developing non-profit organizations such as Northern Berkshire Creative Arts. For more information, go to the Office for Community Engagement homepage on the College website at <www.williams.edu/resources/commservice/> or contact Stewart Burns, Director of the Center for Community Engagement (Stewart.Burns@williams.edu).

Internships and Research Opportunities:
A wide variety of summer internship opportunities are available to interested students through the Office of Career Counseling (OCC) and the Center for Environmental Studies (CES). Research opportunities are also available through individual departments. Information about OCC’s Williams College Alumni Sponsored Summer Internships can be found at http://www.williams.edu/go/careers/ or by contacting Ron Gallagher, Assistant Director of Career Counseling (Ronald.L.Gallagher@williams.edu). Information about CES’s summer internship and research opportunities can be found at http://www.williams.edu/CES/ces/studentopps/employment.htm or by contacting Sarah Gardner, Associate Director of the Center for Environmental Studies, Harper House (Sarah.S.Gard-
Honors Program

Williams awards the degree with honors to students who have demonstrated imagination, initiative, and intellectual independence within the major. The Honors Program requires two or three courses constituting a clearly interrelated pattern of study, whether in the form of a thesis, specialization within the major, or interdisciplinary study with courses from other programs or departments. At least one of the courses must be in addition to the minimum number required for the major; one may be a Winter Study Project. A student who is completing two majors may be a candidate for honors in either or both of the majors, but a course for honors in one major may not be used as an honors course in the other. Some programs also award honors for their concentrations.

Individual departments and programs describe specific criteria, procedures, and patterns of study for honors in the “Courses of Instruction” section. Students should consult with their departments on their honors options prior to the senior year. Before the student has begun the last of the required course units, the department or program determines whether the student is admitted to honors candidacy. The degree is awarded with Honors or Highest Honors at the end of the senior year if, in the judgment of the department, its criteria of excellence have been met.

Independent Study

When a particularly able student wishes to study a subject not covered by the normal offerings of the College, arrangements may be made to undertake courses of independent study under faculty supervision. Such arrangements are made with the appropriate department at the time of registration.

Study Away from Williams

Many students decide to study at another college or university, in this country or abroad, during their undergraduate education. The College encourages students to think about the option of study away as they begin the process of considering major fields and course requirements during the sophomore year.

All students in good standing with no deficiencies, including financial aid recipients, may study away on approved programs during all or part of the junior year. Academic credit is earned after evidence of the satisfactory completion of the program. A student wishing to enroll in another institution or program in this country or abroad, and to transfer credits earned on this program to Williams, must consult with Dean Laura McKeon and the appropriate department chair early in the fall semester of the sophomore year. Students are responsible for reading the Guide to Study Abroad available in the Dean’s Office. They should also consult faculty members with expertise in the area or region of interest to them. All students who are curious about the off-campus study option should browse through the reference library in the Dean’s Office and attend one of the general information meetings that Dean McKeon offers throughout the autumn and in February. After attending an information session, students are free to schedule an appointment with the Dean. Approval is required from the chair of the student’s major department, Dean McKeon, and the Committee on Academic Standing. Students wishing to study away for any portion of the junior year must request approval in March of the sophomore year by submitting a pink petition to Dean McKeon.

When a student has decided to accept an offer of admission from a program, he or she must notify the Dean’s Office. The Committee on Academic Standing will make a final decision at that time. Students need to attend a pre-departure meeting and meet all the guidelines as directed in the Guide to Study Abroad. Upon return to Williams, students must complete a program evaluation in order to receive credit.

The Williams Tutorial Program

The Tutorial Program offers Williams students a distinctive opportunity to take a heightened form of responsibility for their own intellectual development. No student is required to take a tutorial course, but any student with the appropriate qualifications and interests is invited to do so.

Tutorials at the 100/200 level are designed primarily for first-year students and sophomores; they are usually given enrollment preference for such courses, though interested juniors and seniors are often welcome. Tutorials at the 300/400 level are designed primarily for juniors and seniors (and, often, for majors in the discipline); first-year students and sophomores are welcome to apply, but are urged to consult the instructor before registering.

Tutorials place much greater weight than do regular courses—or even small seminars—on student participation. They aim to teach students how to develop and present arguments; listen carefully, and then refine their positions in the context of a challenging discussion; and respond quickly and cogently to critiques of their work. Tutorials place particular emphasis on developing analytical skills, writing abilities, and the talents of engaging in rigorous conversation and oral debate.

The ways in which particular tutorials are conducted vary across the disciplines, but here is a description of how most tutorials at Williams are organized. Tutorials are usually limited to ten students. At the start of term, the instructor divides the students into pairs. Each pair meets weekly with the instructor for roughly one hour. Many tutorial courses begin and end the term with a group seminar, and in a few departments, instructors hold weekly group meetings of all tutorial members to provide background information designed to facilitate the students’ independent work. But the heart of every tutorial course is the weekly meeting of the two students with the instructor.

At these weekly meetings, one student delivers a prepared essay or presentation (e.g., an analysis of a text or work of art, a discussion of a problem set, a report on weekly exercises, etc.) pertaining to the assignment for that week, while the other student—and then the instructor—offer a critique. In the following week, students switch roles. Typically, students write five or six essays (usually in the range of 4-7 pages) during the term, and offer five or six critiques of their partners’ work.

Since the program’s inception in 1988, students have ranked tutorials among the most demanding—and rewarding—courses they have taken at Williams. While not designed to be more difficult than other courses, tutorials are nonetheless challenging, with frequent writing assignments and the expectation that students will be well prepared to participate actively and effectively in weekly discussions. At the same time, students have consistently placed tutorials among the most enriching and consequential courses they have taken. They have appreciated the close attention to their writing and argumentation skills; the opportunity to be held accountable, in a detailed way, for the extended implications of their ideas; the chance to develop their oral abilities as they engage in debate; and the close intellectual bonds tutorials build between teachers and students, and students with each other. Many students have formed important advising and mentoring relationships with their tutorial teachers.

Registration Information: Students pre-register for tutorials as they would for any other course (but should first check the description for prerequisites and to see if permission of the instructor is required). Because of limited enrollments and the special logistical arrangements.
involved in organizing tutorials, students may not drop a tutorial after 4:00 PM on the day before the first scheduled day of organizational meetings each semester. It is therefore important that students determine, before the start of the term, their interest in and commitment to the course. If they are uncertain whether they wish to take the tutorial, they should consult with the instructor. Tutorials may not be taken on a pass/fail basis.

More information: Click here for a list of tutorials offered in 2011-2012. Students may obtain detailed information about particular tutorials from the course descriptions and the instructors. (All tutorials have a “T” after the course number.) For general information, advice, or suggestions about the program, please contact Professor Stephen Fix, Tutorial Program Director for 2011-2012, in Hollander 136.

**Williams-EPRI-UCT-Interstudy Cape Town Policy in Action Program**

Williams offers a unique fall semester program of studies in Cape Town, South Africa in partnership with the Economic Policy Research Institute, Interstudy and the University of Cape Town. This innovative experiential study away program teaches students about South African politics, society and development. Students take courses at the University of Cape Town and the Economic Policy Research Institute where they also hone their research skills through a policy fieldwork placement. The program’s unique feature is the unifying seminar/tutorial on contemporary social and political issues in South Africa. This course partners Williams students with South African Parliamentarians in a collaborative learning effort focused on policy issues of mutual interest. Interested students should consult the Dean’s Office or www.williams.edu/go/africa for more information.

**Williams-Exeter Programme at Oxford University**

Williams offers a year-long programme of studies at Oxford University in cooperation with Exeter College, Oxford. Based at Ephraim Williams House, Williams’ study center at Oxford, the Programme is designed to offer the fullest possible integration of the students into the intellectual and social life of one of the world’s great universities. It makes full use of the Oxford tutorial system and the Oxford three-term calendar is followed.

Interested students should consult the Dean’s Office. Click here for a more complete description of the programme.

**Williams-Mystic Maritime Studies Program**

The William-Mystic Seaport Maritime Studies Program offers students a unique opportunity to explore the ocean, to travel the Atlantic, Pacific and Gulf Coasts, and to undertake original research of their own design in the humanities and sciences. A term at Williams-Mystic satisfies both a semester’s credit and one winter study requirement, as well as intensive writing course credit. Four Williams courses are offered as an integrated, multidisciplinary curriculum in the semester-long program at Mystic Seaport, in Mystic, Connecticut: Maritime History, Literature of the Sea, Marine Policy, and either Marine Ecology or Oceanography (see the American Maritime Studies section in this catalog). Williams College faculty members serve as the Director and Marine Scientist. Travel includes an offshore voyage on the open ocean sailing aboard a tall ship, a seminar along the Pacific Coast, and a Louisiana seminar, all of which are cross-disciplinary and inter-disciplinary exercises. Students live in historic, cooperative, coed houses at Mystic Seaport, the world’s largest maritime museum, and have full access to world-class maritime collections, a maritime library, well-equipped laboratory, and diverse coastal habitats (where field research can be undertaken in a wide variety of environments, ranging from tidepools and salt marshes to sandy beaches and estuaries). Students also participate in maritime skills under professional instruction, with choices such as celestial navigation, maritime art, music of the sea, boat building, or small boat handling and sailing. Williams-Mystic seeks candidates who are willing to try new things and work in a compelling academic environment. No sailing experience necessary, and all majors are welcome—a typical semester at Williams-Mystic is represented by 12 to 14 different majors spanning the sciences and humanities. Sophomores, juniors, and seniors can attend. Interested students should contact Williams-Mystic at admissions@williamsmystic.org, call (860-572-5359), or visit the website (www.williams.edu/williams-mystic).
ACADEMIC STANDARDS AND REGULATIONS

Attendance
In order to give students a larger share of responsibility for their own education, Williams College does not administer a general system of required classroom attendance. The College expects students to make full use of their educational opportunities by regular class attendance and to assume the academic risks incurred by absences.

Although no formal system of class attendance is maintained by the College, instructors may set such standards of attendance as they deem necessary for the satisfactory conduct of their courses. Students who fail to meet these standards may be warned by the instructor and notice sent to the Dean that continued absence could result in their being dropped from the course. A failing grade will be assigned to any regularly graded course dropped after the designated course change period. Students who do not attend the first class meeting in a semester course or Winter Study Project may be required to withdraw by the instructor. Attendance is required at announced tests and final examinations unless the student is specifically excused by the instructor or the Dean’s Office. Satisfactory attendance in four quarters of activities approved by the Department of Physical Education is required except for students excused by the Dean and the Director of Health.

Registration
Registration for fall and spring semesters and for the Winter Study Program takes place at designated periods during the academic year. There may be a $5 per day late fee for any registration changes accepted after the announced deadlines, including the subject designation for cross-listed courses.

New students register online in early summer; soon after arrival at Williams, they meet with their assigned Academic Advisors to discuss the curriculum and their course selections. All course changes for new students are made after these meetings. During the first two years of study, students are limited in the number of courses they may take in one department or subject each semester as follows:

a) First-year students may take no more than one course with the same course prefix, nor more than two in one department, in a semester.

b) Sophomores may take no more than two courses with the same course prefix, nor more than three in one department, in a semester.

c) Sophomores may take no more than three courses with the same course prefix, nor more than four in one department, during the full year.

d) A student may take no more than a total of five courses with the same course prefix, nor more than eight in one department, during the first two years.

e) Any exception to the above early concentration rule may be requested by a petition (goldenrod) to the Committee on Academic Standing (C.A.S.) filed at the time of registration.

Course Change Period
Course changes may be made during a designated period at the beginning of each semester. No course changes may be made after that period except with the approval of the Committee on Academic Standing, after consultation with the Dean’s Office. During Winter Study, a second Winter Study Project may be added if the instructor approves but the original Project may not be dropped. A late fee of $5 per day may be assessed for each course change accepted after the announced deadline.

First-year and first-semester transfer students may be permitted to withdraw from one course (incuring a deficiency but no grade penalty) as late as the tenth week of the semester. Upperclass students also may withdraw from a course under the same conditions once in subsequent years. A withdrawal, recorded on the transcript as a “W,” is granted only with the approval of the instructor and a dean and only if there is complete agreement between the instructor and the dean that, despite conscientious effort to do the work, continuation in the course would be detrimental to the overall educational interest or health of the student. The deficiency thereby incurred must be removed in the normal manner. See “Deficiencies,” page 13 of this document.

Course Load
Students are required to complete four courses each semester. In exceptional cases, students may, upon petition to the Committee on Academic Standing and with departmental approval at the time of registration, elect a pattern of five semester courses in the fall semester and three in the spring or three in the fall and live in the spring; a pass-fail course cannot be used as the fifth course in this pattern.

If a student with a disability believes that he/she is unable to pursue a full course of study, the student may petition the Disabilities and Accommodations Advisory Committee for permission to pursue a reduced course load. Such a petition must be accompanied by a professional evaluation that addresses the student’s inability to maintain a full course of study and discusses the rationale for a reduced course load. Upon consideration of a student’s petition and supporting documentation, the Disabilities and Accommodations Advisory Committee makes a recommendation to the Committee on Academic Standing, which renders decisions. Such cases are considered on an individual basis and may be initiated at any time during the student’s tenure at Williams.

Fifth Course Pass-Fail Option
Except in the case of the unbalanced course program described above, a student may, at the beginning of any semester, enroll in a fifth course that must be specified as the pass-fail course. By the sixth week, a student must decide whether to continue the course, and if so, whether on a pass-fail or regularly graded basis. A form for designating the option chosen will be sent from the Registrar’s Office. A processing fee of $5 per day may be assessed for fifth course grading option designations accepted after the announced deadline. A course graded “Pass” may not be used as one of the thirty-two semester courses required to complete the degree, to fulfill distribution or major requirements, or to make up a deficiency. A pass-fail course converted to a fifth regularly graded course may be used to fulfill distribution or major requirements or to make up a deficiency incurred in a prior term. The grade received will be included in the calculation of the student’s cumulative grade-point average.

The Gaudino Option

♦ This initiative attempts to encourage students to engage in courses of interest beyond their area of focus or “expertise”—dare yourself to enroll in challenging but intriguing courses that you would otherwise not take!

♦ You can declare a G–option at the beginning of the semester for courses taken at Williams, starting as early as the spring semester of your first year and as late as the fall semester of your senior year. You can sign up for at most one G–option course per semester, and at most two in your undergraduate career.

♦ You cannot invoke the G–option on a course used to satisfy divisional or other college requirements (EDI, Q, W).

♦ You cannot invoke the G–option for any course that fulfills major or concentration requirements unless it is the very first course you take in that major or concentration.

♦ You will have up to 30 days after grades are posted to elect to invoke the G–option for a course from the previous semester. If your course grade is above a certain floor and the instructor of the course approves, then the course grade will be changed to G on your transcript and the GPA will not be affected by the original grade. The course will count toward graduation, but the transcript will reflect that you declared the course to be an intellectual stretch.

♦ Any course can be taken with the G–option unless the course description in the College Bulletin explicitly states otherwise.

Declaring the G–option

♦ You can declare a regular course at Williams as one of your two G–options any time during the drop/add period of any semester for which you are eligible to declare one. You cannot un–declare the G–option after the end of drop/add!
Invoking the G–option

♦ You may ask the Registrar’s Office to invoke your option for a G–option course within 30 days after grades are posted. After 30 days you will keep the grade you earned in that class if you don’t notify the Registrar that you wish to invoke the G–option. To apply the option, your course grade has to be no lower than the lesser of: (a) your current GPA minus 0.67; or (b) the grade of B–. In addition, the registrar will ask the instructor of the course to assert that you were “intellectually present.” If either of these conditions is not met, then the grade you earned cannot be removed. “Intellectual presence” implies that you have attended and participated in all the class meetings and that you have done all the required work. Some instructors might have other requirements. You should feel free to meet with and interact with your instructor to get the most out of the experience.

Winter Study Project

Students must pass a Winter Study Project in each of their four years. Winter Study Projects are graded Honors, Pass, Perfunctory Pass, or Fail. All work for Winter Study Projects must be submitted by the last day of the Winter Study Program; work may be accepted after this date only with the permission of a dean. Students who fail their Winter Study Projects will be placed on Academic Probation by the Committee on Academic Standing and will be required to make up the deficiency. (See “Deficiencies,” page 13 of this document.) Students who fail through gross neglect of work will normally be required to resign. A student who receives a second Perfunctory Pass grade in Winter Study will be required to pass a fifth course, which may be graded on the regular A–E or pass/fail basis, in the following spring or fall semester.

Grading System and Records

Williams uses the following system of grades: A, excellent; B, good; C, fair; D, passing; E, failing. These letters, with plus and minus value, have the following numerical equivalents in calculating grade averages:

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A permanent record of each student’s grades is kept and this official record forms the basis for any academic action by the College. A transcript of a student’s cumulative academic record is available from the Registrar’s Office upon written request. Transcripts will not be issued for students who are in financial arrears.

Provisions relating to student records, access to them, and safeguards on their use are in the Student Handbook.

First-Year Student Warnings

In the middle of each semester, instructors report to the Registrar those first-year students whose grades at that time are unsatisfactory. The students and their academic advisors receive notices of warnings as a matter of routine. The Dean’s Office may inform parents of students who receive two or more warnings.

Extensions of Deadlines

Deadlines for course work are set by the instructor with the following limitations:

♦ for courses with final exams, the latest that written work may be due is 5:00 p.m. on the last day of reading period.

♦ for courses without final exams, the latest that written work may be due is 5:00 pm. on the third-to-last day of the exam period.

If work is due before these deadlines, the instructor may grant an extension up to these deadlines solely at his or her discretion. Short extensions beyond these deadlines may be granted by a dean but only with the concurrence of the instructor. No extensions will be granted beyond the examination period except in the case of serious illness.

Instructors may require students who have missed announced quizzes or hour tests to present satisfactory explanations to a dean before they are permitted to make up the exercises.

If a student is absent from a final examination, a make-up examination may be given only with the permission of a dean and at a time determined by the dean.

Deficiencies

A student receives credit for a course by obtaining a grade of at least D minus. A student may not repeat a course for which degree credit has been awarded. If the student fails a course, he or she must make up the deficiency.

If a failure occurs in the first semester of a full-year course, the student may, with the consent of the instructor, continue the course and receive credit for the second semester only. If a failure occurs in the second semester of a full-year course, credit for passing the first semester may be retained only with the approval of the Committee on Academic Standing.

A senior who incurs a failure in the first semester in a required major course may be dropped from the College at midyear. Normally deficiencies can be made up only by courses taken after the deficiencies have been incurred.

A student must make up a deficiency in one of these ways:

1) obtain a grade of at least C minus in a summer school course, approved in advance by the Registrar, at a regionally accredited four-year college or university; (The grade will not, however, be included in the calculation of the student’s cumulative grade point average.)

2) pass an extra graded course at Williams in the semester following the failure;

3) in the case of a first-semester failure of a year-long language course, obtain a grade of at least a C minus in the work of the second semester of that course. The failure for the first semester will, however, remain on the student’s record and will be included in the cumulative grade point average.

A deficiency must normally be made up before the start of the following academic year, or in the case of a deficiency incurred in the spring semester, no later than the following fall semester. A student may, in consultation with the Dean’s Office, petition the Committee on Academic Standing with an alternate plan.
Separation for Low Scholarship

It is the policy of Williams College not to permit a student to remain in residence after it has become evident that he or she is either unable or unwilling to maintain reasonable standards of academic achievement. At the end of each term, the Committee on Academic Standing reviews all academic records that fail to meet the following minimum academic requirements:

For first-year students:  
Three grades of C minus or better and no failures each semester, and  
1) by the Dean;  
2) by vote of the Discipline Committee; or  
3) by vote of the Committee on Academic Standing because of a dangerously low record.

Dean’s List

All students who attain a semester average of 3.50 or higher in a program of four or more courses are placed on the Dean’s List for that semester.

Phi Beta Kappa Society

Students of the highest academic standing are eligible for election to membership in the Phi Beta Kappa Society in accordance with the following rules:

1) The requirements for election to membership shall be a grade point average of 3.3 and Honors or Pass in all required Winter Study Projects. There shall be two elections of new members for each class, at the end of the junior and senior years.

2) At the end of the junior year, all students in the highest five percent of the class, ranked by cumulative grade point average, shall be eligible for election provided they have met the requirements and have completed enough courses to be considered candidates for the B.A. degree in the following year. A student who leaves Williams at the end of the junior year to attend graduate school may be elected under the above procedures. At the end of the senior year, all students not yet elected and in the highest 12.5 per cent of the class, ranked by cumulative grade point average, shall be eligible for election provided they have met the requirements.

3) Students shall be eligible for election only if they have been students at Williams College for at least two years.

4) Honorary members may be elected from distinguished alumni of at least twenty years’ standing. No more than one such member shall be elected each year.

5) Any student who shall have gained his or her rank by unfair means or who in the judgment of the Dean of the College is not of good moral character is ineligible to election.

6) The name of a member elect shall be entered on the roll only after he or she has accepted the election and has paid to the Treasurer the regular entrance fee.

7) Any undergraduate member who withdraws from the College before graduation or who falls short of the minimum Phi Beta Kappa scholastic standing may, upon a two-thirds vote of the members present at the annual meeting, be deprived of membership in the society.
8) Any undergraduate member who is expelled from the College shall be deprived of membership in the Society.
9) While connected with Williams College as an officer of instruction or administration, any graduate of Williams College who is a member of another chapter of Phi Beta Kappa shall be considered a regular member of the Williams chapter.
10) While connected with Williams College as professor, associate professor or assistant professor, or an officer of administration, any member of another chapter of Phi Beta Kappa shall have all the privileges of the Williams chapter, including holding office and voting. While connected with Williams College, any other officer of instruction or administration who is a member of another chapter shall have all the privileges of the Williams chapter, except holding office and voting.

**Awarding of Degrees**

By vote of the Trustees, the degree of Bachelor of Arts is conferred at Commencement upon students who have completed the requirements as to courses and grades to the satisfaction of the Faculty. The right to a degree may, however, be forfeited by misconduct at any time prior to the conferring of the degree. No degree in absentia will be conferred except by special vote of the Trustees on petition presented to the Dean. Diplomas will not be authorized for students who have not paid College charges or have not returned all books belonging to the library.

**Graduation with Distinction**

The Faculty will recommend to the Trustees that the degree of Bachelor of Arts with distinction be conferred upon those members of the graduating class who have passed all Winter Study Projects and obtained a four-year average in the top:

- 35% of the graduating class — Bachelor of Arts cum laude or higher
- 15% of the graduating class — Bachelor of Arts magna cum laude or higher
- 2% of the graduating class — Bachelor of Arts summa cum laude
ACADEMIC ADVISING

A variety of academic advice and counsel is offered to students. Instructors, departmental and administrative officers and some special programs are available to help students explore and develop their academic interests and talents and take advantage of the academic and intellectual opportunities available at the College.

In the first-year, each student is assigned an Academic Advisor who is either a member of the faculty or an administrative officer whose responsibilities keep him or her in close contact with the curriculum of the College. The Deans of the College also advise undergraduates and coordinate the first-year advising program, review the academic progress of individual students, and—when appropriate—call students in to discuss their situations.

In the sophomore year, students continue to meet with their first-year advisors and it is recommended that they seek advice from deans and instructors, along with pre-professional and other special advisors (click here for a list). Sophomores are also encouraged to discuss major options and requirements with faculty members from departments and programs in which they have an interest before declaring a major in the spring semester.

In the junior and senior years, students are advised by faculty from their major departments or programs. Each department or program determines its own advising system for its majors, although chairs are regularly available for consultation.

ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE

Additional programs of academic assistance are also available through the Academic Resources Office. Any student who desires extra help in a course in which she or he is registered may request a tutor who has been recommended by the relevant department to the Academic Resources Office; costs of this tutoring are covered by Academic Resources. The Math and Science Resource Center (MSRC), a drop-in help center staffed by student tutors who come highly recommended from the appropriate departments, is also available to students of Biology 101, 102, and 202, Chemistry 151, 153, 155, 156, 251, 255, and 286, Mathematics 100, 101, 103, 104, 105, and 106, and Physics 131, 132, 141, and 142. The MSRC (which is open from 8 pm to midnight Sundays through Thursdays throughout both academic semesters) works in close cooperation with faculty teaching those courses.

All students are encouraged to take full advantage of these academic resources.

STUDY AWAY AND INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Advising of Williams students wishing to study away in the junior year is coordinated by the Dean’s Office. Information sessions are held during the fall semester and early spring of the sophomore year for students wishing to study away. Orientation and counseling of international students is arranged by the International Student Advisor in the Dean’s Office.

POSTGRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDY

Click here.
ACADEMIC HONESTY

All students are expected to be familiar with the Williams College Honor Code and to reaffirm their commitment to the Statement of Academic Honesty at the beginning of each academic year. The Honor Code covers all aspects of academic honesty, including the writing of papers and laboratory reports as well as all quizzes, homework assignments, hour tests, and examinations.

Statement of Academic Honesty

As an institution fundamentally concerned with the free exchange of ideas, Williams College has always depended on the academic integrity of each of its members. In the spirit of this free exchange, the students and faculty of Williams recognize the necessity and accept the responsibility for academic honesty.

A student who enrolls at the College thereby agrees to respect and acknowledge the research and ideas of others in his or her work and to abide by those regulations governing work stipulated by the instructor. Any student who breaks these regulations, misrepresents his or her own work, or collaborates in the misrepresentation of another’s work has committed a serious violation of this agreement.

Students and faculty are to report violations and alleged violations of this agreement. Such reports are to be submitted to the Student Honor Committee, consisting of eight student members of the joint Faculty-Student Honor System-Discipline Committee. This committee is responsible for determining the guilt or innocence of the accused person or persons, and for recommending appropriate punishments to the Dean. A committee of faculty members to be designated by the Faculty will sit with the Student Honor Committee in an advisory capacity.

A quorum of three-quarters shall be required for the Committee to meet. A vote of guilty by at least three-quarters of those present is necessary for conviction. A recommendation for dismissal must be made by unanimous vote of those present, and shall be carried out only with the assent of the President of the College.

The Committee is responsible for informing the student body of the meaning and implications of this statement. The aforementioned faculty committee shall be responsible for informing faculty members of the meaning and implications of this statement.

Any amendments to this statement must be made through a student referendum in which two-thirds of the student body votes, and in which two-thirds of those voting vote for the amendment. These alterations must be ratified by the Faculty.

Guidelines

Instructors are encouraged to submit to the Honor Committee a written statement defining how the Statement of Academic Honesty applies to their courses or laboratories, and to explain such guidelines to their students. Instructors may set any type of final examination or hour test, ranging from closed-book, alternate-seating classroom exercises to open-book, “take-home” examinations or papers, and any requirements for laboratory exercises. Some instructors encourage cooperation among students but others do not. If a student is unsure how the Honor Code applies in a particular situation, it is ultimately the student’s responsibility to find out from his or her professor, or from a member of the Honor Committee, how the Honor Code applies in that situation. An open and highly individualized system can last only as long as both the students and the faculty work together to create a true academic community.

In written material, students are expected to avoid the possibility of even unintentional plagiarism by acknowledging the sources of their work. Careful observance of accepted standards of reference and attribution is required. The basic rules are summarized below. Students are further advised to consult a recognized style manual to learn how to acknowledge sources correctly. While academic honesty does not demand a footnote on statements of common fact, it does require that a student provide clear footnotes or other appropriate documentation and give credit in the bibliography to ideas, interpretations, and facts that particular sources have contributed to the student’s final work.
Academic Honesty

The basic rules of attribution require that:

1) A direct quotation (whether a single word or a phrase, sentence, paragraph, or series of paragraphs) must always be identified by quotation marks, by indenting and single spacing, or by reduced type size of the quoted material, and a note must be used to state the exact source.

2) A paraphrase of the work of another must be acknowledged as such by a note stating the source.

3) Indebtedness to the specific ideas of others, or the summarizing of several pages, even though expressed in different words, must be acknowledged by a note stating the source.

4) Every instance of the use of another student’s laboratory reports, computer programs, or other material must be acknowledged by a note.

5) Even the use of a student’s own previous work must be acknowledged; thus, a student must obtain the prior permission of all instructors concerned before submitting substantially the same paper in more than one course.

Procedures for Alleged Violations

Students or faculty members who have discovered a violation or a possible violation of the Honor Code should report it promptly either to the faculty chair or to the student chair of the Honor Committee. As soon as possible after receiving a report of an alleged Honor Code violation, the Student Honor Committee will convene to hear the case. The person bringing the charge will present the evidence to the Committee in the presence of the accused student, who may then speak in his or her own defense both with and without the accuser present. After the accused student has left the proceedings, the Committee will determine innocence or guilt and, if the latter, will recommend an appropriate penalty to the Dean. Depending on the circumstances of the violation, penalties then imposed by the Dean may include such possibilities as a directed grade of E in the course, disciplinary probation, or temporary or permanent separation from the College.
EXPENSES

Within the limits of available funds, Williams endeavors to offer its educational opportunities to all who qualify for admission. Income from its endowed and annual contributions from its alumni and friends have enabled Williams to keep its tuition at about half the actual cost per student to the College.

Payment of Term Bills

College bills for one-half of all tuition and fees are sent electronically to students twice a year (in mid-July and mid-December) for payment on August 15 and January 15; a fee of $250 may be charged if payment is received after these dates. Term bills must be paid before the semester’s classes begin or the student may not be permitted to enroll in classes or remain in residence at the College. Billing statements for accounts with outstanding balances or current activity will be issued monthly and are due upon receipt.

All outstanding balances must be paid to the Bursar, and all books and materials must be returned to the Library, before the student is entitled to a degree or a transcript.

College Bills

College charges for tuition, room, board, and fees for the academic year 2011-2012 are as follows:

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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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Other Expenses

Based on a study of expenses reported by financial aid students, a minimum normal budget for a college year at Williams includes additional expenses estimated as follows:

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<td>Clothing, Laundry, Recreation</td>
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<td>Estimated year’s total, exclusive of travel expenses**</td>
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*A student activities fee for support of non-athletic student organizations is charged to all undergraduates as part of the College term bill.

**Travel expenses are not included in figures listed above. The cost of two round-trip tickets is added into each successful financial aid candidate’s award.

Additional Items

A House Maintenance Fee of $50 per year is charged to upperclassmen as a part of the College term bill. It is used to provide a base for the social and cultural programs of each residential House and to meet any unusual maintenance expenses for the Houses. First-year class dues of $50 are charged at the rate of $25 each semester. Co-op residents and off-campus residents are charged a $25 neighborhood residential fee each semester.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts requires that all full- and part-time students enrolled in institutions of higher education located in Massachusetts must participate in a qualifying student health insurance plan offered by the institution or in another health insurance program affording comparable coverage.

The College offers a qualifying student health insurance plan to all students. Students may waive participation in the College’s plan if the student certifies prior to August 1, 2011 at www.gallagherkoster.com/williams that the coverage offered by an alternative program chosen by the student is comparable to the plan offered by the College.

Information about the student health insurance plan offered by the College is e-mailed to every student in June. Questions about the College’s plan or about the online waiver/enrollment process should be directed to the Koster Insurance Agency at 800-406-5205 or by e-mail at williamsstudent@gallagherkoster.com

There may be a $5 per day processing fee for any registration changes accepted after the announced deadlines. There is a charge of $25 for a lost key.

Payment of College Bills

A non-refundable deposit of $200 to reserve a place in the first-year class is required from all admitted candidates (except certain financial aid recipients) by the Candidate’s Reply Date of May 1. The deposit appears as a credit on the term bill rendered in July.

College term bills for one-half of the annual comprehensive fee are issued electronically to students twice a year—in July payable in August and in December payable in January. Students are encouraged to grant access to their “e-bill” to parents and other parties to be able to view and pay the student’s term bill online. Payments may be made by electronically by ACH, by check, money order or wire transfer or by credit card, MasterCard, Discover or American Express. Credit card payments are subject to a 2.99% convenience fee.

Students who receive a scholarship(s) that was not awarded through the Williams Office of Financial Aid must complete a Scholarship Information Sheet and mail it to the Financial Aid Office by early June. Provisional credit will be posted to the semester bill for the following; anticipated disbursements of direct loans for which a promissory note has been signed and returned to the Office of Financial Aid, anticipated disbursements of outside loans approved by the lender, outside scholarships which have not yet been received and applied against the student account and any remaining semester contract amount for the Ten Month Payment Plan. If actual payment for the above provisional credits are not received by the date anticipated, the provisional credit will expire and be removed from the student’s account creating a balance due.

A check returned to the College for any reason such as “account closed” or “insufficient funds” will be charged to the student’s term bill and a “return check charge” of $25.00 will be assessed. The College reserves the right to require that payment be made in the form of cash, cashier check or money order.

Students with bills still unpaid at the start of the semester who have not made satisfactory arrangements with the Bursar will not be permitted to enroll in classes or remain in residence at the College. Furthermore, if arrangements for payment after the start of the semester are approved by the Bursar and these expected payments are not made on time, students may not be allowed to enroll for the next semester.
If efforts by the Bursar’s Office to collect the monies owed are unsuccessful, the account could be placed with a collection agency, and if the delinquency persists, the College’s experience with the account may be reported to a national credit bureau. It is the policy of the College to pass on to the debtor all reasonable costs associated with collection of the debt through a collection agency. If at any time the student believes information concerning payment delinquency is inaccurate, he/she should notify the College c/o The Bursar’s Office, P. O. Box 406, Williamstown, MA 01267.

There are several loan options available to parents through outside sources. These include the MassPlan Loan through the Massachusetts Educational Financing Authority and the Federal Plus Loan Program. Information on these loans can be found in the brochure A Guide to Borrowing for College.

Williams also offers an installment plan, administered by Tuition Management Services whereby the yearly charges are paid in 10 equal installments starting in June, with no interest charges. There are no income restrictions. Monthly payments will be the total cost (less any scholarships, Stafford or parent loans) divided by 10. There is an administration fee for this program. Information on this program is sent each spring to all parents or can be obtained by calling Tuition Management Services at (888) 216-4258.

**Refund Policy**

Federal regulations require that all educational institutions disclose their refund policy to all prospective students. In accordance with that regulation, below is the Williams College Refund Policy for the 2011-2012 academic year.

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*Housing and miscellaneous fees are not pro-rated after the start of classes. Coverage under the College’s student health insurance plan will continue for the length of the plan (August 15, 2011-August 14, 2012).

For students receiving Title IV federal funds, repayment of federal funds on a pro-rata basis will be determined up to the 60% point of the semester per federal regulation. Please note that withdrawal late in the semester could result in a balance owed to the College for federal aid that must be returned to the program.

Repayment is first made to federal programs in the following order: Unsubsidized Federal Direct Stafford Loan, Subsidized Federal Direct Stafford Loan, Federal Perkins Loan, Federal Direct PLUS Loan, Federal Pell Grant, Federal SEOG, Federal ACG, National Smart, Federal SSIG, Robert Byrd Scholarship. Any remaining credit balance reimburses other sources in the following order: Williams scholarship, other scholarships, other parent loan programs and family. Specific examples are available on request.

The College offers, through A.W.G. Dewar, Inc., a Tuition Refund Plan which supplements the Williams College Refund Policy in certain circumstances. A brochure describing this plan will be sent to you under separate cover, or you may contact Dewar, Inc. directly at (617) 774-1555 or online at http://www.tuitionrefundplan.com.

The College will issue a 1098-T form at the end of each calendar year for the HOPE and Lifetime Learning tax credits.

**Financial Aid**

Williams has a substantial financial aid program to promote the greatest possible diversity in the social and economic background of the student population. Students interested in financial aid policies and procedures should consult Williams College Prospectus, the Student Handbook, or the Office of Financial Aid (finaid@williams.edu).
ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS AND TUTORIALS

Distinctive Undergraduate Scholarships

Williams College, through the Office of Financial Aid, administers over three hundred endowed scholarships, all of which are based on demonstrated need. Students who apply for financial assistance are automatically considered for all these and other endowed scholarships. No separate application is required. Limited space prohibits the complete listing of these, but some deserve special mention because of their distinctiveness.

BRONFMAN FAMILY FUND—Established in 1990 as part of the Third Century Campaign for international programs. The family’s support provides financial aid both for students coming to Williams from foreign countries and for students spending part of their undergraduate years overseas.

CLASS OF 1936 MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP—Established in 1986 by members of the Class of 1936 and their families and friends as its 50th Reunion gift to the College. Preference is given to descendants of members of the Class of 1936.

CLASS OF 1957 SCHOLARSHIP—Established in 1982 by the Class of 1957 as its 25th Reunion gift to the College. This award honors several Juniors and Seniors each year who have successfully combined campus leadership with academic achievement.

POLLY AND WILLARD D. DICKERSON ’40 SCHOLARSHIP—Established in 1990 by members of the Class of 1940 on the occasion of their 50th Reunion in honor of Willard D. Dickerson ’40, Executive Director of Development Emeritus, and his wife Polly. For 32 years from their home in Williamstown the Dickersons cared for the College, the Class, and its members with great concern, affection, and pride. Awarded to young men and women of promise.

MARY AGNES R. AND PETER D. KIERNAN ’44 SCHOLARSHIP—Established in 1989 by Fleet Financial Group in memory of Peter D. Kiernan ’44, former chairman and CEO of Fleet/Norstar Financial Group, Inc. The scholarship was further endowed by Peter D. Kiernan III ’75, and his wife Eaddo, in memory of his father and in honor of his mother, Mary Agnes R. Kiernan. Seven scholarships are awarded annually, with preference given first to Fleet employees and their children or to residents of regions served by Fleet Financial Group (notably New England, New York, and New Jersey). A secondary preference is given to students from Ireland.

JOHN W. LASELL SCHOLARSHIP—Established in 1952 by five members of the Lasell family in memory of John W. Lasell of the Class of 1920. Preference is given first to students of Whitinsville; then to other Massachusetts residents.

HERBERT H. LEHMAN SCHOLARSHIP—Established in 1964 by Mrs. Lehman as a memorial to her husband, a former New York Governor and U.S. Senator, who graduated from Williams in 1899. Fifteen to twenty upperclass students are selected each year on the basis of service to both the Williams and wider community.

MORRIS AND GLADYS LEWY SCHOLARSHIP—Established in 1983 by Morris and Gladys Lewy, parents and grandparents to two Williams graduates. Preference in these awards is given to premedical students.

JOHN J. LOUIS, JR. ’47 SCHOLARSHIP—Established in 1976 by the late John J. Louis, Jr., former Trustee of Williams, for general scholarship purposes. Preference is given to students from Illinois.

RALPH PERKINS ’09 SCHOLARSHIP—Established in 1960 by the family of Ralph Perkins, a member of the class of 1909. Preference in this award is to be given to students from Ohio.

FREDERICK H. ROBINSON ’20 MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP—Established in 1988 by the late Mrs. Dorothy S. Robinson in memory of her husband, a member of the Class of 1920. Preference in the award is to be given to students who demonstrate interest in music.

SPENCER FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP—Established at Williams in 1991 by Mrs. Harriet Spencer, a former Trustee of the College, in honor of her husband’s (Edson W. Spencer ’48) 65th birthday and her great affection and respect for Williams College. Preference in this award is to be given to students of Native American, African-American, Latino, or Asian-American descent.
Expenses

C. V. STARR SCHOLARSHIP—Established in 1981 by the C. V. Starr Foundation with preference to be given to international students.

FRANCIS LYNDE STETSON SCHOLARSHIP—Established in 1921-22 by Francis Lynde Stetson, Class of 1867. Preference in these awards is to be given to students from northern New York.

JACOB C. STONE SCHOLARSHIP—Established in 1928 by Jacob C. Stone, a member of the Class of 1914, a Trustee of Williams, and a native of North Adams, Massachusetts. Preference in this award is to be given to students from Berkshire County.

STEPHEN H. TYNG SCHOLARSHIP—Established in 1940 through the bequest of Mrs. Juliet Tyng, in memory of both her husband and son. These scholarships are the most distinctive awards presented each year to six to eight of the most promising scholars in the first-year class. Tyng Scholars are also eligible for assistance for up to three years of graduate/professional study.

Alumni Funded Tutorials

Tutorials bring a professor and two students together in weekly sessions that epitomize President James A. Garfield's (Class of 1856) legendary statement: “The ideal college is Mark Hopkins on one end of the log and a student on the other.” They forge student-professor bonds, teach students about arguments, about arriving at and defending a position, and about responding on the spot to questions, criticisms, and suggestions. They also promote critical reading, the writing of succinct analyses, and oral defense.

The College recognizes the Classes of 1953, 1954, and 1979 with deepest gratitude for supporting tutorials with their generous 25th and 50th Reunion gifts. Williams is also pleased to recognize the following individuals and families who have created generous endowments to support tutorials, many in honor of their 25th and 50th Reunions: Hugh Germanetti 1954, David A. Gray 1954, Robert L. Guyett 1958, The Hunter Family, John D. Mabie 1954, and John H. Simpson 1979, The Testa Family.
PREPARATION FOR GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDY

Although the principle function of Williams is to provide a broad and solid liberal education that will be of lasting value no matter what the vocation a student may pursue, the College recognizes that no fundamental conflict exists between a liberal education and preparation for a professional career; on the contrary, a foundation of liberal studies increases professional competence in any field. A student should plan his or her program of study so as to provide as much educational breadth and enrichment as circumstances permit. A student should also give serious consideration to post-college plans early in the college career.

Each departmental major provides the foundation for graduate study in the corresponding field. Students should consult the departmental programs listed under “Courses of Instruction” for requirements, and for special advice regarding preparation for graduate study. Students should also consult with the appropriate departmental chairman or the special faculty advisors as early as possible in their college careers to make certain they have taken all the necessary factors into consideration.

Particular attention is called to the foreign language requirements of graduate study. Candidates for the degree of doctor of philosophy at almost all graduate schools are required to have a reading knowledge of both French and German. Under certain circumstances another language may replace French. Many graduate schools require also a knowledge of Latin for students of English and Romantic Languages. Candidates for the master of arts degree are required to have a reading knowledge of either French or German. Students should consult departmental chairmen or the faculty advisors for the requirements in specific fields of study.

Visual Arts

Students interested in graduate studies in art or architecture should meet with faculty with whom they have completed advanced work in the areas they wish to pursue. Their counsel and that of the Department of Art Academic Advisor, Ed Epping, can help the student narrow the search of programs that would best match the student’s needs. The specific requirements of all art and architecture schools offering Master of Arts and/or Master of Fine Arts is available from their online resource.

The College Art Association (CAA) has written:

“Admission to (graduate) programs should be based on the nature, extent, and quality of undergraduate preparation, including courses in studio, art history, and other academic subjects. Quality of studio preparation can best be judged on the basis of careful evaluation of work done at the undergraduate level; therefore, a portfolio review (usually represented by slides) is regarded as an absolute necessity in the admission process.

While many institutions consider the BFA to be the standard qualifying degree, the fact that the applicant has attended a BA- or BS-granting institution does not necessarily rule out acceptance in most MFA programs. Whatever the undergraduate degree, most entering graduate students tend not to be completely prepared in one or more of the areas cited above and will require remedial make-up work...

Some institutions use the MA degree as a qualifying prerequisite for final acceptance into MFA candidacy, allowing the student to apply the earned credits toward the higher degree.”

Students are advised to take into consideration not only current minimum requirements but also recommended courses.

Business Administration

Williams offers no special course in preparation for a business career for graduate study in business administration. The qualities which are important to succeed in business, and which graduate business schools are seeking, are an ability to reason and to express oneself logically and clearly in written and oral exposition; a good understanding of the physical and social environment in which business operates; a solid background in quantitative skills; and an appreciation of human motivations and goals. This means that a broad liberal arts program is preferred over a highly specialized one.

Within this broad prescription it may be desirable to have at least one year of economics and one year of mathematics (including statistics and calculus). For those interested in production management or operation research, additional work in any quantitative course and/or a course in computer science would be helpful.

But there is no particular major at Williams that is designated as preparation for the business profession. Students interested in futures in business are encouraged to undertake a broad educational program in the arts, humanities, and sciences. It is important that one gets involved in extra-curricular activities, one holds a leadership position, and pursuing relevant summer internships is critical.

Students interested in graduate work in business administration should consult with the Pre-MBA Advisor, Robin Meyer, at the Office of Career Counseling.

Engineering

Many Williams graduates enjoy productive careers in engineering, applied science, or technical management. Successful engineers need to be able to communicate effectively, reason logically, and understand both the technical and the social dimensions of a problem. A prospective engineer should major in one of the sciences (usually physics, chemistry, computer science, or mathematics), while pursuing a broad liberal arts education at Williams. Most often he or she will complete a Williams B.A. in the usual four years and then go to an engineering school for professional training leading to a master’s degree or doctorate in engineering. While it may be necessary to make up a few undergraduate engineering courses, the opportunities at Williams to participate in scientific research and the breadth of a liberal arts education prepare Williams graduates to succeed in engineering graduate study and in their careers.

The “Pre-Engineering” webpage can be found in the Physics Department section of the College website. It contains a list of Williams courses recommended to prospective engineers. Students interested in engineering also have the opportunity to take undergraduate engineering courses at other institutions. Williams maintains exchange programs with California Institute of Technology, Thayer School of Engineering at Dartmouth College, and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. Williams students can arrange to study at one of these leading engineering schools for one or two semesters, typically during the junior year. Please see the “Exchange Programs” section of this catalog for more information. The 3-2 program offers an opportunity to study engineering at the undergraduate level at Columbia. Please see the “Combined Program in Liberal Arts and Engineering” section for information.
The pre-engineering advisor, Professor Jefferson Strait, will be happy to help plan course selections and to discuss the possible paths to a career in engineering. Many more details about pre-engineering.

**Law**

Williams graduates regularly proceed directly to law schools on the strength of their liberal arts education. As a rule, law schools do not require particular pre-law curriculum for undergraduates. Consequently, application and admission to law school is open to qualified students from all academic disciplines. This does not mean, however, that law schools are indifferent to one’s undergraduate academic experience. In fact, law schools will be very conscious of the quality and rigor of one’s undergraduate education. A serious student, considering law school, will heed this advice and undertake a challenging program.

Students intending to study law should consult with the Pre-Law Advisor, Dawn Della, at the Office of Career Counseling. Also, on a regular basis, law schools from around the country will visit Williams to provide information and to answer questions from potential applicants. Check the OCC calendar for notice of these visits.

**The Health Professions**

Many Williams graduates elect to pursue a career in medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, public health, or other health-related fields. All are welcome to seek guidance from the Health Professions Office within the Office of Career Counseling.

Students interested in medicine and related fields should pursue a broad liberal arts education, letting enthusiasm for subjects be a guide. In most cases, a student should acquire volunteer service and field-specific internship experience in an effort to confirm interest in the chosen field. With careful planning, any major can be studied.

In order to pursue a career in a health-related field, a student must pay particular attention to the courses required for graduate school admission. In certain fields, upwards of twelve courses are listed as prerequisites. The general requirements for many programs are outlined in “Choosing First Year Courses,” but each student considering advanced study in health fields should meet with the Health Professions Advisor early in the college career to ensure that planned coursework will meet satisfy admissions requirements.

Jane Cary, the Health Professions Advisor, will be happy to discuss goals and specific steps that might help a student realize them. Detailed information is available at the Health Professions website (www.williams.edu/go/careers/prehealth_welcome.php).

**Pre-College and College Teaching/Research**

A central qualification for careers in teaching at any level is proficiency in a major. Students interested in college teaching and research should prepare themselves at Williams for graduate work in the subject of their choice. Those interested in teaching at the elementary or secondary level should plan to attain state certification and/or earn an MAT or M.Ed at a good graduate school. There are many opportunities to do teaching internships and study education as an undergraduate while at Williams.

Students interested in college teaching should consult with the chairs of the departments in which they intend to major. Those interested in teaching at the elementary and secondary level should consult with the Director of the Program in Teaching. Additional advice for both of these options is also available at the Office of Career Counseling.

**Teaching After Williams**

There are many options for teaching after Williams, including independent and public school teaching. Many states now offer streamlined programs to certify public school teachers, and many states offer a wide range of options for acquiring certification while you teach.

Students interested in teaching may want to consider participating in the Program in Teaching at Williams which is designed to enable undergraduates to study the ideas, questions, and practices involved in good teaching at all levels. The program is open to any student interested in education and offers opportunities for all levels of interest, including those who want to find out about certification and graduate study (see page 7 for more details). Students should contact Susan Engel, the Director of the Program, to find out how they might participate in the program.

Students who want career advice should contact the Office of Career Counseling which has a very active on-campus educational recruiting program that includes many private schools as well as Teach for America and similar programs. The program begins in the fall and continues through the spring. Students interested in teaching at independent elementary- or secondary-level schools or participating in the Teach for America or similar programs directly after graduation from Williams (certification is not required) should consult with the Office of Career Counseling.

**Religious Study**

There is no particular path through the Williams curriculum designed or recommended for students intending to prepare for a career as a religious professional, enroll in a seminary or pursue theological education. Undergraduate study in many fields within the liberal arts curriculum can be useful to the prospective minister, priest, rabbi, imam, or teacher of religion.

Students contemplating advanced academic work in religious studies in preparation for a career in teaching or scholarship should give serious consideration to concentrated undergraduate study in the field, in consultation with faculty advisors in the Department of Religion.

Students with vocational interests that may include ordination or certification as a religious professional in a field such as chaplaincy or religious education are urged to make themselves known to one of the chaplains (or, where appropriate, one of the local clergy) as soon as these interests begin to come into focus. Ordination requirements vary widely depending on the particular religious community or tradition; in some cases it may be possible to make progress on certain credentials in academic study or field experience during the college years. A basic foundation in the study of religion is certainly helpful—sacred texts, scriptural languages, history, philosophy, phenomenology and comparative studies, etc. Undergraduate study in other disciplines—music and the arts, political science and economics, anthropology, psychology and sociology—may also enhance preparations at the graduate level for future service to communities of faith.
GRADUATE PROGRAMS AT WILLIAMS

Master of Arts in Policy Economics

The Center for Development Economics (CDE), which opened at Williams College in 1960, offers an intensive one-year program in economic analysis leading to the degree of Master of Arts in Policy Economics. The program is specifically designed for economists from developing countries who have already embarked on professional careers in the public sector. The curriculum requires courses in development economics, macroeconomics, public finance, and econometrics. CDE fellows choose among other courses in lecture, seminar, and tutorial formats. Course electives for 2011-2012 include the following: developing country macroeconomics II; finance and development; empirical methods in macroeconomics; computable general equilibrium modeling; tax policy; institutions and governance; international trade; environmental policy; international financial institutions; development successes; the role of social safety nets; the practice and empirics of monetary policy; and micro-simulation for policy analysis. Williams undergraduates who satisfy course prerequisites, with the consent of the individual instructor, are encouraged to take courses at the CDE. Admission to the master’s degree program is highly selective, with several hundred applicants each year for approximately 25 to 30 places. Candidates normally have a B.A. or B.Sc. degree with honors in economics or a related field, two or more years of relevant work experience, and an effective command of spoken and written English. CDE fellows are often nominated for the program by public agencies from which they will be on leave.

More information is available on the CDE website, cde.williams.edu. All communications relating to the degree of Master of Arts in Policy Economics should be addressed to the CDE, Assistant Director, 1065 Main Street, Williams College, Williamstown, MA 01267, or e-mail cde@williams.edu.

Master of Arts in the History of Art

In cooperation with the Sterling and Francine Clark Art Institute, Williams College offers a two-year course of study leading to the degree of Master of Arts in the History of Art. The objective of the program is to offer to a small number of students a thorough professional preparation for careers in teaching and museums, and to enable them to pursue further research whether independently or at other institutions offering higher degrees. The curriculum consists of seminars in a wide range of art historical subjects. Opportunities are provided for practical experience in museum work at The Clark, the Williams College Museum of Art, and the Massachusetts Museum of Contemporary Art. The study of primary materials is further extended by field trips to other collections. The degree is normally awarded after two years of resident graduate study. To earn the degree, students must take ten courses, of which at least six must be graduate seminars (including ARTH 504). In connection with the preparation of a paper for the Graduate Symposium, students will register for an eleventh course (ARTH 509), to be graded pass/fail, in their fourth semester. A demonstration of proficiency in reading two foreign languages is required. Of these two, German is required, and French is recommended. In January of the first year, students participate in a European study trip with selected faculty; in January of the second year, students must complete a Qualifying Paper. In addition to all course work, students must, at the end of the second year, present a shortened version of the Qualifying Paper in a graduate symposium to be held on Commencement weekend. To enter the program a successful applicant must have been awarded the degree of Bachelor of Arts or its equivalent from an accredited institution. An undergraduate major in art is not required for acceptance to the program.

For further information, write: The Director, Graduate Program in the History of Art, Box 8, Williamstown, Massachusetts 01267, telephone (413) 458-9545, or email gradart@williams.edu. More information is available on the Graduate Program website, www.williams.edu/gradart.
PRIZES AND AWARDS

Click here for the names of persons to whom awards have been made in 2010-2011.

George Olmsted Jr., Class of 1924 Prizes

Awarded for excellence in teaching to four secondary school teachers nominated by members of the senior class.

Prizes in Special Studies

JOHN SABIN ADRIANCE 1882 PRIZE IN CHEMISTRY. From a fund given by John Sabin Adriance, 1882, a cash prize is given to the student who has maintained the highest rank in all courses offered by the department of chemistry.

ROBERT G. BARROW MEMORIAL PRIZE FOR MUSIC COMPOSITION. Established in 1989 in memory of Robert Barrow, professor of music at Williams 1939-1976, to be awarded to a qualified student majoring in music composition at Williams College and on promise as a composer.

ERASTUS C. BENEFICENT 1821 PRIZES. From a sum of money given by Erastus C. Benedict, 1821, once an instructor in the College, first and second cash prizes are awarded for excellence in biology, French, German, Latin, Greek, history, and mathematics.

RUSSELL H. BOSTERT THESIS PRIZE IN HISTORY. A cash prize established in 1990 by Roger L. Headrick 1958 in honor of Professor Bostert, Stamford Professor of History, on the occasion of his retirement after forty-two years as a member of the Williams faculty, and awarded to an Honors student for the best thesis in American History, with special consideration to inter-American relations or Sino-American relations.

KENNETH L. BROWN 1947 PRIZE IN AMERICAN STUDIES. From a fund established by his parents in memory of Kenneth L. Brown, 1947, a cash prize is awarded annually to a senior majoring in American Studies.

NATHAN BROWN PRIZE IN HISTORY. In honor of Nathan Brown, a member of the class of 1827 who was a distinguished linguist and missionary to several Asian countries, the department of history awards a book to the first-year student or sophomore who writes the best essay in a course in African, Asian, Latin American, or Middle Eastern history.

DAVID TAGGART CLARK PRIZE IN LATIN. Established by a bequest from the estate of David Taggart Clark, a cash prize is awarded annually to a sophomore or first-year student who excels in Latin declamation or recitation.

JAMES BRONSON CONANT AND NATHAN RUSSELL HARRINGTON 1893 PRIZE IN BIOLOGY. A cash prize founded by the class of 1893 in memory of two of their classmates is awarded upon the recommendation of the chairman of the department of biology for outstanding work done in biology.

S. LANE FAISON, JR. 1929 PRIZE. S. Lane Faison Jr. ’29 (1907–2006) was among the most influential art educators of the twentieth century, and taught several generations of America’s leading museum directors, curators and scholars. He did so by setting the highest standards for looking carefully and sensitively at paintings and sculpture. As a curator and art critic for the influential journal The Nation, he was an important voice in the world of contemporary art, which he wrote about with the same clarity, precision and wit that he brought to the great art of the past. The S. Lane Faison, Jr. 1929 Prize is awarded to the student whose paper best reflects his high standards in the critical engagement with an object of art.

DORIS DE KEYSERLINGK PRIZE IN RUSSIAN. A book awarded annually by the department of Russian in honor of Doris de Keyserlingk, teacher of Russian at Williams College from 1958 to 1971, to a student who has earned distinction in Russian studies.

GARRETT WRIGHT DE VRIES 1932 MEMORIAL PRIZE IN ROMANCE LANGUAGES. From a fund in memory of Garrett De Vries, 1932, given by his father, Dr. Joseph C. De Vries, a cash prize is awarded annually on recommendation of the department of Romance languages for excellence in Spanish.

JEAN DONATI STUDENT EMLOYEE AWARD IN MUSIC. Established in 1988 by colleagues and friends, in recognition of Jean Donati’s service to the music department in management of both office and concert operations (1966-1988). Awarded to a senior who has done the most for the music department as a student employee during his/her years at Williams.

HENRY A DWIGHT 1829 BOTANICAL PRIZE. From a fund created by the bequest of Nellie A. Dwight to establish a prize in memory of her father, Henry A. Dwight, 1829, a cash prize is awarded annually to the student who maintains the highest standing in botany or a related area of study.

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES COMMITTEE AWARD. For outstanding contributions to the Environmental Studies community at Williams.

THE NICHOLAS P. FERSEN PRIZE IN RUSSIAN. A book awarded annually by the Department of Russian to a student whose intellectual vitality and passion for Russian culture reflect the spirit of Nicholas Fersen, professor of Russian at Williams from 1960-1988.

FREEMAN FOOTE PRIZE IN GEOLOGY. Established in 1986 by a group of alumni in honor of Professor Emeritus of Geology Freeman Foote. For an outstanding senior thesis in Geology.

ROBERT W. FRIEDRICHS AWARD IN SOCIOLOGY. Established in 1986 by parents of a graduating senior, to be awarded to a senior major for excellence in sociology.

FULKERSON AWARD FOR LEADERSHIP IN THE ARTS. Awarded to a graduating senior or Williams-Clark graduate student in art history for his/her initiative in raising awareness of the visual arts on campus and showing the characteristics of a future arts leader.

GILBERT W. GABRIEL 1912 MEMORIAL PRIZE IN THEATRE. From a fund established in 1953 by a group of friends in memory of Gilbert W. Gabriel, 1912, a cash prize is awarded to that senior who has made the most notable contribution to the advancement of theatre at Williams College. The committee of award includes the director of the Adams Memorial Theatre, one other faculty member, and the president of the Gargoyle Society.

SAM GOLDBERG COLLOQUIUM PRIZES. Established in 1985 by a gift from Professor Sam Goldberg of Oberlin College. For the best colloquium presentations in mathematics and in computer science.

PATRICIA GOLDMAN-RADIC PRIZE IN NEUROSCIENCE. Established in 2008 by Toni Ianniello and George Chuzi, parents of Sarah Chuzi, 2007, in recognition of Patricia Goldman-Radic for her contributions to the field of neuroscience and her support of neuroscience education at Williams College. Awarded to a student who has demonstrated exceptional achievement in research within the field of neuroscience.

FRANK C. GODDICH 1945 AWARD IN CHEMISTRY. Established by Mrs. L. Carrington Goodrich to honor her son, Professor Frank C. Goodrich, 1945. An award in Chemistry given each year to a student (or students), chosen by the chemistry faculty who demonstrated excellence in chemistry research. This award supports travel to professional meetings where the student may present his or her research.

WILLIAM C. GRAINGER JR. PRIZE IN BIOLOGY. A cash award to recognize that graduating biology major who has demonstrated the highest excellence and greatest insights in integrating different fields within the biological sciences.

LAWRENCE S. GREAVES PRIZE IN THEATRE. A cash prize to a junior or senior showing great potential in the performing arts as exemplified through excellence in criticism and scholarship.

FREDERICK C. HAGEDORN, JR. 1971 PREMEDICAL PRIZE. From a fund created in 1971 by friends and the family of Frederick C. Hagedorn, Jr., 1971, in his memory, a cash prize is awarded to a premedical student entering the senior class, on the advice of the Faculty Premedical Advisory Committee, “in recognition of academic achievement and the embodiment of the principles of the medical profession.”

G. STANLEY HALL 1867 PRIZE IN PSYCHOLOGY. Established in 2008 by Toni Ianniello and George Chuzi, parents of Sarah Chuzi, 2007, in recognition of G. Stanley Hall, 1867, a pioneer in the science of psychology, known for establishing the first psychological research laboratory in the United States and serving as the first president of the American Psychological Association. Awarded to a student who has demonstrated exceptional achievement in research within the field of psychology.

TOM HARDIE 1978 MEMORIAL PRIZE IN ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES. Established in 1976 by friends and members of his family in memory of Thomas G. Hardie III, 1978. Awarded for the best student work in environmental studies judged in an annual competition. The prize consists of a certificate and publication of the work of the Tom Hardie Memorial Series.

CHARLES W. HUFFORD BOOK PRIZE. Established in 1988 in memory of Charles W. Hufford, 1989, by his family, friends, and classmates and awarded to the student teaching assistant in Political Science who has served with the same high enthusiasm and excellence exhibited in that capacity by Charles Hufford.
Charles W. Hufford Memorial Fellowship. Established in 1988 in memory of Charles W. Hufford, 1989, by his family, friends, and classmates and awarded to a member of the junior class to support independent research or work in the field of political economy or political science during the summer before the senior year.

June 1966 Fellowship in Journalism. Established in 2009 by a group of friends and family of Jeffrey Owen Jones, Class of 1966, to honor his memory. The fellowship is an annual award to a graduating senior for post-graduate work or study in the field of journalism, the profession Jeff practiced with dedication and distinction over the course of his lifetime.

Arthur Judson Prize in Music. Established in 1984 by a gift of $10,000 from the Arthur Judson Foundation. Selection to be made by the Faculty of the Music Department. Awarded to a student for achievement in music, with preference given to those “choosing or planning a career in Music Management or Music Administration.”

Lawrence J. and Carolyn M. Kaplan Prize for Dedication and Leadership in the Williams College Jewish Association. Established in honor of Professor (William Chemistry Department, 1971-) and Mrs. Kaplan’s dedication and commitment to enriching the lives of the Jewish students at Williams College; this prize is awarded annually to a senior who has shown sincere participation, responsibility, engagement, and menschlichkeit on behalf of the Williams College Jewish Community throughout his/her college career. In addition to a cash prize, a book of Jewish interest, to be selected by the Jewish Chaplain, the faculty advisor to the WCJA, and/or the professors in Jewish Studies, will be given to the recipient. A copy of this book will be donated to the library in the Jewish Religious Center in honor of the recipient. The selection of the recipient is made by a committee of the student leaders of the WCJA and/or the Dean of the College.

Arthur C. Kaufmann Prize in English. In memory of Arthur C. Kaufmann, 1899, a fund has been established by his fellow workers for a book prize awarded annually on the recommendation of the English department for excellence in English.

Muhammad Kenyatta 1966 Community Service Prize. Established in 1993 to honor the memory of Muhammad Kenyatta, '66, this prize will be awarded each year to the graduating senior whose undergraduate experience reflects outstanding community service involvement with Berkshire County.


Robert M. Kozelka Prize in Statistics. In 2000, the new Department of Mathematics and Statistics established the annual Kozelka Prize in Statistics to recognize an excellent statistics student. The prize honors the former chair and statistician, Robert M. Kozelka, who was widely recognized for his applications of statistics in the social sciences, especially anthropology.

Richard W. Krouse Prize in Political Science. From a fund established in 1987 by the political science department in memory of Professor Richard W. Krouse (1975-1986), awarded annually to a junior or senior who has done distinguished work in Political Science and who best exemplifies the intellectual and humane qualities that characterized the life of Professor Krouse.

Jack Larned 1942 International Management Prizes. In memory of Jack Larned, 1942, two annual prizes are awarded for student papers of superior quality dealing with the management of development in governments and private or public enterprises in African, Asian, or Latin American countries. One award will be for undergraduate students at Williams. The other will be for graduate students at the Center for Development Economics. Selection of the winners will be made by faculty members who specialize in economic development and related fields.

Lincoln Senior Prizes in Asian Studies. Three prizes to graduating seniors who achieve distinction and show outstanding promise. One prize to an Asian Studies major; one prize each to any senior, whether a major in the Department of Asian Studies or not, who has taken Chinese language and Japanese language during her/his Williams career.

Lincoln Senior Thesis Prize in Asian Studies. Prize to a graduating senior who writes an outstanding honors thesis, with preference given to majors in the Department of Asian Studies, but also open to non-majors who write a highest honors thesis, with a substantial focus on Asia, supervised by a member of the Asian Studies faculty.

H. Ganse Little Jr. Prize in Religion. Established in 1997 by former students to honor Professor Little, who taught in the religion department at Williams from 1963-1997, to be awarded to a senior major for excellence in the study of religion.


Nancy McIntire Prize in Women’s and Gender Studies. A cash prize established by Gwen Rankin, 1975, for impressive contributions by a graduating senior to Women’s and Gender Studies.

LeVerrett Meares Prize in Chemistry. From a fund established by a member of the class of 1906, a cash prize is awarded to that senior majoring in chemistry who has been admitted to a graduate study in the medical sciences or to medical school, and who, in the opinion of the members of the chemistry department, has had a distinguished record in chemistry and shows outstanding promise.

Wills I. Milham Prize in Astronomy. Established in 1966 by Betsey M. Milham, a cash prize is awarded to a senior who is majoring in science or mathematics, is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and has a grade of ‘A’ in at least one year course in the department of astronomy.

John W. Miller Prize in Philosophy. A group of grateful alumni who studied under Professor John W. Miller have established a fund as a continuing symbol of their appreciation of his teaching. The income shall be used to purchase a book prize to be awarded to the individual selected by the chair of the philosophy department as the outstanding philosophy student for the year.

Morgan Prize in Mathematics. A cash prize established in 1993 by Frank Morgan, Professor of Mathematics, and awarded at commencement to a senior major for accomplishment and promise in applied math or math teaching.

Richard Ager Newhall Book Prize in European History. In honor of Richard Ager Newhall, distinguished historian and teacher of history at Williams College, 1924-1956, the department of history awards a book to the first-year student or sophomore who writes the best essay in an introductory course in European History.

James Orton Award in Anthropology. Established in commemoration of James Orton, 1855, a naturalist and explorer, to be awarded to a senior major for excellence in Anthropology.

Frederick M. Peyer Prize in Painting. Awarded annually by a faculty selection committee to a student for a distinguished painting.

James Lathrop Rice 1854 Prize in Classical Languages. From the bequest of James Lathrop Rice, 1884, for the encouragement of Latin and Greek scholarship, a cash prize is awarded to a junior or senior for distinguished work in Latin studies, and a similar prize is awarded for distinguished work in Greek.

Robert F. Rosenburg Prize for Excellence in Environmental Studies. Established in 1989 and awarded to a member of the graduating class in recognition of outstanding scholarship, potential for solving local, national, or international environmental problems, and strong prospects for leadership in the environmental community.

Robert F. Rosenburg Prize in Mathematics. Established in 1991 from the bequest of Robert F. Rosenburg, 1937, a cash prize is awarded by the mathematics faculty to a senior for excellence in mathematics.

Sidney A. Sabeth Prize in Political Economy. Established in 1988 by Michael G. Sabeth, 1969, in memory of his father, a cash prize for a senior majoring in political economy who best combines the disciplines of political science and economics with a sense of compassion and respect for the dignity of the human spirit. The selection to be made by the chair of the human rights program of the WCJA with the help of the Advisory Committee.

Bruce Sanderson 1956 Prize in Architecture. From a fund established by the family, and classmates in memory of Bruce Sanderson, 1956, who died while serving in the United States Navy. Since Bruce Sanderson found his special interest at Williams and at graduate school in architecture, a cash prize is awarded to the senior who, in the opinion of the faculty members who teach architecture, shows the greatest achievement and promise in this field.

Ruth Scott Sanford Memorial Prize in Theatre. Established in 1969 by Marshall D. Sanford, to be awarded to a graduating senior with demonstrated ability in the theatre, with preference given to a candidate who intends graduate study in theatre, the selection being made by the theatre faculty.
Henry Rutgers Conger Memorial Literary Prize. From a fund established by members of the class of 1899, in memory of their classmate, Henry Rutgers Conger, a cash prize is awarded annually for the best contribution of prose or poetry submitted to a literary magazine published by the students of Williams College.

Laszlo G. Versenyi Memorial Prize. In memory of Laszlo G. Versenyi, Mark Hopkins Professor of Intellectual and Moral Philosophy, who taught at Williams from 1958 until 1988. This is a cash prize awarded by the Philosophy department to a senior who is planning to attend graduate school in Philosophy, in recognition of Professor Versenyi’s brilliant abilities in those languages.


Karl E. Weston 1896 Prize for Distinction in Art. In appreciation of Karl Weston’s, 1896, great service to Williams College as teacher and Director of the Lawrence Art Museum, a book prize is awarded each year at commencement to a senior majoring in art whose work has shown unusual brilliance, imagination, and industry.

With Problem Solving Prizes. Awarded to a mathematics student who has demonstrated creativity and ingenuity in solving challenging mathematical questions appearing either in class or in related activities.

Essay Prizes

Garius C. Bolin, 1889. Prize in Africana Studies. A cash prize established in memory of the first black graduate of Williams and prominent Poughkeepsie lawyer, for the best scholarly work submitted by a Williams’ undergraduate in the field of Africana Studies.

The Michael Davitt Bell Prize. This prize established by Michael Davitt Bell, Professor of English and American literature, annually recognizes the best essay on a topic in American literature. The essay can be a Senior Honors Thesis or any other outstanding American literature essay submitted by a Williams student.

Bullock Poetry Prize. A cash prize awarded by the department of English for the best poem or group of poems by an undergraduate. The prize was made possible originally by a bequest of Mrs. Mary Cummings Eady, a former member of the Academy, and is now continued through the generosity of an anonymous donor. Twenty-four colleges and universities in various parts of the United States participate.

Henry Rutgers Conger Memorial Literary Prize. From a fund established by members of the class of 1899, in memory of their classmate, Henry Rutgers Conger, a cash prize is awarded annually for the best contribution of prose or poetry submitted to a literary magazine published by the undergraduates of the College, as judged by a committee from the department of English.

Arthur B. Graves Prizes. Established by Arthur B. Graves, 1858, for the best six essays prepared by seniors on subjects assigned by the following departments: art, economics, history, philosophy, political science, religion. The fund also provides a book award or awards for the best report or reports delivered in the senior political economy project.

C. David Harris, Jr. 1963 Book Prize in Political Science. In memory of C. David Harris, Jr., 1963, who died during his college career, a book is awarded by the Political Science Department to the student who writes the best paper in political philosophy or empirical political science. The prize was donated by his classmates through the Williams College Social Council, of which David was a member, and the winner is selected by the political science department.

Richard Lathers 1877 Essay Prize in Government. From a fund given by Richard Lathers, 1877, a prize given to the senior who writes the best essay of not less than one thousand words on the duty or relation of citizens to the government.

The Ursula Prescott Essay Prize in Political Science. Established in 1999 from a bequest to the Political Science Department given by Ursula Prescott, a Williams town resident who audited many political science classes in her retirement, a cash prize is awarded to the senior who writes the best essay on international relations or comparative political policies.

Robert C. Scott Prize in History. A cash prize from a fund established by former students of Professor Robert C. L. Scott to honor his years of service to Williams and awarded to the best senior Honors thesis in the field of American or European history.

Sentinels of the Republic Essay Prize in Government. Established in 1944 by a gift from the Sentinels of the Republic, a cash prize awarded by the political science department to the student who has written the best essay in the course of the year on some subject relating to the American federal system of government, the preservation of civil liberty, the maintenance of free enterprise, and the proper distribution of powers and responsibilities between the Federal and State Governments.

STANLEY R. STRAUSS 1936 PRIZE IN ENGLISH. Established in 1985 by friends of Stanley R. Strauss, 1936, in honor of his 70th birthday on June 3, 1985. Awarded to a member of the senior class majoring in English who has written the most outstanding critical Honors thesis, judged on the quality of research as well as on the quality of exposition.

WILLIAM BRADFORD TURNER 1914 PRIZE IN HISTORY. From the income of a fund given by the family of William Bradford Turner, 1914, who was killed in action in France in September, 1918, a cash prize is awarded for the best thesis or essay in the field of American history or institutions.

BENJAMIN B. WAINWRIGHT 1920 PRIZE IN ENGLISH. From a bequest of Benjamin B. Wainwright, 1920, a cash prize for the best short story submitted by a student, to be judged by a committee of the department of English.

D. A. WELLS PRIZE IN POLITICAL ECONOMY. From a bequest of David A. Wells, 1847, a prize is awarded for an essay upon a subject in political economy. Competition is limited to seniors and to graduates of not more than three years’ standing. The successful essay may be printed and circulated by the College.

WYSKIEL WILLIAMS MATH AWARD. Established in 2007 by Matthew Walter Wyskiel, 1991, and Christina Williams Wyskiel, 1994, in honor of Matthew’s mother Louisa Jamison Wyskiel, a long-time middle-school math teacher. The Mathematics and Statistics Department awards a cash prize to a student or students who have interested an interest in teaching mathematics.

General Prizes

CHARLES R. ALBERTI, 1919. AWARD. Established in 1994 by gifts from his son and grandson, Charles R. Alberti ’50 and C. Christopher Alberti ’75, an annual cash prize for a member of the student body who has significantly enhanced the sense of community on campus and who has the potential to do so in wider communities in the future.

STERLING A. BROWN, 1922. CITIZENSHIP PRIZE. Initially established in 1974 by three members of the Class of 1974 and carried on by the Afro-American Studies Program, this prize honors Sterling A. Brown, Class of 1922, retired Professor of English at Howard University. Awarded to the graduating senior whose undergraduate experience reflects outstanding leadership and involvement in campus affairs, academic achievement, and communication of new ideas, with preference to be given to members of the Black Student Union.

GROSVENOR MEMORIAL CUP. Given by the members of the Interfraternity Council of 1931 in memory of their fellow member, Allan Livingston Grosvenor. Awarded annually to the junior who has best demonstrated concern for the college community and beyond through extensive dedicated service and who has served with the utmost integrity and reliability. The committee of award consists of the chairman and the secretary of the College Council and three other members selected by the Council.

JAMES C. KELLOGG III AWARD. Established by his friends in memory of James C. Kellogg III, 1937, the award is to be given annually to a Williams graduate or nongraduate for a truly distinguished career in any field.

JAMES C. ROGERS CUP AND MEDAL. Presented by Mrs. James C. Rogerson and the class of 1892 in memory of Mr. Rogerson, a member of that class. The cup, a permanent possession of the College, is awarded annually for one year by the President of the College to an alumnus or to a senior for service and loyalty to the College and for distinction in any field of endeavor; a bronze medal is awarded for permanent possession of the recipient.

WILLIAM BRADFORD TURNER CITIZENSHIP PRIZE. From a fund established in memory of William Bradford Turner, 1914, who was killed in action in France in September, 1918, a cash prize is awarded to the member of the graduating class who, in the judgment of the faculty and of the graduating class, has best fulfilled her or his obligations to the College, to fellow students, and to self. The committee of award, appointed by the President of the College, is composed jointly of faculty members and members of the graduating class.

WILLIAMS COLLEGE COMMUNITY BUILDER OF THE YEAR. Given to the graduating senior who demonstrates outstanding leadership in developing Multiculturalism and building community as a Williams College Community Builder.

WILLIAMS COLLEGE MULTICULTURAL CENTER STUDENT OF THE YEAR. Given to the graduating senior who, in his/her four years at Williams, personified the tenets and ideals of Multiculturalism and through his/her activism worked toward its realization.

Rhetorical Prizes

DEWEY PRIZE. A cash prize, founded by Francis Henshaw Dewey, 1840, is awarded to the member of the graduating class who presents the most creditable oration in point of composition and delivery at the commencement exercises.

MURIEL B. ROWE PRIZE. In appreciation to Muriel B. Rowe for nearly a quarter of a century of dedication and commitment to The Williams College Chapter of the Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society, the prize is awarded annually to the Phi Beta Kappa Speaker.

ELIZUR SMITH RHETORICAL PRIZE. Established in the year 1866, this cash prize is awarded each year to encourage excellence in public speaking.

A.V. VAN VECHTEN PRIZE. A cash prize established by A. V. Van Vechten, 1847, awarded for impromptu speaking. The assignment of this prize is made by a committee of the faculty on the basis of a public competition.

Athletic Prizes

FRANCIS E. BOWKER JR. SWIMMING PRIZE. A cup given by the late Francis E. Bowker, Jr., 1908, on which is engraved the name of the first-year student of the men’s swimming team who exhibited high qualities of performance, leadership, and sportsmanship.

JAMES R. BRIGGS ’60 BASEBALL AWARD. Presented annually to a member of the varsity baseball team regardless of graduating class who, in the opinion of the team members, best embodies the ideals of leadership, teamwork, and the values of the student-athlete.

BELVIDERE BROOKS MEMORIAL MEDAL. From a fund established by alumni of the College, friends of Captain Belvidere Brooks, 1910, who was killed in action at Villesavoyme, France, August 21, 1918, this medal is presented to the members of the team whose playing during the season has been of the greatest credit to the College. No person shall receive the medal more than once.

BOURNE-CHAFFEE WOMEN’S TENNIS AWARD. Presented in 1978 by members and former members of the Williams Women’s Tennis Team for the varsity player who best embodies the qualities of leadership, skill, spirit, and sportsmanship that exemplify the traditions of women’s tennis at Williams College.

BRZEZINSKI TRACK PRIZE. Awarded annually to the female track athlete who has exhibited loyalty to the team, determination, perseverance under adversity, and hard working dedication to reach the maximum of her potential goal.

J. EDWIN BULLOCK WRESTLING TROPHY. Presented in 1960 by his fellow coaches and awarded annually to that varsity wrestler who because of his superior performance, courage, and loyalty has been of credit to his college.

W. MARRIOTT CANBY 1891 ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP PRIZE. A cash prize established by W. Marriott Canby, 1891, and awarded at commencement to the senior who has attained the highest average standing in scholarship during his or her course. The recipient must have been in college since the beginning of his or her junior year, and must have represented the College in a recognized intercollegiate athletic contest.

CLASS OF 1981 BASKETBALL AWARD. Established to promote excellence in the sport, this award is presented to that woman who best combines the attributes of skill, desire, leadership, and coachability in order to help further the team’s progress toward its goals. The award is a pewter bowl, and the athlete will have her name inscribed on a permanent plaque.

CLASS OF 1986 MOST IMPROVED AWARD. Awarded to that member of the men’s lacrosse team who in his second year of varsity competition has shown the most improvement.

CLASS OF 1925 SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARD. Presented in 1977 by the Class of 1925. Awarded annually to that senior woman athlete whose commitment and excellence in athletics and scholarship are an inspiration to the Williams community. The recipient will have her name inscribed on a permanent trophy and receive a replica for her possession. The selection committee consists of the Dean, the Chairman of the Faculty Committee on Athletics, coaches of two women’s teams or clubs named by the Director of Athletics, a woman student, preferably a member of the Faculty Committee on Athletics, and the Director of Athletics.

DANIEL A. CREEM MEMORIAL TRACK PRIZE. Awarded annually to the male track athlete who has exhibited loyalty to the team, determination, perseverance under adversity, and hard working dedication to reach the maximum of his potential goal.

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BRIAN DAWE AWARD. Presented to Williams College by the 1977 men’s crew to show their appreciation to Brian Dawe for his efforts in building a crew at Williams. To be awarded annually to that oarsman who, in the opinion of his coaches, best combines those qualities necessary to achieve excellence in rowing.

DAN DOWNEY AWARD, 1924. Presented annually as a tribute to two Williams College golf coaches, Richard Baxter and Rudy Goff. Awarded on the basis of dedication, sportsmanship, and perseverance.

FOX MEMORIAL SOCCER TROPHY. In tribute to the inspiring qualities of leadership and integrity which distinguished Myles Fox, 1940, Williams soccer captain, killed in action on Tulagi while serving with the United States Marine Corps. Each year there shall be inscribed on the trophy the name of the soccer player whose achievements of character and sportsmanship best typify those of the “Skipper.” The trophy was awarded anonymously by a Williams alumnus in 1953.

KATE HOGAN 27TH ANNIVERSARY OF WOMEN IN ATHLETICS AWARD. First established on the 25th Anniversary of Women’s Athletics at Williams College and renamed in memory of Kate Hogan, 1947, a participant on the Varsity Soccer and Lacrosse teams, the Junior Varsity Lacrosse and Squash teams, and a keen and avid intramural basketball player and runner. Awarded annually at Class Day to the senior woman who has distinguished herself in her commitment and contributions to the Department of Physical Education, Athletics and Recreation. The winner will have engaged in any of the activities offered by the department and will have been an example of the joy and pleasure derived by participation in such activities.

WILLARD E. HOYT, JR. MEMORIAL AWARD. Presented by the Alpha Delta Phi Class of 1960 in memory of Willard E. Hoyt, Jr., 1923. Awarded annually to that senior male athlete whose spirit and superior efforts on behalf of Williams athletics have been combined with a genuine academic interest. The selection committee consists of the Dean, a varsity coach named each year by the Director of Athletics, the President of the Purple Key Society, the Chairman of the Faculty Committee on Athletics, and the Director of Athletics.

TORRENCE M. HUNT ’44 Tennis Award. Presented to the men’s and women’s player who, by their effort, dedication, enthusiasm and quality of play, made a significant contribution to Williams College tennis.

NICKELS W. HUSTON MEMORIAL HOCKEY AWARD. Established in 1984 by Ford Huston in memory of his brother, Nickels W. Huston, 1950, and to be awarded annually to the first-year player who contributes the most to the success of the hockey team.

ROBERT W. JOHNSTON MEMORIAL TROPHY. Presented by the members of Delta Kappa Epsilon in memory of Robert Woodall Johnston, 1949. Awarded annually to the most valuable varsity baseball player.

KIELER IMPROVEMENT AWARD. Given in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Charles K. Kiefer by their son to that member of the men’s squash team who works hardest during the year to improve racquet skills, physical conditioning, and competitive spirit.

CHRIS LARSON MASON FIELD HOCKEY AWARD. Awarded to the player selected by the coach and team who has shown great sportsmanship, skill, hard work, and team work.

CHRIS LARSON MASON LACROSSE AWARD. The Women’s Lacrosse Award was established in 1977 by the women’s lacrosse team in order to promote excellence in the sport. It is to be awarded each year to the person who, in the opinion of the team, has demonstrated excellence in all levels of women’s lacrosse—sportsmanship, skill, and team spirit.

WILLIAM E. MccORMICK COACH’S AWARD. In thirty-six years, from 1953 to 1989, at the helm of the Williams College hockey program, William McCormick served as a teacher, coach, and friend to two generations of athletes. He also set a high standard of personal service to the Williams College community. In recognition of this legacy, this award is presented each year to the member of the hockey team who best exemplifies the qualities and ideals for which Coach McCormick stood during his years behind the bench: leadership, loyalty, a selfless devotion to the team, a youthful delight in the game of hockey, and above all, a strong personal commitment to community service. This award was established with a respect, affection and deep appreciation of his former players.

MOST IMPROVED WOMEN’S LACROSSE AWARD. Awarded to the player who has completed the first year of her varsity competition and has shown the most improvement as voted by her teammates.

ROBERT B. MUR Men’s Swimming Trophy. Presented in 1960 by Mr. and Mrs. George S. Dively, parents of Michael A. Dively, 1961. Awarded annually to the outstanding male varsity swimmer on the basis of performance, leadership, and sportsmanship.

ROBERT B. MUR Women’s Swimming Trophy. Presented in 1977 by Peggy and Sam Maples, 1944, a former Williams College swimmer. Awarded annually to the outstanding woman varsity swimmer on the basis of performance, leadership, and sportsmanship.

FRANKLIN F. OLMSTED MEMORIAL AWARD. Given in 1963 by Mrs. Franklin F. Olmsted in memory of her husband, 1914, who was a member of the first Williams cross country team. Awarded annually to a member of the men’s cross country team on the basis of character, perseverance, and sportsmanship.

ANTHONY PLANCKY AWARD. Given in 1953 by George M. Steinbrenner III, 1952, and awarded annually to the best varsity track athlete on the basis of performance, leadership, and sportsmanship.

LEONARD S. PRINCE Memorial Swimming Prize. In memory of Leonard Sidney Prince, 1914, donated by his father, S. S. Prince. Presented to the outstanding first-year student or sophomore woman member of the swimming team who best exemplifies the qualities of leadership, performance, and sportsmanship.

PurPLE Key TrophEYES. Two trophys for the senior man and senior woman letter-owners who best exemplify leadership, team spirit, ability, and character. Chosen by the Director of Athletics, president of the Purple Key, two members of the Athletic Department, and one faculty member chosen by the Purple Key.

MICHAEL E. RAKOV MEMORIAL AWARD. Presented in 1957 by the members of Alpha Delta Phi, to be awarded annually to the member of the varsity football team who, in the opinion of his coaches, is the most improved lineman, and who possesses superior qualities of leadership, aggressiveness, and determination.

Paul B. Richardson Swimming Trophy. Presented by Mr. Paul B. Richardson of Belmont, on which is recorded each year the name of the male swimmer or diver winning the greatest number of points in dual collegiate meets during the swimming season.

Rockwood Tennis Cup. In memory of Lieutenant Richard Burton Rockwood, 1916, who was killed in action in France, his mother, Mrs. R. L. Rockwood, has given a fund to provide a cup to be awarded annually to the winner of the singles in the fall tennis tournament.

Charles Dewoody Salmon Award. Presented by the donors of the squash racquets building, Clark Williams, 1892, John P. Wilson, 1900, and Quincy Brent, 1901, as a permanent trophy to be competed for in an annual elimination tournament for students.
Fellowships Awarded by Williams College

Faculty Selection Committees examine candidates for the awards listed below. Application must be made through the Dean’s Office or appropriate department.

RUSSELL H. BOSTERT FELLOWSHIP. A summer fellowship to support student summer travel and research with preference awarded to students in Division II, with a preference to History majors. Application is through the Fellowships Office.

HORACE F. CLARK 1833 PRIZE FELLOWSHIPS. Established in 1894 under the provisions of the will of Madame Louise Souberbille in memory of her father, 1833. One or two awards to help support one year of graduate study to members of the senior class chosen on the basis of superior scholarship, general ability, and interest in scholarly research.

CLASS OF 1945 FLORENCE CHANDLER FELLOWSHIP. Provided through the generosity of the Class of 1945, this fellowship is awarded annually to a senior to support one year of post-graduate intellectual and personal development while living abroad. It does not support formal academic study but is meant to foster travel and learning that lead to an enhancement of international understanding.

CLASS OF 1945 STUDENT WORLD FELLOWSHIP. Designed to support independent summer research and travel abroad for sophomores and juniors. This grant is intended to support study that can promote conflict resolution, international understanding, and world peace, although other worthwhile projects not directly linked to these aims will be considered.

DOROTHY H. DONOVAN MEMORIAL FELLOWSHIP. Established in 1978 by Hedley T. Donovan in memory of his wife, Dorothy H. Donovan. The intention is to support the purpose of Williams graduates at Oxford University, initial use for those attending Exeter or Worcester with the hope that Hertford College might eventually be included.

FRANCIS SESSIONS HUTCHINS 1900 MEMORIAL FELLOWSHIP PRIZE. Established in 1931 by friends of Mr. Francis Sessions Hutchins, 1900. To assist students in continuing and completing their college course and in obtaining a start in business or professions in the early years following their graduation, the selection to be made by the President. To be awarded to students “situated as Hutchins himself was when in college: giving promise...of becoming, as he did, a useful, worthy, and lovable citizen.”

HUBBARD HUTCHINSON 1917 MEMORIAL FELLOWSHIP. Established in 1940 by Mrs. Eva W. Hutchinson in memory of her son, 1917. Awarded to a member or members of the graduating class who produce the most creative work in music composition, poetry, fiction, painting, sculpture, photography or choreography; then to those who show unusual talent and promise in performance; then to those majoring in philosophy or the sciences. The purpose of the award is to assist in continuing work in the special field of interest for a period of two years following graduation.

JEFFREY OVEN JONES 1966 FELLOWSHIP IN JOURNALISM. Established in 2009 by classmates, friends and family to honor the memory of Jeffrey Owen Jones ’66. The award is made to a graduating senior wishing to pursue a career in journalism, the profession Jeff practiced with dedication and distinction over the course of his lifetime. The award is intended to help its recipient make a start on a career in journalism, here broadly defined to include both traditional and new media. Consideration will be given to a wide range of pursuits, from entry level newspaper job to independent blog to investigative reporting project. While the intent is to cast a wide net in search of candidates and proposals, the overall goal is to select the person who best embodies the qualities for which Jeff was so widely admired: integrity, talent, independence of mind, wit, strength of character, skepticism of authority, and concern for others.

CHARLES BRIDGEN LANSING 1829 FELLOWSHIP IN LATIN AND GREEK. Established in 1829 by bequest of Mrs. Abby S. L. Selden in memory of her father, Charles Bridgen Lansing, 1829. Awarded either at the graduate or undergraduate level.

MARY AND NATHANIEL LAWRENCE MEMORIAL TRAVEL FELLOWSHIP. Established in 1986 by family and friends of Nathaniel Lawrence, Professor of Philosophy at Williams from 1960 to 1986. To support a student traveling fellowship, the award “not based on grades, but on originality, merit, and feasibility”.

ALLEN MARTIN FELLOWSHIP. Established by Allen Martin, himself a Carroll A. Wilson Fellow, this fellowship helps to support a Williams graduate studying at Worcester College, Oxford for a term of two years. Applicants are not restricted by major or other interest and may pursue undergraduate degrees at Worcester.

MELLON MAYS UNDERGRADUATE FELLOWSHIP. Established in 1989 and funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, this two-year fellowship is awarded to five rising African American, Latino/a, or Native American juniors who show the academic potential and commitment to pursue PhD’s in the humanities and certain fields in the social sciences and natural sciences. Fellows receive funding to conduct faculty-mentored research for two summers and four semesters.

JACK EDMUND MOODY 1921 FELLOWSHIP. Established in 1927 by Mr. John Moody in memory of his son, Class of 1921. To enable a graduate of Williams College to pursue studies at Oxford University for the two years following graduation. The recipient is chosen from those who have majored in Latin, English, history, political science, philosophy, religion, or economics. The basis of award is general intellectual ability as shown in the major field of study, with special reference to character, need of assistance, and promises of original and creative work.

RUCHMAN STUDENT FELLOWSHIPS. Established in 1993 by Allan B. Ruchman ’75 and Mark C. Ruchman ’71, this fellowship provides a research stipend to two Williams seniors who demonstrate a firm commitment to graduate study and intention to pursue a career in teaching at the college level. Ruchman Fellows take part in the activities of the Oakley Center for the Humanities and Social Sciences during their senior year.

Dr. HERCHEL SMITH FELLOWSHIPS. Established in 1979 by Dr. Herschel Smith to enable five or more graduates of Williams College to pursue study abroad for one year. One recipient is chosen from those who have majored in the humanities or social sciences; the other from those who have majored in mathematics or the natural sciences. One set of criteria includes general intellectual ability and attainment in the major field of study with special reference to the promise of original and creative work, and character; the other set of criteria includes leadership, scholastic attainment, and physical vigor after the manner of selection of Rhodes scholars.

FREDERICK EUGENE STRATTON 1872 FELLOWSHIP IN BIOLOGY. Established in 2010 by Arthur Frederick Stocker 1934 in memory of his grandfather, F. E. Stratton 1871. To help support graduate study in Biology at an institution belonging to the American Association of Universities. Candidates must be seniors.
Stephen H. Tyng and Stephen H. Tyng, Jr. Foundation Fellowship. Holders of Tyng Scholarships in their undergraduate years are eligible for Tyng Fellowships for a maximum of three years of graduate or professional study in any field of learning at any recognized university.

Williams in Africa EPRI Fellowship. Established in 2010, this newly created post-graduate fellowship at the Economic Policy Research Institute in Cape Town, South Africa provides recent Williams graduates the opportunity to work on cutting edge policy research focused on tackling poverty and promoting socio-economic progress in developing countries. Fellows work side by side with senior researchers at the Institute for 15 months beginning in June 2011. The fellowship provides a modest income and covers travel expenses to and from South Africa.

Williams College Undergraduate Research Fellowship. Established in 1999 to replace the McNair Postbaccalaureate Achievement Program, this fellowship is available to five rising juniors who are from a group traditionally underrepresented in academia. The fellows must show a commitment to attending graduate school and are funded for two years of faculty-mentored research.

Robert G. Wilmers Jr., 1990 Internship Program. These internships were created in memory of Robert G. Wilmers, Jr., and offer challenging summer work opportunities in developing countries for rising juniors and seniors.

Robert G. Wilmers Jr., 1990 Memorial Student Travel Abroad Fellowship. Given in memory of Robert G. Wilmers, 1990, this grant provides support for summer travel and research for students in their sophomore or junior year at Williams.

Carroll A. Wilson Fellowship in Memory of John E. Wilson. Established in 1949 by the will of Carroll A. Wilson, 1907, in memory of his son, who was killed in the World War II crossing of the Rhine, March 28, 1945. The income to be devoted to scholarships for attendance at Oxford University, for members of the senior class chosen “after the manner of Rhodes Scholarships, with special attention to leadership, scholastic attainment, and physical vigor.”

George J. Mead Fund

In 1951 Williams College received a substantial gift from the Estate of George J. Mead. Mr. Mead expressed in his will an intention “that this gift shall be used to improve the quality of leadership and service in all branches of government, whether Federal, State, or municipal, by encouraging young people of reliability, good sense and high purpose to enter with adequate preparation those fields of politics and constitutional government upon which must rest the future of this nation.”

A portion of this gift constitutes a Scholarship Fund that directly assists promising students with inadequate means who are specializing in political science, history, American Studies, political economy, or economics. The remaining portion, or Special Fund, is primarily intended to finance a summer intern program in government involving selected sophomores and juniors.

Teaching Fellowships, Hong Kong and Guangzhou

United College, Chinese University of Hong Kong. Begun in 1961, this two-year fellowship is offered to a member of the graduating class for teaching English and possibly other subjects at United College, one of three sister colleges comprising the Chinese University of Hong Kong. The appointee, known as a Teaching Fellow or Tutor, also studies Chinese (Mandarin or Cantonese) and selected aspects of Chinese culture. Students are chosen by a selection committee, chaired by Professor Crane. Interested students should contact Professor Crane for application forms. Deadline November 30th.
AFRICANA STUDIES (Div. II)
Chair, Professor SHANTI SINGHAM

Core Faculty: BENSON, BRAGGS, LONG, J. MANIGAULT–BRYANT, R. MANIGAULT–BRYANT, MUTONGI, ROBERTS, SINGHAM, D.L. SMITH, WILLINGHAM.

Visiting Sterling Brown Professor: FORNA.

GENERAL PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Africana Studies Program is an interdisciplinary concentration offering students an in–depth understanding of the history, politics, religion, and culture of peoples of African descent, especially in the Americas. We use music, dance, literature, the arts, and scholarly works to explore the origins of this field of study in the fulcrum of African American and Caribbean movements of resistance. A trans–national program, intellectually influenced by scholars from W. E. B. Du Bois to the present, Africana Studies encourages students to study abroad, especially in our Williams in Africa program, and offers travel Winter Study courses designed to expose students to experiential learning settings outside of the classroom.

CONCENTRATION IN AFRICANA STUDIES

Candidates for a concentration in “Africana Studies: African Americans, Africans, and the Diaspora” complete two required core courses and three electives, for a total of five courses. The required core courses are AFR 200 as an introductory course (generally team-taught); and one of the two AFR 400–level senior seminar capstone courses, which emphasize special topics or themes each year. In 2011–2012, the two senior seminar choices are AFR 405 (F) Africana Studies and the Disciplines, and AFR 444 (S) The Black Republic: Haiti in History and Imagination (same as HIST 444). Additional courses may be taken with affiliated faculty and visiting professors associated with the program. We encourage students to take at least one course in a program/department other than Africana Studies and consider an experiential learning Winter Study session; however, the majority of your courses should be selected from among those offered by Africana Studies core faculty, including our visiting Sterling Brown Professor.

HONORS PROGRAM IN AFRICANA STUDIES

An honors thesis or project, undertaken with the permission of the program chair and mentoring faculty, is an option for students who wish to conduct advanced research and study. In addition to the five courses normally required for the concentration in Africana Studies, honors candidates will enroll in either AFR 491 or 492 plus a Winter Study in their senior year, and complete a substantial written thesis or an equivalent project in the performing or studio arts. An honors project should manifest creativity, depth, and intellectual rigor. Honors candidates are encouraged to pursue non-traditional projects, such as presentations in the performing arts, visual arts, or creative writing, as well as more conventional research projects. A student who wishes to become a candidate for honors in Africana Studies should secure a faculty sponsor and apply to the program chair in writing before spring registration of his/her junior year.

AFRICANA STUDIES AND OTHER PROGRAMS

Students concentrating in Africana Studies are encouraged to pursue concentrations in American Studies, Environmental Studies, Latino/a Studies, Performance Studies, and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies. Many of the courses counted for these concentrations may also earn credit toward the Africana Studies concentration.

Africana Studies courses required for the concentration:
AFR 200 Introduction to Africana Studies
AND one of the following two AFR 400-level Senior Seminar capstone courses (not all 400-level courses meet the requirement for the concentration):
AFR 405(F) Africana Studies and the Disciplines
AFR 444(S) The Black Republic: Haiti in History and Imagination (same as HIST 444)

ELECTIVES (a total of three required for the concentration)

Most electives are included below. However, students should check with the program chair to see if other courses not listed here might count as electives toward the concentration.

100-Level Courses
AFR 103  The City in Africa: Nairobi and Johannesburg (Same as History 103) (W) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under HIST 103 for full description.)  MUTONGI

AFR 104  Travel Narratives and African History (Same as History 104) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)  MUTONGI

AFR 121(F)  Music in African Religious Experience (Same as Music 129 and Religion 262) (D)  (See under MUS 129 for full description.)  OKIGBO

AFR 122(S)  African-American Music (Same as Music 122) (D)  (See under MUS 122 for full description.)  E. D. BROWN

AFR 129(F)  Twentieth-Century Black Poets (Same as English 129) (W)  (See under ENGL 129 for full description.)  D. L. SMITH

AFR 130  History of Jazz (Same as Music 130) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)  (See under MUS 130 for full description.)  E. D. BROWN

AFR 132  Contemporary Africana Social and Political Philosophy (Same as Political Science 132) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)  This introductory seminar investigates the relationship between three major schools of thought in contemporary Africana social and political philosophy, namely the African, Afro-American, and Afro-Caribbean intellectual traditions. We will discuss a range of thinkers including Aimé Césaire, Angela Y. Davis, Édouard Glissant, Lewis R. Gordon, Kwame Gyeve, Patet Henry, bell hooks, Charles W. Mills, Nikru Nzegwu, Lucius Outlaw, Öy è rón kë Oyewumi, Tommie Shelby, and Sylvia Wynter. A primary goal of the course is to provide students with the intellectual resources to decipher complex ideas and to allow students an opportunity to apply what they learn to critical issues in current geopolitics. This seminar is part of the Exploring Diversity Initiative, and as such we shall investigate—a via the authors mentioned—comparative philosophical analyses, critical theorization, and the plurality of global thinking in contemporary social and political philosophy. Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on attendance and participation, two 5- to 7-page essays, and one 10-page final paper. No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 12). Enrollment preference: first- and second-year students. ROBERTS

AFR 149(F)  The 1959 Cuban Revolution: Precedents, Processes, and Legacies, 1898-2009 (Same as History 149) (W)  (See under HIST 149 for full description.)  BENSON

AFR 164  Slavery in the United States (Same as History 164) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)  (See under HIST 164 for full description.)  L. BROWN

AFR 180  Foundations of Afro-Caribbean Thought (Same as Political Science 206) (Not offered 2011-2012) This course is an introduction to the foundations of Afro-Caribbean thought, a branch of study within the larger field of Africana thought. Africana thought encompasses ideas from Africa, the Caribbean, North America, and other regions containing African Diasporic populations. In this class, we will examine the Afro-Caribbean intellectual and political tradition by analyzing important historical figures and movements, the African philosophical roots of the tradition, processes of enslavement and creolization, identity formation, nationalism, anti-colonialism, the role of gender, and the function of mass revolution. We will discuss in particular two influential branches of thought outlined by Patet Henry in the seminal text Caliban's Reason: the poeticians and the historicists. Afro-Caribbean thought distinguishes itself not only by its unique categories of poetic and historical knowledge production, but also by the collapse of barriers between poetry and history in the domain of politics. Evaluating the moments of tension and symbiosis between the poetician and historicist schools will allow us to investigate further the tradition comprehensively. A key objective of the course is to provide students with the necessary preparation to engage in higher level courses in this field of inquiry. Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based upon attendance and participation, two 5- to 7-page midterm essays, class presentation, and one 10- to 12-page final paper. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 25. Preference given to first- and second-year students. ROBERTS

AFR 193(F)  Black Power Abroad: Decolonization in Africa, the Caribbean, and Europe (Same as History 193) (D) (W) Obama’s recent successful bid for the Presidency has reminded Americans of the strong links between African-Americans and Africans and of the international dimensions of the struggle for racial justice. This struggle has its roots in the post-World War II transformation of the world associated with the decolonization struggles led by individuals like C.L.R. James, Aimé Césaire, Kwame Nkrumah, Franz Fanon and Nelson Mandela. This course will examine this movement, focusing on activists in the African and Caribbean, the new ideas and cultural movements they inspired (Pan-Africanism, Negritude, and Socialism), their organizational activities in London and Paris, and their success in breaking free of European imperialism only to be confronted with American and Russian Cold War rivalry and competing experiences of independence. By the 1970s, in contrast, and independent Ghana, and in anti-apartheid South Africa—this course will grapple with the ways in which racism, political power, and cultural difference affected relations between Blacks, mulattoes, whites, and Indians in these countries as they fought for independence. The comparative and transatlantic scope of this course, combined with its focus on race relations, power, and privilege helps it meet the requirements of the Exploring Diversity Initiative. Format: discussion. Requirements: Evaluation will be based on class participation, oral reports, 1 short paper, and a 10- to 12-page research paper. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students, and then sophomores who have not previously taken a 100-level seminar; Preference also given to future Africana Studies concentrators. Groups B and C. Meets the EDI requirement. Hour: 7:00-9:40 p.m. M SINGHAM

AFR 200(FS)  Introduction to Africana Studies This course introduces students to the content and contours of Africana Studies as a vibrant field of knowledge. Through exploration of the genealogy, disciplinary diversity, and evolution of the field, we will examine the depth and range of experiences of African-descended peoples throughout the Americas, the Caribbean, Europe, and Africa. We will also give some attention to how members of the Diaspora remember and encounter Africa, as well as their diverse responses to the history of enslavement, colonialism, apartheid, racism, and globalization. Through materials that embody both historical and contemporary perspectives, we seek to help students develop critical frameworks for understanding African diasporic experience while simultaneously illuminating disjunctures and challenges for the field. The course will use two pedagogical strategies: 1) A rotational, interdisciplinary approach that includes the expertise, methods, and specializations of Africana faculty; and 2) the incorporation of aesthetic materials—film, photography, music, dance, performance, and art—to enhance student ability to draw ongoing connections between visual and textual sources covered in the course. Close textual analysis, vibrant debate, and engaging discourse are expected! Format: discussion/lecture. Evaluation will be based upon class participation, weekly reading response papers, two short essays, and a final research project. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit fall: 20; spring: none (expected fall: 15; expected spring 25). Preference to undergraduates who are considering concentrating in Africana Studies. Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR First Semester: R. MANIGAULT-BRYANT Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR Second Semester: BRAGGS and BENSON

AFR 201(F)  African Dance and Percussion (Same as Dance 201) (See under DANC 201 for full description.)  BURTON and Kusika Musical Director

AFR 203  A Survey of Modern African History (Same as History 203) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (See under HIST 203 for full description.)  MUTONGI
AFR 204(S) Introduction to Francophone Studies (Same as French 203) (D)  
(See under RLF 203 for full description.)  
PIEPRZAK

AFR 205(F) Introduction to African Literature: Witness Literature (Same as English 269)  
After the television images, the photographs and the news stories, come the writers. In the words of Nobel prize–winning South African writer Nadine Gordimer, it is the role and duty of the writer "to bear inward witness," for the power to transform traumatic events through literature is the "awesome responsibility of their endowment with the seventh sense of the imagination." "Witness literature" is an emerging concept of which can be applied to much African literature of the past fifty years, including the work of Aminta Forna, novelist and memoirist who will lead this course. From this perspective we'll study novels, novellas and short stories and examine how a range of writers portray political events through their writing, work to extract meaning from violence, convey the ways of resistance and demonstrate the power of memory. We will read the work of Ngugi wa Thiongo, Ahmadou Kourouma and Chinua Achebe, as well as those of the continent’s new voices: Helon Habila, Brian Chikwava, Petina Gappah and Uwem Akpan. 
Format: discussion/seminar. Requirements: active class participation and two/three papers totaling about 20–25 pages. 
No prerequisites; this is an introductory course, so no prior knowledge of African literature is necessary. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 20). Preference given to first-year students, sophomores, English majors and Africana Studies concentrators. 
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MW  
FORNA

AFR 207(S) Picturing Race: From Early Modern Europe to Now (Same as ArtH 205) (D)  
(See under ARTH 205 for full description.)  
ERICKSON

AFR 210(F) Culture and Incarceration (Same as American Studies 210, INTR 210, Political Science 210 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 210)  
(See under PSCL 210 for full description.)  
JAMES

AFR 211(F) Race and the Environment (Same as Environmental Studies 211 and Sociology 211) (D)  
In contemporary societies, race remains an enduring impediment to the achievement of equality. Generally understood as a socially meaningful way of classifying human bodies hierarchically, race manifests itself in a number of arenas, including personal experience, economic production and distribution, and political organization. In this course, we will explore how race emerges in local and global environmental issues, like pollution and climate change. We will begin with a review of some of the landmark texts in Environmental Studies that address "environmental racism," like Robert Bullard’s Dancing in Dixie and David Pellows Garbage Wars. We will examine how and to what extent polluting facilities like landfills, oil refineries, and sewage treatment plants are disproportionately located in communities of color; we will also pay attention to how specific corporations create the underlying rationale for plotting industrial sites. After outlining some of the core issues raised in this scholarship, we will turn to cultural productions—like literature, film, and music—to understand how people of color respond to environmental injustice and imagine the natural world. By exploring the myriad ways in which people of color confront, negotiate and challenge dominant U.S. hierarchies of race and environmental injustice, this class fulfills the EDI requirement. 
Format: discussion/lecture. Evaluation will be based on class participation, 2-3 short papers (5-7 pages), and a self-scheduled final examination. 
No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 20). If this class is overenrolled, preference will go to Africana Studies concentrators. 
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR  
J. MANIGAULT-BRYANT

AFR 212(F) Jazz Theory and Improvisation I (Same as Music 212)  
(See under MUS 212 for full description.)  
JAFFE

AFR 213(F) Theory and Practice of Civil Rights Protest (Same as Political Science 213)  
(See under PSCL 213 for full description.)  
A. WILLINGHAM

AFR 214 Jazz Theory and Improvisation II (Same as Music 213) (Not offered 2011-2012)  
(See under MUS 212 for full description.)  
JAFFE

AFR 217(F) Race(ing) Sports: Issues, Themes and Representations of Black Athletes (Same as English 255) (D)  
At the end of the 20th century, black athletes have broken through Jim Crow restraints, challenged racial stereotypes, and taken their sports to new heights of achievement. In this course, students will explore a range of black athletes in the 20th century, paying particular attention to the attitudes, stereotypes and experiences they endured. In addition, this course will prompt students to analyze the representation, perception, and commodification of black athletes in popular media forms, Students will trace trends, shifts and themes in representations of blackness across different sports and historical periods. Topics under study may include resistance against and affirmation of athletes as role models, racial slurs in sports broadcasting, common themes in commercialized images of the black male athlete, and distinctions in media coverage based on race and gender. Texts will include everything from critical essays and sociological studies to commercials and documentary films. In their final projects, students may put their newfound knowledge to the test by exploring their campus or hometown to investigate the role that race plays on their own playing field. This EDI course explores the experiences and expressions of the culturally diverse peoples of African descent in the New World, as well as the myriad ways in which representations of black athleticism are manipulated to increase financial strength and institutional power, reaffirm dominant U.S. and/or European hierarchies of race, gender and class, and signal inequality in order to combat it. 
Format: discussion/lecture. Evaluation will be based upon class participation, short weekly reading and/or listening assignments, one 5-page paper, final group project. 
No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 20). If this class is overenrolled, preference will go to Africana Studies concentrators. 
Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR  
BRAGGS

AFR 221T Racial-Sexual Violence (Same as INTR 221 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 221) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)  
(See under INTR 221 for full description.)  
JAMES

AFR 229(S) European Imperialism and Decolonization (Same as History 229) (D)  
(See under HIST 229 for full description.)  
SINGHAM

AFR 231(S) Nothin’ But the Blues (Same as Music 231) (D)  
(See under MUS 231 for full description.)  
E. D. BROWN

AFR 234 Afro-POP: Urban African Dance Music (Same as Music 234) (Not offered 2011-2012)  
(See under MUS 234 for full description.)  
E. D. BROWN

AFR 235 African Rhythm, African Sensibility (Same as Music 235) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)  
(See under MUS 235 for full description.)  
E. D. BROWN

AFR 240(S) Introduction to the Music of Duke Ellington (Same as Music 240) (W)  
(See under MUS 240 for full description.)  
JAFFE

AFR 241(F) Performing Race: From Shakespeare to Spike Lee (Same as Comparative Literature 241 and Theatre 241) (D)  
(See under THEA 241 for full description.)  
P. ERICKSON

AFR 242 Introduction to the Music of John Coltrane (Same as Music 241) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)  
(See under MUS 241 for full description.)  
JAFFE

AFR 248 History of the Caribbean: Race, Nation, and Politics (Same as History 248) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)  
This course explores the history of the Caribbean from pre-Columbian times to the present. The goal of the class is to trace the emergence of modern Caribbean nations from the slave colonies of the not-so-distant past. We will show that though they may be picturesque vacation destinations, the islands of the Caribbean have played a central role in global history. In particular, the course will introduce you to the Caribbean through sustained attention to two simultaneous and
related long-term developments: the maintenance of European and North American imperial enterprises and the elaboration of racial ideologies around the diversity that has characterized the island populations. Through this prism, we will explore issues such as colonialism, piracy, sugar revolts, slavery and emancipation, national independence, tourism, and Caribbean migrations. Cuba, Haiti, and Jamaica will be the main areas under consideration for this seminar; however, we will also examine texts from other islands such as the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, and Martinique when appropriate. Sources will include speeches, song lyrics, films, testimonies, and other oral documents that shed light on the history of Caribbean nations.

This EDI course explores the experiences and expressions of the culturally diverse peoples of African descent in the New World (and the Old), as well as the myriad ways in which they confront, negotiate, and at times challenge dominant U.S. and/or European hierarchies of race, culture, gender and class. Format: lecture/Discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, a map quiz, short weekly writing assignments, and three 5- to 7-page papers. No prerequisites. No enrollment limit (expected: 20-30). Open to all.

AFR 250 African Music: Interdisciplinary Studies (Same as INTR 287 and Music 233) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under MUS 233 for full description.)
E. D. BROWN

AFR 256(F) Politics of Africa (Same as Political Science 256)
(See under PSCI 256 for full description.)

AFR 257 Leaders in Africa: Prophets, Autocrats Tyrants (Same as Leadership Studies 257 and Political Science 257) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under PSCI 257 for full description.)

AFR 267(S) Race in the Americas (Same as Sociology 267) (D)
This course is designed to provide students with a fundamental understanding of the historical development and changing dynamics of race in North America, the Caribbean, and South America. In doing so, we will take on the fundamental position that race is a meaningful classification of human bodies. The question we will keep in front of us at all times is this: How does social milieu determine the meaningfulness of race? Racial classifications, like all classifications, are collectively imagined, and appear mired in various spheres of social life. We will devote a fair amount of attention to the meaning of race in personal experience, economic production and distribution, political organization, and popular culture. The complexity of race will be explored within a number of writings by authors such as Michael Hanchard, Edwidge Dandicat, and Patricia Hill Collins. This EDI course explores the experiences and expressions of the culturally diverse peoples of African descent in the New World, as well as the myriad ways in which they confront, negotiate, and at times challenge dominant U.S. and/or European social hierarchies.
Format: discussion/lecture. Evaluation will be based on class participation, 2-3 short papers (5-7 pages), and a self-scheduled final examination. No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 20). Preference to Africana Studies and Sociology Majors.
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MW
J. MANIGAULT-BRYANT

AFR 280(S) African American History: An Introduction (Same as History 280) (D)
(See under HIST 280 for full description.)
LONG

AFR 281 African-American History, 1619-1865 (Same as History 281) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
(See under HIST 281 for full description.)
LONG

AFR 282 African-American History From Reconstruction to the Present (Same as History 282) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
(See under HIST 282 for full description.)
L. BROWN

300-Level Courses

AFR 302 Rastafari: Dread, Politics, Agency (Same as Political Science 234 and Religion 261) (Not offered 2011-2012)
The emergence of Rastafari in the twentieth-century marked a distinct phase in the theory and practice of political agency. From its heretical roots in Jamaica, Garveyism, Ethiopianism, and Pan-Africanism, Rastafari has evolved from a Caribbean theological movement to an international political actor. This course will introduce students to the landscape of Black religious practices in the United States. We will begin with a historical survey of the literature on Black religions and religious practices, and then analyze texts and audio-visual works on the political economy of late colonial Jamaica, core Rastafari thinking, political theology, the role of reggae music, the notion of agency, and the influence of Rastafari on global politics.
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based upon one 5- to 7-page mid-term essay, a group project paper, and one 8- to 10-page final exam. No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit (expected 35).
ROBERTS

AFR 304(F) South Africa and Apartheid (Same as History 304) (D)
(See under HIST 304 for full description.)
MUTONGI

AFR 305(S) The Sociology of Black Religious Experience (Same as Religion 315 and Sociology 305)
The United House of Prayer For All People. The Nation of Islam, New Birth Missionary Baptist Church. The African-American Buddhist Retreat at Spirit Rock Meditation Center. While each of these groups reflects a different spiritual tradition, all are examples of the rich religious expressions of Black Americans. This course will introduce students to the landscape of Black religious practices in the United States. We will begin with a historical survey of the literature on Black religions. Our review will yield some of the primary themes of the Black religious experience—the injustices of modern racism, the significance of liberation, and continued meaning of Africa as a homeland. We will then investigate the secular process like industrialization, commodification, and the modern media, alter understandings of the sacred in Black experience.
Format: seminar/discussion. Evaluation will be based upon class participation, 2-3 short papers, and a final research paper.
No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 15). Preference to Africana Studies concentrators and Anthropology/Sociology majors.
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR
J. MANIGAULT-BRYANT

AFR 307 Contemporary Short Stories from North Africa: Fast Cars, Movies, Money, Love and War (Same as French 309) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under RLFR 309 for full description.)
PIEPRZAK

AFR 308 Gender and Society in Modern Africa (Same as History 308 and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 308) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under HIST 308 for full description.)
MUTONGI

AFR 309 (formerly 273) Scriptures and Race (Same as Latina/o Studies 309 and Religion 309) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under REL 309 for full description.)
HIDALGO

AFR 310(F) Womanist/Black Feminist Thought (Same as Religion 310 and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 310) (D)
This course explores the genealogy and development of womanist and womanist thought. We will investigate the expansion of womanist thought from a theologically dominated discourse to a broader category of critical reflection associated more commonly with black feminism, analyze the relationship between womanism and black feminism, and review the historical interventions of black feminism. As critical reflections upon western norms of patriarchy, heterosexism, and racism, womanism and black feminism begin with the assumption that the experiences of women of color—particularly black women—are significant standpoints in modern western society. Through the examination of interdisciplinary and methodological diversity within these fields, students will be introduced to the works of Alice Walker, Zora Neale Hurston, and Katie Cannon, and will engage materials that draw from multiple fields, including, but not limited to, literature, history, anthropology, and religious studies. Fulfilling the EDI requirement, this course will explore how womanism/black feminism can be a bridge for empathetic understanding of diverse experiences, and will examine the varied social, political, and historical contexts that led to the formulation of womanism/black feminism as a tool to critique power and privilege.
Format: discussion/lecture. Evaluation will be based on class participation, three short response papers, and the completion of an original research paper or proj-
AFR 311  Black Memorialized Imaginations: Griots, Athletes, and Maestros (Same as Religion 311) (Not offered 2011-2012)

In one of the most memorable lines from the classic Souls of Black Folk, W. E. B. Du Bois described the Black minister as “the most unique personality developed on U. S. soil.” This course will explore how the ministerial persona appears in their literature. Students will explore the work of these authors and more, investigating music’s ability to represent and critique African American culture in their literature. Students will discuss key issues as assimilation as well as redefining claims of black musicality, and music used as a tool for protest. Additionally, class assignments will include musical examples of spirituals, blues, jazz, rock, and rhythm and blues. This class requires students to practice in-depth literary and performance analysis skills. These students are not required to have technical musical knowledge.

AFR 312(F) Francophone Islands (Same as Comparative Literature 312 and French 312) (D)

(See under RLF 312 for full description.)

PIEPRZAK

AFR 314(F) Groovin’ the Written Word: The Role of Music in African American Literature (Same as American Studies 314, Comparative Literature 312, English 314 and Music 214)

In an interview with Paul Gilroy, Toni Morrison once said, “Music provides a key to the whole medley of Afro-American artistic practices.” Morrison is not the only one who believes that music speaks to numerous aspects of the African American experience. From Sterling Brown and Zora Neale Hurston to John Edgar Wideman and Suzan Lori-Parks, many African American authors have drawn on music to take political stands, shape creative aesthetics, and articulate black identity. In this course, students will explore the work of these authors and more, investigating music’s ability to represent and critique African American culture in their literature. This course will cover a range of literary forms including poetry, plays, short stories and novels alongside theoretical and critical essays. Students will discuss key issues as assimilation into mainstream culture, authenticity claims on black music, and music used as a tool for protest. Additionally, class assignments will include musical examples of spirituals, gospel, blues, jazz, rock, rhythm and blues. This class requires students to practice in-depth literary and performance analysis skills. These students are not required to have technical musical knowledge.

AFR 316(S) Sacred Cinema: Black Religion and the Movies (Same as Religion 265)

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AFR 317(F) Non-Profit Organization and Community Change (Same as Political Science 331T) (W)

(See under PSCL 331 for full description.)

R. MANIGAULT-BRYANT

AFR 318 Voting Rights and Voting Movements (Same as Political Science 318) (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under PSCL 318 for full description.)

A. WILLINGHAM

AFR 319(S) Ethnographic Approaches to Africana Studies (Same as American Studies 319 and Sociology 319)

Ethnography is the systematic study and recording of human cultures. It involves the collection and analysis of information from multiple sources including (but not limited to) first-person accounts, life histories, interviews, observations, and autobiographies. Within Africana Studies, ethnographic approaches have been utilized to study the lives and times of people of African descent. This seminar is a critical introduction to the theory, method, and practice of ethnography in Africana Studies. We will explore a variety of cultures and settings, and discuss the practical, methodological, and ethical issues related to ethnography. Three broad questions will dominate our discussions: 1) What are the theoretical, practical, and stylistic tools needed to function compelling ethnographies that get to the heart of what it means to document Africana experience? 2) What are the ethical and political implications of representing Africana people and cultures? 3) What are the strengths and limitations of ethnography as research methods in Africana studies? Each student will utilize the materials covered in the course to research and write their own ethnography.

Format: seminar/dissemination; Evaluation will be based upon class participation, fieldwork studies, two essay reviews, a paper, and the completion of an original documentary/short film.


Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

BRAGGS

AFR 319(T) Non-Profit Organization and Community Change (Same as Political Science 331T) (W)

(See under PSCL 331 for full description.)

A. WILLINGHAM

AFR 330(T) Non-Profit Organization and Community Change (Same as Political Science 331T) (W)

(See under PSCL 331 for full description.)

A. WILLINGHAM

AFR 333 Garveyism (Same as Political Science 338) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

This course explores the life, work, political thought, and activism associated with the Jamaican Pan-Africanist Marcus Mosiah Garvey and the transnational movement, Garveyism. This course will explore the founding of Garveyism on the island of Jamaica, the evolution of Garveyism during the early twentieth century across the Americas and in Africa, Garveyism in Europe in the mid-twentieth century, and the contemporary branches of the Garvey movement in our own late modern times. The implications of Garvey’s conflict with W. E. B. Du Bois and the subsequent cleavages in political thought and allegiances among their respective adherents will be addressed, along with various other core issues including: the relationship between race, nation, and empire; transnationalism; the meaning of power; the limitations of understanding Garveyism by the phrase “Back-to-Africa”; the moral phi-
losophy of respect, reparation, and redemption; prophetic political theory; Pan-Africanism; the impact of Garveyism on political theological movements, such as the Nation of Islam and the Rastafari; women in the Garvey movement; and Garveyite strategies for forging models of political solidarity in dark times.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based upon class participation, a couple of short papers and the completion of a final research paper or project. A couple of short papers and the completion of a final research paper or project. No prerequisites.


AFR 403 New Asian American, African American, Native American, and Latina/o Writing (Same as American Studies 403, Comparative Literature 375, English 375 and Latina/o Studies 403) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

(See under AMST 403 for full description.)

WANG

AFR 404(F) Making it in Africa (Same as History 403 and Leadership Studies 403) (See under HIST 403 for full description.)

(See under HIST 403 for full description.)

MUTONGI

AFR 405(F) Africana Studies and the Disciplines

Of the many things that distinguish Africana Studies from other fields of knowledge, most remarkable are its creative uses and critiques of disciplinary perspectives. In some instances, a scholar in the field might move between disciplines; in others, a scholar might integrate two or more disciplines into one point of view. Disciplinary creativity accommodates the array of information—written texts, music, visual art, film—that contributes to our understanding of the African Diaspora. This seminar will illuminate the disciplinary nuances and challenges of studying people of African descent. After outlining genealogies of Africana Studies and the field’s complicated relationships to social science disciplines, students will closely read classic texts by some of the pioneers in the field and explore their uses of disciplinary perspectives. In the latter half of the course, students will have the opportunity to design and conduct their own research projects with the aforementioned disciplinary concerns in mind.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based upon class participation, a couple of short papers and the completion of a final research paper or project. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10). Preference given to Africana Studies concentrators.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 W

J. MANIGAULT-BRYANT

AFR 430 Heretical Political Theory—Hannah Arendt and C.L.R. James (Same as Political Science 430) (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under PSCI 430 for full description.)

ROBERTS

AFR 443 Slavery, Race and Ethnicity in Latin America (Same as History 443) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

(See under HIST 443 for full description.)

ROBERTS

AFR 444(S) The Black Republic: Haiti in History and Imagination (Same as History 444) (D)

This senior Africana capstone course/History seminar explores the central role of Haiti in the American and the transnational pan-African imaginations. As home to the world’s only successful slave rebellion, Haiti has been a role model of tremendous importance, stimulating slave rebellions in America and throughout the Caribbean, playing an instrumental role in the liberation of South America from the Spaniards, and inspiring decolonization movements in Africa and the Caribbean in the 20th century. Not surprisingly, it has had tumultuous relations with both its colonial occupier, France, and its most powerful neighbor, the United States. From isolation and sanctions, to occupation and U.S. supported dictatorship, this seminar traces the historical silencing suffered by Haiti at the hands of western historians, the vivid images Haitians evoke in the American imagination—from boat people and carriers of AIDS, to practitioners of voodoo and creators of a uniquely African-Caribbean art—and the role of the French and American governments in the recent coup against President Jean-Bertrand Aristide. Film, dance, literature, music, history, anthropology and religion will be explored in this interdisciplinary course, with an eye towards helping students produce an original work of their own as the final project. By examining Haiti’s fraught racial relations—particularly between Haitian blacks and mulattoes—and her early and unique black power movements—noirisme—this class fulfills the requirements of the Exploring Diversity Initiative.

Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on student participation, a short paper, and the completion of an original research paper or project (all projects will
The American Studies Program, an eleven-course major, uses interdisciplinary approaches to develop students' understanding of the complexity of the culture(s) usually labeled "American." Examining history, literature, visual media, performance, and other forms of expression, we explore the processes of cultural definition as contested by diverse individuals and groups. We ask new questions about aspects of American life long taken for granted; we also use American culture as a laboratory for testing classic and contemporary theories about how cultures work.

NON-MAJORS, FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS, AND SOPHOMORES
American Studies 201 is open to non-majors including first-year students. All elective courses are open to students who meet the requirements of the departments that sponsor those courses. Courses designated as junior or senior seminars are open to non-majors with permission of the instructor.

COURSES AND COURSE NUMBERING
American Studies offers courses at all levels. Our 100-level courses, which give preference to first-year students, explore a substantive topic in-depth without seeking to introduce the field as a whole. Our introductory course, AMST 201, explores questions of American identity but also stresses the interdisciplinary approach and diverse cultural artifacts that distinguish American Studies as a form of inquiry. Both this course and our occasional 200-level electives are appropriate for students at all levels, including first-years. The intermediate electives at the 300 level are offered primarily for juniors and seniors, although, when space and instructor policy permits, they are open to sophomores who have had AMST 201. Beginning with the class of 2012, all majors are required to take AMST 301, the junior seminar, which teaches students how to employ theories and methods central to the field. The 400-level courses designated as Senior Seminars are designed for senior majors, though open to others with suitable preparation.

THE MAJOR
Required major courses:
American Studies 201
American Studies 301, Junior Seminar (required of majors beginning with the class of 2012)
One 400-level course designated Senior Seminar

Elective courses:
Eight courses: five should be chosen from one of the specializations listed below, the other three chosen from among any of the electives listed, but students must draw their remaining courses from two of the other specializations. Students are also required to take at least one course covering pre-1900 American history or culture; this need not be an additional course, but can be one of the eight electives.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN AMERICAN STUDIES
Candidates for honors in American Studies will undertake a substantial, year-long independent project during their Senior year. Applicants should have a consistent record of high achievement in courses taken for the major, and normally will have done work in the field of study of their proposed thesis. Students who wish to write an honors project should consult with a prospective faculty advisor in their junior year. Formal application to pursue honors should be made by the time of spring registration in the junior year. Students must submit a 1- to 2-page preliminary proposal describing the proposed project to the Chair of the American Studies Program at this time. Final admission to the honors thesis program will depend on the AMST advisory committee’s assessment of the qualifications of the student and the merits and feasibility of the project (including the availability of relevant faculty advisors). If the proposal is approved, the student will be permitted to register for AMST 491, W30, and AMST 492 the following year. The completed project is due in mid-April. Each student will present a short oral presentation of his or her thesis at the end of spring semester. Honors Theses count as one of the eleven courses required for the major.

ADVISING
All majors will be assigned a faculty advisor. Majors must meet with their advisor during the first week of classes during the fall semester and at the time of the spring semester registration period in order to have their courses and plans for the American Studies major approved. Both majors and non-majors are encouraged to talk at any time with the program chair or other affiliated faculty about the major.
AMERICAN STUDIES AND OTHER PROGRAMS

Students majoring in American Studies are encouraged to consider pursuing concentrations in Africana Studies, Environmental Studies, Latino/a Studies, Performance Studies, and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies. Many of the courses counted for those concentrations may also earn credit toward the American Studies major.

STUDY AWAY FROM WILLIAMS

We encourage students to pursue cross-cultural comparative studies. A major in American Studies can be combined with study away from Williams for a semester or a year if plans are made carefully. Many courses that will be approved for College credit may also count toward the American Studies major if their subject matter is American culture.

Students planning to be away in the junior year should have taken American Studies 201 before they leave; those who can take the Junior Seminar before they go away are encouraged to do so. Students should consult as early as possible with the chair or their advisor about their plans for fulfilling the requirements of the major.

AMST 101 Artists Respond to Contemporary Events (Same as Arts 101) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

(See under ARTS 101 for full description.)

L. JOHNSON

AMST 108 First-Hand America (Same as English 244) (Not offered 2011-2012)

Gonzol journalism, the nonfiction novel, literary journalism, the "new new journalism." Before "American Studies" was named and developed as an academic field the study of American culture thrived in the able hands of writers, reformers and amateur anthropologists whose works continue to form the basis of the curriculum. This course is an introduction to American culture through the eyes of extraordinary writers who work as public intellectuals, addressing a readership that reaches beyond the university. We will travel to Alaska with John McPhee, to Miami with Joan Didion, to Sing Sing prison with Ted Conover, and to the Hmong community of Northern California with Ann Fadiman, examining at every stop both the cultures in which these acute observers immerse themselves and their interpretive techniques. Works will be drawn from the following list of authors: Jane Addams, Zora Neal Hurston, Truman Capote, Hunter S. Thompson, Tom Wolfe, Studs Terkel, John Edgar Wideman, Peggy Orenstein, Jon Krakauer, Susan Orlean, and Mitchell Deutner.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, a combination of critical/analytical writing and creative nonfiction.


CLEGHORN

AMST 113(F) Exploring 20th Century American Experimentalism: The New York School Composers and Visual Artists (Same as Music 113)

(See under MUS 113 for full description.)

J. ROBERTS

AMST 144(S) American Ethnic Detective Fictions and Variations (Same as English 144) (W)

(See under ENGL 144 for full description.)

UM

AMST 201(PS) Introduction to American Studies (D)

To be an "American" means something more than U.S. citizenship. In this course, we focus on the problems and possibilities of American identity. Access to Americanness is shaped by factors such as class, race, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, religion, and region—categories which themselves change in meaning over time. Given the geographical, racial, and cultural diversity of the United States, the ways in which Americans imagine nation inevitably vary over time, according to place, and among different individuals and groups. Rather than a survey of any one aspect or period of American history, literature, or popular culture, this course is an introduction to the interdisciplinary field of American Studies, a field defined both by the range of texts we read (essays, novels, autobiographies, photographs, films, music, architecture, historical documents, legal texts), and by the questions we ask of them: How have different Americans imagined what it means to be American? What ideas about national history, patriotism, and moral character shape their visions of Americanness? How do the educational system, mass media, government policies regarding citizenship and immigration shape American identities? How are boundaries of inclusion and exclusion in the nation drawn? What uses have been made of the claim to an American identity, and what is at stake in that claim? How have Americans imagined a national landscape, a national culture, and to what ends?

Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on a midterm, two papers, two short response papers, and class participation.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 per section (expected: 19 per section). Preference given to sophomores and first-year students. Two sections in the fall; one section in the spring.

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR, 8:30-9:45 TR
9:55-11:10 TR, 11:20-12:35 TR

First Semester: WANG, UM
Second Semester: CLEGHORN, RUA

AMST 203(S) Introduction to Native American Studies (Same as Anthropology 203) (D)

From Longfellow's The Song of Hiawatha (1855) and D.H. Lawrence's Studies in Classic American Literature (1923) to Disney's Pocahontas (1995) and James Cameron's Avatar (2009), representations of the indigenous as Other have greatly shaped cultural production in America as vehicles for defining the nation and the self. This seminar introduces students to the broad field of Native American studies, engaging a range of texts from law to policy to history to art and literature as well as popular visual and film. In addition to visual culture analysis, we'll examine literary texts and refer to historical inquiries. By keeping popular culture, representation, and the nature of historical narrative in mind, we will consider the often mutually constitutive relationship between American identity and Indian identity as we pose the following questions: How have imaginings of a national space and national culture by Americans been shaped by a history marked by conquest and reconciliation with indigenous peoples? And, how has the creation of a national American literary tradition often defined itself as both apart from and yet indebted to Native American cultural traditions? This course also considers how categories like race, class, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, and religion have defined identities and changed over time with particular regards to specific Native American individuals and tribal nations. Students will be able to design their own final research projects.

Format: discussion. Requirements: regular discussion question posts via "Glow;" active participation in all class discussions and online formats, fulfillment of at least one class reading, formal presentations, and original research culminating in a final paper, which is no more than 15 pages in length.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 12). Preference given to first-years and sophomores.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR

First Semester: VIGIL

AMST 209(F) Ecologies of Place: Culture, Commodities and Everyday Life (Same as Anthropology 209 and Environmental Studies 209)

(See under ENVI 209 for full description.)

HOWE

AMST 210(F) Culture and Incarceration (Same as Africana Studies 210, INTR 210, Political Science 210 and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 210)

(See under PSCI 210 for full description.)

JAMES

AMST 215(F) Experimental Asian American Writing (Same as Comparative Literature 215 and English 217)

Asian American literature did not begin in the 1980s with Amy Tan's The Joy Luck Club. Nor has the writing primarily been confined to autobiographical accounts of generational conflict, divided identities, and glimpses of Chinatown families. Asian American literature in English began with poetry in the late nineteenth century, and has encompassed a variety of aesthetic styles across the last century—from Modernism to New York School poetry to protest poetry to Gonzo journalism, the nonfiction novel, literary journalism, the "new new journalism." Before "American Studies" was named and developed as an academic field the study of American culture thrived in the able hands of writers, reformers and amateur anthropologists whose works continue to form the basis of the curriculum. This course is an introduction to American culture through the eyes of extraordinary writers who work as public intellectuals, addressing a readership that reaches beyond the university. We will travel to Alaska with John McPhee, to Miami with Joan Didion, to Sing Sing prison with Ted Conover, and to the Hmong community of Northern California with Ann Fadiman, examining at every stop both the cultures in which these acute observers immerse themselves and their interpretive techniques. Works will be drawn from the following list of authors: Jane Addams, Zora Neal Hurston, Truman Capote, Hunter S. Thompson, Tom Wolfe, Studs Terkel, John Edgar Wideman, Peggy Orenstein, Jon Krakauer, Susan Orlean, and Mitchell Deutner.

Format: seminar. Requirements: two papers (6-8 pp. and 10-12 pp.) plus in-class presentation, brief response papers, and class participation.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 18). If the course is overenrolled, preference will be given to American Studies Majors.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR

WANG

AMST 219 Arabs in America: A Survey (Same as Arabic 219 and Comparative Studies 219) (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under ARAB 219 for full description.)

NAAMAN

AMST 221 Introduction to Urban Studies: Shaping and Living the City (Same as Environmental Studies 221 and Latino/a Studies 220) (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under LATIN 220 for full description.)

RUA
AMST 224(S) U.S. Latina/o Religions (Same as Latina/o Studies 224 and Religion 224) (D)  (See under LATIS 224 for full description.)  Hidalgo

AMST 225 Religions of North America (Same as Religion 225) (Not offered 2011-2012)  (See under REL 225 for full description.)  Shuck

AMST 226(F) New Religions in North America (Same as Religion 226)  (See under REL 226 for full description.)  Shuck

AMST 227(S) Utopias and Americas (Same as Environmental Studies 227, Latina/o Studies 227 and Religion 227)  (See under REL 227 for full description.)  Hidalgo

AMST 228T North American Apocalyptic Thought (Same as Religion 228T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)  (See under REL 228 for full description.)  Shuck

AMST 238(S) Racial Formations and Transformations in America: 1945-Present (Same as English 238) (D)  Sociologist Howard Winant argues that World War II and its aftermath formed a "significant break" in racial order; that is, it signaled the beginning of marked shifts in how people—and the State—perceived, thought about, and managed race and racial inequality. Subsequent decades in the United States witnessed the end of segregation, passage of Civil Rights, liberalization of immigration policies, and the rise and dominance of "multiculturalism" in social, political, and academic spheres. These landmark events and shifts contributed to a narrative of progress as the defining story of race in post-war America. However, as Winant cautions, the "break" neither resolved nor abolished racism and racial hierarchies. Our class will examine how this narrative of racial progress has been constructed, as well as the ways in which it has been critiqued and complicated. In doing so, we will also pay attention to: shifting perception(s) of race/racial difference in global and transnational contexts, representations of race in cultural texts and discourse, cross-racial connections and formations, and inter-articulation of gender, sexuality, and class formations with race. This course reflects the goals of the Exploring Diversity Initiative through its comparative approaches to study of race and in its emphasis on the centrality of racial formations to the structure and logic of national life.

Format: seminar. Requirements: active in-class participation, 3-4 short response papers, final project (8-10 pages) and an in-class workshop/presentation of final project.


Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR  UM

AMST 240(S) Latina/o Language and Literature: Hybrid Voices (Same as Comparative Literature 210 and Latina/o Studies 240) (D)  (See under LATAS 240 for full description.)  Cepeda

AMST 256 Literature of the Americas: Transnational Dialogues on Race, Violence and Nation-Building (Same as Comparative Literature 272, Latina/o Studies 272 and Spanish 272) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)  (See under COMP 272 for full description.)  French

AMST 264(F) American Art and Architecture, 1600 to Present (Same as ArtH 264)  (See under ARTH 264 for full description.)  M. Lewis

AMST 283 Topics in Asian American Literature (Same as English 283) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)  This course examines a sampling of Asian American texts from the late nineteenth century to the present and contextualizes them historically. Produced by writers from very varied Asian American groups and in a variety of styles, these works—by such writers as Maxine Hong Kingston, Jose Garcia Villa, Younghill Kang, Hisaye Yamamoto, and Linh Dinh, provide a sense of heterogeneity of Asian American literature. They also force us to examine the intersections, material and psychic, of historical events/larger structural forces with individuals and groups. Our readings will prod us to call into question assumptions we make about what is “Asian American” but also, crucially, what is “American.” Both domestic issues (e.g., American politics, racism, links with other minority groups) and global considerations (e.g., U.S. immigration and foreign policies, the three wars with Asian countries in the last century)-and how they have shaped Asian American histories and literatures-will figure importantly in our discussions.

Format: seminar. Requirements: two papers, one midterm, and class participation.

No prerequisites. No enrollment limit (expected: 25).  Wang

AMST 284(F) Topics in Asian American History (Same as Asian Studies 284 and History 284) (D)  (See under HIST 284 for full description.)  Wang

AMST 301(F) Theories and Methods in American Studies (Junior Seminar)  This course aims to provide a "how to" of American Studies from an integrative, multidisciplinary, and socio-cultural perspective. Taking American culture as a site for testing classic and contemporary theories about how cultures work, the Junior Seminar in American Studies serves as an introduction to resources and techniques for conducting advanced undergraduate research. Students will be exposed to and experiment with a wide range of current theoretical and methodological approaches employed in American Studies and contributing disciplinary fields, and in the process gain a working competence in all four tracks of the major (Space and Place; Comparative Studies in Race, Ethnicity and Diaspora; Arts in Context; and Critical and Cultural Theory). The goal of the course is not only for students to develop knowledge of main currents in the field of American Studies but also to become practitioners through a series of assignments that will permit students to exercise their new knowledge, skills, and understanding. Creations will thus, for instance, develop rhetorical analyses, gather ethnographic data, and "read" asorted spaces and buildings, as the class explores such problems or topics as national narratives, ethnic formations, the American prison system, and the circulation of commodities.

Format: discussion. Requirements: evaluation will be based on class participation and a wide variety of student assignments, ranging from postings to the class blog site, to short, analytical essays (5 pp.), to field work exercises, to in-class presentations.

Prerequisites: AMST 301, junior or senior standing, or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 12). Preference given to juniors majoring in American Studies; required of junior majors.

Hour: 11:00-12:15 MW  Cleghorn

AMST 302 Public Sphere/Public Space (Same as Political Science 335) (Junior Seminar) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)  The "public sphere," one of the core concepts of modern democratic thought, has taken on renewed significance in intellectual life today. This writing-intensive seminar looks briefly at the evolution of the term, but concentrates on its relevance to contemporary politics. Our investigations will center on the character and meaning of public space. We will look at space both as a key metaphor in political theory and as a medium of everyday practical struggle: that is, we will examine not only some of the most influential conceptions of public life, but also the political forces shaping it and the role of space in the broad sphere of the built environment. These examinations will combine critical reading and analytical writing with field observations, group work, and oral presentations. Our primary focus will be on the following relationship between ideas of citizenship and models of the public: the racing, gendering, and class-stratification of spaces (civic, residential, commercial, etc.); urbanity and suburbanization; the kinds of spaces and politics opened and closed by the internet and contemporary technology. Likely authors include Arendt, Berman, Davis, Delany, Foucault, Fraser, Garrison, Habermas, Hall, Harvey, Holston, Sennett, Sunstein,Virilio.

Format: discussion. Requirements: regular participation in class and on line, one 3-page paper, three 6-page papers, and two ethnographic field exercises/presentations.

Prerequisites: prior work in theory or permission of the instructor; not open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 18 (expected: 18).  Political Theory Subfield  Reinhart

AMST 303(F) Four American Poets (Same as English 301) (W)  (See under ENGL 301 for full description.)  Cleghorn

AMST 305(S) Cities of the Anglophone Chinese Imagination (Same as Asian Studies 305, Comparative Literature 303 and English 374) (D)  The current academic vogue for the "diaisporic" and the "transnational" has shifted the emphasis away from viewing ethnic literatures solely, or primarily, as minority national literatures and towards reading them more "globally." Such a re-framing, while potentially exciting, raises new questions. For example, what exactly is shared by subjects in a given diaspora? Does the term "diaspora"
necessarily invoke the specter of racial essentialism? What happens to concepts of race, racialization and racism when one moves away from local and national politics? Is the idea of a diasporic subject much less vexing than the idea of a racially minoritized person? How important a role does the shared English language play in these diasporas? In this course, we will look at the works of a specific diasporic literary group, English-language writers of Chinese descent, living in England, former British colonies (the United States, Canada, Australia) and other sites in Asia formerly colonized by the British. We will consider how geographic sites function as material spaces and places of the imagination and how the English language is itself a material and imaginary space.

**Format:** discussion/seminar. Evaluation will be based on one 5- to 7-page paper, one 8- to 10-page paper, short response papers, participation.

Prerequisites: those taking this as an English class must have previously taken a 100-level English course. **Enrollment limit:** 17 (expected: 10). Preference given to American Studies majors.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 T

**AMST 306 Latinos and Cultural Citizenship (Same as Latina/o Studies 306)** (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under LATS 306 for full description.)

**AMST 308 California: Myths, Peoples, Places (Same as Latina/o Studies 308)** (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under LATS 308 for full description.)

**AMST 310 Latino Cityscapes: Mapping Place, Community, and Latinidad in U.S. Urban Centers (Same as Latina/o Studies 310) (Junior Seminar)** (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under LATS 310 for full description.)

**AMST 311(F) Ethnographies of Diaspora and Popular Culture (Same as Latina/o Studies 311)**

(See under LATS 311 for full description.)

**AMST 312(S) Chicago (Same as Environmental Studies 313 and Latina/o Studies 312)**

(See under LATS 312 for full description.)

**AMST 313 Gender, Race, Beauty, and Power in the Age of Transnational Media (Same as Comparative Literature 313, Latina/o Studies 313 and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 313)** (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under LATS 313 for full description.)

**AMST 314(F) Groovin' the Written Word: The Role of Music in African American Literature (Same as Africana Studies 314, Comparative Literature 321, English 314 and Music 214)**

(See under AFR 314 for full description.)

**AMST 319(S) Ethnographic Approaches to Africana Studies (Same as Africana Studies 319 and Sociology 319)**

(See under AFR 319 for full description.)

**AMST 329(F) Cultures of War: U.S. Wars in Asia and American Culture (Same as English 329)**

The nations and continent of Asia have often figured as sites onto which the U.S. has projected various hopes, anxieties, and desires since the 18th century. Throughout the 20th century, the rise of U.S. as a global power has been inaugurated and marked perhaps most prominently through its wars in Asia-in the Philippines, Pacific Islands, Korea, Viet Nam. This class explores how America’s military interventions in Asia have impacted and shaped numerous aspects of American life: how have representations and remembrances of different wars been instrumental in shaping national identities and narratives? Have these wars also been central to our understandings and discourse about race in America? And why and how has the work of “culture” been central to wars and vice versa? While the main focus of the class is on the making of American culture, we will also examine non-U.S. centric texts and critiques and in doing so, our approaches and methods of analyses will seek to be mindful of ways in which certain ideas of “America”—and nationalism—gets privileged.

**Format:** seminar. Requirements: active in-class participation, four unit projects/papers (3-5 pages; length will vary depending on the unit and the assignment), including at least one in-class workshop and informal presentation on unit project, and a final paper (8-10 pages).

Prerequisites: if registered through English, a 100-level English class, or with consent of the instructor. **Enrollment limit:** 16 (expected: 15). Preference given to American Studies majors, then English majors.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF

**AMST 332 Latinos and Education: The Politics of Schooling, Language, and Latino Studies (Same as Latina/o Studies 332) (Junior Seminar)** (Not offered 2011-2012)

(Same as English 314 and Literature 321, English 314 and Music 214)

(Same as Africana Studies 314, Comparative Literature 321, English 314 and Music 214)

(Same as Environmental Studies 313 and Latina/o Studies 313)

(See under LATS 338 for full description.)

Schools have often become the focal point for debates over the relationship between cultural identity, intellectual abilities, and the production of knowledge. What should be taught, who should be taught, and how should they be taught frame the politics of schooling. Language has often taken center stage in these debates. This course examines the effects of educational policies and practices on the development of Latina/o students and communities. We will also consider how these students and communities have resourcefully carved out spaces and made demands to meet their educational needs. Topics include school desegregation, bilingual education, student walk-outs and sit-ins, as well as the origins and advancement of Chicano Studies, Puerto Rican Studies, and more recently Latino Studies programs on college campuses. Students will critically engage the major themes of the course in two essays as they also engage each other in the form of peer-reviews and other in-class writing workshop exercises. This course explores the experiences and expressions of racially and culturally diverse Latinas and Latinos, focusing on the myriad ways in which they confront, negotiate, and at times challenge dominant U.S. hierarchies of race, culture, gender and class.

**Format:** discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, writing workshop participation (and related assignments), group presentations, and two essays (12-15 pages).

**RUA**

**AMST 336(F) Global Migration (Same as Sociology 336)**

(See under SOC 336 for full description.)

**AMST 338(S) Literature of the American Renaissance (Same as English 338)**

(See under ENGL 338 for full description.)

**AMST 339 Popular Culture and the Dynamics of the Everyday (Same as Comparative Literature 338 and Latina/o Studies 338)** (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under LATS 338 for full description.)

**AMST 345(F) Envisioning Blackness (Same as Africana Studies 344 and English 345)**

(See under ENGL 345 for full description.)

**AMST 346(S) Latinas/os and the Media: From Production to Consumption (Same as Comparative Literature 359 and Latina/o Studies 346)**

(See under LATS 346 for full description.)

**AMST 350(F) Feeling Queer: Theories of Emotion and Affect in Literary and Cultural Studies (Same as Comparative Literature 356, English 356 and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 355)**

(See under ENGL 356 for full description.)

**AMST 364 Imagining Urban America, Three Case Studies: Boston, Chicago, and L.A. (Same as History 466)** (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under HIST 466 for full description.)

(D)
AMST 372T(S) American Modernist Fiction (Same as English 372T) (W) (See under ENGL 372T for full description.) LIMON

AMST 379(S) American Pragmatism (Same as Philosophy 379) (See under PHIL 379 for full description.) GERRARD

AMST 397(F), 398(S) Independent Study

AMST 403 New Asian American, African American, Native American, and Latina/o Writing (Same as Africana Studies 403, Comparative Literature 375, English 375 and Latina/o Studies 403) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) Critics reading minority writing often focus on its thematic—i.e., sociological—content. Such literature is usually presumed to be inseparable from the “identity”/body of the writer and read as autobiographical, ethnographic, representational, exotic. At the other end of the spectrum, avant-garde writing is seen to concern itself “purely” with formal questions, divorced from the socio-historical (and certainly not sullied by the taint of race). In the critical realm we currently inhabit, in which “race” is opposed to the “avant-garde,” an experimental minority writer can indeed seem an oxymoron. In this class we will closely read recent work by Asian American, African American, Native American and Latina/o writers which challenges preconceptions about ethnic literature, avant-garde writing, genre categorization, among other things. The writing done by these mostly young, mostly urban, poets and fiction writers is some of the most exciting being written in the United States today: their texts push the boundaries of aesthetic form while simultaneously engaging questions of culture, politics, and history. Reading them forces us to re-think our received notions about literature. Authors to be read include Will Alexander, Sherwin Bitsui, Monica de la Torre, Sesshu Foster, Renee Gladman, Bhanu Kapil, Tan Lin, Tao Lin, Ed Roberson, James Thomas Stevens, Roberto Tejada, and Edwin Torres.

Format: seminar/discussion. Evaluation will be based on either one 16- to 18-page seminar paper or two shorter papers (one 7-8 pages and one 9-10 pages); short response papers; participation.

Prerequisites: Those taking this as an English class must have previously taken a 100-level English course. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). Preference given to American Studies majors.

WANG

AMST 403 American Music (Senior Seminar) (Not offered 2011-2012) One way to write the cultural history of music is to trace the authority with which different people can say “You are hurting my ears” at any given historical moment.” So writes Carlo Rotella, one of the historians whose work we will read in this course as we approach American popular music as an object of cultural studies. We will study particular performers and styles (e.g. Elvis, Selena, punk and hip hop), but we do so in the context of the histories of labor; social migration; political and economic shifts; ideologies; and of the culture industry. Moving from the late-nineteenth-century to the present, and through agrarian to industrial to postindustrial social configurations, we will study music as a means of expressing resistance and accommodation and as the basis of community-formation and disruption. We will pay special attention to the recent recovery by American musicians of folk musics originating outside of American borders: Celtic, African and Cuban in the context of global capitalism and American hegemony. Texts include works of history, cultural criticism and ethnomusicology; audio-archival recordings in the field, in the studio, and in concert; and documentary and fiction films.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on a number of written assignments.


CLEGHNOR

AMST 405 Home and Belonging: Displacements, Relocations, and Place-Making (Same as Latina/o Studies 405) (Not offered 2011-2012) (Senior Seminar) (W) (D) The metaphor of “home” and idea of “belonging” bring insight to theories and investigations centered on community building and identity formation within and across national borders. These constructions give us an indication of what people value, what is worth fighting for, as well as what is considered expendable. The objective in this course is to interrogate constructions of home and belonging by studying how individuals, communities, and nations are transformed by experiences of dislocation, migration, and renewed place-making. What are the ways a sense of belonging shapes these identities and the investments made in these formations? Working with ethnography, history, memoir, literature, critical essays, and documentary film, we will consider the personal and political uses and meanings of memory, nostalgia, and imagination in “rooting” migrating subjects in space and time. Among the many case studies we will examine are the politics of homeland among Cuban-Americans, Native American and West Indian festive forms, and place-claiming and racial sincerity among African Americans. This course explores the experiences and expressions of racialized populations in the United States, focusing on the myriad ways in which they confront, negotiate, and at times challenge dominant U.S. hierarchies of race, culture, gender and class.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, annotated bibliography, short essay, writing workshop participation (and related assignments), research paper related assignments, and a final research paper and presentation.

Prerequisites: Prior courses in Latino Studies, American Studies, or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15). Preference given to senior Latino Studies concentrators and American Studies majors.

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AMST 408 Envisioning Urban Life: Objects, Subjects, and Everyday People (Same as Latina/o Studies 408) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D) (See under LATS 408 for full description.)

AMST 409(F) Transnational Lives in Global Context (Senior Seminar) (Same as Latina/o Studies 409) (W) (D) In the age of satellite television, e-mail, and readily available international phone cards, transnationalism has rapidly become the norm as opposed to the exception. However, what does it really mean to “be transnational”? How do the lived experiences of transnational individuals and communities merge with (and differ from) theoretical notions of the transnational? How do the practices and concepts of diaspora, globalization, and transnationalism overlap? How does the growing number of transnational citizens and residents in this country shape “American” identity on the local, national, and global scales? In this interdisciplinary, comparative course we will analyze contemporary theories regarding the origins and impacts of transnationalism, key critiques regarding the field of transnational studies itself, and transnationalism’s role in the “New” American Studies. Case studies examined in this course include China, Colombia, the Dominican Republic, Haiti, India, Mexico and the Philippines.

Format: discussion. Evaluation to be based on student participation, the completion of an original research paper conducted in stages (abstract, annotated bibliography, outline, and multiple drafts), and peer editing.


Hour: 1:10-3:50 W BAEZ

AMST 410(S) American Avant Garde Poetry Since 1950 (Same as English 410) This course examines American poetry from what one critic has called “the other side of the century”—the lineage of poetry descending from two Modernist forebears, Ezra Pound and Gertrude Stein. Focusing on experimental poetry since 1950, we will read poems and essays by those working in Black Mountain, New York School, Beat, Black Arts, Language, Cock School, Beat, and digital poetics and poetry. Format: seminar. Requirements: several short assignments (presentation, response papers), class participation, and [either] one long seminar paper (20-25 pp.) or two shorter papers (one 8-10 pp., the other 12-15 pp.).

Prerequisites: AMST 201 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 15). Preference given to American Studies seniors, then other American Studies and English majors.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 W WANG

AMST 462 Art of California: “Sunshine or Noir” (Same as ArtH 462 and Latina/o Studies 462) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under ARTH 462 for full description.)

CHAVOYA

AMST 491(F)-W30, W30-492(S) Senior Honors Project

SPECIALIZATION FIELDS

To provide focus for work in the major, each student will choose one of the Specialization Fields listed below and record this choice when registering for the major. (This commitment can be revised, in consultation with the chair.) At least five electives will be taken from among those designated to support a specialization.
tion field. In extraordinary cases, students who wish to do so may be permitted to design their own specializations field. All such arrangements must be approved by the American Studies Advisory Committee.

**ARTS IN CONTEXT**

This specialization is for students interested in American arts, literature and media. Its approaches are interdisciplinary; it trains students to examine cultural artifacts with attention to aesthetic form and to the contexts—historical, social, political—that determine and situate those forms. Broadly, it asks how history has shaped the arts and media and how the arts and media have shaped how we think and who we are. Students in this specialization take courses across a range of genres and media: poetry, fiction, music, film and video, pop culture, visual culture, performance, experimental and activist art.

**Students can check with the department coordinator to see if other courses not listed here might count as electives.**

**Elective courses:**

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<td>Latino/a Language and Literature; Hybrid Voices in Contemporary Context</td>
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<td>MUS 210</td>
<td>American Pop Orientalism—last offered spring 2007</td>
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<td>Nothing But the Blues—last offered spring 2007</td>
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**COMPARATIVE STUDIES IN RACE, ETHNICITY, AND DIASPORA**

This interdisciplinary specialization examines the role of race, ethnicity, and diasporic movements in the construction of American identities. Students explore how experiences and concepts of race and ethnicity are transformed through the processes of diaspora and immigration. These courses may encompass a broad spectrum of fields such as history, literature, religion, politics, anthropology, gender studies, media and the performing arts, among others. NOTE: Concentrators in this area are required to take a combination of courses that will allow them to comparatively assess the experiences of at least two ethno-racial groups in the Americas.

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<td>Race, Ethnicity, and Education in the United States—last offered fall 2008</td>
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<td>Black Ministerial Imaginations: Griots, Athletics, and Maestros</td>
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CRITICAL AND CULTURAL THEORY

Critical and cultural theory is for students who want their American Studies work to combine philosophy, aesthetics, and social thought. Its approach is methodological, conceptual, and problem-driven. Students combine courses in feminist theory, anti-imperial and postcolonial theory, literary theory, critical race theory, queer theory, psychoanalysis, Marxism, and other counter-traditions in political theory and philosophy.

Elective courses:
- AFR 131 Contemporary Africana Social and Political Philosophy
- AFR 180/PSCI 206 Foundations of Afro-Caribbean Thought
- AFR 260 Womanist/Black Feminist Thought
- AFR 302/PSCI 234/RHEL 261 Rastafari: Dread, Politics, Agency
- AFR 402/PSCI 360/PHIL 360 The Political Thought of Frantz Fanon
- AMST 302/PSCI 335 Public Sphere/Public Space
- ANSO 206 Social Theory
- ANTH 328T Emotions and the Self
- COMP 340/ENGL 363 Literature and Psychoanalysis
ENGL 117/COMP 117 Introduction to Cultural Theory
[ENGL 249 Hitchcock and Psychoanalytic Theory—last offered fall 2006]
[ENGL 256 Culture and Colonialism: An Introduction—last offered fall 2006]
ENGL 341/WGSS 341 American Genders, American Sexualities
ENGL 342/WGSS 342 Representing Sexualities last offered fall 2007]
[ENGL 340/ARTH 307/COMP 356/DNTR 346 The Human Face in the Modern Imagination—last offered fall 2007]
ENGL 383/AFR 383/AMST 383 Theorizing Pluralisms
[ENGL 386/WGSS 388/COMP 342 Psychoanalysis, Gender, and Sexuality—last offered spring 2007]
ENGL 416 Adorno
HIST 483T African Political Thought
[HIST 489/WGSS 489 History and the Body—last offered spring 2007]
INTR 210/PSCI 302/AFR 210 Race, Culture, and Incarceration
INTR 208/PSCI 300/AFR 309 Black Gender Theory: Intimacy, Memory and Violence
INTR 313/PHIL 313/PSCI 313 The Origins of Totalitarianism
LATS 230/TEA 323/WGSS 231 Approaching Performance Studies
LATS 338/AMST 338/COMP 338 Theorizing Popular Culture: Latinas/os and the Dynamics of the Everyday
PHIL 201 Reading the Critics of Reason
PHIL 228/WGSS 228 Feminist Bioethics
PHIL 271/WGSS 271 Woman as "Other"
PHIL 304 Authenticity: From Rousseau to Poststructuralism
PHIL 305 Existentialism and Phenomenology
PHIL 327/WGSS 327 Foucault
PHIL 379/AMST 379 American Pragmatism
PHIL 393 Hegel: Freedom and History
POEC 250/ECON 299/PSCI 238 Economic Liberalism and Its Critics
[PSY 203 Intro to Political Theory (Marasco, fall 2006; fall 2007)]
PSCI 205/LEAD 205 Leaders in Contemporary Conservative Thought
PSCI 230 American Political Thought
PSCI 235 Multiculturalism and Political Theory
PSCI 326 Empire and Imperialism
PSCI 336/WGSS 336 Sex, Gender, and Political Theory
PSCI 338 Critical Theory, Violence and Sacrifice
PSCI 339 Politics and Aesthetics
PSCI 430/AFR 430 Senior Seminar in Political Theory: Heretical Political Thought-Hannah Arendt and C.L.R. James
REL 204/JWST 204/PHIL 204 Endtimes: Messianism in Modernity
REL 303/JWST 303/PHIL 282 The Turn to Religion in Post-Modern Thought
REL 304/COMP 344 From Hermeneutics to Post-Coloniality
REL 305 Foucault
SOC 214T Exploring the American Culture Wars
[SOC 225/WGSS 227 Sex and Gender—last offered spring 2007]
SOC 345/ASST 345/HIST 392 Producing the Past
[THEA 322/COMP 322 Performance Criticism—last offered fall 2006]
WGSS 101 Introduction to Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies
WGSS 202 Introduction to Sexuality Studies
WGSS 225/PHIL 225 Introduction to Feminist Thought
WGSS 402 Transformations and Entanglements: Identity and Agency

SPACE AND PLACE
This route focuses on the human landscape and the built environment. Courses listed below variously undertake the reading of geographical regions, patterns of habitation, imagined spaces, property relations and/or artifacts.

Elective courses:
AFR 400/COMP 369/ENGL 365/WGSS 400 Race, Gender, Space
AMST 302/PSCI 335 Public Sphere/Public Space
AMST 305/ASST 305/COMP 303/ENGLISH 374 Cities of the Anglophone Chinese Imagination
ARTH 201/ENV 201 American Landscape History
ARTH 204/AMST 264 American Art and Architecture, 1600 to Present
ARTH 311/ENV 311 North American Suburbs
ARTH 405 Seminar in Architectural Criticism
ECON 383 Cities, Regions and the Economy
ENV 101 Nature and Society: An Introduction to Environmental Studies
ENV 307/PSCI 317 Environmental Law
GEOS 105 Geology Outdoors
GEOS 201/ENV 205 Geomorphology
GEOS 206/ENV 206 Renewable Energy and the Sustainable Campus
HIST 364 History of the Old South
HIST 365 History of the New South
HIST 373/ENV 373 Ya Va Voom! A Nation on Wheels
HIST 380 Comparative American Immigration History
HIST 404/AMST 364 Imagining Urban America, Three Case Studies: Boston, Chicago, and L.A.
LATS 220/AMST 221 Introduction to Urban Studies: Shaping and Living the City
LATS 258/ARTH 258 Latin/o Installation and Site-Specific Art
LATS 312/AMST 312 Chicago
LATS 405/AMST 405 Home and Belonging: Comparative Explorations of Displacements, Relocations, and Place-Making
LATS/AMST 408 Envisioning Urban Life: Objects, Subjects, and Everyday People
MAST 352/HIST 352 America and the Sea, 1600-Present
PSCI 349T Cuba and the United States
SOC 215 Crime
SOC 268 Space and Place

ANTHROPOLOGY AND SOCIOLOGY (Div. II)
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The Department of Anthropology and Sociology at Williams aims to help students achieve an integrated understanding of biography, history, culture, and social life in both traditional and modern societies.

Anthropology explores the full range of human experience by introducing students to the study of tribal and peasant societies, especially those on the periphery of the West, as well as to the cultural complexities of stratified, industrial societies such as our own. Integrated with the study of specific peoples is an examination of the various analytical schemes anthropologists have developed to understand them. Courses offered in the department represent two of Anthropology’s major subfields: sociocultural anthropology—that is, the comparative study of human social life, institutions, and beliefs—and archaeology, the study of the origins and lifeways of prehistoric peoples.

Sociology studies the social and institutional intricacies of modern industrial societies and the social psychological dilemmas facing the individual in our epoch. Sociology courses introduce students to classical and contemporary social thought about men and women and society, to the systematic analysis of social...
institutions and social interaction, and to the social analysis of modern culture. The Sociology major at Williams emphasizes the humanistic tradition of sociology, stressing qualitative approaches to understanding how social reality is constructed.

MAJORS
The department offers separate majors in both Anthropology and Sociology, with a broad and diverse array of courses in both disciplines. The department is committed, however, to the unity of the social sciences. To this end, Anthropology and Sociology offer joint core courses in methodology and theory, as well as several elective courses in common. All joint courses are designated “ANSO.”

Requirements
For the degree in Anthropology or Sociology, students must complete a minimum of nine courses as outlined below:

1. Core Courses. Majors in both disciplines must take a sequence of four core courses. Three of these are joint (ANSO) courses. We strongly encourage students to take ANSO 205 and 206 during their sophomore year. The sequences are:

   **Anthropology**
   - ANTH 101 The Scope of Anthropology

   **Joint (ANSO)**
   - ANSO 205 Ways of Knowing
   - ANSO 206 Social Theory
   - ANSO 402 Senior Seminar

   **Sociology**
   - SOC 101 Invitation to Sociology

2. Elective Courses. Majors in Anthropology or Sociology must take five elective courses from the course listings of their respective disciplines or from the joint ANSO listings. Two of the courses chosen are normally at the 300 level or above. In close consultation with their departmental advisors, students may take some selected courses from other disciplines to fulfill major requirements in either Anthropology or Sociology.

3. Majors in each wing of the department are allowed to count up to two courses in the other wing towards fulfillment of their major requirements.

STATISTICS AND DATA ANALYSIS
In addition to the nine total courses required for the major, it is recommended that Anthropology and Sociology majors take Statistics 101 or a comparable course in statistics and data analysis.

AREA STUDIES CONCENTRATION
Students who wish to combine a major in Anthropology or Sociology with an Area Studies concentration are encouraged to do so. Courses taken to satisfy an Area Studies requirement may be counted toward the major with prior approval of a student’s departmental advisor. The only exception to this rule is the Area Studies senior seminar, which cannot ordinarily be counted toward the Anthropology or Sociology degree.

LANGUAGE STUDY, STUDY ABROAD, AND WINTER STUDY
Departmental advisors will help interested students integrate a major with study abroad, foreign language study, or field research during the winter study period. The department encourages Williams students to take advantage of established foreign study programs in Egypt, Japan, India, Hong Kong, and other countries. Because some foreign study programs do not offer courses that can be counted toward the Anthropology or Sociology degrees, however, sophomores planning to study abroad in junior year must consult with the departmental advisor before declaring a major.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN ANTHROPOLOGY OR SOCIOLOGY
Honors and highest honors are normally awarded for the completion of a year-long research project that has resulted in an original thesis of high quality. Students wishing to write an honors thesis should engage a member of the department faculty as a Thesis Advisor as soon as possible and must submit a proposal for the thesis for department approval no later than preregistration in the spring of the junior year. If the proposal is approved, they will be permitted to register for the ANTH 101/SOC 101 or a comparable thesis for the degree with honors.

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ANTHROPOLOGY / SOCIOLOGY COURSES

**JOINT CORE COURSES**

**ANSO 205(S) Ways of Knowing**
An exploration of how one makes sense of the social world through fieldwork. Some of the key questions of the course are: What are the philosophical and epistemological underpinnings of social inquiry? How does one frame intellectual problems and go about collecting, sifting, and assessing field materials? What are the uses and limits of statistical data? What is the importance of history to sociological and anthropological research? How can one use archival and other documentary materials to enrich ethnographic research? What are the empirical limits to interpretation? What is the relationship between empirical data and the generation of social theory? How does the social organization of social research affect one’s inquiry? What are the typical ethical dilemmas of fieldwork and of other kinds of social research? How do researchers’ personal biographies and values shape their work? We will approach these problems concretely rather than abstractly through a series of case studies of the habits of mind of men and women in the world of affairs who must make sense of their worlds in order to act responsibly. There will also be some practical training in basic field methods, census and survey interpretation, and archival research.

Prerequisites: Anthropology 101 or Sociology 101 or permission of instructor. Enrolment limit: 25 (expected: 25).
Not available for the Gaudino option.
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**ANSO 206(F) Social Theory**
An introduction to social theory in anthropology and sociology. The course explores both disciplines’ stances toward the puzzles of tradition and modernity through the works of major thinkers such as Marx, Weber, Durkheim, Freud, and others. In particular, the course examines ways in which the two disciplines approach the fundamental problems of human experience: how do men and women in different societies and epochs construct and maintain social order? How do they allocate authority, responsibility, and blame, as well as social prestige, power, and material wealth? How do they regulate sexual relationships and organize work? What systems of beliefs and reinforcing symbols do they fashion to come to grips with evil, misfortune, transgression, and mortality? What epistemological frameworks underpin their worlds? What happens when social worlds fall apart? The course also reconstructs the intellectual trajectories and social histories of both disciplines.

Format: seminar. Requirements: full participation in the seminar, class presentations, several short papers.
Prerequisites: ANTH 101 or SOC 101 or ANSO 205 or permission of the instructor. Enrolment limit: 25 (expected: 25). Preference given to Students who are already declared majors in Anthropology or Sociology.
Not available for the Gaudino option.
Hour: 1:10-3:50 W

**ANSO 402(S) Senior Seminar**
This capstone seminar combines intensive discussion and individual research. The first half of the semester will be dedicated to the discussion of issues central to the concerns of contemporary anthropology. The class will meet with the instructor in spring 2010 to decide on that topic. Then, in the second half of the semester, students will pursue independent, original projects and produce a major term paper. Toward the end of the semester, students will present their projects to the seminar. Students who are not senior majors in anthropology or sociology are admitted to this course only on the instructor’s permission.

Format: seminar. Requirements: full participation, major research project and paper, class presentation.
Prerequisites: senior Anthropology and Sociology majors or permission of instructor. Enrolment limit: 18 (expected: 15).
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF

**ANTH 101(FS) The Scope of Anthropology (D)**
Is there such a thing as “human nature”? Why have human societies developed such a bewildering range of customs to deal with problems common to people everywhere? This course addresses these questions by introducing students to the comparative study of human social life and culture. Topics surveyed in the course include economics, language and thought, kinship and marriage, law and politics, and the wide variations in human belief systems, including religions.
The course also considers the ways that anthropology, a discipline that was until recently practiced almost exclusively by Westerners, approaches other societies in search of insights on our own customs and values. Ethnographic descriptions of both "simple" tribal societies and complex modern ones are a prominent part of the readings. This course explores differences and similarities between cultures and societies and ways in which they have interacted and responded to one another in the past.

Format: lecture/discussion of case studies and ethnographic films. Requirements: two short essays, a final examination and class participation.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 30). Preference given to first-year students and sophomores. Juniors and seniors admitted only by permission of instructor.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 MWF 11:00-12:15 MWF

First Semester: JUST

Second Semester: D. EDWARDS

ANTH 103(F) Pyramids, Bones, and Sherds: What is Archaeology?

Anthropology examines not only living societies, but also prehistoric cultures whose remains are found worldwide. This course will present how archaeology examines the various aspects of human society from the physical record of prehistory. How do we study the subsistence and settlement patterns, the political and social organization, and the economy and ideology of prehistoric societies who have left behind mute material records? The objective of anthropological archaeology is to bring to life these prehistoric cultures through archaeological analysis. The different goals, approaches and methodologies of modern archaeology will be discussed theoretically and then applied to case studies.

Format: lecture/discussion/class presentations of case studies. Requirements: class presentations, two papers, midterm and final exams.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 25).

Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF

FOIAS

ANTH 203(S) Introduction to Native American Studies (Same as American Studies 203) (D)

(See under AMST 203 for full description.)

VIGIL

ANTH 207 North-American Indians (Not offered 2011-2012) (W/D)

An introduction to the subsistence strategies, social life, and religious vision of native North Americans. Particular attention will be paid to the sharp differences among Native American world views and to diverse strategies for cultural survival in contemporary America. Readings will include autobiographical, ethnographic, and historical works, as well as examples of contemporary Native American literature. This course satisfies the EDI requirement because it assesses a range of indigenous societies and considers the multiple ways that these societies have responded to the challenge of colonialism and cultural marginalization.

Class format: seminar, with a high level of class participation expected.

Requirements: a midterm, a final exam, and one 15-page research paper.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25). Priority given to Anthropology and Sociology majors.

M. F. BROWN

ANTH 209(F) Ecologies of Place: Culture, Commodities and Everyday Life (Same as American Studies 209 and Environmental Studies 209)

(See under ENVI 209 for full description.)

HOWE

ANTH 214(S) The Rise and Fall of Civilizations (Same as Environmental Studies 224)

Over the centuries, philosophers and historians have asked how societies evolved from simple hunter-gatherer bands to complex urban civilizations. Human prehistory and history have shown the repeated cycles of the rise, expansion and collapse of early civilizations in both the Old and New World. What do the similarities and differences in the development of these first civilizations tell us about the nature of societal change, civilization and the state, and human society itself? The course will examine these issues through an introductory survey of the earliest civilizations in Mesopotamia, Egypt, India, Mesoamerica and South America. Classical and modern theories on the nature, origin, and development of the state will be reviewed in light of the archaeological evidence.

Format: lecture/class discussion. Requirements: midterm, final exam, paper, two quizzes.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 35).

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

FOIAS

ANTH 216 Indigenous Peoples of Latin America (Not offered 2011-2012)

An introduction to the indigenous cultural heritage of Central and South America. After a brief review of Latin-American prehistory, the course will consider such issues as the demographic and political impact of the Conquest; the economic, social, and religious life of contemporary Indian and peasant communities; and the dynamics of cultural redefinition and survival in the turbulent political arena of the modern Latin-American state.

Format: seminar. Requirements: two essays and a take-home exam.


M. F. BROWN

ANTH 219(F) The Art and Archaeology of Maya Civilization: A Marriage Made in Xibalba (Same as ArtH 209)

The ancient Maya civilization was one of the most sophisticated and complex cultures of prehispanic Central America. Its complex calendrics, astronomy, mathematics and hieroglyphic writing system are well known worldwide. The course will examine the trajectory and nature of ancient Maya civilization from the combined perspectives of archaeology and art history. The origins and evolution of the Maya states during the Preclassic period (1000 B.C.–A.D. 250) will be explored first by looking at the rich archaeological evidence and at Preclassic art styles. The Classic Maya civilization (A.D. 250–1000) will then be presented through a detailed survey of the archaeology, art and hieroglyphic texts of this period. Finally, the collapse of Classic Maya civilization and its transformation and endurance during the Postclassic period and under early Spanish rule (A.D. 1000–1600) will be critically evaluated through a detailed review of the archaeologival and iconographic evidence.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: midterm and final exams, hieroglyphic project, research paper.

No prerequisites, but an introductory Art History or Anthropology course recommended. No enrollment limit (expected: 16). Preference: given to Anso and Art History majors.

Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF

FOIAS

ANTH 222(S) Charisma and Celebrity (Same as Religion 273) (W)

This course examines the ways in which cultures select, ritually celebrate, institutionally harness, and ultimately devour people designated as "extraordinary." We will begin by considering cultural archetypes and theories of the hero and how heroism has been understood in different eras and cultural contexts. Using Weber’s theory of charisma as a foundation, we will look at a number of specific case studies to evaluate the relationship between individual creativity and action and the demands of social conformity and control. Finally, we will examine how charisma is commoditized in the form of the celebrity in contemporary American culture.

Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, two short response papers, research paper, final exam.


Hour: 2:25-3:50 MR

D. EDWARDS

ANTH 223(S) Ethnic Minorities in China: Past and Present (Same as Chinese 223) (D)

(See under CHIN 223 for full description.)

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ANTH 225 Visible Culture: Documentary and Nonfiction (Same as English 236) (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course examines the potential of moving images to reveal aspects of culture normally obscured by the written word. We will consider both the theory and practice of documentary film from its inception around 1900 to the present, paying particular attention to the way documentary filmmakers have approached the representation of social reality in Western and non-Western cultural settings. Questions that we will consider include: What is the relationship between written text and image, or between image and story? What is the role of film in anthropology? What counts as a document?

Team-taught, through a mixture of lectures and discussions. Course requirement: Regular attendance at film screenings and active class participation. Students will write a 5-page paper on an assigned topic and a 12- to 15-page final paper. There will be a self-scheduled take-home final.

Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 30). Preference given to Anthropology/Sociology majors, then to sophomores, and finally to first-year students.

D. EDWARDS
ANTH 233 Spiritual Crossroads: Religious Life in Southeast Asia (Same as Asian Studies 233 and Religion 249) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

No region of the world presents a richer tapestry of religious beliefs, practices, and institutions than Southeast Asia. Buddhism, Hinduism, Christianity and Islam are all to be found and all of them interpenetrate and contend with each other and with a deep undergirding of animism, shamanism, and mystical folk belief systems. This course will survey these religious traditions through time and space, looking in particular at the growing tension between religion and the state as fundamentalism and religious militancy have spread into the region in recent times. All of Southeast Asia will be covered, but particular attention will be devoted to Indonesia, where religious blending and the growth of new fundamentalism are both especially marked.


No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15). Open to non-majors.

JUST

ANTH 234(S) Masculinities (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 234)

What does it mean to be a man? This course approaches masculinity in its various forms as a culturally constructed category and as an achieved aspect of social identity. We will look at characteristics of manhood as they are imagined cross-culturally: man as warrior, lover, husband, father, protector, provider, disciplinar-ian, abuser; we will look at how manhood is variously achieved and how it can be lost; and we will look at forms of masculinity as they articulate with modes of sexuality and gender. The course will make extensive use of cinema in exploring these themes.

Format: seminar. Requirements: attendance at film screenings, active leading and participation in class discussions, two 7-page papers, final 12-page paper.

No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to Anthropology and Sociology majors and to achieve gender balance.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

ANTH 235(S) Roman Archaeology and Material Culture (Same as Arth 235, Classics 224 and History 224)

(See under CLAS 224 for full description.)

RUBIN

ANTH 240 Roman Cities in the Near East (Same as Classics 340 and History 340) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

(See under CLAS 340 for full description.)

RUBIN

ANTH 243 Dilemmas of Humanitarian Intervention (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

This course will explore the promises, realities, and implications of humanitarian interventions, including relief operations, national reconstruction projects, and peacekeeping missions. People in the affluent nations of Western Europe and North America contribute billions of dollars each year in response to solicitations promising to relieve the suffering of victims of natural disaster, political strife, ethnic cleansing, and refugee crises. Western governments send thousands of troops to war-torn nations in order to `keep the peace.' However, all too often these efforts go awry and contribute in direct and indirect ways to the natural, economic, and political destruction already visited upon these countries. This course will consider the reasons and ways in which often well-intentioned actions to relieve the suffering of others go wrong, and ways in which current efforts might be improved. The course will begin with a consideration of the philosophical, ethical, and social underpinnings of humanitarianism, and then examine several classic anthropological studies, including Marcel Mauss's The Gift, which provide the ground for considering humanitarianism in a more socially nuanced manner. The majority of the course will focus on specific case studies or relief, reconstruction, and peacekeeping operations, including famine relief in sub-Saharan Africa, peacekeeping in the Balkans, and reconstruction programs in Afghanistan. In addition, we will look in depth at the work of one or more aid organizations.

Format: seminar. Requirements: two short papers (2-3 pages), a longer research paper (7 pages), and a take-home final.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). The class is open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Preference given to Anthropology and Sociology majors.

D. EDWARDS

ANTH 246 India’s Identities: Religion, Caste, and Gender (Same as Religion 246 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 246) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

(See under REL 246 for full description.)

GUTSCHOW

ANTH 248(F) Body Politics, Gender and Religion in South Asia (Same as Asian Studies 248, Religion 248 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 249) (D)

(See under REL 248 for full description.)

GUTSCHOW

ANTH 256 Engendering Buddhism: How Women and Men Shape and Are Shaped by Buddhism (Same as Asian Studies 256, Religion 256 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 256) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)

(See under REL 256 for full description.)

GUTSCHOW

ANTH 257 Gender Remade: Muslim Women and Narratives of Subjection (Same as Religion 238 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 257) (Not offered 2011-2012)

The status of women in Muslim societies has been posed as a moral problem since the colonial era providing much of the impetus for political and social reform as a corrective to the perceived conditions of women’s subjugation. This course will consider those in which this problem has been defined at the intersections of competing discourses (liberal humanist, nationalist, and religious) to understand how these have shaped gender in Muslim societies in the colonial and post-colonial periods. We will critically engage with a range of textual genres—including histories, ethnographies, biographies, memoirs—relating to Muslim women and societies in order to examine the contours of these debates in the colonial and post-colonial periods. By considering the theoretical and methodological issues posed by feminist, post-structuralist and post-colonial theorists in the study of gender and ‘women in the third world’, we will examine the ways in which categories such as religious, secular, human, political and social are variously deployed to represent beliefs, practices, conditions and lives of Muslim women. While the course is not geographically specific, it will primarily draw upon historical and anthropological literatures of the Middle East and South Asia. A familiarity with gender and Islam is recommended though not considered necessary to take this course.

Format: seminar (with occasional mini-lectures). Requirements: full class participation and attendance, class presentations, quiz, two 5-page papers and a take-home final.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15). Open to all students, but preference given to Anthropology and Sociology majors.

ANTH 258 Divine Kingship in the Ancient Mediterranean (Same as Classics 394, History 394 and Religion 213) (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under CLAS 394 for full description.)

RUBIN

ANTH 262T Applying the Scientific Method to Archaeology and Paleanthropology (Same as Chemistry 262T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

(See under CHEM 262 for full description.)

GUTSCHOW

ANTH 272(F) (formerly 392) Sex in Society: Cultural Constructions of Reproduction (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 272)

Why is reproduction such a controversial subject in medicine as well as religious and cultural discourses more broadly? And why is the reproductive body subject to gender in Muslim societies in order to explore the contours of these debates in the colonial and post-colonial periods. We will critically engage with a range of textual genres—including histories, ethnographies, biographies, memoirs—relating to Muslim women and societies in order to examine the contours of these debates in the colonial and post-colonial periods. By considering the theoretical and methodological issues posed by feminist, post-structuralist and post-colonial theorists in the study of gender and ‘women in the third world’, we will examine the ways in which categories such as religious, secular, human, political and social are variously deployed to represent beliefs, practices, conditions and lives of Muslim women. While the course is not geographically specific, it will primarily draw upon historical and anthropological literatures of the Middle East and South Asia. A familiarity with gender and Islam is recommended though not considered necessary to take this course.

Format: seminar. Requirements: participation in a weekly class blog, course presentations, final papers.


Hour: 1:10-3:50 W

GUTSCHOW
ANTH 299(F) Ritual, Power and Transgression (Same as Religion 274) (W)

Anthropology began, in part, as an effort to study "savage" cultures before they disappeared under the onslaught of modern civilization, and indeed most of the societies investigated by early anthropologists no longer exist or survive in completely altered form. As they lost their original object of study, however, anthropologists also discovered that the tools and concepts developed in the study of "primitive" cultures could be applied to the contemporary world. Exploring this possibility, this course examines the relevance of fundamental anthropological concepts that have developed through the structural and symbolic study of myth and ritual to the contemporary world in which we live.

The course is divided into four sections. In the first unit, we will read and discuss the work of Mary Douglas, Victor Turner, and Marshall Sahlins on myth and ritual, focusing in particular on the ways in which different cultures construct categories of inclusion and exclusion, safe and dangerous, pure and impure, while also creating the "in between" spaces within which both creativity and transgression emerge. On this foundation, we move to the second unit in which we discuss the structural relationship between ritual, power, and transgression in western contexts, taking the majority of our examples from early modern European and American history. In the third section of the course, we consider what an anthropological perspective can reveal about some seminal events in 20th century history, and we end the course by considering how anthropological theory informs two critical areas of current concern: immigration and national security.

Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, two short response papers, 10-page research paper, final exam.
Prerequisites: ANTH 101, SOC 101, REL 101, or any other ANTH or SOC course. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to Anthropology, Sociology or Religion majors.
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR

ANTH 324(S) Empires of Antiquity (W)

Cycles of rise and collapse of civilizations are common in our human past. Among the most fascinating cases are those of empires, conquest civilizations, or states that encompass a number of different ethnicities, peoples and cultures. However, their rise and often rapid collapse begs an important question: how stable have empires been in human history? Are they intrinsically unstable political forms? The course will address these questions by examining the major empires of the Old and New World in pre-modern history: Persian; Assyrian; Mongol; Roman; Chinese; Ottoman; Aztec; and Inca empires. Using readings by political scientists, historians, epigraphers, archaeologists and political anthropologists, we will consider the causes of the expansion and collapse of these empires. We will also explore their sociopolitical and economic structures as mechanisms for their maintenance in order to provide a cross-cultural comparison of the differential success and final decline of all these empires.

Format: seminar. Requirements: weekly short response papers and a research paper, class presentation and participation.
No prerequisites. No enrollment limit (expected: 15). Open to first-year students.
Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF

ANTH 328T Emotions and the Self (not offered 2011-2012) (D) (W)

Everyone everywhere experiences emotions, and everyone everywhere is faced with the task of conceptualizing a self-hood and its place in the social world. This course analyzes a variety of recent attempts in the social sciences to come to grips with topics that have long been avoided: the nature of the interior experience and an epistemological framework for its cross-cultural comparison. Exploring the borders between anthropology, sociology, and psychology, we will bring the tools of ethnographic analysis to bear on central pan-human concepts: emotions and the self. By examining these phenomena as they occur in other cultures, we will be better placed to apprehend and challenge the implicit (and often unconsciously held) assumptions about emotions and the self in our own culture, both in daily life and in academic psychological theory. What are emotions? Are they things—neuro-physiological states—or ideas—sociocultural constructions? How are they to be described; compared? What is the self? How are selves constructed and constituted? How do various cultures respond to categories of emotion and self, and how can we develop a sense of the relationship between self and emotion?

Format: tutorial
Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Open to first-year students.

ANTH 331 Witchcraft, Sorcery, and Magic (not offered 2011-2012)

Beliefs in magic, malign and otherwise, have been nearly universal in human experience. This course examines these beliefs in an attempt to understand their cognitive basis, symbolic effectiveness, and social consequences. In particular we will approach the question of "malign magic:" is it a form of "true" or "false" magic? Is it a form of "true" or "false" belief? Do these beliefs have consequences for the world around us?

Format: seminar. Requirements: a midterm, class presentation, and a term paper.
Prerequisites: Anthropology 101 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15). Preference given to Anthropology and Sociology majors and upperclassmen.

ANTH 335 In Between: The Ritual Construction of Identity and Difference (not offered 2011-2012)

This course examines the categories of inclusion and exclusion, safe and dangerous, pure and impure, and right and wrong that constitute cultural worlds, while also creating the middle zones that make cultural creativity possible. Beginning with an examination of "liminality" and rites of passage in the work of Arnold van Gennep and Victor Turner, we will go on to look at Mary Douglas's seminal work on the construction of categories of inclusion and exclusion and other theoretical works on ritual and the sacred. In the course of the semester, we will consider a variety of cultural contexts in which liminality is of central importance: different forms of religiosity in traditional Native American and contemporary US cultures, various avant garde artistic movements, and the ritual construction of the suicide bomber/martyr in Islam.

Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, two short response papers, research paper, final exam

ANTH 347(F) Tribe and State on the Afghan-Pakistan Border (Same as Asian Studies 347)

One of the major challenges President Obama will face in his first term in office involves the previous situation on the border between Afghanistan and Pakistan. While the problems in the region are generally framed in relation to Islamic extremism, the more fundamental issue is the failure of the Afghan and Pakistani governments to exercise control over the tribes that occupy the mountains and deserts of Afghanistan and Pakistan, and of the Pushtun and Baluchi tribes that are part of, yet independent from the states that surround them. We will go on to consider the role of Islam as a political force on the borders that have most recently been front lines, both in terms of the self-awareness and sense of coherence that might have enabled the tribes to maintain a foothold in the borders, despite the historic resistance of the tribes to outsiders of any kind. The course will also examine the efforts of, first, the Soviet Union in the 1980s and, more recently, the United States and its allies to control the borders, and we will conclude with a consideration of the geopolitical implications if Afghanistan and Pakistan prove in the end to be "failed states."

Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, short response papers, research paper, final exam
Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR

ANTH 391(F) Insurgencies: Revolts, Revolutions, Wars of National Liberation, and Jihads (Same as History 391 and INTR 391)

We often tend to think of warfare in the classic terms described by Clausewitz: states waging armed conflict against other states using armed forces that are distinct from non-combatant civilian populations. Throughout history, however, we may also encounter many instances of asymmetric conflict within states, communities, or between political entities, involving combatants who are often indistinguishable from the general population and whose objectives are often unlike those of states: Peasant revolts, revolutions, wars of independence or national liberation, and other forms of resistance and civil insurgency pit the relatively weak against the power of the state and may succeed because, to use Mao's metaphor, the insurgents move among the people like fish in water. The close relationship between insurgent fighters and the supporting population makes the social structure, social values, social institutions— in short, the culture— of the society particular. By considering how we will use the theoretical material in this course to understand the nature of a given asymmetric conflict, in this course we will develop a theoretical and analytical frame of conflict, in this course we will explore the theoretical understanding of violence and warfare as well as some of the basic literature on tribal and peasant society, peasant revolts, wars of national liberation, guerrilla warfare, and insurgencies. The second part of the course will be devoted to presentations prepared by small groups of students on case studies, e.g., the Hukbalahap insurgency in the Philippines, the communist revolutions of China, Cuba, and Malaysia, wars of national...
liberation such as those in Algeria and Vietnam, and other ongoing civil conflicts such as the Palestinian intifadah and “ethnic cleansing” in the Balkans. The final portion of the course is devoted to an in-depth study of Iraq following the American invasion and to a consideration of the evolving nature of asymmetric conflict in a globalizing world.

Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, two exams, research paper.

No prerequisites. Open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected 20). Preference will be given to Anthropology and Sociology majors.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

ANTH 397(F), 398(S) Independent Study

ANKSO 402(S) Senior Seminar

(See under ANSO 402 for full description.)

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SOCIOLOGY COURSES

Reminder: check the Anthropology/Sociology (ANSO) listings for additional courses.

SOC 101(ES) Invitation to Sociology

An introduction to sociological analysis. The course focuses on the relationship of individual men and women to the social world and introduces students to systematic institutional analysis. Students will explore the intersection of biography, history, culture, and social structure as seen in the work of classical and contemporary social thinkers, including Marx, Durkheim, Weber, Veblen, Simmel, and Goffman. Special consideration will be given to the social and cultural problems of capitalism, rationality and irrationality in modern institutions and organizations, the psychological dilemmas facing the individual in modern society, and the problem of social order and conflict.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: a take-home midterm exam, a class presentation and a final.


Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR

Second Semester: RULIKOVA

SOC 202(S) Terrorism and National Security

An analysis of the roots, goals, and social organization of contemporary radical Islamist terrorism and of the state efforts to defeat it. A focus on: the recruitment, training, and indoctrination of Islamist terrorists; their ideologies and self-images; and case studies of specific terrorist attacks and the vulnerabilities of modern society that such attacks reveal. The course analyzes the exigencies and dilemmas of ensuring public safety in a democratic society. Special attention to: the structure and ethos of intelligence work; the investigation of terrorist networks and their financing; the relationship between organized and semi-organized crime and terrorism; the legal dilemmas of surveillance, preemptive custody, and “extraordinary rendition” in democratic societies; and the technology and organization of ascertaining identities in modern society. The course also addresses the crisis facing European societies—particularly the United Kingdom, France, Belgium, the Netherlands, and Germany—with growing populations of radical Islamist minorities who reject cultural assimilation into Western social or legal frameworks, a crisis paralleled in the United States, with important differences, by widespread illegal immigration. An assessment of the ideology of multiculturality and its intended and unintended consequences in the fight against terror. The course also examines the threat of terrorists’ use of biological, chemical, and nuclear weapons of mass destruction and the defenses against such threats. Finally, it appraises the structure and content of mass media coverage of terrorism, as well as official and nonofficial propaganda on all sides of these issues. A Gaudino Fund Course.

Format: seminar. Requirements: full participation in the seminar, class presentations, and a major paper.


Not available for the Gaudino option.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR

JACKALL

SOC 204(S) Health, Illness, and Biomedicine

A sociological examination of the social, cultural, and institutional contexts of health, illness, and biomedical science in a globalized world. How do structural inequalities shape access to health care and affect morbidity and mortality? What are the social consequences of the commodification of health care by for-profit biotechnology, the medical markets, and pharmaceutical companies? How are information technologies re-shaping patient-physician relationships? How does illness vary in different social strata? The course will also examine the controversies surrounding stem cell science, fertility medicine, end-of-life decision-making and euthanasia, abortion, organ transplants, and the 2010 American health care legislation.


Format: seminar. Requirements: full participation and attendance, lead/co-lead one class discussion, one 5- to 7-page book review, one term paper, one final presentation on term paper topic. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25). Preference to Anthropology and Sociology majors.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR

OSBAKKEN

SOC 211(F) Race and the Environment (Same as Africana Studies 211 and Environmental Studies 211) (D)

(See under AFR 211 for full description.)

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SOC 215(F) Crime

An examination of crime, criminals, and crime-fighters. Topics include: violent urban youth gangs in America; the recruitment, socialization, argot, culture, worldviews, and ethics of professional criminals, both in America and in the international arena; the stages of criminal careers; the violence inherent in the drug trade; human trafficking of women and girls; white-collar scamps and financial depredations; identity theft; the work worlds and habits of mind of crime-fighters, with a special focus on the work of uniformed police officers, detectives, federal agents, and state and federal prosecutors; the symbolic representations of criminals and crime-fighters in American and international popular culture; and the crisis of public social order. Special attention to the nature of criminal investigation.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: mandatory attendance, randomly-called class presentations, short papers, final exam, and a term paper.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected 40). Preference given to first-year students, sophomores, and majors in anthropology & sociology.

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Format: seminar. Requirements: full participation in the seminar, class presentations, short midterm paper, and a term paper.


Not available for the Gaudino option.

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR

JACKALL

SOC 218 Law and Modern Society (Not offered 2011-2012)

This class is designed to introduce students to the field of law and society. The course begins with an overview of the various theoretical perspectives on the subject, drawing on Durkheimian, Marxist, Foucauldian, and Weberian analyses of law and society, as well as the work of those following in the different theoretical schools established by these scholars. Informed by the theoretical overview, the next part of the course considers empirical research in selected areas of law, including tort law, criminal trial procedures, abortion and divorce law, “community justice,” and the adjudication of drug offenses. Recognizing that understandings of our own legal practices are enlightened through comparisons to other legal systems, the second half of the course is primarily historical/comparative in focus. In this section, students will explore the development of legal systems in and compare legal practices in a range of countries, and the ways in which the legal teachings and practices compare with those in the United States. Finally, the course will consider the role of the courts in the context of the internationalization of the legal system.


No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 35 (expected: 35).

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SOC 219 Images and Society (Not offered 2011-2012)

"This is obvious: it is what we say when we feel that our point is irrefutably. But images are far less obvious than we may like to think. This course will create a forum for discussing the role of images in our lives, as well as the role played by visual representations in sociological inquiry. It will explore the variety of ways in which images can be used as diagnostics of society, develop skills for critical analysis of existing representations, and address the limitations, as well as specific strengths that come with the study of signs and images. Topics for discussion include truth in photography, the problem of interpretation, different visual languages, the contributions of photography, cinema, TV and digital technologies to changes in social relations, power in visual imagery, the appropriation and reshaping of visual symbols in different social contexts, the “visualization” of ethnic and racial identities, and linkages with contemporary cosmopolitanisms.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: active class participation, two response papers, oral presentation and a final paper.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25). Open to all students.

SHEVCHENKO

SOC 242(F) Food and Society

The French critic Roland Barthes famously said that food is a system of communication. This multidisciplinary course is designed to introduce students to different ways of thinking about food through an exploration of the complex social and cultural rules that underlie food’s consumption. Because our food choices communicate who we are—or what we aspire to—be the study of food reveals how societies throughout the world construct difference, whether religious, ethnic, national, or racial. The class will also examine nutrition, hunger, ideals of desirability in body image, and visual representations of food in advertising and art.

Prerequisite readings include: philosopher Jean Baudrillard on desire's role in the modern food society; sociologist Gary Alan Fine on the culture of restaurant work; Michael Pollan on ethical food choices; philosopher Carolyn Korsmeyer on taste; archaeologist Martin Jones on why humans share food; and sociologist Gary Alan Fine on the culture of restaurant work.

Format: seminar. Requirements: active class participation, weekly response papers, two 6- to 8-page papers, final exam.


Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR D. GOLDBSTEIN

SOC 244(S) What They Saw in America

This course traces the travels and writings of four important observers of the United States: Alexis de Tocqueville, Max Weber, G.K. Chesterton, and Sayyid Qutb. The course will consider their respective journeys: Where did they go? Who did they talk to? What did they see? The historical scope and varying national origins of the observers provide a unique and useful outsider’s view of America—one that sheds light on persistent qualities of American national character and gives us insights into how attitudes toward the United States have evolved over time. The course will analyze the common themes found in the visitors’ respective writings about America and will pay particular attention to their insights on religion, democracy, agrarianism, capitalism, and race.

Format: seminar. Requirements: two or three short papers, and a class presentation/final paper.


Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR NOLAN

SOC 267(S) Race in the America’s (Same as Africana Studies 267) (D)

(See under AFR 267 for full description.)

J. MANIGAULT-BRYANT

SOC 269 Imagining Spaces of the British Empire in the Twentieth Century (Same as Asian Studies 269) (Not offered 2011-2012)

With British India representing one of the grandest projects of European colonization, this course will begin exploring such complex undertakings by examining accounts of British architectural, urban planning, the politics of antiquities, town and urban planning, the urban spaces of commodity production, map-making and cartography, and changing conceptions of citizenship in India and South Asia. We will study and debate these accounts to understand how spaces for the exercise of imperial forms of power emerged and continue to do so. Because colonialism hoped to spread its reach to other parts of the British empire from its seat of power in India, this course will also engage with debates on world exhibitions and spectacles of ‘tradition’ in Egypt, Indian Ocean communities, the metropolis of vice and scandal, and linkages with contemporary cosmopolitanisms.

Format: seminar. Requirements: include full participation and attendance, two class presentations, and two papers.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25). Open to non-majors. Preference will be given to Anthropology and Sociology majors.

Not available for the Gaudino option.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF VALIANI

SOC 270(F) Cities and Citizenship (Same as Arabic 270 and Asian Studies 270)

What kinds of individuals can live in modern cities? How are modern cities spatially organized and does this affect the social practices that citizens ‘ought’ to observe when inhabiting urban centers? Modern cities are distinct in terms of their common experience with state-led urban planning which strives to bring social and physical order to life itself. Participants in this course will explore if and how such institutional desires to control urban space shape the cultural identity of urban dwellers, as well as study the cultural and social agendas that have transformed consumption over time. Politics of consumption (the way in which seemingly free and independent consumption choices aggregate into the existing system of global capitalism) will be treated alongside its symbolic element: the role of consumer practices in creating and articulating identities, building relationships and creating solidarities. It will look at fashion, advertising, arts, tourism, and shopping in places as diverse as nineteenth-century France, socialist Russia, and in contemporary United States, tracing both the mechanisms that structure patterns of consumption, and also the ways in which these patterns have for the larger social order.

Format: seminar. Requirements: full participation, ten journal entries, annotated bibliography and a major term paper.

Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to Anthropology and Sociology majors.

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SOC 315 Culture, Consumption, and Modernity (Not offered 2011-2012)

How do lifestyles, fashions and trends appear and evolve? Are we authors of our own taste? What structures our choices of goods and activities? What is that which gives meaning to objects and makes them desirable? Are there non-consumer societies in the modern world? How has globalization changed the ways people consume in different parts of the globe? This course will explore the consumption and consumer practices as products of modernity and will analyze the political, cultural and social agendas that have transformed consumption over time. Politics of consumption (the way in which seemingly free and independent consumption choices aggregate into the existing system of global capitalism) will be treated alongside its symbolic element: the role of consumer practices in creating and articulating identities, building relationships and creating solidarities. It will look at fashion, advertising, arts, tourism, and shopping in places as diverse as nineteenth-century France, socialist Russia, and in contemporary United States, tracing both the mechanisms that structure patterns of consumption, and also the ways in which these patterns have for the larger social order.

Format: seminar. Requirements: full participation, ten journal entries, annotated bibliography and a major term paper.

Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to Anthropology and Sociology majors.

HEVCHENKO

SOC 3177 The Public and the Private (Not offered 2011-2012)

The sharp distinction between the private and the public spheres is often taken as one of the defining features of the Western modernity itself. Furthermore, the existence and vibrancy of the public sphere is a crucial precondition for participatory democracy, whereas respect for privacy and provisions and guarantees that ensure personal autonomy remain fundamental for the daily operations of society. This tutorial course will address the public and the private as concepts that are always in a state of tension, and will explore these tensions from a sociological and historical vantage point. Topics include: democracy and the public sphere,
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<td>SOC 320S</td>
<td>Urban Spaces of Modern South Asia (Same as Arabic 320, Asian Studies 320, History 317 and International Studies 320)</td>
<td>This course examines various conceptions, practices and histories of urban life in modern South Asia. Participants will explore the effects of urban planning on the spatiality of colonial and precolonial cities in the sub-continent. We will investigate how discourses of social order and the fields of urban planning and architecture converged and evolved through the 19th and the early 20th centuries when much of the region was part of the British Empire. We will pay equal attention to developments in urban design in the post-colonial period in order to illuminate urban processes that unfolded after decolonization. Course participants will trace how ideas of ‘freedom’, ‘sovereignty’ and ‘justice’ influenced urban life as articulated by anti-colonial and social movements that have been organized in various forms of collective, gender and class affiliation. Participants will explore how cultural understandings of cities in the region have been shaped by debates about visual art, “beauty” and practices of “public culture.” Finally, this course will also explore how current forces of globalization and economic neo-liberalism make their mark on cities, towns and rural centers in Sri Lanka, India, Pakistan, Burma, Afghanistan, and Bangladesh. Format: seminar. Requirements: active participation, regular attendance, a weekly writing assignment throughout the semester, 2 class presentations, final exam. No prerequisites; a course in Sociology, Anthropology, Asian Studies or Arabic Studies, or History suggested but not required. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15). Preference given to Anthropology and Sociology majors.</td>
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<td>SOC 324</td>
<td>Memory and Identity (Not offered 2011-2012)</td>
<td>Our sense of self is inextricably tied to our understanding of our past, both as individuals and as members of society. This sense of origins, however, is far from natural; it itself has its origins in the debates and politics of the time, and evolves under an array of influences. This course analyzes discourses of collective and individual identity in the historical and cultural context of a particular place or her place in the world. Topics include: nations and nationalism, representations of individual and collective pasts, collective memory and practices of remembrance, nostalgia and selective forgetting, narratives of childhood and a “golden age,” the invention of tradition, museums and memorials, biography and memoirs, narratives of progression, and the making of national and family histories. Format: seminar. Requirements: extensive class participation, class presentation, several short papers and a research project. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15).</td>
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<td>Violence, Terrorism, and Collective Healing (Same as Arabic 327 and Asian Studies 327)</td>
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<td>SOC 336F</td>
<td>Global Migration (Same as American Studies 336)</td>
<td>It is essential to analyze the historical, economic, demographic, legal, and sociological aspects of migration in order to understand the circumstances and consequences of global movements of people. Therefore this course approaches migration from an interdisciplinary perspective, by discussing the major theories of migration and their limitations. While most theories of migration typically focus on one or another cause of migration, we will try to understand the variability of motives in order to explain different strategies adopted by immigrants to settle down in the host country. The most widespread causes—economic necessity and political sanctuary—will be discussed at length. The issue of human rights in the context of asylum seekers and war refugees will also be of special interest. We will look at immigration policies and laws in the United States, and the European Union, with a focus on the individual and social consequences of illegal immigration. In this context we will look at methodologies of monitoring illegal immigration and controversies about the legalization or amnesty for these individuals. This course is aimed to provide students with the solid general overview of trends and issues related to people’s mobility across national borders. It should also enhance students’ interest in themes like minority rights, multiculturalism, or globalization. Format: seminar. Requirements: term paper, response papers, presentation, active participation. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 15). Preference given to juniors and seniors.</td>
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| SOC 368    | Technology and Modern Society (Not offered 2011-2012)                         | With expanding access to and use of the Internet, controversial developments in such bio-technical practices as the cloning of mammals, rapid advances in various forms of telecommunication, and the increasing sophistication of technological weaponry in the military, the triumph of technology remains a defining feature of modern life. For the most part, modern humans remain unflinchingly confident in the possibilities technology holds for continuing to improve the human condition. Undoubtedly, technology has benefited human life in innumerable ways. However, as with other features of modernity, technology has also had significant, albeit largely unanticipated, social consequences. Working within a sociological paradigm, this course will focus on the less often examined
Students wishing to major in Arabic Studies must complete nine courses, including the following four courses:

**ARAB 101-102 Elementary Arabic**
**ARAB 201 Intermediate Arabic I**
**ARAB 202 Intermediate Arabic II**

Students must also take five courses in Arabic and Middle Eastern Studies in affiliated departments. At least two of these courses should be from the arenas of language and the arts (DIV I) and at least two from politics, religion, economics, and history (DIV II). At least two of these courses must be at an advanced level (300 or 400 level). These might include:

**ANTH 224 Morality and Modernity in the Muslim Middle East**
**ANTH 374 Tribe and State on the Afghan Pakistan Border**
**ARAB 216 Protest Literature: Arab Writing Across Three Continents**
**ARAB 228 Introduction to Modern Arabic Literature in Translation**
**ARAB 233 Introduction to Classical Arabic Literature in Translation**
**ARAB 257 Baghdad**
**ARAB 262 Outlaws and Underworlds: Arabic Literature of the Margins**
**ARAB 301 Advanced Arabic**
**ARAB 302 Advanced Arabic II**
**ARAB 303 Medieval Encounters East and West**
**ARAB 353 Writing the City: Beirut and Cairo in Contemporary Arabic Literature**
**ARAB 402 Topics in Advanced Arabic**
**ARTH 212 Distant Encounters: East Meets West in the Art of the European Middle Ages**
**ARTH 220 The Mosque**
**ARTH 278 The Golden Road to Samarqand**
**ARTH 472 Forbidden Images**
**COMP 223 Migrants at the Borders: Comparative Middle Eastern and Latin American Cultural Studies**
**HIST 111 Movers and Shakers in the Middle East**
**HIST 207 The Modern Middle East**
**HIST 305 Nation Building: The Making of the Modern Middle East**
**HIST 307 Islam and Modernity**
**HIST 310 Iraq and Iran in the Twentieth Century**
**HIST 311 The United States and the Middle East**
**HIST 396 Muslims and Europe: From the Conquest of Algeria to the Present**
**HIST 408 Archaeology, Politics, and Heritage in the Middle East**
Required Courses

- ARAB 101
- ARAB 102
- ARAB 201
- ARAB 202
- ARAB 301
- ARAB 302

Electives

- At least one course in Arabic literature, arts, or culture
- At least one course in Arabic history, religion, politics, or economics

Students must earn a cumulative grade average of B or higher in the sequence of eight courses. In addition, they must receive a score of at least 85% on a language proficiency test administered by the Arabic faculty. The test is administered once a year during the month of April to all students who wish to obtain the Certificate. Those interested should express their intent to the Arabic faculty by March 1st or earlier.

Students who enter Williams with previous training in Arabic may be exempted from up to three of the required eight courses. Thus, in order to earn a certificate, a student must take no fewer than five courses (including three language courses) after enrolling at Williams.

The Degree with Honors in Arabic Studies

Prerequisites

Honors candidates in Arabic are required to have maintained a GPA of 3.5 in the major to qualify for submitting a thesis proposal. In addition, candidates must demonstrate a strong interest in a specific topic for which an appropriate faculty advisor will be available in the senior year.

Timing

Students wishing to pursue a thesis in Arabic are strongly urged to secure an advisor by the end of the week after Spring Break in their junior year. By May 15th of their junior year, candidates must submit to the Program Advisory Committee a one- to two-page proposal and a preliminary bibliography. The Advisory Committee will inform candidates by June 1 whether they may proceed with the thesis and advise them about any changes that should be made in the focus or scope of the project. The summer before the senior year will be spent compiling a more detailed bibliography and preparing for the process of writing the thesis.

In their senior year, candidates will devote two semesters and the winter study period to their theses (ARAB 493-W-494). By the end of the Fall semester, students will normally have undertaken substantial research and produced the draft of at least the first half of the project. At this point students should also have a clear sense of the work remaining for completion of the thesis. In the course of the Fall semester, students will also have chosen and met with a second reader for the project, who will provide additional guidance and read the final thesis. By the end of Winter Study, students should have completed a draft of the entire project. At that time, the Comparative Literature Advisory Committee, together with the advisor, will determine whether the project may continue as an Honors Thesis, or whether its first portions (ARAB 493-W) will be graded as Independent Studies.

The second semester of independent thesis work will be spent revising as necessary. The completed thesis in its final form will be due one week before the last day of classes. At the end of the Spring term, the student will make a public presentation of the final project, to which members of the Advisory Committee will be specially invited.

Characteristics of the Thesis, Evaluation, and Major Credit

The topic of the thesis must have to do with some aspect of Arabic language, culture, history, politics, etc. and will be worked out between the thesis writer and her/his advisor. It is also possible to write a thesis that consists of an original translation of a significant text or texts; in this case, a theoretical apparatus must accompany the translation. The complete thesis must be at least 50 and at most 75 pages in length, excluding the bibliography.

The advisor will assign the grades for the thesis courses (ARAB 493-W-494); the Advisory Committee will determine whether a candidate will receive Honors, Highest Honors, or no honors.

For students who pursue an honors thesis, the total number of courses required for the major-including the thesis course (ARAB 493-W-494)-is 10, i.e., one of the thesis courses may substitute for one elective.

ARAB 101(F)-W-102(S) Elementary Arabic

This is a year-long course in which students will learn to read, write and converse in Arabic while becoming familiar with the basic grammar of Modern Standard Arabic. Students will also be exposed to the Egyptian variety of colloquial Arabic. This is a communicative-oriented course which revolves around the daily practice of vocabulary, conversation and different grammatical structures in class. You will be expected to speak Modern Standard Arabic in class from an early stage.

Students will also be expected to make advantage of the technological resources available for the study of Arabic on the internet, as well as the technological aids available as part of our textbooks for this course, Alif Baa and Al-Kitaab fii Ta'allum al-'Arabiyya from Georgetown University Press.

Format: lectures, five hours a week, Evaluation is based on tests, daily homework, and active class participation.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit 20 (expected: 15).

Students registered for Arabic 101 and 102 are required to attend and pass the sustaining program during the winter study period. Credit is granted only if both semesters of this course are taken.

Hour: 10:00-10:50 MTWRF

First Semester: VARGAS
Second Semester: KHATTAB
ARAB 201(F) Intermediate Arabic I
In this course we will continue to study the essential grammar of Modern Standard Arabic while working to improve the linguistic skills obtained in Elementary Arabic. Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to hold conversations in Arabic with some fluency on a variety of topics while developing an increased vocabulary and cultural appreciation of Arabic-speaking countries.
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based on daily performance, homework, quizzes, a midterm and a final exam.
Prerequisites: ARAB 101-102 or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 10).
Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF

ARAB 202(S) Intermediate Arabic II
As a continuation of ARAB 201, this course will expose students to more of the essential grammar of Modern Standard Arabic while increasing their cultural literacy in Arab civilizations. Our main textbook will be Al-Kitaab fii Ta'allum al-'Arabiyya Part II but outside materials from diverse media such as television and newspapers will also be included. Class will be conducted in Arabic.
Format: lecture. Treatment is based on quizzes, tests, work and active class participation.
Prerequisites: ARAB 201 or permission from instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 10).
Hour: 11:00-11:50 MWF

ARAB 206 Muhammad and the Rise of Islam (History 206 and Religion 225) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
(See under HIST 206 for full description.)

ARAB 216 Protest Literature: Arab Writing Across Three Continents (Same as Comparative Literature 216) (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course will begin with an analysis of the idea of protest literature as it emerged in an American cultural context in the early twentieth century through the civil rights movement of the 1960s. We will then seek to revisit the meaning of this term today, particularly as it resonates in the cultural production of Arabs and Arab youth across three very different locations: the Middle East (specifically Egypt and Palestine), France, and the United States. How are these Arab youth subcultures constituted? In what ways has the globalization of hip-hop influenced the literary, musical, and cinematic production of Arab artists? In what way do rap and the spoken word in these specific social contexts provide a vocabulary for expressing the violence, lack, and frustration pervasive in these 4th World locations? In short, how has the contemporary American construction of “blackness” been exported and appropriated by young Arabs today? From Paris to Cairo, from the West Bank to Detroit, we will examine the varied strands of this new movement for social justice, observing how different forms of literature and music have been used as a vehicle for resisting war-torn circumstances, poverty, racism and social disenfranchisement across diverse national spaces. Texts for this course will include novels and poems, as well as a number of films and selections of music. All of these works will be available in translation, although active reading the originals in French and/or Arabic. Possible novels include those of Charef, Semail, Mattar, Beiri, Coulibaly, and Safi. Class will be conducted in Arabic.
Format: discussion/seminar. Requirements: active participation, two shorter papers, a presentation, and final paper or project.

ARAB 219 Arabs and America: A Survey (Same as American Studies 219 and Comparative Literature 219) (Not offered 2011-2012)
Arabs are a part of the tapestry of the United States since the early 19th century. As immigrants to the new world, the identity of this community has largely been defined by changing American understandings of race, ethnicity, and religion. The in-betweeness of this minority group—not exactly white or black, claiming Christian, Jewish and Muslim faiths—and the often contradictory nature of U.S. involvement in the region, has only further confounded Americans in their understanding of this diverse community. This course will use an interdisciplinary approach to explore the rich histories, representations, and cultural production of this Arab American minority group. For the purposes of this survey, we will also consider the narratives of other Muslim minority groups (i.e., Iranians, Pakistanis, Indians, and African American Muslims) within the scope of the Arab American experience. We will look at poems and stories from Arab immigrants in the early to mid 20th century (e.g., the Mahar poets) and consider, in the context of these writings, issues of xenophobia, assimilation, linguistic, and cultural difference, and Arab American identity in the context of other ethnic groups. Throughout this course we will continue to think about how changing U.S. geo-political interests in the region alter perceptions of Arabs and Muslims in our midst (consider, for example, the 1979 Revolution in Iran and the subsequent hostage crisis, the two Gulf Wars, the War on Terror, and Guantanamo). In addition, we will examine representations of this minority and Islam more generally in the media and popular culture (print and broadcast journalism, films, cartoons, popular songs, and videos). As well as Arab cultural forms that seek to self-narrate the Arab experience for an American viewer. At the heart of this course is a desire to not only shed light on what it means to be an Arab or a Muslim or an immigrant, but also to understand the multiple ways in which we conceptualize and seek to define what it means to be American.
Format: seminar. Requirements: active participation, two shorter papers, occasional responses, a presentation, and a final paper.

ARAB 222(F) Photography in/of the Middle East (Same as ArtH 222) (D)
(See under ARTH 222 for full description.)

ARAB 223(S) Migrants at the Borders: Comparative Middle Eastern and Latin American Cultural Studies (Same as Comparative Literature 223)
Why do the peoples and cultures of Latin America and the Middle East often elicit such passionate responses in the United States and Europe? Some feel threatened, while others are intrigued, but responses to these world regions are seldom neutral. Often seen as exotic and erotic, or as a danger to the way of life of Americans and Europeans, Islam, Arabs and Latin Americans are at the forefront of socio-political debates in the United States and Europe. The origins of this world-view are historical, but are also heavily influenced by contemporary immigration and international affairs. After characterizing Islam as the greatest contemporary threat to “Western” civilization in his infamous essay titled “The Clash of Civilizations,” Samuel Huntington subsequently found it necessary to focus on Latinos as the most significant threat to American civilization. By examining literature and film from the Middle East and Latin America, and from these immigrant communities in the United States and Europe, we will go beyond superficial images and inflammatory rhetoric to explore the cultures behind the passions. Among other things, the texts of this course examine the ties between the Arab world and Latin America, and between these two regions and their neighbors to the north. At the heart of this course are the ideas of borders and margins. What does it mean to cross borders or to live on the margins of society? The borders we will discuss will be geographic borders, but also cultural borders. We will permit the exploration of the territories between life and death, civilization and barbarism, wealth and poverty, war and peace and other dichotomies that some seem to classify the world but that rarely allow for human sensibilities and the subtle experiences of being. Our texts may include works by writers such as Alurista, Victor Hernandez Cruz, Gloria Anzaldua, Juan Rulfo, Clarice Lispector, Mohamad Choukri, and Tayyib Saleh that treat the human condition at the borders/margins of society. Films may include El Norte, La Mision, Pixote, Miday Alley, City of God, Battle of Algiers, My Beautiful Laundrette, Crash, Hate and Head On. There will also be a course reader that includes theoretical material on orientalism, tropicalism, nationalism and transnationalism. All readings are in English translation and films have English subtitles.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: active class participation, two 3- to 5-page papers and a final research paper (7–10 pages) or half hour oral exam.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 15-20).
Hour: 11:00-11:50 MWF

ARAB 228 Modern Arabic Literature in Translation (Same as Comparative Literature 228) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)
In this course we will study prominent texts and authors of the modern Arab world. The range of genres and themes of this literature is vast. In particular, we will analyze the debates around modernity and the importance given to social engagement in these texts. Our readings include works by authors that have received some notoriety outside of the Arab world such as Naguib Mahfouz, winner of the Nobel Prize for literature in 1988. We will also read the Iraqi poets Nizar Qabbani and Iyad Sharqi, whose poetic style has inspired a generation of Arab poets writing in the Arab diaspora. We will also read contemporary writers from the Arab world who have written in English and in French such as Hanaan al-Shikh, Huda Barakat and Nawal Sadawi. This course literature corpus is designed to fulfill the requirements of the Exploring Diversity Initiative (EDI), as it engages the Arab world from a humanistic perspective that aims to promote cultural awareness. A fundamental goal of the course is to engage the diversity of approaches to sexuality, religion, gender and politics that are prominent in contemporary literature from the Arab world. All readings are in English.
Format: lecture/discussion.
Requirements: active and consistent class participation, two short paper (3-5 pages) and a final paper (5-7 pages).
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 students (19 expected).

VARGAS or NAAMAN
**ARAB 231(S)** The Origins of Islam: God, Empire and Apocalypsis (Same as History 209 and Religion 231)  
(See under REL 231 for full description.)  

**ARAB 233** Introduction to Classical Arabic Literature (Same as Comparative Literature 233) *(Not offered 2011-2012)* (W)  
In this course we will examine the rich, complex and diverse texts of Classical Arabic Literature. The readings include works that have achieved notoriety outside of the Arab world (such as the *Quran* and *One Thousand and One Nights*) as well as works by authors largely unknown outside of the Arab world but canonical in Arabic-language culture such as *Irida al-Duays*, *al-Jahiz*, *al-Ma’arri*, Abu Nuwas, al-Hallaj, al-Ghazali and al-Mutanabbi. Women’s literature in this course includes works by al-Khana’a, known for her elegies, and by Wallada bint al-Mustakhli of Cordoba, who contributed to the courtly love poetry of both Europe and the Arab world. Topics for discussion include theological and philosophical queries, erotica, wine, bibliomania and avarice. Our primary texts represent such varied regions as the Arabian Peninsula, Egypt, Abbasid Baghdad, North Africa and Islamic Spain. Chronologically, the texts range from the sixth century CE to the fourteenth century. *All readings are in English.*  
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: consistent and pro-active class participation, two 3- to 5-page papers, a final 8- to 10-page paper, one short presentation and weekly 1- to 2-page reaction papers.  
No prerequisites. *Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to Comp Lit or Lit Studies majors and students with a background in Middle Eastern Studies.*  
VARGAS

**ARAB 234(F)** Shi’ism Ascendant? (Same as Religion 234)  
(See under REL 234 for full description.)  

**ARAB 257** Baghdad (Same as Comparative Literature 257) *(Not offered 2011-2012)*  
Some consider Baghdad to be a specter of civil-war Beirut, but behind the deluge of grim news is a rich, complex heritage. Baghdad has a long history as an intellectual milieu, literary setting and muse. This city became a major cultural center when the Islamic Caliphate was moved there in the eighth century CE. The multiplicity of intellectual and artistic currents that flourished in Baghdad under the Abbasids would produce one of the earliest modernizing movements in poetry, a challenge to the early Islamic tradition, a wealth of translation activity and a general cultural vibrancy in a multicultural, multilingual context. The texts of the Golden Age of Baghdad would become fundamental to the Arab and Islamic cultural heritage while the city itself would continue to exert a strong creative influence in both the Middle Eastern and European artistic traditions. This influence continues to this day as Arabs and Muslims look to Baghdad as a fundamental part of their cultural heritage while Westerners continue to be intrigued and haunted by this city. In this course we will read early texts written in or about Baghdad including examples from *1001 Nights* and from works written by al-Ma’arri, al-Mutanabbi, Abu Nuwas, al-Ghazali and al-Hallaj. We will also read more recent texts that engage this city including works by Jabra Ibrahim Jabra and Buthaina Al Nasiri. In addition to these texts, we will also view films including Sindbad movies, *The Thief of Baghdad* and *Aladdin*. The texts for this course include examples from both “high” and popular culture. These works are by both native Arabs and by outsiders including the producers of Hollywood orientalist fantasies.  
Requirements: active class participation, two short-answer quizzes, two 4- to 6-page papers and a final 6- to 8-page paper.  
No prerequisites. *No enrollment limit (expected: 20).*  
VARGAS

**ARAB 262** Outlaws and Underworlds: Arabic Literature of the Margins (Same as Comparative Literature 262) *(Not offered 2011-2012)* (W)  
The idea of the rogue or the outlaw is a theme that may be traced in Arabic literature from the classical poetry of the pre-Islamic period through to the present. In considering a range of works from the 6th century onward, this course will explore the way in which the outlaw has historically been used as a literary motif in Arabic literature to reflect and critique, not just society, but the official literary establishment as well. How does a writer’s language—the decision to write in the vernacular, for example—serve as a way of flouting the cultural establishment in an effort to speak to a more popular audience? In examining characters who live by thievery or begging—who embrace the ethos of outsiderness—we will return repeatedly to consider the concept of freedom as a driving question in these works. Between conformity and deviance, decadence and lack, how do we define what makes a person truly free? The rich underworlds that these outlaws inhabit are sketched for readers as counter-cultures whose alternative way of life and set of values continually challenges the conventions and mores of the mainstream. Readings will include selections from early Arabic (*Suluk*) poems, Abu Nuwas’ wine poetry, the maqamat tradition of rhymed prose, as well as a number of contemporary Arabic novels.  
Format: seminar. Requirements: active participation, multiple reading responses, two short papers (5-7 pages) including revisions, and one longer paper (8-10 pages).  
NAAMAN

**ARAB 270(F)** Cities and Citizenship (Same as Asian Studies 270 and Sociology 270)  
(See under SOC 270 for full description.)  

**ARAB 301(F)** Advanced Arabic  
This course is a continuation of Intermediate Arabic. It focuses on expanding the students’ knowledge of vocabulary and grammar while stressing the development of reading, spoken, and written skills in Modern Standard Arabic. The material covered in class will include lessons from the *Al-Kitaab* series, as well as literary and multi-media works. Emphasis will be placed on increasing cultural literacy. Class is conducted in Arabic.  
Format: The class meets four hours a week with the fourth hour a conversation section, time to be arranged. Requirements: active class participation, completion of all written assignments, quizzes, and a midterm, and a final exam.  
Prerequisites: two semesters of Intermediate Arabic or permission of the instructor. *No enrollment limit (expected: 8).*  
Hour: 12:00-12:50 MWF  
VARGAS

**ARAB 302(S)** Advanced Arabic II  
This course is a continuation of Intermediate Arabic. It focuses on expanding the students’ knowledge of vocabulary and grammar while stressing the development of reading, spoken, and written skills in Modern Standard Arabic. The material covered in class will include lessons from the *Al-Kitaab* series, as well as literary and multi-media works. Emphasis will be placed on increasing cultural literacy. *Class is conducted in Arabic.*  
Format: The class meets four hours a week with the fourth hour a conversation section, time to be arranged. Requirements: active class participation, completion of all written assignments, quizzes, and a midterm, and a final exam.  
Prerequisites: two semesters of Intermediate Arabic or permission of the instructor. *No enrollment limit (expected: 8).*  
Hour: TBA  
KHATTAB

**ARAB 303(F)** Medieval East and West: Travel, Holy War, Storytelling (Same as Comparative Literature 315 and English 303) (D)  
(See under ENGL 303 for full description.)  

**ARAB 309(F)** An introduction to Egyptian Colloquial Arabic  
This course will serve as an introduction to Egyptian colloquial Arabic, one of the most widely spoken and understood dialects across the Arab world. We will focus primarily on enhancing students’ speaking and listening skills in the dialect, as well as on major grammatical structures and essential vocabulary. Learning activities include task-based conversations, listening comprehension drills, as well as oral presentations. In addition to the textbook, supplementary materials will also be used, drawn primarily from Arab print and non-print media.  
Format: lecture. Requirements: active participation in class, regular class and homework assignments, written and oral quizzes, presentations, midterm and final. *Perrera of Modern Standard Arabic or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10). If overenrolled, preference will be given to Arabic and Middle Eastern Studies majors.*  
Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF  
KHATTAB

**ARAB 320(S)** Urban Spaces of Modern South Asia (Same as Asian Studies 320, History 317, International Studies 320 and Sociology)  
(See under SOC 320 for full description.)  

**ARAB 327(S)** Violence, Terrorism, and Collective Healing (Same as Asian Studies 327 and Sociology 327)  
(See under SOC 327 for full description.)
produced by these fictions. Throughout the semester we will read a range of works by Lebanese and Egyptian novelists as well as a selection of critical material. Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: active participation, presentation, two short papers (5-6 pages), and one longer paper (8-10 pages).

ARAB 397(F), 398(S) Independent Study

ARAB 402(S) Topics in Translation (W)

This is an Arabic language course focusing on translation as a means to help students achieve a more advanced level of proficiency in the language. We will be engaged in translating texts from Arabic into English, and vice versa, addressing translation challenges between the two languages as well as translation strategies that can be used to overcome such challenges. Texts are primarily drawn from modern Arabic literature in the form of short stories by Naguib Mahfouz, Youssif Idris, Hanan Al–Sheikh, among others, and equal attention is given to the translation task, linguistic and literary characteristics of Arabic texts, as well as aspects of Arab culture as revealed in these works. The language of instruction in this class is Arabic.

Format: seminar. Requirements: active participation in class, presentations, short essays and/or translation projects (weekly), one midterm writing project and one final writing project.

Prerequisites: ARAB 302 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10). If overenrolled, preference will be given to Arabic and Middle Eastern Studies majors.

ARAB 410(F) Kings, Heroes, Gods, and Monsters: Historical Texts and Modern Identities in the Middle East (Same as History 410, Jewish Studies 410 and Religion 405) (D) (W)

(See under HIST 410 for full description.) BERNHARDSSON

ARAB 493(F)-W31-494(S) Senior Thesis

ART (Div. I)

Chair, Associate Professor PETER LOW


MAJOR:

Three routes are offered: the emphasis of the first is on the history of art, and that of the second is on creative work in studio. The third route through the major allows students to take courses in both halves of the department in more or less equal numbers.

Note: The Art History and Art Studio routes are strongly recommended for any prospective Art major who is contemplating graduate study in Art History or Art Studio.

Requirements beginning with the class of 2013:

Art History Route

Sequence courses
Any two of the following three foundational courses, ArtH 101, 102, or 103
Any 100-level studio class without prerequisites; preferably taken by the end of the junior year
ArtH 301 Methods of Art History
One 400-level Seminar or Graduate Course (cannot be used to satisfy any other requirement for the art-history major)

Parallel courses
Any five additional semester courses of art history including three concerned with the following:
1) a period of art prior to 1800
2) a period of art prior to 1400
3) art of the Middle East, Asia, and Africa
Of the five parallel courses, at least one must be a 300-level tutorial or 400-level seminar or graduate course.

Although the structure of the art history route allows for flexible scheduling, the faculty strongly recommends that students proceed through the major in the recommended sequence. Introductory 100- and 200-level courses should be taken in the first or second year. So that they are prepared for the research requirements of the seminar classes that cap the sequence, majors are required to take the required Junior major class, ArtH 301 during their junior year. If the student is studying abroad for the entire junior year, this requirement may be filled in the senior year (see STUDY ABROAD policy of the Art Department for more information.)

Art Studio Route

Sequence courses
ArtS 100 Drawing I
ArtS 230 Drawing II
ArtH 101-102 or any two art history classes for which students are eligible; preferably taken by the end of the junior year
Any three of the 200-level ArtS courses in three different media or any one 100-level course (except Arts 100, Drawing) and any two 200-level courses in three different media
ArtS 319 Junior Seminar
Any two of the 300-level ArtS courses or
One of the 300-level ArtS course and ArtS 418T Senior Tutorial

History and Practice Route

Sequence courses
ArtH 101-102 Aspects of Western Art
ArtS 100 Drawing I
One 200-level ArtS course
ArtH 301 Methods of Art History or ArtS 319 Junior Seminar
One ArtH seminar (400-level) or one 500-level graduate course except 508
One 300-level ArtS course or (with permission) ArtS 418T Senior Tutorial
Parallel courses
Any four additional Art Studio or Art History courses. At least one elective must be taken in each wing of the department. At least one of the electives must be an Art History course concerned with a period of art prior to 1800 (either of Europe, North America, and South America OR art of the Middle East, Asia, and Africa).

Art History Route: The history of art is different from other historical disciplines in that it is founded on direct visual confrontation with objects that are both concretely present and yet documents of the past. We emphasize analysis of images, objects, and built environments as the basis for critical thought and visual literacy. In addition to formal and iconographic analysis, we use the work of other disciplines to understand visual images, such as social history, perceptual psychology, engineering, psychoanalysis, cultural studies, and archaeology. Because of its concentration on visual experience, the Art History major increases students' capacity to observe and to use those observations as analytical tools for understanding history and culture. ArtH 101-102 and ArtH 103 introduce students to a series of critical studies of important works selected from the history of European, North American, and Asian art from antiquity to the present. The critical approach of the introductory courses is maintained in all further courses, often by assigned study of original works in the Williams College Museum of Art, Chapin Library, the Clark Art Institute, and Mass MoCA.

Art Studio Route: a studio course, at the 100-level, in which no artistic talent or prior experience are assumed, provides vital training in what is a visual as well as a verbal discipline. The requirement of a course in the art of the Middle East, Asia, and Africa (a second course if students have chosen ArtH 103 as one of their foundational courses) expands majors' geographic as well as cultural horizons, and the requirement of two courses in art from periods prior to 1800 provides a necessary concentration on earlier moments in culture. (As the late contemporary art critic, Philip Johnson, said, “You cannot not know history.”) The junior course (ArtH 301) develops awareness of the theoretical implications, as well as the possibilities and limitations of different art-historical methods. The requirement of two additional upper level courses (one 300-level tutorial or 400-level parallel course, the other a 400-level seminar or 500-level graduate course as the final sequence course) enables students to apply that knowledge of methodology to their most specialized work in the Art History route.

Art Studio Route: The studio division of the Art major has been structured to foster the development of a critical understanding of making art; to support creative interests and to develop students’ perceptions and imaginations as they investigate a variety of visual media. Drawing I, ArtS 100 serves as an introduction to the basic drawing and design principles which establish the foundation for the development of visual expression. ArtH 101-102, Aspects of Western Art or two other art history classes, provide part of the necessary background in the critical analysis of art. The 200-level ArtS courses provide opportunities to learn the elements of some of the principal visual arts media: architecture, painting, photography, printmaking, sculpture, and video. These courses combine technical foundations in the medium with analysis of the interrelation of visual form and content. The 300- and 400-level courses place a greater emphasis on the application of appropriate visual skills and strategies to particular thematic concerns, and to the development of the student’s individual vision. All students taking ArtS 418 are required to exhibit in the spring of their senior year at the Williams College Museum of Art or other appropriate venues. Students who choose to take two 300-level classes do not exhibit at WCMA in the spring of the senior year.

History and Practice Route: This route allows students to study in depth both the history of art and the making of it. It offers considerable flexibility: students may propose courses of study that emphasize particular media, themes or methodological issues. To mention just three examples, students may design sequences of courses that focus on a particular type of object (sculpture); they may take more courses in one wing of the department than the other, as long as the minimum requirements in each wing are satisfied. The History and Practice route is especially well-suited to students interested in arts-related careers outside of higher education, including work in art galleries, art museums, and primary or secondary school education. Unlike the history or studio routes, acceptance into the History and Practice route is not automatic. The student must first submit a written application in two copies to the studio advisor in each wing of the department, as well as a list of proposed courses; this application and list of proposed courses must be given to the department secretary before registering for the major.

The application must provide a narrative statement of the theme of the major, and why it cannot be accommodated in either history or studio. It is not enough to submit a list of courses; the student needs to show the coherence and integrity of the plan of study, and how it develops the theme of the proposed major.

Some students will be attracted to both wings of the department but will not have a field of study that falls between the two. In these cases, it is better for the student to choose between history and studio—taking additional courses from the other wing as well. In short, the History and Practice route is reserved for students who cannot be accommodated in the two wings of the department.

History and Practice majors do not participate in the senior studio exhibition at the end of the year.

History and Practice Faculty Advisors: Michael Glier, Ann McCallum, and Ben Benedict in studio; E. J. Johnson, Peter Low and Michael Lewis in history.

COURSE NUMBERS
First Digit
The 100-level courses in both Art History and Studio are introductions to the field and emphasize visual and critical analysis. These courses do not require previous experience in the subject and they are often prerequisites for other courses in the department; 200-level courses are introductions to specific fields; 300-level courses prepare students for independent research; 400-level courses emphasize independent research, oral presentation, and active participation and are intended for advanced students, usually junior or senior majors.

The DEGREE WITH HONORS IN ART
Students who wish to become candidates for the degree with honors must show prior evidence of superior performance in the major as well as research capabilities to carry out the proposed project.

Art History
To graduate with honors in art history, students are to enroll in the Senior Honors Seminar during the Spring semester of their senior year, where they will develop their research paper based on prior research. To be admitted to the Senior Honors Seminar, students must have completed ArtH 301 in their junior year. To enroll in the class, students must either be nominated by a faculty member, or apply independently to the Department Honors Committee for admission. Students who have been nominated, as well as students who wish to apply for admission to the Honors Seminar, must submit an original research paper that was completed in a prior history class. The paper must be properly formatted and include illustrations, a bibliography, and an abstract of not more than 250 words. These documents are to be turned in to the Department Secretary no later than the end of the exam period of the Fall semester. The department Honors Committee will invite students (no more than 10) to enroll in the Honors Seminar based on the quality of the original research, the student’s GPA within the major, and the willingness and availability of appropriate faculty advisors. Notification of admission to the seminar will be sent to students by early January. Since enrollment is by invitation only, students should pre-register for four classes and, if invited, drop one of them and add the Honors Seminar during drop-add period. The Honors Seminar is to be taken in addition to the required courses for the major. Once in the seminar, students will revise, refine and expand on previous research and produce a paper of approximately 25 pages and present a shortened version of the paper to the faculty and public at the Williams College Museum of Art.

Art Studio
Studio art concentrators who wish to be candidates for honors are required to add a 200-level course, and to take the 400-level senior tutorial. An additional 300-level or 400-level course must be added for a total of twelve courses.

Honors candidates enrolled in the senior tutorial must “evidence” prior experience in the media chosen for the honors work. This “evidence” may consist of one or more 200-level courses in the medium, course work at the 300 level and/or a slide portfolio demonstrating the student’s proficiency in the media chosen for the honors work. This work is presented to the senior tutor at the start of the spring semester.

At the end of the spring semester of the senior year, the honors candidate will orally defend his/her work in the senior exhibition at WCMA. The entire studio faculty will attend the defense. Based on the work and the oral defense, the studio faculty (as a whole) will designate honors, high honors or no honors.

History and Practice
The route to honors is a combination of the Art Studio and Art History honors routes. At the beginning of senior year, a candidate for honors in History and Practice must complete two courses in the major department. If approved by both advisors agree to supervise the project, the candidate enters in independent study and works through the fall semester and winter study. The progress of the project is assessed by both advisors at the end of winter study; if the project is not well enough developed, the advisor may end it at that time. If the project is allowed to move forward, the student is notified. In ArtS 418T Senior Tutorial, if the project is primarily a matter of making art, or in an Honors Independent Study, if it is primarily a writing project. The final project is submitted to the advisor, who will determine whether or not it will receive honors.

STUDY ABROAD
Although the Art Department encourages students to travel and study abroad, we feel that it is very important for students to begin their major with a required seminar in their junior year. The Junior seminars, ArtH 301 and ArtS 319, prepare students for independent research and/or independent artistic production which is the focus of the senior year.

a. Studio Art Majors must take the required Junior Seminar (ArtS 319) in their junior year unless they are planning to study abroad for a full year; in that case they may take the required class in their senior year.
these sites became less accessible with the spread of Islam in the seventh century. Europeans sought to recreate the sites at home. Later, from 1095 onward, Christian Europeans attempted to reclaim and hold the Holy Land from non-Christians by force, through an ill-fated series of five major and several lesser "crusades." Over the centuries, before, during, and after the Crusades, exposure to the peoples, ideas, and cultures of the Eastern Mediterranean also came through trade and through the travel and settlement of non-Europeans in Europe itself, particularly in Spain, Sicily, and Venice. The course aims to survey artistic production within each of these different contexts of East-West encounter.

**Format:** lecture/discussion. **Requirements:** two to three short papers, midterm, and final exam.

No prerequisites, but previous coursework in medieval art helpful (ARTH 101-102, 223, or 244). **Enrollment limit:** 25 (expected: 25). **Satisfies the pre-1400 or pre-1800 requirement.**

**ARTH 213 Greek Art and Myth (Same as Classics 213) (Not offered 2011-2012)**

Classical myth provides rich subject matter for painters and sculptors throughout the history of western art. This course investigates the earliest representation of myth in Greek art of the seventh through the first centuries B.C.E. Sophisticated narratives involving gods and heroes first appear in a variety of forms and contexts. Myth informs the visual culture of the Greeks on many levels, from paintings on vases used in domestic contexts to the marble sculpture that decorated the monumental temples of great sanctuaries throughout the Greek world. The purpose of the course is two-fold: to familiarize students with the subjects and narratives of Greek myth and the terms of the exploring these themes and interests, and also provide a comprehensive outline of development of Greco-Roman art in the first millennium B.C.E. Special interest will be the techniques developed by artists for representing narratives visually, as well as the conceptual issues that underlie certain myths, such as sacrifice, war, marriage, coming of age, specific festivals, and the relationships between men and women, and those between mortals and immortals. Reading will include ancient literature in translation (Hesiod, Homer, Sappho, Aischylos, Sophokles, Euripides and Apollodorus) as well as secondary literature by contemporary authors that provides insights into the religious, social and historical developments that influenced artists in their choices of subject matter and style.

**Format:** lecture. **Requirements:** two short papers, quiz, hour test, final exam. **Required field trip:** to The Metropolitan Museum in New York.

No prerequisites. **Enrollment limit:** 45 (expected: 45). **The course satisfies the pre-1400 or pre-1800 requirement.**

**ARTH 216(S) Body of Evidence: Greek Sculpture and the Human Figure (Same as Classics 216)**

From the beginnings of Greek sculpture in the eighth century B.C.E. until the end of the Hellenistic period in the first century B.C.E., the human figure remained the most prominent choice of subject for Greek artists. Introductory classes will cover sculpture in the Neolithic and Bronze Ages but the goal of this course is to study sculpture in the first millennium B.C.E. with emphasis on ancient Greek attitudes toward the body. We will consider the function, surroundings and reception of male and female figures, both human and divine, from athletic, religious and funerary contexts, and look at dedications of individual figures as well as the complex mythological narratives found on Greek temples. Reading material includes ancient literature in translation as well as contemporary critical essays.

**Format:** lecture. **Requirements:** midterm, final, exam. No prerequisites. **Enrollment limit:** 30 (expected: 25). **The course satisfies the pre-1400 or pre-1800 requirement.**

**Hour:** 1:10-2:25 MR  
**MCGOWAN**

**ARTH 220 The Mosque (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)**

A clean place oriented towards Mecca is enough for daily prayer, but the communal practices of Islam entail more than basic rituals and these activities often transpire in formal architectural settings. These structures range from traditional columned halls of brick and timber to modernist ensembles of reinforced concrete and plate glass; prayer halls may be open to the elements, flat-roofed or domed; surfaces may be enhanced with carved marble, inlaid wood or glazed tile. Elaborate inscriptions often play an important role in these buildings. By exploring the commonalities and variations of mosque architecture from Delhi to North Africa, this course fulfills an opportunity to see how Islam shapes the built environment in diverse cultural settings and then apply that knowledge with empathy, close to home. Ultimately, our test case will be the sacred spaces of Williams’ campus, as we seek to understand how architectural form can foster community, manifest belief, activate conviction and sometimes exacerbate religious differences.

**Format:** lecture/discussion. **Requirements:** midterm, final, term project. No prerequisites. **Enrollment limit:** 15.  
**H. EDWARDS**

**ARTH 222(F) Photography in/of the Middle East (Same as Arabic Studies 222) (D)**

Since its inception, photography has been globally disseminated but locally inflected, serving disparate documentary needs and expressive purposes in different cultural contexts. In the Middle East, the powers and pleasures of the medium have been valued by colonial forces, indigenous populations, photographeurs, and artists; the resulting images merit aesthetic appreciation even as they grant visual access to the past and present in complicated places. The course will explore photographic practices in different zones of the Middle East—e.g., the Holy Land, Egypt or the Persian sphere—by attending to individual photographers and case studies. This tightly focused approach will support, in turn, a consideration of the burdens and risks of representation in particular circumstances—what does photography do? Who resists and who benefits? The general goal will be to appreciate the diversity of perspectives that underlie renderings of the Middle East.

**Format:** lecture. **Requirements:** class participation, short papers, term project.

No prerequisites. **Enrollment limit:** 19 (expected: 19). **Permission of instructor required.**

This course satisfies the Art of Middle East, Asian and Africa requirement.

**Hour:** 1:10-2:25 TF  
**H. EDWARDS**

**ARTH 224(S) Romanesque and Gothic Art and Architecture: The Medieval Church in Context**

The goal of this course is to survey the major works of ecclesiastical architecture, sculpture and stained glass produced in France between approximately 1050 and 1400. These works were not created in isolation from their surroundings; thus we will attempt to understand their meaning in addition to their own religious, functional, social, and sometimes even political settings. The course will emphasize the abbey church and the cathedral, the two major ecclesiastical buildings of this period, as heterogeneous entities that used architecture, sculpture, stained glass and other media, in conjunction with church ritual, to render their sacred spaces distinct from, and elevated above, the world outside. We will furthermore try to appreciate the special centrality of the abbey church and the cathedral in high medieval society. Sites for contact with God and for the development of advanced learning, they could also serve as critical determinants of local economic and political life, and as focuses of pilgrimage, trade, and international cultural exchange.

**Format:** lecture. **Requirements:** midterm, final, and two papers.

No prerequisites. **Enrollment limit:** 25. **Satisfies the pre-1400 or pre-1800 requirement.**

**Hour:** 2:35-3:50 TF  
**LOW**

**ARTH 232(F) The Visual Culture of Renaissance Rome**

During the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries, the city of Rome saw itself transformed from a shrinking and neglected medieval town into a thriving center of artistic achievement. This lecture course focuses on the historical, geographic, and ideological forces behind this period of renovation and restoration that re-worked the urban fabric of the city while shaping the character of the visual arts from Filarete and Fra Angelico to Bramante, Michelangelo, and Raphael. We will examine monuments such as Michelangelo’s Sistine Chapel, then, not only as touchstones for the history of western art, but also as images capable of reflecting, and even provoking change, a uniquely Roman sense of power, time, and historical destiny.

**Format:** lecture/discussion. **Requirements:** midterm, final, and two papers.

No prerequisites. **Enrollment limit:** 40. **Open to Art majors as well as non-majors.**

This course satisfies the pre-1800 requirement.

**Hour:** 1:00-1:15 MF  
**SOLMU**

**ARTH 235(S) Roman Archaeology and Material Culture (Same as Anthropology 235, Classics 224 and History 224)**

(See under CLAS 224 for full description.)

**RUBIN**

**ARTH 238 The Image of God in Greek Art (Same as Classics 248) (Not offered 2011-2012)**

The representation of the divine poses special problems for artists and art historians in any cultural context in which the divine is believed to be not visible in the ordinary sense yet powerfully present. Visual representations of gods and goddesses in ancient Greek art pose especially interesting interpretive questions because of the importance of naturalism in Greek theories and practices of visual representation. This course will cover the basic stylistic, iconographical, mythological, and ritual features of the individual gods and goddesses as they are depicted in Greek sculpture and painting. The course will also examine...
influential ancient monuments, literary forms, and social phenomena, such as the sculptures of Delphi, Olympia, and the Parthenon; divine corporeality in poetry; the theology of mortal-immortal relations; the practice of statue-r ritual, and the functions of visual representations of gods. The overall aim of the course is to acquire an understanding of the interrelations of art, mythology, and religion in ancient Greece.

Format: lecture and discussion. Requirements: short papers, final exam.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 20-30). Preference will be given to Art-History majors needing to fulfill the pre-1400 requirement; otherwise, the course is open to students who have taken ARTH 216 may take this course only with permission of instructor.

Satisfies the pre-1400 or pre-1800 requirement.

HEDRENN

ARTH 239 Envisioning Empire: Geography in the Graeco-Roman World (Same as Classics 341 and History 341) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

(See under CLAS 341 for full description.)

RUBIN

ARTH 240(S) Romanticism in North America and Europe

We examine a particularly wide variety of pictures from different places (ranging from post-Revolutionary Paris and Jacksonian New York to Royalist Spain). All of the artists discussed were born between 1746 and 1801; all of them have been called Romantic. But their approaches to painting seem to share few common features; while lonely Gothic ruins attracted the German painter Caspar David Friedrich, the English-born, Catskill-settled Thomas Cole elevated the "impetuous rivers" and "tangled woods" of the United States over Europe's "palaces of princes" and "venerated ruins." Contrasts such as these enable us to ask if "Romanticism" is an old-fashioned label incapable of summarizing myriad cultural expressions, or should we describe it as a valuable term drawing together essential aspects of otherwise diverse styles? To be kept in mind throughout are the remarkable and often tragic developments (imperial expansion; the slave trade; ecological destruction) through which life on both sides of the Atlantic was transformed in the nineteenth century's first four decades.

Format: lecture. Requirements: three short book reviews or analyses of individual paintings (2 to 3 pages in length). Final research paper (12 to 15 pages). Visits to the Clark Art Institute are part of this course. A field trip to the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston may also be required.

Prerequisites: ARTH 101-102 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 25). Preference given to sophomores and juniors.

Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR

MacNAMIDHE

ARTH 241(S) Dutch Art of the 1600s: Hals to Vermeer

Rembrandt van Rijn, Frans Hals, Jan Vermeer are only the best-known of the many artists who were active in the northern Netherlands during the seventeenth century. The variety of their subjects was unprecedented, but the degree of symbolic content in their work is disputed: to what extent was Dutch painting an art of description or of hidden allegory? We will consider this problem and also give special attention to the ongoing reinterpretations of Rembrandt's oeuvre and life.


No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 25.

Satisfies the pre-1800 requirement.

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR

FILIPCZAK

ARTH 247 Flemish Art: Bruegel to Rubens (Not offered 2011-2012)

The most admired art in northern Europe during the sixteenth and early seventeenth centuries was produced in Antwerp (in present day Belgium). This city served as home to the best-known Flemish artists, such as Pieter Bruegel and his sons, Rubens, and Van Deyck. In this lecture course, we will examine studio practices, especially the collaboration of artists on a single work, different narrative approaches, and the religious, political, and social messages conveyed by the works. We will also discuss official and popular religious practices and the images produced for different locations, including pilgrimage sites associated with miracle-working images.

Evaluation based on midterm, 3-page paper, and final (with a prepared essay).

Prerequisites: ARTH 101-102. Enrollment limit: 25.

Satisfies the pre-1800 requirement.

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR

FILIPCZAK

ARTH 253 Art in the Age of the Revolution, 1760-1860 (Same as Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 253) (Not offered 2011-2012)

A social history beginning with art of the pre-Revolutionary period and ending with realism. Major topics include changing definitions of neoclassicism and romanticism, the impact of the revolutions of 1789, 1830, and 1848, the Napoleonic Empire, the shift from history painting to scenes of everyday life, landscape painting as an autonomous art form and attitudes toward race and sexuality. The course stresses French artists such as Greuze, Vigée-Lebrun, David, Ingres, Delacroix, Géricault, Corot, and Courbet, but also includes Goya, Constable, Turner, and Friedrich.

Format: lecture. Requirements: two quizzes, hour test, and final exam or research paper; a conference at the Clark Art Institute and a field trip to New York may also be required.

Prerequisites: ARTH 101-102 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 30.

OCKMAN

ARTH 254(F) Manet to Matisse (Same as Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 254)

A social history of French painting from 1860 to 1900, beginning with the origins of modernism in the work of Courbet and Manet. Among the topics to be discussed are the rebuilding of Paris under Napoleon III; changing attitudes toward city and country in Impressionist and Symbolist art; the impact of imperialism and international trade; the gendering of public spaces, and the prominent place of women in representations of modern life. The course addresses vanguard movements such as Post-Impressionism and the styles of individual artists associated with them, as well as the work of academic painters.

Format: lecture. Requirements: hour test and final exam or research paper; a conference at the Clark Art Institute and field trip to The Metropolitan Museum and MOMA and/or The MFA in Boston may also be required.

Prerequisites: ARTH 101-102. Enrollment limit: 30.

MACNAMIDHE

ARTH 257(S) Architecture 1700-1900

In the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries a new conception of architecture arose, based on archaeological discoveries, the development of new building materials, and convulsive social changes. This course looks at the major architectural movements of this period, and the theoretical ideas that shaped them. Topics include Neoclassicism, new building types, Victorian Architecture, the development of the architectural profession, and Art Nouveau. Major architects to be discussed include Piranesi, John Soane, Schinkel, Puin, and H.H. Richardson. When possible, primary sources will be used. Students will be given experience in reading plans and writing about buildings.

Format: lecture. Requirements: one short paper and design project, midterm, final, and a field trip.

Prerequisites: ARTH 101-102 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 60.

This course does not satisfy the pre-1800 requirement.

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

LEWIS

ARTH 258(S) Latina/o Installation and Site-Specific Art (Same as Latina/o Studies 258)

(See under LATS 258 for full description.)

CHAVOYA

ARTH 262(S) Architecture Since 1900

An exploration of major developments in Western architecture from 1900 to the present, including the relationship of architecture of this period to developments in other fields. Concentration on major figures: Wright, Gropius, Mies van der Rohe, Le Corbusier, Aalto, Kahn, Venturi, Gehry, Koolhaas, Hadid. Format: lecture. Requirements: bi-weekly quizzes and an architectural design project for which no previous training is expected.

Prerequisites: ARTH 101-102, or ARTH 101 if 102 taken at the same time. Enrollment limit: 50 (expected: 50). Preference given to juniors and sophomores.

Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF

E. J. JOHNSON

ARTH 263(F) European Painting and Sculpture, 1900-1945

A survey of the major artists and tendencies, including Fauvism, Expressionism, Cubism, Futurism, Dada, Surrealism, the Bauhaus, and the Russian avant-garde. Lectured artists, with costumes to be covered through readings. Issues will include theoretical rationales for abstraction, varieties of avant-garde, and relations between art, criticism and the art market.

Format: lecture. Requirements: one quiz, a midterm, a short paper, a field trip to New York, and a final.

Prerequisites: ARTH 101-102. Enrollment limit: 30.

Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR

FERANDO
ARTH 264(F) American Art and Architecture, 1600 to Present (Same as American Studies 264)
American art is often looked at as a provincial version of the real thing—i.e., European art—and found wanting. This course examines American architecture, painting, and sculpture on its own terms, in the light of the social, ideological and economic forces that shaped it. Special attention will be paid to such themes as the Puritan legacy and attitudes toward art; the making of art in a commercial society; and the tension between the ideal and the real in American works of art.
Format: lecture. Requirements: three 5-page papers, midterm, final, and a field trip.
Prerequisites: ArtH 101-102 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 60.
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR
M. LEWIS

ARTH 265(S) Pop Art (W)
The use of commercial and mass media imagery in art became recognized as an international phenomenon in the early 1960s. Items such as comic strips, advertising, movie stills, television programs, soup cans, “superstars” and a variety of other accessible and commonplace objects inspired the subject matter, form and technique. This course will critically examine the history and legacy of Pop Art by focusing on its social and aesthetic contexts. An important component of the course involves developing skills in analyzing visual images, comparing them with other forms, and relating them to their historical context.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: two short response papers, oral presentation, and one final research paper.
Prerequisites: ArtH 101-102. Enrollment limit: 16.
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF
CHAVOYA

ARTH 266(S) Twentieth-Century Russian Art and the Birth of Abstraction (Same as Russian 208)
(See under RUSS 208 for full description.)
GOLDSTEIN

ARTH 270(S) Japanese Art and Culture (Same as Japanese 270)
This course is a survey of traditional Japanese painting, sculpture, architecture, woodblock prints, and decorative arts. Special attention will be paid to the developments in artistic style and subject matter in the contexts of contemporary cultural phenomena. Through visual analysis students learn the aesthetic, religious, and political ideas and cultural meanings conveyed in the works of art. This course offers students a solid grasp of the social, cultural, and art histories of Japan.
Format: lecture. Requirements: three 30- to 40-minute exams, two short papers, film screening, class attendance.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 35. This course satisfies the pre-1400, pre-1800 or Art of Middle East, Asia and Africa requirement.
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF
JANG

ARTH 274(F) Chinese Calligraphy: Theory and Practice (Same as Chinese 274)
This course has two components: art history and studio practice. The first offers students an opportunity to acquire an understanding of theoretical and aesthetic principles of Chinese calligraphy, one of the highest art forms in China practiced by the literati. It also investigates the social and political functions of Chinese calligraphy in ancient and contemporary China. Studio practice allows students to apply theories to creating artworks. The semester is evenly divided between technical instruction and the art history part of the course.
Format: lecture, class discussions and studio practice. Requirements: weekly assignments, a midterm, one short paper, oral presentations, a final project (artistic or scholarly), class attendance, film screening.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 12. This course satisfies the pre-1400, pre-1800 or Art of Middle East, Asia and Africa requirement.
Hour: 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. F
JANG

ARTH 276 Chinese Art and Culture (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course surveys the arts of China, including painting, sculpture, ceramics, gardens, and other decorative arts. Topics covered will include the rise and development of Buddhist art; meanings and functions of landscape painting; gender construction in Chinese art; Western influence in Chinese art; and more. Its contextual approach helps students gain insight into the aesthetic, religious, and political ideas and cultural meanings conveyed by the works of art. Visual analyses and thematic discussions will bear upon the interactions and interconnectedness between China and the West. This course also provides students with the vocabulary, techniques, and patterns of thinking needed for advanced art history courses.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: three 3-exam, 2 short papers, film screening, class attendance.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25). This course satisfies the pre-1400, pre-1800 or Art of Middle East, Asia and Africa requirement.
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF
JANG

ARTH 278 The Golden Road to Samarqand (Not offered 2011-2012)
The region comprising present day Iran, Afghanistan, Central Asia, Pakistan and India has a rich and complex history. Home to Genghis Khan and Tamerlane, Akbar the Great and Shah Jahan, it has generated some of the most spectacular monuments (e.g. the Taj Mahal and the blue tiled mosques of Isfahan) and refined manuscript painting ever known. We will look at these art forms from the tenth to the twentieth centuries, highlighting the patronage of key dynasties, including the Timurids of Samarqand and the Mughals of India. An important issue throughout the course will be the impact that Islam has had on the artistic traditions of this region.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, a short paper, a midterm and a final.
Satisfies the Art of Middle East, Asia and Africa requirement.
H. EDWARDS

ARTH 300T Rembrandt Tutorial: Case Studies of Individual Works and Controversial Issues (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
Currently Rembrandt ranks as the best known but also the most controversial Dutch artist of the 17th century. Dispute surrounds his character as well as the quantity, quality, and significance of his art. At each meeting we will focus on a specific painting, print, or drawing by Rembrandt or on an issue concerning him and his work in order to compare the strengths and weaknesses of the various approaches. The semester will begin and end with a group meeting of everyone taking the tutorial.
Format: tutorial. Requirements: each week write a short paper or respond to the tutorial partner’s paper.
Preference to non-majors. Satisfies the pre-1800 requirement.
FILIPCZAK

ARTH 301(FS) Methods of Art History
This course on the methods and historiography of art history is designed to offer art history majors an opportunity to examine art-historical problems and methodological issues that have shaped the discipline. Works of art will inevitably enter into our discussions, but the main objects of study will be texts about art as well as texts about methods for an historical study of art. Topics include (depending on individual instructor): aesthetics, style and periodization; iconography, narratological issues that have shaped the discipline. Works of art will enter into our discussions, but the main objects of study will be texts about art as well as texts about methods for an historical study of art. Topics include (depending on individual instructor): aesthetics, style and periodization; iconography, narratology, spectatorship; art and psychoanalysis, the social functions of images and the social history of art; art history and difference; and art-historical narrative as representation.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: five bi-weekly short papers, one final paper, oral presentation, and class participation.
Prerequisites: ArtH 101-102. Limited to Art History majors and required of them.
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR 1:10-2:25 TF
First Semester: HEDREEN
Second Semester: SOLUM

ARTH 302(F) When Art Needs Room to Breathe: Public Art Beyond the White Cube
This course will consider the history, controversies, emerging issues, and evolving aesthetic approaches to publicly sited art from Richard Serra’s Tilted Arc, removed from its downtown NYC site by court order, to Christo and Jeanne-Claude’s Gates for Central Park, to Mark Dion’s Seattle Vivarium, a 60-foot nurse log housed in a monumental urban greenhouse created in collaboration with, amongst others, scientists, ecologists, and botanical illustrators, and Rick Lowe’s community-based Project Rowhouse in Houston. Through lectures and guided readings, it will provide an overview of landmark projects including “plonk” art in corporate plazas, site-specific commissions, and new-genre public works. The course will consider questions including: What is the public? What is the difference between space and place? How do different kinds of art define place? What is the responsibility of the artist to his/her public(s)? The course will provide opportunities for students to consider these issues from the points of view of artists, curators, and representatives from architecture, government, and non-profit public art commissioning organizations. An important component of the learning experience is a practicum in which students work together in teams to research, create/curate, and problem-solve actual public art projects for the Williams campus and beyond.
Field trips will include study of publicly sited works on campus including the new Jenny Holzer installation in the Science Quad and at MASS MoCA, and a trip
to Storm King, a sculpture park located in upstate New York. Final grades will be determined by mid-term paper, presentation of the group project and completion of associated essays synthesizing this collaborative work, and critical participation in discussions. The instructor is the Director of the Williams College Museum of Art and has served as project manager for two public art works on campuses. She was also the artistic lead for the new Olympic Sculpture Park on the Seattle waterfront.

Format: seminar. Requirements: mid-term critical thinking paper, group project with presentation and individual paper, participation in class discussion.

Prerequisites: any 100-ARTS or ARTH, and any 200-level course in ARTS, ARTH, Theatre, Sociology, Environmental Studies, History, Psychology, Philosophy, or permission of the instructor; this course is open to graduate art history students. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 14). Preference given to undergraduate art history and studio art majors/graduate art history students.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 T

ARTH 306T Inventing Christian Art (W) (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course examines the evolution—from the Lumière brothers in 1895—of non-fiction filmmaking by historical period and national school, with emphasis on the work of such masters as Flaherty, Ivens, Grierson, and Wiseman, and on such "schools" as the National Film Board of Canada. Special attention to the reference given to sophomores and then art majors.

Format: seminar. Requirements: weekly essays, field session, and obligatory late April overnight weekend field session in Montreal with the urban geographer David Hanna of the Universite du Quebec a Montreal.

Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 16). Satisfies the pre-1400 or pre-1800 or Art of Middle East, Asia and Africa requirement. Preference: none.

ARTH 309 Art about Art: 1400-2000 (Not offered 2011-2012)

This thematic lecture course will focus on depictions through which artists referred to their own profession and its products. Images to be discussed include legends of the origin of art, self-portraits and other portraits of artists, scenes of contemporary and historical artists in their studios, finished art on display, and appropriations of art history. We will analyze specific depictions, comparing their historical and technical conditions as well as the theoretical positions then current in order to track major changes from the end of the Middle Ages through the twentieth century.

The course will also acquaint students with the diversity of art-historical approaches that can be used to study these works.

Format: lecture. Requirements: Two 10 page papers. Those majors taking the course for Art H 301 credit would have to write methodologically explicit papers.


ARTH 311(S) Infrastructure (Same as Environmental Studies 311) (W)

A seminar responding to the futurist Buckminster Fuller's often observing that when he flew into metropolitan airports at night, all the twinking lights he saw were but the above-ground protuberances, or expressions, of the underground systems sustaining urban life. And it was this larger design of interconnectivity, the buried and above-ground arteries, that he thought to be important. Hence a course in the history, and especially the visual expression, of public works: their design and planning, from the college pump in Harvard Yard to New York City's Croton, Catskill, and Delaware systems for supplying potable water, including the Third Tunnel now in construction. We will study pipelines, sewer systems, dams, gas and electric transmission or distribution lines (in their above- and below-ground guises), telegraph and telephone lines, radio, cell, and other communications towers, and maybe some transport linkages as well—and their accompanying buildings or architecture. Could manhole covers and what they cover be one essence of our studies? And another, cartography? And most of all, the depiction of these works by artists or documentarians? Some seminal figures and institutions in the history of public works will be given prominence: like Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and the Tennessee Valley Authority, George Waring and Thomas Edison, Robert Moses and Fuller himself. And we will be attentive as well to infrastructure monuments: the Schuykill water works, the Chicago pump house, Hoover dam, the early long-distance transmission of electricity from a dam on the American River at Folsom, California into the city of Sacramento eighteen miles away.

Format: seminar. Requirements: weekly essays, field session, and obligatory late April overnight weekend field session in Montreal with the urban geographer David Hanna of the Universite du Quebec a Montreal.

No prerequisites, but ArtH 201/ENVI 201 encouraged. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to Art majors, Environmental Policy majors, Environmental Studies majors, Environmental Studies concentrations, upperclassmen, students with urban design or regional planning interests.

Hour: TBA

ARTH 317 Topics in Chinese Art (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)

This course is an in-depth thematic study of Chinese art in the context of its contemporary cultural phenomena. Topics of interest include “Picturing Power: From Horses to Scrolls to the Social and Functions;” “Gender Construction in Chinese Art;” “Chinese Art in the Age of Exploration and Beyond: Western Influence in Chinese Art;” and “The Bold and Outrageous: Contemporary Chinese Art,” among other things. Investigation of these topics offers students an understanding of the important development in style and subject matter in Chinese art, as well as the aesthetic, theoretical, and cultural issues that underpinned this development. This course will also draw upon parallel topics that are discussed and developed elsewhere, and to address the question of how the same human concerns expressed in art operate differently in different cultures. This class helps students acquire critical reasoning and analytical skills in interpreting art and other cultural constructs.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: a series of short papers, including response papers, a final research paper, oral presentations, class attendance, class discussions.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 16). Satisfies the pre-1400 or pre-1800 or Art of Middle East, Asia and Africa requirement. Preference: none.

ARTH 329F Visual Politics (Same as Political Science 430)

This course examines the evolution—from the Lumière brothers in 1895—of non-fiction filmmaking by historical period and national school, with emphasis on the work of such masters as Flaherty, Ivens, Grierson, and Wiseman, and on such “schools” as the National Film Board of Canada. Special attention to the documentary mode, its relationship to still photography, the analysis of cinematic form, and the influence of anthropology, war, propaganda, and television upon
Satisfies the pre-1400 requirement.

Prerequisites: ArtH 101-102 or permission of the instructor; students of History and Anthropology are also encouraged to enroll.

Seminar: Requirements: participation in discussions, short response papers, two in-class presentations that provide material for a major term paper of 20-25 pages due at the end of the semester.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 12). No preference. Students who do not show up in the first class will not be admitted.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 W

JANG

SEMINARS

ARTH 400(F) Clark Visiting Professor Seminar: Rewriting Visual Studies (Same as ArtH 500)

(See under ARTH 500 for full description.)

ARTH 400(S) Clark Visiting Professor Seminar: Issues Raised by Art Since 1900 (Same as ArtH 500)

(See under ARTH 500 for full description.)

ARTH 402 Monuments and The Art of Memorial (Not offered 2011-2012)

The urge to commemorate individuals, heroic acts or historic events whether unspeakable or splendid is both human and timeless. This seminar will document and explore the concepts behind and the nature of monuments, both commemorative ones, and those that adornish or inform without commemorating a specific event or individual. Students will study and analyze monuments and memorials from the ancient Mediterranean (Egypt; Mycenae; Greece of the Archaic, Classical and Hellenistic periods; Imperial Rome) and chart their influence on monuments in later history, especially those of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. The current trend towards countermonuments, or anti-monuments, such as Maya Lin’s Vietnam Veterans Memorial or the Gerzus’ vandalizing “Monument Against Fascism, War and Violence and For Peace and Human Rights” in Hamburg/Harburg will be discussed in light of the monumental tradition of combining word, image, and architecture to create memorials that will endure in both spatial and temporal terms. Ongoing discussions of Holocaust memorials and the problems inherent in the design of the monument for the WTC will also be addressed. More humble memorials, such as ephemeral installations, roadside shrines, and photographic assemblages will be included in the discourse concerning the concept of “monument” alongside topics such as historic buildings and National parks.

Format: seminar. Requirements: one quiz; oral presentations; 4-5 short essays 2-3 pages, including position papers and oral presentation write-ups; a final paper 10-12 pages; contribution to discussion; class attendance.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 12). No preference. Students who do not show up in the first class will not be admitted.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 W

JANG

ARTH 405(S) Seminar in Architectural Criticism (W)

How does one judge a building? According to its structural efficiency or its aesthetic qualities? Its social responsibility—or just its pizzazz? Depending on the building, all of these questions might be pertinent, or imperative. This seminar explores architectural criticism, that curious genre between literature and architecture, and looks at its history, nature and function. We will read and discuss classic reviews by historical and contemporary critics as John Ruskin, Mariana van Rensselaer, Lewis Mumford, Ada Louise Huxtable and Herbert Muschamp. Insights gained from these discussions will be applied by students to writing their own reviews, which will likewise be discussed in class. Early assignments will concentrate on mechanisms: how to describe a building vividly and accurately, how to balance description and interpretation judiciously; how to compare: Subsequent ones will be more synthetic, encouraging students to write bold, lively and critical essays. The ultimate goal is to develop a distinctive and effective voice, and to gain a better understanding of the nature of criticism in general.

Format: seminar. Requirements: participation in discussions, short response papers, two in-class presentations that provide material for a major term paper of 20-25 pages due at the end of the semester.

Prerequisites: ArtH 101-102 or permission of the instructor; students of History and Anthropology are also encouraged to enroll. Enrollment limit: 14. Satisfies the pre-1400 requirement.

MCGOWAN

ARTH 411 The Artist’s Studio in the 19th Century, Real and Imagined (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

This course explores depictions of the artist in his or her studio in European art of the nineteenth century, including paintings, illustration, and fiction. Works by Courbet, Manet, and Seurat, but also lesser known artists, across the century, who treated the studio as a site for self-fashioning and artistic self-invention. Attention will also fall on the “erotics” of the studio, namely the presumed relationships between artists and models. Readings by 19th-century authors such as Zola and Balzac, as well as modern art historical texts.

Form: seminar. Requirements: weekly readings, annotated bibliography, oral presentation, and research paper.


GOTLIEB

ARTH 417 Gender Construction in Chinese Art (Not offered 2011-2012) (W/D)

“One is not born, but rather becomes a woman—Simone de Beauvoir”

This course will investigate how gender as a cultural and social construction is visualized in Chinese art. Issues of interest include how gendered space is constructed in Chinese painting; how landscape paintings can be decoded as masculine or feminine; and ways in which images of women help construct ideas of both femininity and masculinity. This course will also discuss Confucian literati’s ideals of reclusion and homosociality; didactic art for women; images of concubines, courtesans; and lonely women’s isolation and abandonment. For example, while nature is often seen as feminine, Chinese landscape painting may be coded as masculine due to its association with the Confucian scholar’s ideals of eremitism, a means for the cultivation of the mind, and homosociality. On the other hand, the placement of a masculine landscape in feminine space may be seen as rhetorical strategy, accentuating the lonely woman’s isolation and abandonment, which are important tropes in Chinese erotic poetry as well.

This course fulfills the EDI requirement in that it is designed to enable students to study the logic of gender and sexuality in a context different from their own; to see how both genders are constructed in relation to each other, and how they interact in the context of class, ideology, politics, and ideals, as well as how we may compare their representation in China with those of other cultures, notably Japan and the West. Using both visual art and literature, this course also challenges the gender stereotyping that still exists in current scholarship.

Students will submit five to six 1- to 2-page position papers about readings for the class; one 3- to 4-page midterm paper (draft and revision); two 2- to 3-page respondent’s written critiques; one 3- to 4-page pre-focus/focus paper (for final research paper proposal), and one 12- to 15-page final research paper (draft and revision).

Format: seminar/discussion.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Satisfies Art of Middle East and African requirement.

JANG

ARTH 421 Contemporary Art, Contemporary Methods (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

This course focuses on major developments in contemporary art practice over the last two decades and key methods that have developed to elucidate these practices. The seminar is designed for both art history and studio art majors. As we explore various critical frameworks used to interpret and analyze contemporary art, both studio and history majors will focus on expanding critical vocabularies and developing analytical skills in a manner that takes into account both theory and practice. Throughout this process we will also critically examine the changing definitions and roles of artist, critic, curator, and audience. Topics will include: installation, appropriation and the remix, globalization and hybridity, archival practices, and forms of participation and collaboration that generate new
ARTH 422(F) Making the Stones Speak: The Emergence and Development Of the Romanesque Sculpted Portal
Beginning around the year 1000, European Christendom experienced a great ecclesiastical building boom. According to a contemporary chronicler, “it was as if the whole earth, having cast off the old by shaking itself, were clothing itself everywhere in the white robe of the church.” During the course of the eleventh century, the designers of these structures fashioned a new architectural language that we now label “Romanesque.” One of the most innovative and dramatic aspects of this new language was its assimilation of monumental sculpture, absent in Europe since the fifth century. The focus of attention in this regard was the portal, which marked the threshold between the profane realm of the outside world and the sacred space of the church. This seminar will investigate the antecedents of the Romanesque sculpture, both historical and art historical, and examine in detail its greatest manifestations. Emphasis will be placed on understanding these often complex sculptural schemes within their original functional and physical contexts. What role did this imagery play in structuring the medieval visitor’s overall experience of the church? And what did it mean to have this imagery carved into the very fabric of “God’s temple”?

Format: seminar. Requirements: class discussion, class presentation, 15- to 20-page research paper.
Prerequisites: ArtH 101-102 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 14. Preference given to Art majors.
Satisfies the pre-1400 or pre-1800 requirement.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 F LOW

ARTH 426 Pictures That Rocked the Nation: Courbet and Manet in Second Empire France (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 426) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
How do we recognize or see diversity in the works of canonical artists? If modernist painting has often been understood to put pressure on existing power relations, the stylistic innovation that defines it has just as often been used to veil its controversial subject matter. The aim of this course is two-fold: 1) to call attention to difference through comparative analysis and to consider how and why identifying it is meaningful, 2) to detail the changes in historiography since the 1970s that have enabled discussions of difference (sex, class, race, ethnicity, sexuality) and the challenges they present. The course demonstrates that the Second Empire (1851-1870) in France was an especially fertile period for innovations in style and subject matter that generated both outrage and incomprehension. In the wake of the revolution of 1848, realism and its rallying cry (“Il faut être de son temps”) brought home subjects that heretofore had been safely displaced to the classical or exotic worlds as they were imagined by the West. The Second Empire coincided with the birth of mass culture so that artists had access to new types of imagery and increasing contact with racy and controversial subjects.

This course will investigate polychromed works by Gustave Courbet (Burial at Ornans, Origin of the World) and Edouard Manet (i.e. Olympia, The Execution of Emperor Maximilian) through the lens of critical writings of the 1850s and 1860s (i.e. Baudelaire, Proudhon, Zola) as well as revisionist writings from the 1970s to the present (Carol Armstrong, Carol Astor, T.J. Clark, Lee Edelman, Diana Fuss, Sander Gilman, Linda Nochlin, and Gayatri Spivak). We will consider the relationship of Manet’s and Courbet’s works to academic ones, including orientalist paintings by Ingres and Gérôme, and to vanguard pictures of the next generation (i.e. the homoerotic work of Callíbotte and Bazille, the “sex workers” of Degas’s toilette scenes). Finally, we will examine the legacy of Courbet and Manet during the period when difference began to be represented in the work of artists such as Judy Chicago, Yasumasa Morimura, Cindy Sherman, Samuel Fosso, and Carrie Mae Weems.

Format: seminar. Requirements: weekly 1- to 2-page position papers; oral presentation and final research paper, 10-15 pages.
Prerequisites: ArtH 101-102 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected:12). Preference may be given to students with course work in French history or literature and/or Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies.

OCKMAN

ARTH 432 Domestic Visual Culture in Renaissance Florence (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 432) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
Fifteenth-century Florence nurtured a burgeoning culture of image production. This remarkable proliferation of images, and the rapid development of visual idioms, has given the Tuscan city a privileged art historical position as the birthplace of the Renaissance and, traditionally, the basis of the first chapter in the story of artistic development and progress in the west. The domestic palace, as it emerged during this period, was a crucial site for the production and reception of new kinds of objects; indeed, many Renaissance touchstones— Botticelli’s Birth of Venus, Leonardo’s Mona Lisa, and Michelangelo’s Doni Tondo, to name just a few examples—were originally commissioned for (and viewed within) a domestic setting. In this course we will examine the Renaissance palace itself, as well as a constellation of diverse images once housed within it including traditional panel paintings, painted furniture and wall-hangings, ceramics, and ritual objects. We will pose questions about the relationship between these objects and the people who commissioned them and lived with them, focusing especially on issues of gender and power. Our investigation of domestic art will be grounded in the larger historiographic problem of Renaissance individualism; in other words, we will use this material in order to consider, critique, and refine traditional conceptions of the Renaissance as a historical period.

Format: seminar. Requirements: evaluation will be based on oral participation and short response papers, one oral presentation, and a 15- to 20-page research paper.
Satisfies the pre-1800 requirement.

SOLUM

ARTH 451 Ideal Bodies: The Modern Nude and Its Dilemmas (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 451) (Not offered 2011-2012)
The nineteenth century is so dominated by the female nude that the very term “nude” has come to stand for the female body. And yet, the history of the nude during this period is not devoid of male bodies. This course looks at both male and female nudes in order to understand how the nude became gendered female. Required readings include Kenneth Clark’s classic study The Nude: A Study in Ideal Form (1956) and Lynda Nead’s The Female Nude: Art, Obscenity and Sexuality (1992), with special attention to texts which show how the nude and the discourse of the ideal function to obscure social issues. We will explore the ways in which certain types of bodies have been defined in opposition to the white western ideal, and thereby exoticized or marginalized. Our prime focus is the work of David, Ingres, Géricault, Courbet, Manet, and Renoir but more popular nineteenth-century images as well as selected works by artists working today will be discussed.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on biweekly 1-page papers, short reports, an oral presentation and a 10- to 20-page paper.
Prerequisites: ArtH 101-102; permission of instructor required. Enrollment limit: 12. Preference given to junior Art majors, Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies majors and History majors with a concentration in European studies.

OCKMAN

ARTH 460(S) Klee/Picasso: Versions of Modernism
Since the 1920s Pablo Picasso (1888-1973) has been universally viewed as [the] dominant representative of European classic modernism—“all in all, the painter of today,” the German painter Paul Klee (1879-1940) called him. On the other hand, Klee himself, once seen as an idiosyncratic albeit absolutely central figure within modern art, has become increasingly marginalized in historical accounts and scholarly studies about the movement, resulting, one could argue, in an impoverished, distorted understanding of what was at stake in the art of this period. For together, arguably more than any other two artists of their era, they exemplify the range and richness of what modernism was. In no two other artists of their generation does one find such a fecundity of formal invention, such a range of technical experimentation. Each engaged in his distinct way in a radical rethinking of the enterprise of pictorial representation, and yet both were intent, despite being in a diachronic but in a diametrical with history. Restoring Klee to his rightful place as a central, defining figure within the period, this seminar will comparatively examine these two artists and their respective practices, with the goal of achieving a more nuanced understanding of the art-historical phenomenon known as modernism.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on regular participation in class discussion, a thirty-minute oral presentation, and a revised, expanded written version of that paper.
Prerequisites: ArtH 263 (European Painting and Sculpture, 1900-1945) or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 14 (expected: 14). Preference given to senior art history majors who have taken ArtH 263.
Hour: 1:10-3:50 T

HAXTHAUSEN

ARTH 461T Writing about Bodies (Same as INTR 461 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 461) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
The goal is to think about describing bodies from a variety of disciplinary approaches and genres of writing. Its focus is on living bodies, or bodies that were once alive, with an emphasis on bodies that move i.e., performing bodies—actors, dancers, singers—and what makes them unique. We will also consider objects associated with bodies, and the ways they are animated, including how they are animated when the person who had them dies. The course is meant for
limit: 10 (expected: 10). project from these cumulative exercises. Format: tutorial. Requirements: alternating weekly essays (4-5 pages) and responses (2-4 pages) as well as discussion; a final paper that distills the writer’s own project from these cumulative exercises.

Prerequisites: Arth 101-102, or permission of the instructor; a writing sample that convveys the kind of subject you might be interested in pursuing. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10).

ARH 462 Art of California: “Sunshine or Noir” (Same as American Studies 462 and Latina/o Studies 462) (Not offered 2011-2012) California has long been considered a land of “sunshine and noir,” within the national and international imagination as a land of physical recreation and deception: a kind of opportunity and social unrest. In this course, we will study the visual arts and culture of California from the 1960s to the present. Although we will focus on southern California, particularly Los Angeles, we will also consider movements in San Diego and the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Area. The course will approach California pop, conceptual, funk, performance, installation, public, and media arts to pursue questions of influence and interpretation concerning the relations between space, place, identity, and style in the visual arts and popular culture. Alongside analyzing California’s visual culture, we will examine the region’s cultural geography through historical and theoretical readings. Particular attention will be given to the region’s special relations to Hollywood, the automobile, beach-surf culture, and the great diversity that characterizes the state.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on two research papers and a presentation.


CHA VOYA

ARH 463 The Holocaust Visualized (Same as Jewish Studies 463) (Not offered 2011-2012) This seminar will examine how memories of the Holocaust have been conveyed through visual means and consider what historical, cultural and political circumstances have caused various nations to remember the Holocaust differently. We will discuss the issues prompted by public memorials, exhibitions and, as others have put it, “the museumification” of concentration camps. How should we define the Holocaust? Whose memory should take precedence? Should we allow collapsing sites of memory to collapse? Is what is lost or gained by the inclusion of texts with images? How might memory be misrepresented by the exhibition of visual materials such as video testimony, photographs and artifacts? In addition, we will study art about the Holocaust, including Art Spiegelman’s graphic novel, Maus, and films, such as Night and Fog, Shoah and Schindler’s List, to ask whether constructed or simulated images can convey the experience of the Holocaust as well as documentary ones. Additionally, we need to consider ways in which the images of the Holocaust, by now too well-known, have been institutionalized by groups wishing to minimize the Shoah (e.g., the recent Holocaust cartoon competition in Tehran, 2006.)

Format: seminar. Requirements: active participation in class discussion and regular participation in a class list server discussion group, one oral presentation, and one research paper; no exams; fieldtrip to the Holocaust Museum in Washington, D.C. (estimated cost: $260).

No prerequisites; not open to auditors or first-year students. Enrollment limit: 12. This course is part of the Jewish Studies concentration.

E. GRUDIN

ARH 464 Latina/o Visual Culture: Histories, Identities, and Representation (Same as Latina/o Studies 464) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D) This course examines the contemporary history of Latina/o visual culture and explores the various relations between cultural expression, identity formation, and public representation. We will begin by considering the critical and aesthetic practices that emerged in the context of civil rights actions and nationalist movements, and then focus on issues of visibility, self-representation, and autonomy. The topics of immigration, transnationalism, and the “Latination” of the United States will then be analyzed in depth as we examine representations of and representations by Latina/os in film and television, the visual arts, advertising, and other forms of popular media. Throughout the course, we will investigate the role of visual culture in determining taste and trends as well as shaping notions of belonging and cultural citizenship.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, a research presentation, several short writing assignments (1-2 pages), and a final research paper.

Prerequisites: LATI S105 or Arth 101-102 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Preference given to Latina/o Studies and Art History seniors and juniors.

CHA VOYA

ARH 465(S) Mining the Museum: Critical Revisions of Museum History and Practice (Same as ArtH 564) (See under ARTH 564 for full description.)

CORRIN

ARH 470(S) Image-making, Orientalism and Visual Culture (D) Images enjoy extraordinary power in the spaces between self and other, human and divine. They play myriad roles—witness, surrogate, instigator, supplicant—and travel freely across political, religious and cultural boundaries. This course is about three regions—United States, France and the Persian sphere—and the images that mediate and document their interactions. Along the way, we will address important issues like iconoclasm and aniconism, common types like veiled women and pious men, and asymmetrical relationships like orientalism and Islamicism. The peculiar nature of portraiture will be a prominent theme. This course fulfills the Exploring Diversity Initiative in its emphasis on comparative cultures and its effort to promote understanding of contextualized meanings in diverse settings.

Format: seminar. Requirements: Oral presentation, term project; students will give oral presentations and complete a semester-long project.

Prerequisites: one Art History class. Enrollment limit: 12. Preference given to majors, permission of instructor: Satisfies the Art of Middle East, Asia and Africa requirement.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 R

H. EDWARDS

ARH 472 Forbidden Images? (Not offered 2011-2012) Islam forbids the depiction of the human figure, right? Wrong. There is actually a long and rich tradition of figurative imagery, particularly in Iran, Afghanistan and India. Many of those images occur in the context of Persian manuscripts, but the introduction of photography generated new possibilities and controversies. This seminar will explore the history of Muslim image making and related questions about representation, iconoclasm, and power in the Islamic world.

Format: seminar. Requirements: students will have access to original materials and they will be expected to produce a major term project.

Enrollment limit: 12. Satisfies the Art of Middle East, Asia and Africa requirement.

H. EDWARDS

ARH 494(S) Honor’s Thesis Seminar To graduate with honors in art history, students are to enroll in the Senior Honors Seminar during the Spring semester of their senior year, where they will develop an original research paper based on prior research. Under the guidance of the instructor, students will present and defend their own work in both written and oral form, as well as respond to, and critique, the work of their peers. As students work toward transforming their existing paper into an honor’s thesis, they will also be trained in skills necessary to analyze an argument effectively, and strategies of constructive criticism.

Format: seminar. Once in the seminar, students will revise, refine and expand on previous research and produce a paper of approximately 25 pages and present a shortened version of the paper to the faculty and public at the Williams College Museum of Art.

Prerequisites: to be admitted to the seminar, students must have completed Arth 491 in their Junior year. To enter the class, students must either be nominated by a faculty member, or apply independently to the Department Honors Committee for admission. Students who have been nominated, as well as students who wish to apply for admission to the Honors Seminar, must submit an original research paper that was completed in a prior art history class. The paper must be properly formatted and include illustrations, a bibliography, and an abstract of not more than 250 words. These documents are to be turned in to the Department Secretary no later than the end of the exam period of the Fall semester. The Department Honors Committee will invite students (no more than 10) to enroll in the Honors Seminar. Based on the quality of the original research, the student’s GPA within the major, and the willingness and availability of appropriate faculty advisors.

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ARTS 100 (F)  Drawing I

The purpose of this course in beginning drawing is to advance your understanding of fundamental aspects of the language of visual communication and expression. Through the development of greater visual acuity, an examination of the structure of the two-dimensional image, and the study of appropriate working methods, you will work to give coherent visual form to your own observations, and will develop an enhanced ability to understand the images created by others. The development of appropriate technical skills, strengthening of observational skills, and a basic understanding of the interrelationship between form and content in drawing are the key aims of this course.

Format: studio. Evaluation will be based primarily on the quality of work produced, successful completion of all assignments, and attendance. Lab fee.

No prerequisites. Enrolment limit: 18 (expected: 18). This course may not be taken on a pass/fail basis.

ARTS 100 (F)  Drawing I

This course is designed to introduce the fundamentals of drawing. A significant portion of class time will be devoted to learning some of the basics of drawing, such as line, gesture, composition, and value. Acquiring technical skill is an important goal of this class, and intensive weekly assignments are a significant part of that process.

Format: studio. Evaluation will be based primarily on the quality of work produced, successful completion of all assignments, and attendance. Lab fee.

No prerequisites. Enrolment limit: 18 (expected: 18). This course may not be taken on a pass/fail basis.

ARTS 101  Artists Respond to Contemporary Events (Same as American Studies 101) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

This introductory video production course focuses on how contemporary artists engage their historical moment. We will look ways in which the moving image can be used to reframe the past, to rework the historical record with the force that historical events have on us, and the ways in which we might hope to have force on historical events. Examples will include works made in Hollywood and for broadcast television, as well as work by artists and activists. Our focus will be on work related to U.S. events in the present and the recent past.

Films and videos studied may include works by: S.R. Sidarth, Julia Meltzer and David Thorne, Oliver Stone, Omar Fest, Michael Winterbottom, Sharon Hayes, Joyce Salloum and Elia Suleiman, Gas Van Sant, Marco Loera, Spike Lee, WITNESS, Common Ground Collective, TVTV, ACT UP, Pail Chan, Kelly Anderson and Tami Gold, the YES Men, and many others. Reading a newspaper or online news source will also be required.

Format: studio. Students will produce three short videos, and will learn substantial techniques related to shooting and editing in experimental, fictional, and documentary forms.


L. JOHNSON

ARTS 107(S)  Creating Games (Same as Computer Science 107)

(See under CSCI 107 for full description.)

Does not satisfy any requirement for the Art major.

MCGUIRE

ARTS 108  Creating Bodies (Same as ArtH 108) (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course looks at the human body, clothed and nude, from many perspectives, including that of the visual artist, the actor, and the performer and the creative writer. It is intended to introduce both the experiential and conceptual dimensions of the body and to develop skills in critical thinking. Students will meet for lecture and discussion once a week. Twice a week students will attend a figure drawing workshop to study basic drawing skills like line, proportion, composition, light and space. Studio sessions will be coordinated with the lecture and the readings to explore topics such as naked vs. nude, movement, spectatorship, the construction of identity, and portraiture. Possible texts for purchase: Roland Barthes’ Camera Lucida, John Berger’s Ways of Seeing, and Mark Doty’s Still Life with Oysters and Lemon. All of the drawing will be done in class. Drawing supplies will be provided and charged to the term bill. The studio and scholarly components of the course will be weighed equally in the final evaluation of student achievement.

Additional Info: This course may be taken for Art History or Studio Art credit and students should choose the appropriate course number when enrolling; Art History majors may take the class to fulfill the studio art requirement for the major; if they wish to do so, they should register for the course as ARTS 108. Format: lecture, discussion and studio workshop; two class meetings and viewing time in the Clark Art Institute and/or Williams College Museum of Art. Additional requirements: assignments are limited to weekly readings and one short paper; participation in class discussion is expected and will be evaluated. No prerequisites; students who have no previous drawing experience are encouraged to enroll. Enrollment limit: 32 (drawing sections limited to 16); expected enrollment: 32. Preference given to first-year students, art majors, sophomores.

Material and Lab Fees: $150.00-200.00.

GIER and OCKMAN

ARTS 117  Photographic Montage and Collage (Not offered 2011-2012)

It is all the edge. Montage is the seamless combination of photographs which begs the viewer to suspend disbelief and embrace the new composite reality. Collage also yields an alternate reality by combining multiple photographs but here the process unbiasedly reveals itself. In this course, students will learn basic photographic techniques as well as use found photographs to make both collages and montages. These combinations will be made with razor blades and
ARTS 200(S) Costume Design (Same as Theatre 305)
(See under THEA 305 for full description.)

This course does not satisfy any requirements for the Art major.

ARTS 201(S) Theatrical Staging and Design: Process of Collaboration (Same as Theatre 201)
(See under THEA 201 for full description.)

This course does not satisfy any requirements for the Art major.

ARTS 202 Movement and Art Making (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course will investigate the connections between dance and visual art. Students will learn and use techniques from dance that can apply to the representation of action in drawing, painting, photography, video and other forms. Artists noted for the ability to express motion or collaborate with dancers that we will examine include Edward Muñoz-de la Peña, Martha Graham, Barbara Morgan, Picasso, Walkowitz and Jacob Lawrence. Dancers with a history of collaboration with visual artists we will study include Martha Graham/Isamu Noguchi, Martha Graham/Barbara Morgan and Lucinda Childs/Sol Le Witt. The class will visit designated exhibitions at WCMA, MASS MoCA and other museums or galleries throughout the semester and attend dance concerts at the '62 Center and MASS MoCA. We will also view media, discuss selected readings and participate in studio sessions with guest artists and curators. Requirements: a journal documenting process with readings, discussions, field trips, media etc. Journals are submitted three times for instructor review and comments, midterm project that is presented and discussed in class, final project that is a synthesis of their learning for presentation and discussion. Format: studio/seminar. Evaluation based on class participation, quality of midterm and final projects, attendance and journal.
Prerequisites: experience in a visual art medium (painting, drawing, photography, film) or experience in dance (Modern, African, Ballet, Hip-Hop, etc) preferred.

Does not satisfy any requirements for the Art major.

BURTON

ARTS 204(S) Perceptual Intelligence (Same as Dance 204)
(See under DANC 204 for full description.)

ARTS 205(F) “New” Choreography (Same as Dance 302)
(See under DANC 302 for full description.)

ARTS 220(S) Architectural Design I
Instruction in design with an introduction to architectural theory. Five simple design problems will explore form and meaning in architecture. Each problem will require drawings/model and will be critiqued in a class review with outside critics. Evaluation will be based on quality of design, with improvement taken into account. Lab fee.
Prerequisites: Arts 100; ArtH 101-102 strongly suggested. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). Permission of instructor is required. Registration does not guarantee admission to the course.
Hour: 1:10-3:50 F

BENEDICT

ARTS 221 Scenic Design (Same as Theatre 302) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under THEA 302 for full description.)

ARTS 230(F) Drawing II
This advanced drawing course will continue to investigate the techniques, principles of organization, and ideas which were introduced in the Drawing I course. Having become more familiar with the drawing process, students will be encouraged through intensive weekly assignments to expand and challenge the conventions of markmaking. As with any discipline, familiarity with the rules allows the users to seek alternatives and develop definitions of how the drawing process can best be suited to their own visual vocabulary. The range of exercises could include traditional materials on paper as well as non-traditional methods and exercises.
Evaluation will be based on evidence of each student’s progress, as shown by the weekly assignments and final portfolio. Attendance and participation in class discussions are also considered part of the course evaluation. Lab fee.
Prerequisites: Arts 200. Enrollment limit: 15. This course may not be taken on a pass/fail basis.
Hour: 9:55-12:35 T

MORRIS

ARTS 241 Painting (Not offered 2011-2012)
In this course, we will begin to explore the intellectual possibilities and physical permutations associated with the act of painting. The class will be focused on developing necessary technical skills, such as the manipulation of color, value, surface, and texture. We will also begin to consider issues of content and representation by looking at a diverse range of paintings, both in the museums that we have on campus as well as in regular slide presentations. Evaluation will be based on fulfillment of assignment objectives, technical execution/craftsmanship, conceptual and physical investment of time, participation in critiques, and attendance. Lab fee.
Prerequisites: Arts 100. Enrollment limit: 15. Preference given to majors, sophomores, juniors, seniors.
Lab fee: $375.

GLIER

ARTS 241(S) Painting
In this course, we will begin to explore the intellectual possibilities and physical permutations associated with the act of painting. The class will be focused on developing necessary technical skills, such as the manipulation of color, value, surface, and texture. We will also consider issues of content in a diverse range of approaches, including painting from life (still life and portraits), abstraction, and some mixed media. The particular characteristics of acrylic paint will be explored in a variety of processes. There will be visits to the museum, critiques, and slide presentations.
Format: studio. Evaluation will be based on the quality of work, investment of time, participation in critiques, and attendance.
Prerequisites: Arts 100. Enrollment limit: 14 (expected: 14). Preference given to art majors.
Hour: 1:10-3:50 M

TAKENAGA
ARTS 253(F) Film Photography
An introduction to black and white film photography. Students will shoot with cameras provided by the art department, both 35mm single lens reflex cameras and 4x5 inch monorail view cameras. Students will learn how to process film and make prints. The assignments will guide students through the ideas and aesthetics inherent to photography. Each student will create a photography portfolio throughout the semester. The course will end with the completion of a photography project. Lab fee

ARTS 254(S) Digital Photography
Cell phones and scanners, along with Digital SLR cameras, will be used as image capture devices. Instruction in Photoshop software on the Macintosh platform and the theory of digital and analog photography will be taught. Assignments will investigate the presence of these digital technologies on art photography. Meant as a companion course to Arts 253, (Film Photography) the assignments in this course will allow students to engage with the aspects of photography, which are best achieved digitally. Substantial amounts of work will be done outside of class, in the Mac lab in Jesup and in the digital printing lab in Spencer Art. With the exception of camera phones, the college will provide all other equipment necessary to complete coursework.

ARTS 266(F) Low Tech Printmaking
An introduction to printmaking through the process of lithography. Students will work on both stones and aluminum plates. Techniques will include traditional lithographic processes as well as monotyping, multiple plates, collage, and hand tinting. Both technical skill and a strong conceptual basis will be emphasized in order to create finished fine art prints.

ARTS 255 Photographic Time and Space (Not offered 2011-2012)
An introduction to the practice of photography with an emphasis on the vision that is unique to the camera: the particular manner in which three-dimensional reality is rendered on the two dimensional, light-sensitive plane. The course will concentrate on the study and creation of imagery which is dependent on the specificity of photographic vision. Students will receive instruction on the workings both film and digital cameras (provided by the department), development of black and white film, digital color and basic printing techniques. Students will be asked to respond to a series of assignments. A substantial amount of lab time, in addition to the class meetings, is necessary to complete these assignments. Students’ works are evaluated individually and in class critiques throughout the semester.

Evaluation will be based on the level of formal and technical competence of the portfolio as well as the conceptual strength and sophistication of the work completed. Lab fee.

Prerequisites: ArtS 100. Enrollment limit: 12. Preference given to Art majors.

Hour: 7:00-9:40 p.m. M and 2:10-3 W LALEIAN

ARTS 256 Fabricated and Manipulated Photography (Not offered 2011-2012)
Fabricated and Manipulated Photography A directorial approach to photography in which events are staged for the camera and images are manipulated. Photography are preconceived yet simultaneously altered by the alchemy inherent to chemical photography.

Students will learn to use 4x5 film cameras and 8x10 cameras (both provided by the department). A series of assignments will be completed using Photoshop software, basic color digital printing as well as the development b/w film and the basics of b/w printing technique. Lab time, in addition to the class meetings, is necessary to complete these assignments. Students’ works are evaluated individually and in class critiques throughout the semester.

Evaluation will be based on the level of formal and technical competence of the portfolio as well as the conceptual strength and sophistication of the work completed. Lab fee.

Prerequisites: ArtS 100. Enrollment limit: 12. Preference given to Art majors.

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ARTS 263(S) Printmaking: Intaglio and Relief
An introduction to printmaking through the process of intaglio and relief. Techniques will include drypoint, etching, and aquatint. Monotypes, some color wood, collage, and hand tinting will also be covered. Both technical skill and a strong conceptual basis will be emphasized in order to create finished fine art prints.

Experimentation is encouraged. Class time will consist of studio work, demonstrations, lectures, critiques, and field trips.

Evaluation will be based on attendance, participation in class, and the quality of work produced. Lab fee.

Prerequisites: ArtS 100. Enrollment limit: 12.

Hour: 9:55-12:35 T TAKENAGA

ARTS 264 Printmaking: Lithography (Not offered 2011-2012)
An introduction to printmaking through the process of lithography. Students will work on both stones and aluminum plates. Techniques will include traditional lithographic processes as well as monotyping, multiple plates, collage, and hand tinting. Both technical skill and a strong conceptual basis will be emphasized in order to create good, finished, fine art prints.

Format: studio work, demonstrations, lectures, critiques, and field trips. Evaluation will be based on attendance, participation in class, and quality of work produced. Lab fee.

Prerequisites: ArtS 100 or ArtS 103. Enrollment limit: 12.

ARTS 266(F) Low Tech Printmaking
This course will cover a variety of easy techniques to make multiple images, including xeroxing, linoleum plates, stencilling, cardboard plates, collagraphs, and monotyping. Students will be encouraged to hand-color or add to the prints, incorporating drawing, painting, photography, bookmaking and collage. With less emphasis on complicated techniques, the focus of the course will be more upon form and content, investigating how the reproductive and serial nature of printmaking has an impact upon artmaking. There will be a minimum of five assignments during the semester and students are expected to work substantial hours outside of class.

Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based on the quality of the finished work, attendance in class and participation in critiques. Lab fee.

Prerequisites: ArtS 100. Enrollment limit: 12.

Hour: 9:55-12:35 T TAKENAGA

ARTS 275(F) Sculpture: Cardboard and Wood...Plus
This course is an introduction to the media and processes of sculpture. The focus will be on the interplay of form, concept, and material. Incorporating a variety of materials is encouraged, yet there will be an emphasis on learning the techniques and processes of woodworking as they relate to sculpture. This course is based on a series of sculpture projects which will have you investigating both the formal and the conceptual aspects involved in creating personal statements in a visual format. A substantial amount of time outside of class is necessary to complete these projects.

Evaluation will be based on the quality of work produced, depth and quality of investigative process, participation in critiques, and attendance. Lab fee.

Prerequisites: ArtS 100 or ArtS 103. Enrollment limit: 12.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 W PODMORE

ARTS 276(S) Sculpture: Metal and Plaster Plus
This course is an introduction to the media and processes of sculpture. The focus will be on the interplay of form, concept, and material. A variety of materials will be explored; however, the emphasis will be on techniques and processes associated with metal and plaster and how they relate to sculpture. Metal techniques will include gas welding, arc welding, and MIG welding. Plaster processes will include modeling and casting. This course is based on a series of sculpture projects which will investigate both the formal and the conceptual aspects involved in creating personal statements in a visual format. A substantial amount of time outside class is necessary to complete these projects.

Evaluation will be based on the quality of work produced, depth and quality of investigative process, participation in critiques, and attendance. Lab fee.

Prerequisites: ArtS 100. Enrollment limit: 12.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 T PODMORE
ARTS 284(F) Writing for Film, Video, and Performance (Same as Theatre 284) (W)
This is a writing workshop for the time-based arts. The course will focus more on the process of writing and artmaking than on the final product of a film or video. We will study the use of language in a variety of films, videos, and performance-based artworks. We will study examples in avant garde film, video art, performance art, narrative cinema, and essay films. Students will generate monologues, voiceovers, screenplays and avant garde forms, and will also write several response papers about the use of language in film, video, and performance.
Format: studio. Grades will be based on in-class writing, weekly assignments, and workshop discussion, and on several sketch-like video-based assignments. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 10).
Hour: 1:10-3:50 W
L. JOHNSON

ARTS 288(F) Video
Video is an introduction to the moving image as a fine arts medium. The course will involve hands-on production as well as contemporary screenings and readings that demonstrate elements of the medium. The course will look specifically at performance, sound, exhibition context, documentary, high and low production values, appropriation, writing, and analysis. The course will introduce shooting and editing skills, including preproduction skills such as storyboarding and scripting, production skills such as directing, shot composition, lighting, and sound recording, and postproduction editing skills in a range of styles. Evaluation will be based on the technical and conceptual strength of the tapes, with consideration given to individual development. Lab fee: $100-150.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10.
Hour: 1:10-3:50 R
L. JOHNSON

ARTS 310T Appearance/Disappearance (Not offered 2011-2012)
Appearance and disappearance are conditions that intuitively and intellectually link a subject to its surrounding environment. We are made aware of things appearing (or disappearing) by the degrees and kinds of contrasts exhibited by the subject (ideas or objects) in relation to its ground (ephemeral or material). The particular array of relationships between subject and ground constructs diverse kinds of evidence. From medical research in the imaging processes of the internal body to the forensic cues offered by the “black box” in-flight recording; from the military use of camouflage to the video taped “appearances” of Osama bin laden; from the inability of an eating disorder patient to recognize a self image to the masquerades we willingly wear-appearance and disappearance have governed the evidences of our actions, beliefs and identities.
This image-based studio examination of the subject will look at material that has been shaped by its link with our central theme. Each of five studio projects will successively build a cumulative view of how appearance and/or disappearance might shift a viewer’s ability to render any point of view. While work in a variety of media will be encouraged, most of the studio exercises will be two-dimensional or low-relief in their final presentation.
Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be on the basis of the technical and conceptual strengths of the portfolio, the weekly paired-student format and full class studio discussions, and regular written analysis of work produced during this term. Lab fee.
Prerequisites: any one of the following: ARTS 230, 241, 242, 257, 263, or 264. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Preference given to Art majors. (Note: Students only need to be available one hour during the stated time. Students who have time-conflicts with another course should contact the instructor.)
EPPING

ARTS 315(S) Realism: Courted to Mumblecore
This 300-level video production seminar will look at traditions in realism and historical styles of representing everyday life. Students will consider pre-cinematic realities in painting and literature, classical formations of Hollywood realism, Italian Neorealism, critical and New Wave relationships to realist practice, recent forms of neorealism from Iran, China, and the U.S., and the everyday aesthetics of mumblecore. Students will produce three short videos in relation to screenings and readings in different realist traditions, and will develop skills and technique related to traditions of narrative realism. This thematic seminar will help students develop basic skills in screenwriting, performance, and cinematography, at the same time as raising questions about realism’s place in relation to the legacies of formalist modernism in the visual arts, contemporary critical art practice, and the realist expectations of American “mainstream” cinema. While the focus of the seminar will be on students’ own production, coursework will be informed by engaging work with John Ford, Mike Leigh, Roberto Rossellini, Jean-Luc Godard, Chantal Ackerman, Andy Warhol, Abbas Kiarostami, Jia Zhangke, Kelly Reichardt, and Aaron Katz, and will also involve critical studies that position research into traditions in art history, cinema, and theater, including readings by Clement Greenberg, Bertolt Brecht, Andre Bazin, Augusto Boal, Rosalind Krauss, Hal Foster, Moyra Davey, and many others.
This course is appropriate for art majors who may be beginning students in the medium of video, or for students who have taken a previous video production course or Writing for Film and Video course. Evaluation format: studio. Evaluation will be based on three short videos and occasional brief writing exercises.
Prerequisites: open to art majors and students who have taken another video course. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Preference given to art majors.
Hour: 1:10-3:50 R
L. JOHNSON

ARTS 317T The Miniature (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course will involve the critical analysis and production of works of art done on a small scale. If art on the largest scale is inherently public in nature, what is the nature of the miniature? The miniature has fulfilled many functions: images of remembrance, the portrait of a beloved, devotional objects, art made as an object of contemplation and wonder. The language of the miniature is intimate, private, and bears the authority of understatement. Our involvement with many works of art will be sharpened, in time and in space. Our curiosity about the miniature is close, highly personal, and frequent. Course assignments will examine the inherent qualities of the work in miniature, and ask students to create work to fulfill historically defined and innovative functions. The assigned work can be executed in any medium in which the student has completed an introductory course. Students will meet in pairs, together with the instructor, and the students will present critical responses to the works in progress and upon completion. Readings will be assigned to focus this critical analysis. In addition to the production of miniatures, each student will research and deliver critical presentations on related contemporary or historical works.
Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on the quality of the assigned work, the engagement in the critique process, and quality of presentations.
Prerequisites: any Art 200-level course. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to Art majors.
LEVIN

ARTS 319(F) Junior Seminar
The objectives of this intensive seminar for studio majors are to strengthen both creative and technical skills (through weekly studio projects) and analytical and critical abilities. Students are also assigned readings and film/video viewings and required to visit local museum exhibits as part of the assignments. Lab fee.
Format: studio workshop. Evaluation will be based on the quality of work produced, participation in class discussions and critiques, successful completion of all assignments and attendance.
Prerequisites: three studio courses required for the major, including at least two which are 200 level or higher; enrollment is limited to studio art majors (or permission of instructor). Studio and History and Practice majors are required to take this course in the junior year unless studying abroad during the fall semester. Permission to Studio Art and History and Practice majors, Art History majors. Not available for the Gaudino option.
Hour: 1:10-3:50 M
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ARTS 322(F) The Empowered Object
The development of “found objects” in the language of art have played a significant role in constructing meaning in the consciousness of the twenty-first century. This tutorial will have students explore that tradition further through their own creative endeavors. They will be asked to add to the lineage of art that uses “found objects” in a creative and meaningful way. They will have the freedom to choose which medium will convey their ideas most effectively. They include, but are not limited to: sculpture, painting, drawing, photography, printmaking and video. For example, within the investigation of the “found object,” projects could include: still life painting with a focus on the objects, 2-dimensional work depicting or incorporating found objects, collage, assemblage, etc. The “found object in art” will be examined through: art practice, readings and presentations. Three projects will be completed. As a tutorial, the course is designed to meet individual needs and to stress student participation and responsibility for learning. Students will meet weekly with a peer and the professor for review work.
Format: tutorial. Evaluation is based on the conceptual and technical quality of the work as well as the level of participation in the tutorial meetings. Students are required to purchase their own materials.
Prerequisite: any 200-level art course in the area that you are planning to work that is housed solely in the studio wing of the art department. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10).
Hour: 7:00-9:40 p.m.
PODMORE

ARTS 324(F) The Documentary Photography Project (Same as INTR 324)
While every image documents something, the field of documentary photography traditionally uses still images to relate a story about the events and people that shape our world. Students will learn skills required to produce an effective visual narrative. Technical aspects of image acquisition that are particularly useful in conveying information will be reviewed, including manipulation of exposure controls, wide angle composition, and location lighting. Conceptual topics will
include myths about “truth” and “objectivity” in photography, and the responsibilities of the documentarian to his/her subjects. Students will practice different types of documentation, from news photography to photo-essays, and consider techniques for approaching, photographing and interviewing subjects. The practical aspects of developing a story, gaining access, working in unfamiliar environments and editing both individual images and series will be examined. Students will work throughout the semester on planning and executing a documentary project, culminating in an exhibition of their work. Participants will use college-supplied digital cameras, and should expect to spend significant time working outside of class.

Format: studio. Requirements: class attendance is mandatory; 30% participation in class discussion and critiques; 30% aesthetic and technical strengths of shoot-ing exercises; 40% aesthetic and technical strength of final project.

Prerequisites: any full semester photography course or any full semester video course, or portfolio review. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference based on portfolio review.

Hour: 7:00-9:40 p.m. M

GOLDSTEIN

ARTS 329(F) Architectural Design II
A continuation and expansion of ideas and skills learned in Architectural Design I. There will be four to six design projects requiring drawings and models, each of which will emphasize particular aspects of architectural theory and design. Visiting critics will discuss student work. The course is useful for students thinking of applying to graduate school in architecture.

Evaluation will be based on quality of designs during the term. Lab fee.

Prerequisites: ArtS 220 is highly recommended. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15).

Hour: 1:10-5:30 F

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ARTS 333T(F) Narrative Strategies (Same as Comparative Literature 333)
In this tutorial, we will examine the use of narrative in a range of fine art practices, which could include painting, drawing, video, sculpture, installation, public art, and sound art. Students who are interested in telling or referencing stories in their work in some way will be given the opportunity to develop their ideas and skills in varied media. In addition to studio projects, we will look at and discuss the work of artists such as Huma Bhabha, Kara Walker, Joe Sacco, Lydia Davis, Matthew Barney, Raymond Pettibon, Todd Solondz, Sophie Calle, Jenny Holzer, and Jessica Stockholder among others. One of the aims of this course is to challenge traditional notions and expectations of narrative. For instance, what could minimally constitute a narrative piece? How do different mediums allow for time to unfold in unexpected ways? How does omission play a powerful role in a narrative? How might the role of the narrator (often so powerful and present in novels and short stories) change in a visual arts context? Preference given to studio majors.

This is a studio tutorial with an emphasis on demanding, weekly projects. Students will work both in mediums of their choice and be asked to experiment with new, unfamiliar formats. Readings and screenings will be required in addition to tutorial hours. Students are required to have taken two 200 level classes in any medium (or by permission of the instructor).

Format: tutorial. Evaluation based on assignments, studio performance, class participation, and attendance.

Prerequisites: students are required to have taken at least two Studio Art 200 level classes in any medium (or by permission of the instructor). Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10).

Not available for the Gaudino option.

Hour: 1:10-5:30 T

Lab: 7-9:40 p.m. M

Gleri

ARTS 344 Abstraction (Not offered 2011-2012)
Abstraction has been a persistent and defining visual idea of the twentieth and twenty-first century. This workshop for intermediate and advanced drawing, painting and sculpture students will investigate the principles of abstract design as well as some of the artists that helped to develop the genre. Among the concepts to be explored are cubism, field composition, and gestural painting. Students will work from a variety of sources, including the human body, still life, and found photography. Although the majority of assignments are in drawing and painting, the final multi-week independent project may be realized in multimedia.

Format: studio; the final four weeks will be dedicated to independent projects. Requirements: weekly studio assignments. Evaluation will be based on the quality of visual projects, and class participation.

Prerequisites: ArtS 230 or a 200-level painting course or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 15. Preference: studio art majors, seniors, juniors, sophomores.

Hour: 11:00-1:50 M

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ARTS 350T The Big Picture (Not offered 2011-2012)
Installation practices, scale changes and serial imagery are transforming our spatial experience and temporal understanding of the photographic image. The size of photographic prints has grown enormously in the past thirty years. Photographs compete with paintings for white wall real estate. There are technological, economic and aesthetic reasons for this dramatic change in scale. This course will address the conceptual and technical challenges of large format printing and the making of large composites of photographs. Students will have an opportunity to work in a variety of media, both chemical and digital, dictated by the nature of the ideas generated in tutorial sessions with colleagues. Lab fee.

Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on the portfolio produced and participation in the weekly tutorial meetings.

Prerequisites: ArtS 255, 256 or 252. Enrollment limit: 10.

Gleri

ARTS 364T Artists’ Books (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course will investigate the processes and ideas associated with the making of artists’ books, works that are fine art objects that generally use visual images and/or text. For example, individual projects could include visual diaries, three-dimensional pop-up books, solely visual narratives, autobiography, literary text/image collaborations, animated “flip” books, or sculptural books. Limited-editions as well as one-of-a-kind work will be encouraged. Media options include painting, drawing, etching, lithography, relief printing, photography and bookbinding techniques (from sewing bindings to boxes). As a tutorial, this course is designed to support individual directions, to stress student participation and responsibility for learning, and to examine different points of view. Students will meet in groups of two for critique of individual projects in the tutorial format each week—students are expected to give 20- to 30-minute presentations about their work and to respond to questions and criticism. Students will also meet once a week as a group for demonstrations, lectures, and discussion of readings.

Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on student participation and the conceptual and technical quality of the work. There will be required field trips during the semester to the Chapin Library, the Clark Art Institute, and WCMA. Lab fee.

Prerequisites: any ONE of the following: ArtS 230, 241, 257, 263, 264, or 266. Enrollment limit: 9.

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ARTS 418(S) Senior Seminar
The primary emphasis of the senior tutorial is on strengthening the individual student’s ideas, formal skills, and critical analysis for the creation of visual objects and/or events. At the beginning of the term, studio art majors, in consultation with the tutor, will determine the individual projects that will serve as the focus of their work for the semester. During the course, students are expected to refine their creative directions in a coherent and structured body of work which will be exhibited at the Williams College Museum of Art. Students are responsible for buying their own materials. Lab fee.

The primary emphasis of the senior tutorial is on strengthening each student’s individual voice as an artist, with regards to their ideas, formal skills, and critical analysis. At the beginning of the term, studio art majors, in consultation with the tutor, will determine the individual projects that will serve as the focus of their art work for the semester. During the course, students are expected to refine their creative directions in a coherent and structured body of work which will be exhibited at the Williams College Museum of Art. Senior Art majors who wish to pursue a more structured course are encouraged to take a second 300-level tutorial instead of 418. Students are responsible for buying their own materials.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on the quality of work produced, depth and quality of investigative process and participation in critiques and tutorials.

Prerequisites: completion of all other studio courses required for the art studio route. Permission of the instructor is required for the history and practice route to the major. Enrollment limit: 18. No student will be accepted into an independent study project unless he/she has completed two 200-level ArtS courses and one 300-level ArtS tutorial. With current staffing limitations, it is difficult for studio faculty to supervise more than a very few independent studies projects. We feel our curriculum includes rich and varied offerings and believe that the need for most independent work can be met through those regular offerings.

Hour: 1:10-5:30 W

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ARTS 497(F), 498(S) Independent Study
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GRADUATE COURSES IN ART HISTORY

Requirements for the Degree of Master of Arts in Art History

To qualify for the Master of Arts degree in art history, candidates complete a minimum of eleven courses for graduate credit plus two winter study periods, the latter comprising a Study Trip in the first year (ARTH 51) and preparation of a Draft Qualifying Paper in the second (ARTH 52). Students must also demonstrate reading proficiency in two foreign languages, one of them German (for more specific information on the language requirements, see below, after the listing for ARTH 597/598).

At the end of the second year, all students present a shortened version of the Qualifying Paper in the annual Graduate Symposium.

At least seven of the eleven courses must be graduate seminars. Included among them are three required of all students: ARTH 504, "Methods of Art History and Criticism," to be taken during the first semester; ARTH 506, "An Expository Writing Workshop," to be taken in the second; and ARTH 509, "Graduate Student Symposium," to be taken in the fourth.

Students must also fulfill a distribution requirement by undertaking coursework in three of six areas:

1. East Asian, Indian, Islamic art
2. Ancient Near Eastern, Egyptian, Greek, and Roman art
3. Early Christian, Byzantine, and Western Medieval art to 1400
4. Western art, 1400 to 1780
5. Western art, 1780 to present
6. Arts of Africa, Oceania, and the Americas (Pre-Hispanic or Native American cultures)

Students may petition the Director to apply a thematic or non-period specific course toward the distribution requirement by demonstrating substantial work in an appropriate area.

Undergraduate Courses and Private Tutorials

With permission from the Director and the individual instructors, students may take up to four undergraduate courses for graduate credit, with the understanding that research papers submitted in such courses meet a standard commensurate with those prepared for graduate seminars. Students who wish to take undergraduate courses for graduate credit must receive permission of the instructor.

In addition to regularly offered seminars and classes, students may arrange up to two private tutorials (ARTH 595/596) by submitting petitions to the Director describing the substance of their projects, including bibliography, and the nature of the work they will submit for evaluation. The petitions must be co-signed in advance by both the students and their faculty supervisors.

Of the minimum requirement of eleven courses, the combined number of private tutorials and undergraduate courses applied to the degree may not exceed four.

The Qualifying Paper

The Qualifying Paper is normally a revision of a seminar or private tutorial paper produced in one of the previous three semesters, expanded and refined over the second Winter Study term and a portion of the fourth semester. Students submit the topic of the Qualifying Paper in writing to the Director by the final day of exams of their third semester. Before this, students must obtain their original faculty supervisor's agreement to be engaged in the Qualifying Paper process.

On the first Friday of their fourth semester, students submit drafts of their Qualifying Paper, including illustrations, to three faculty readers (generally the original faculty supervisor, the Director, and the Associate Director). Although a draft, this version of the paper should be brought to a high level of completion. Early in the fourth semester, students and their readers meet together to discuss the drafts. Within six weeks of these discussions (at a date determined by the Director), students submit their Qualifying Papers. Qualifying Papers should not exceed 8,000 words, including footnotes and bibliography.

The Graduate Symposium

All second-year students speak in the Symposium, presenting 20-minute talks developed from their Qualifying Papers. Each has an ad hoc committee to advise them in preparing these presentations (ad hoc committees comprise, but are not limited to, the Director, one additional faculty member, and two first-year graduate students). Preparations include at least three practice runs for each student. Speakers present the first and third of these run-throughs to the ad hoc committee, the second to the other second-year students in a workshop scheduled by the Director.

Grades and Academic Standing

The Program uses the following grading system:

- A+ = truly exceptional (4.33)
- A = outstanding (4.00)
- A- = excellent (3.67)
- B+ = good (3.33)
- B = satisfactory (3.00)
- B- = barely adequate (2.67)
- C = inadequate (0)
- F = failing (0)

Courses in which students receive a grade below B- do not receive graduate credit.

Letter grades are used in all seminars except ARTH 509. It and the Winter Study courses (ARTH 51 and 52) are Pass/Fail. Grades in language courses are converted to Pass/Fail on the Williams transcript and are not calculated in the GPA. The Director reviews students’ records at the end of the first year; those with GPAs of 3.00 or lower may be asked to resign from the Program.

Course instructors set the deadlines for coursework. If students seek and receive extensions that result in semester grades of Incomplete, they must hand in their work by the instructor's revised deadline, which will be no later than the second Monday of the next semester's classes. Extensions beyond this date will be solely at the discretion of the Director (in consultation with the instructor).

Students who resign from the Program may, after a period of at least one year, petition to the Director for re-admission. Such a petition must include evidence that deficiencies have been remedied and that the student is capable of completing the course of study without further interruption.

The M.A. requirements are designed for completion in two consecutive academic years in residence. There is no credit for coursework done prior to matriculation in the Program. The Program is full-time and does not normally admit students on a part-time basis.

ARTH 500(F) Clark Visiting Professor Seminar: Rewriting Visual Studies (Same as ARTH 400(F))

In 2008, graduate students at the School of the Art Institute in Chicago initiated an unusual project: a next-generation anthology of visual studies, to be written entirely by graduate students. By 2010, the project had 80 chapters written by graduate students from several dozen countries. The book is now in its final stages; it will be published in 2012 by Routledge. The book is intended to question the conceptual foundations of visual studies, and to enlarge the field’s range of theoretical and artistic references. There is room in the manuscript for 16 more essays, 1,500 words each. We will receive several existing anthologies of visual studies (Nicholas Mirzooff, Lisa Cartwright and Marta Sturken), and several theoretical texts that bear on the field (Susan Buck-Morss, Whitney Davis, Sunil Manghani, Gavst Frank), and consider the optimal form of the Reader. Students will then read and analyze the manuscript, and contribute, as credited authors, in the editing and writing of the final essay.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on completion and written work.

Enrollment limit: 16, with places for 8 undergraduate [ARTH 400] and 8 graduate students [ARTH 500] assured. Preference given to senior Art History majors and Graduate Program students.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 R  ELKINS

ARTH 500(S) Clark Visiting Professor Seminar: Issues Raised by Art Since 1900 (Same as ARTH 400(S))

Art Since 1900 is rapidly becoming the de facto text for twentieth-century art in English- and Spanish-speaking countries. It presents a version of the increasingly ubiquitous October model of art history: it privileges North America and western Europe; it draws on a distinct set of methodological concerns; it focuses on surrealism, photography, and the modernist avant-garde; and it demonstrates (as Terry Smith has said) a series of modernist moments that can be considered as contemporaneous. Given the worldwide diffusion of Euroamerican models of art history, it is important to rethink Art Since 1900, and attempt to produce an alternate history. This class will read the book itself, selected reviews, and a sampling of pertinent literature (Smith, Itikhar Dadi, John Clark, Patal Mukherji, Elaine O'Brien, Kobena Mercer, Matthew Rampley's survey of art history in Europe). Students will be expected to theorize the pedagogic issues created by Art Since 1900, and they will also contribute, as credited authors, in the editing and writing of a multiply authored work in progress on this subject.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation and written work.

Enrollment limit: 16, with places for 8 undergraduate [ARTH 400] and 8 graduate students [ARTH 500] assured. Preference given to senior Art History majors and Graduate Program students.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 R  ELKINS

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ARTH 503(S) Studies in Decorative Arts, Material Culture, Design History, 1700-2000
The course will explore the methods, goals, and theoretical framework in which three-dimensional, functional objects have been and are interpreted. Class discussion will be structured around the notion of the border between “fine arts,” “decorative arts,” and “design”; role and limitation of connoisseurship; the current relationship of object study to aesthetics, social history, history of technology, anthropology, sociology, gender and ethnic studies; the effect of the market on history and scholarship; and current theories on the role of objects in human life.
Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on leading class discussions of selected readings, one 20-page paper, two 3-page papers, and an oral presentation on the main research topic.
Enrollment limit: 14. Preference given to Graduate Program students and then to senior Art History majors.
Hour: 2:10-4:50 T
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ARTH 504(F) Methods of Art History and Criticism
This seminar is in the intellectual history of the history of art, with some concentration on the ways in which this disciplinary tradition has been challenged by recent critical theory. It will begin its study with the “founders” of the field and end with issues and problems that generated the “new art history” twenty years ago and “visual studies” in the last decade. Topics to be covered include: style, iconography/iconology, semiotics, identity politics, formalism, deconstruction, phenomenology, feminism, Marxism, and gender studies. Fellows will occasionally talk to us on perspectives of their choice. Format: seminar. Each student will write one short midterm paper and a longer concluding essay, as well as present a couple of the readings to the class.
Limited to and required of first-year students in the Graduate Program in the History of Art.
Hour: 1:10-3:50 T

ARTH 506(S) An Expository Writing Workshop
A common and depressing consequence of too much education is how our writing tends to devolve, as the task of saying what we mean is complicated by new anxieties: trying to impress our potential employers, intimidate our competition, and claim our place in an intellectual community. In many professions, bad prose tends to proliferate as scholars, trying above all to avoid mistakes, become tentative, obscurantist, and addicted to jargon. In this course we will try to relearn the basic skills of effective communication and adapt them to new and complicated purposes. In class we will go over weekly or bi-weekly writing assignments, but we will also look at the essays you are writing for your other courses, to give them an outward form that will best display their inner braininess. Among other things, I am a fiction writer, and part of my intention is to borrow the techniques of storytelling to dramatize your ideas successfully.
Limited to and required of first-year students in the Graduate Program in the History of Art.
Hour: 1:10-3:50 M

ARTH 507(F) Universal Expositions and the Empire of Spectacle
This course will examine a number of universal expositions that took place in France, England, and America in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. These exhibitions—part architectural display, part art exhibition, part demonstration of national strength—drew crowds from all over the world to participate in what was often a spectacular display of imperialist power. The course will treat the architectural, artistic, and engineering innovations produced in and around the exhibitions, keeping in mind the theme of globalization (in its economic, cultural, and political aspects). We will treat topics such as: the Crystal Palace, one of the first examples of a monumental iron and glass architecture, designed by Joseph Paxton at the 1851 expo in England; Courbet’s and Manet’s independent exhibitions held in conjunction with the 1855 and 1867 Paris exhibitions, respectively; Mary Cassatt’s murals for the Woman’s Pavilion at the World Columbian Exhibition in Chicago in 1893; the pavilions designed to show off European colonial holdings at the 1900 exhibition, such as those of India, Indochina, and the Philippines (which often included human displays); the impact of such pavilions on Western European artists and architects such as Gau-guin, Rodin, and Frank Lloyd Wright; the use of expositions as spaces for architectural experimentation, such as Melnikov’s Soviet Pavilion and Le Corbusier’s Pavillon de l’Esprit Nouveau at the 1925 Exposition des arts décoratifs.
Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, presentation of research, and a term paper of 20-25 pages.
Enrollment limit: 14. Preference given to Graduate Program students and then to senior Art History majors.
Hour: 10:00-12:30 R

ARTH 508(S) Art and Conservation: An Inquiry into History, Methods, and Materials
This course is designed to acquaint students with observation and examination techniques for works of art, artifacts, and decorative arts objects; give them an understanding of the history of artist materials and methods; and familiarize them with the ethics and procedures of conservation. This is not a conservation-training course but is structured to provide a broader awareness for those who are planning careers involving work with cultural objects. Classes are held at the WACC in the Stone Hill Center on the Clark campus. Field trips this semester will include the Governor A. Nelson Rockefeller Empire State Plaza Art Collection in Albany, New York, and two others to be announced. Students receive a syllabus with session outlines and required reading lists.
Required reading is mainly from books on reserve at the Clark Library. No book purchases are required.
Format: slide presentations, lectures, gallery talks, hands-on opportunities, technical examinations, and group discussions.
Attendance is required at all sessions. The course grade is based on exams given throughout the semester; there is no final exam.
Enrollment limit: 14. Preference given to Graduate Program students and then to senior Art History majors.
Hour: 6:30-8:30 MR

ARTH 509(S) Graduate Symposium
This course is designed to assist qualified fourth-semester graduate students in preparing a scholarly paper to be presented at the annual Graduate Symposium. Working closely with a student and faculty ad hoc advisory committee, each student will prepare a twenty-minute presentation based on the Qualifying Paper. Special emphasis is placed on the development of effective oral presentation skills.
Requirements: each student will present three dry runs and a final oral presentation at the symposium.
Prerequisites: successful completion and acceptance of the Qualifying Paper.
Limited to and required of second-year students in the Graduate Program in the History of Art.
Hour: bi-weekly meetings TBD, in addition to dry runs.

ARTH 510(S) Approaches to Drawing from Connoisseurship to Conceptualism
This course will consider the art of drawing as a pedagogical tool and cultural practice from the 16th to the 20th century. Creative and commercial forces over four centuries have fostered different types of and reasons for production: presentation drawings in 16th-century Italy, an increased market for drawings in 17th-century Holland, a fashion for powdery pastels in 18th-century France, and the critical promotion of drawing as a form of autographic thinking in the 19th century. Drawing’s resurgence in the last fifty years as Minimalism and Conceptualism have pushed the medium’s boundaries. Equal consideration will be given to the history of collecting and to materials from the invention of the Conté crayon to the deteriorating effects of acidic paper. The class will be held in the Manton Study Center for Prints, Drawings, and Photographs with visits to the Williams College Museum of Art and other area museums.
Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on involvement in class participation, several short presentations, one short paper, and a term paper of 20 pages.
Enrollment limit: 14. Preference given to Graduate Program students and then to senior Art History majors.
Hour: 1:30-4:00 W

ARTH 512(F) Hellenistic Sculpture and the Beginning of Art History
The Hellenistic period begins with Alexander the Great’s extension of the borders of the Greek world from the central Mediterranean to the banks of the Indus River. Kingdoms replaced city-states as important centers of power, increased trade and movement of individuals between Greece, Egypt, and the Near and Middle East encouraged a cross-cultural examination of religion, philosophy, literature, and art. The new cosmopolitan attitude brought about not only a revolution in art forms and forms but in the approach towards art in general. Museums and libraries are established for the first time, and the concept of collecting art takes hold. We see a historical self-consciousness and self-referential quality in sculpture as well as a new interest in theatricality and the diversity of human nature and experience. This course will explore Hellenistic sculpture through the close study of individual works of art of the fourth through first centuries B.C.E., as well as the broader philosophical, religious, literary and political forces that encouraged its innovations. Reading material includes J.J. Pollitt, Art in the Hellenistic Age, R.R.R. Smith, Hellenistic Sculpture, ancient literature in translation, and recent critical essays.
Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on participation in class discussion and two short reports that will form the basis for a term paper of 20 pages.
Enrollment limit: 14. Preference given to Graduate Program students and then to undergraduate Art History or Classics majors.
Hour: 1:10-3:50 M

ARTH 555(F) John Singer Sargent
In this seminar we will consider the life and art of John Singer Sargent (1856–1925). Paintings in the collection of the Sterling and Francine Clark Art Institute will focus our discussions and provide the basis for exploring his art-making and his place within the art–culture of his day. Sargent–born in Italy, trained in France, active in England–epitomized the cosmopolitanism of American artists in the late 19th century. Consideration of his career will encourage us to think about
questions of nationality; the mechanisms of fame in the modern art world; the tension between the lures of artistic tradition and innovation; and the fluctuating
taste for his art among critics, collectors, and historians of the past century.

Students' responsibilities include class discussion, weekly summaries of readings, two short papers, an oral presentation (and response to
someone else's), and a final research paper (20–25 pages). A field trip to Boston is likely.

Enrollment limit: 14. Preference given to Graduate Program students and then to senior Art History majors.

Hour: 10:00-12:30 T

SIMPSON

ARTH 561(F) Why Divide Up Picasso?

Art historians have imposed order on the many changes in Picasso's seven-decade career by a variety of means. A sampling of styles includes the two main stages
of communication: the "Classical Period," the "Blue" and "Rose" Periods. For a disciple historically groomed in all matters of chronological development, the restlessness in Picasso's work raises thorny questions. This seminar takes up their challenge via a particular concern for the pre-Cubist, early Picasso. Our readings will pay special attention to those scholars who have grappled with Picasso's divisions (including Lisa Florman, T.J. Clark, and the literary critic Marjorie Perloff) without neglecting commentaries on Picasso's work now considered virtually as monumental as the artist himself (Gertrude Stein's Picasso; Leo Steinberg on the "Domesticates").

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, 3 book reports (distributed in advance and discussed in class) and one end-of-semester paper of
10-15 pages.

Enrollment limit: 14. Preference given to Graduate Program students and then to senior Art History majors.

Hour: 10:00-12:30 T

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ARTH 562(S) The Face: Image, Theory, Politics

This is a class about faces: how we think about them, how we represent them in images and words, and how we respond (and sometimes do not) to the meanings
they express. Psychologists have shown that we are born with an innate preference for face-like visual patterns, and as our minds develop, the cognitive impor-
tance of faces only grows with age and enculturation. Idiomatic phrases such as "face to face," "to lose face," "to show one's face," and "two-faced" suggest how
deply intertwined is the human countenance with our everyday grasp of psychological concepts like mind, identity, and character. In this interdisciplinary semi-
nar, we will explore attempts by modern artists, scholars, and scientists to describe, comprehend, and sometimes even capture what makes the human face so
special. We will look at images of faces and masks in modern art and literature (including works by Francis Bacon, Nancy Burson, Chuck Close, Don DeLillo,
Orlan, Tony Oursler, Gerhard Richter, August Sanders, Cindy Sherman, Fiona Tan, and Andy Warhol); art historical writings about the face and portraiture (Bal,
Eikins, Fried, Gombrich, Koerner); close-ups of the face in films (Dreyer, Bergman, Balazs); historical accounts of physiognomy (Gray, Pearl); philosophical reflec-
tions on the meaning of faces (Wittgenstein, Levinas, Deleuze); and psychological research on face perception and recognition (Barnon-Cohen, Elkman, Frieldland).

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, presentation of research, and a term paper of 20-25 pages.

Enrollment limit: 14. Preference given to Graduate Program students and then to senior Art History majors.

Hour: 10:00-12:30 T

ARTH 564(S) Mining the Museum: Critical Revisions of Museum History and Practice (Same as Art 465)

This is a class about the evolving field of, and the "methodology of" the museum—its history, its ideology, its practices, and its policies. In considering
"the museum" as the object of our inquiry, we will think about the impossibility of separating art and artifact from their institutional context. We will also reflect on
how the museum shapes the perception and reception of objects. Our readings will cover historical, theoretical, and critical positions from across the disciplines. We
will study modern and contemporary works by artists that appropriate the museum's unique "visual language" and that have also engaged in an institutional critique. Artists to be considered include: Marcel Duchamp, Piero Manzoni, Andy Warhol, Hans Haacke, Fred Wilson and Mark Dion. Finally, we will examine how museums have responded to issues raised by these critical revisions—for example, by changing approaches to the presentation of collections. Several class meetings will involve field trips to area museums to create opportunities to integrate class discussions with conversations among students, curators, and museum directors.

Format: seminar. Evaluation: students will prepare for and lead class discussions related to readings; they will complete two short critical analysis assignments
focusing on museum visits and one research paper that will be presented to the class in its preliminary stage prior to completion by the end of the course.

Enrollment limit: 14, with places for 7 undergraduate [ARTH 465] students (Juniors and Seniors only; preference will be given to declared majors in art history
and art studio practice) and 7 graduate students [ARTH 564] assured.

The instructor is the former director of the Williams College Museum of Art.

Hour: 10:00-12:30 T

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ARTH 595(F), 596(S) Private Tutoring

Students may petition to take a private tutorial by arrangement with the instructor and with permission of the Graduate Program Director.

ARTH 597(F), 598(S) Undergraduate Lecture Course Taken for Graduate Credit

LANGUAGE COURSES

The Graduate Program's degree requirements include reading competence in two languages (other than English) of scholarly and academic relevance to
the history of art. One of the two languages must be German. Many students select French as the second although, with permission of the Director, other languages
may serve. The Program offers dedicated courses in reading French and German for art history. Other language classes at Williams are listed in the course catalog,
although the coordination of undergraduate and graduate schedules can be challenging.

Incoming students' language preparation is assessed through exams administered at the outset of the semester. In French and German, scores attained on SAT
II reading examinations determine placement within the two-semester French/three-semester German sequence. If students attain a minimum score of 700 on the
SAT II in their languages, they are exempted from further coursework in that language. With a score above 700, they are placed into the graduate course of
readings in art history, French 512 or German 513. With a score below 500, they enroll in the appropriate introductory course (French 511 or German 511/512). In
the case of a second language other than French, arrangements will be made on an individual basis.

Returning students who have completed GERM 512 may, with the prior approval of the Director, satisfy the requirement of GERM 513 by successfully completing an intensive German-language summer course.

GERM 510(F)-512(S) Reading German for Beginners (Same as German 111(F)-112(S))

GERM 511-512 is for students of language and art history who wish to work with written materials. It is particularly appropriate for students majoring in
fields in which the ability to read primary and secondary texts in German can be crucial, such as Art History, Comparative Literature, History, Music, Philoso-
phy, Political Science, and Theatre. In the first semester students learn the elements of grammar and acquire a core vocabulary. In the second semester, while
covering advanced grammatical topics, they practice reading in a variety of textual genres in the humanities and social sciences. They also learn how to work with diverse literary techniques and, by completing written and oral exercises, in both printed and online forms. By the end of the course they will have a solid foundation for building proficiency in German, whether through self-study or further course work. Credit granted only on successful completion of 512.

Format: lecture and discussion. Principal requirements: written homework, quizzes, tests, active class participation.


Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF

B. KIEFFER

GERM 513(F) Readings in German Art History and Criticism

This is an advanced course in German reading, focused on the literature of art history. Texts are selected from fundamental works of art history and criticism and
from the writings related to concurrent seminars in the Graduate Program. The course includes a grammar review.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on written homework, quizzes, tests, and class participation.

Prerequisites: German 511-512 or equivalent preparation (a score of 500 or higher on SAT II German Reading Test).

Enrollment open to Graduate Program students, others by permission of the instructor.

Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF

E. KIEFFER

RLFR 511(F) Intensive French Grammar and Translation

This course is designed to offer students a thorough and systematic review of sentence structures and grammar. Through this intensive study, students will learn to
decipher the subtleties of the written language, and as they become more confident they will start translating a variety of short excerpts. Students are also expected to
learn and develop a wide lexical range centered on art history and criticism, but not limited to it.

Format: weekly and are conducted in English. Evaluation will be based on class participation, papers, a midterm, and a final examination.

Prerequisites: a strong interest and need to learn French.

Enrollment: although this course is to serve the needs of students enrolled in the Graduate Program in the History of Art, undergraduates may enroll by permission
of the instructor.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR

DESROSIOERS
This course is designed to provide graduate program students and interested others with knowledge of French acquired through translation and interpretation.

The core of this course is based on the reading and translating of a variety of critical works covering different periods and genres in the field of art history. The material read (excerpts from museum catalogues; the Gazette des Beaux-Arts and other publications; Salons by Diderot, Baudelaire, and Thore; artists on their works; and critics such as Francastel, Ch. Sterling, M. Faré, Valéry, Focillon will be analyzed in form and content, translated or summarized, in order to develop the skills and understand the techniques necessary for reading French accurately. Grammar will be reviewed in context.

For major courses Evaluation is based on class participation, papers, a midterm, and a final examination.

Prerequisite: French 511 or permission of instructor.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR DESROSIERS

ASIAN STUDIES (Div. I & II. see explanation below)

Chair, Associate Professor CECILIA CHANG


The mission of the Department of Asian Studies is to help as many students as possible—both majors and non-majors—develop practical proficiency in Asian languages and, in the tradition of the liberal arts, acquire a meaningful understanding of important facets of one or more of the disciplines represented within Asian Studies (including anthropology, art history, economics, history, linguistics, literature, music, political science, religion, and sociology), so that they may realize their fullest intellectual and personal potential and be able to make useful contributions to society.

We offer courses in English in the field of Asian Studies as well as courses in Chinese and Japanese language, literature, and culture. Three distinct majors are offered: a major in Chinese; a major in Japanese; and an interdisciplinary Asian Studies major which allows students to choose from a wide range of courses in the anthropology, art, economics, history, languages, linguistics, literatures, music, politics, religion, and sociology of China, Taiwan, Japan, and other Asian countries. Students with questions about the Asian Studies majors or about Asian Studies course offerings should consult the chair. Please note: Courses with ASST prefixes carry Division II credit and courses with CHIN and JAPN prefixes carry Division I credit unless otherwise noted.

THE MAJOR

All students wishing to major in Asian Studies are required to take and pass a total of eleven courses, as follows:

1) One course that explicitly compares at least two countries in Asia, such as ASST 126, ASST 201, ASST 245, ASST 250, ASST 256, ASST 269, ASST 270, or ASST 337. Or students may take instead a course on a country that is different from their country of primary focus.

2) Four semesters of Chinese or Japanese language (including no more than two 100-level courses).

In addition to completing (1) and (2) above, all majors choose an Area Studies track, leading to a major in Asian Studies; or a Language Studies track, leading to a major in Chinese or Japanese. The requirements for each of these tracks are indicated below:

3A) Asian Studies Major

a. a three-course qualification in one of the disciplines represented within Asian Studies (anthropology/sociology, art history, economics, history, linguistics, literature, music, political science, religion). The qualification, to be determined through consultation between students and their advisor, normally includes an introductory course and more advanced courses. At least two of these three courses must be on Asia.

b. three approved electives, which may include further language work.

3B) Chinese Major

a. four additional semesters of Chinese language (300-level or higher)

b. Chinese 412

c. one approved course in Chinese literature or culture

3C) Japanese Major

a. four additional semesters of Japanese language (300-level or higher)

b. one approved course in Japanese literature, language (400-level), or culture

c. one elective on Japan

STUDY ABROAD

Students intending to major in Asian Studies are encouraged to study in Asia during one or both semesters of their junior year. Williams faculty serve on the boards of several study abroad programs in China and Japan. Opportunities to study in India, Indonesia, Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, and other Asian countries are also available. Prospective Asian Studies majors who are planning to study abroad should discuss their plans with their advisor as far in advance as possible. Up to eight courses taken overseas can count toward graduation, and up to four courses taken off campus may be counted toward the major.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS

Students interested in writing an honors thesis in Asian Studies, Chinese, or Japanese should submit a proposal to the department chair before they pre-register for major courses in the spring of their junior year. The proposal should include a student statement on the topic, a general description of the topics of materials available for study and how the study will be carried out, and the name of the faculty member who will serve as advisor. Admission to the honors thesis program will normally be limited to students who have maintained at least a B+ average in their courses for the major. Students admitted to the program should register for the junior year courses of ASST 493-W31-494, CHIN 493-W31-494, or JAPN 493-W31-494. They will be expected to turn in the final draft of their thesis shortly after spring break and to discuss their results formally with their faculty graders. Their final grades in the three courses listed above and the award of Honors, Highest Honors, or no honors will be determined by the quality of the thesis and the student’s performance in the oral defense.

THE ASIAN STUDIES ENDOWMENT

The Linen summer grants for study abroad, the Linen visiting professorships, and several other programmatic activities in the department are supported by an endowment for Asian Studies established by family and friends in memory of James A. Linen III, Class of 1934, Trustee of the College from 1948 to 1953 and from 1963 to 1982.

COURSES IN ASIAN STUDIES (Div. II)

ASST 103(F) Asian Art Survey: From the Land of the Buddha to the World of the Geisha (Same as ArtH 103) (See under ARTH 103 for full description.) JANG

ASST 115 The World of the Mongol Empire (Same as History 115) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (See under HIST 115 for full description.) A. REINHARDT

ASST 117T Clash of Empires: China and the West, 1800-1900 (Same as History 117T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (See under HIST 117 for full description.) A. REINHARDT

Satisfies one semester of the Division II distribution requirement.

ASST 118 “Ten Years of Madness”: The Chinese Cultural Revolution (Same as History 118) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (See under HIST 118 for full description.) A. REINHARDT

ASST 121T The Two Koreas (Same as History 121T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (See under HIST 121T for full description.) SINAWER

ASST 126 Musics of Asia (Same as Music 126) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (See under MUS 126 for full description.) W. A. SHEPPARD

ASST 128S Chinese Music and Intercultural Influence: From the Silk Road to Korea and Japan (Same as Music 128) (D) (See under MUS 128 for full description.) J. ROBERTS
Format: seminar. Requirements: attendance (including film screenings), short quizzes, leading discussion, short responses, one 5-page paper, one long paper.
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

In this course, students will gain an understanding of the key political, social, and cultural developments in 20th-century Korean history through close readings of short stories, novels, and films. We will examine works produced during the era of Japanese colonial rule (1910-1945), including enlightenment and socialist literature, and propaganda films produced in the 1930s and 1940s to promote the assimilation of Koreans as loyal Imperial subjects during WWII. Post-liberation topics will include the Korean War, the consequences of national division, and dictatorship and democratization movements from the 1960s through the 1980s. Along the way we will consider how these historical moments are reflected in literature and film, how artistic production was hampered under decades of censorship, first under Japanese colonialism and later under the dictatorships of Park Chung Hee (1961-1979) and Chun Doo Hwan (1980-1987), and how literature and film were transformed by freedom from censorship and the transition to democratic government in the 1990s. Looking at both contemporary and retrospective representations of colonial Korea and life under the Park regime will reveal to us the nature and extent of that censorship. Throughout the course, we will also examine how the century through the theme of gender. We will look at the influences of Neo-Confucianism, colonialism, the “New Woman” phenomenon of the 1920s and 1930s, the U.S. military presence during and after the Korean War, North-South tensions, rapid industrial and economic growth in the 1960s and 1970s, and the age of global capitalism in the 1990s on gender relations and constructions of masculinity and femininity. All readings are in English, and all films include English subtitles. No knowledge of the Korean language is required.

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Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR
ASST 270(F) Cities and Citizenship (Same as Arabic 270 and Sociology 270)  
(See under SOC 270 for full description.)  
VALLIANI

ASST 284(F) Topics in Asian American History (Same as American Studies 284 and History 284) (D)  
(See under HIST 284 for full description.)  
WANG

ASST 305(S) Cities of the Anglophone Chinese Imagination (Same as American Studies 305, Comparative Literature 303 and English 374) (D)  
(See under AMST 305 for full description.)  
WANG

ASST 316(S) Japan since 1945 (Same as History 316)  
(See under HIST 316 for full description.)  
HUFFMAN

ASST 319 Gender and the Family in Chinese History (Same as History 319 and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 319) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)  
(See under HIST 319 for full description.)  
A. REINHARDT

ASST 320(S) Urban Spaces of Modern South Asia (Same as Arabic 320, History 317, International Studies 320 and Sociology 320)  
(See under SOC 320 for full description.)  
VALLIANI

ASST 321 History of U.S.-Japan Relations (Same as History 321 and Japanese 321) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)  
(See under HIST 321 for full description.)  
SINIAWER

ASST 327(S) Violence, Terrorism, and Collective Healing (Same as Arabic 327 and Sociology 327)  
(See under SOC 327 for full description.)  
VALLIANI

ASST 337(F) Cultures of Protest in Modern South Asia (Same as Arabic 337, History 320 and Sociology 337)  
(See under SOC 337 for full description.)  
VALLIANI

ASST 347(F) Tribe and State on the Afghan-Pakistan Border (Same as Anthropology 347)  
(See under ANTH 347 for full description.)  
D. EDWARDS

ASST 376(S) The Path to Enlightenment: Zen and Zen Art In China and Japan (Same as ArtH 376 and Religion 252) (W)  
(See under ARTH 376 for full description.)  
JANG

ASST 389 The Vietnam Wars (Same as History 389) (Not offered 2011-2012)  
(See under HIST 389 for full description.)  
CHAPMAN

ASST 390 The 1930s in Comparative Perspective: Germany, Italy, and Japan (Same as History 390 and Japanese 390) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)  
(See under HIST 390 for full description.)  
SINIAWER

ASST 414(S) Merchant Cultures and Capitalist Classes in China and India (Same as History 414)  
(See under HIST 414 for full description.)  
SINIAWER

ASST 486T Historical Memory of the Pacific War (Same as History 486T and Japanese 486T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)  
(See under HIST 486 for full description.)  
SINIAWER

Satisfies one semester of the Division II distribution requirement.

ASST 489T(S) Hiroshima and Nagasaki: Remembrance (Same as History 489T) (W)  
(See under HIST 489 for full description.)  
HUFFMAN

ASST 493(F)-W31-494(S) Senior Thesis  
Satisfies one semester of the Division II distribution requirement.

ASST 497(F), 498(S) Independent Study  
Satisfies one semester of the Division II distribution requirement.

COURSES IN CHINESE (Div. I)

The department regularly offers four levels of instruction in Modern Standard Chinese (Mandarin), designed to enable the student to become proficient in aural comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing, as well as introductory courses in Cantonese, Taiwanese, Classical Chinese, and Chinese linguistics. The course numbering system for Chinese is sequential. Students move from Chinese 101-102 to 201, 202, 301, 302, 401, and 402. Independent study (Chinese 497, 498) may be offered depending on student needs and available resources. Those students entering with proficiency in Chinese should see the Coordinator concerning placement.

The department also offers courses on Chinese literature and culture in English translation for students who wish to become acquainted with the major achievements in Chinese literary, intellectual and cultural history. For the purpose of the distribution requirement, all courses in Chinese are considered Division I unless otherwise noted.

STUDY ABROAD

Students majoring in Chinese are strongly encouraged to study in mainland China or Taiwan during one or both semesters of their junior year, during the summer, or over Winter Study. It is important that students interested in any of these options consult as early as possible with the department and the Dean's Office concerning acceptable programs.

CHIN 101(F)-W88-102(S) Basic Chinese (D)  
An introduction to Mandarin, the language with the largest number of native speakers in the world, which is the official language of China and Taiwan, and one of the official languages of Singapore. Course objectives are for the student to develop simple, practical conversational skills and acquire basic proficiency in reading and writing in both the traditional and the simplified script at about the 500-character level. The relationship between language and culture and the sociolinguistically appropriate use of language will be stressed throughout. Both audio and video materials will be employed extensively. This is an EDI course. Throughout the course we will address issues of how cultural difference inform and are informed by different linguistic contexts and practices.


No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12 per section). Preference given to first-years and sophomores.

Credit granted only if both semesters and the winter study sustaining program are taken. May not be taken on a pass/fail basis.

Hour: 8:00-8:50 MWF, 9:00-9:50 MWF and 8:30-9:45 TR, 10:00-10:50 MWF and 9:55-11:10 TR  
First Semester: KUBLER  
Second Semester: KUBLER

CHIN 131 Basic Cantonese (Not offered 2010-2011)

An introduction to Standard Cantonese, a major regional language of southern China which is spoken by over 50 million people in Hong Kong, Macao, Guangdong, and Guangxi as well as by many overseas Chinese in Southeast Asia, Hawaii, and North America. Due to the pervasive influence of Hong Kong as well as the economic transformation of Guangdong Province, the prestige of Cantonese within China has been rising steadily over the past few decades. Our focus in this course will be on developing basic listening and speaking skills, though we will also study some of the special characters which have been used for...
centuries to write colloquial Cantonese. Since students will ordinarily possess prior proficiency in Mandarin, a closely related language, we should be able to cover in one semester about as much as is covered in the first two to three semesters of Mandarin.

Evaluation will be based on classroom performance, quizzes, tests, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Chinese 202 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 8).

KUBLER

CHIN 152 Basic Taiwanese (Not offered 2010-2011)

An introduction to Taiwanese, the majority language of Taiwan. Different varieties of this language, which is also known as Amoy, Southern Min, Hokkien, and Fukiene, are spoken by over 60 million people in Taiwan, southern Fujian, the Philippines, Indonesia, Malaysia, and Singapore. Suppressed by the Japanese from 1895-1945 and by the KMT Chinese government from 1945 through the 1970s, Taiwanese—in both its spoken and written forms—has been experiencing a fascinating revival in recent years. This language, which is the most divergent of all the major Chinese “dialects,” is of special linguistic interest because it has preserved a number of features of Old Chinese. Our focus will be on developing basic listening and speaking skills, though we will also study some of the special characters used to write Taiwanese. Since students in the course will ordinarily possess prior proficiency in Mandarin, a related language, we should be able to cover in one semester about as much as is covered in the first two semesters of Mandarin.

Evaluation will be based on classroom performance, tests, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Chinese 202 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 8).

KUBLER

CHIN 201(F), 202(S) Intermediate Chinese (D)

These two courses are designed to consolidate the foundations built in Basic Chinese and continue developing students’ skills in aural comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing. Upon completion of the courses, students should be able to speak Chinese with fluency on everyday topics, reach a literacy level of 1000 characters (approximately 1200 common words written in both traditional and simplified characters), read materials written in simple Standard Written Chinese, and produce both orally and in writing short compositions on everyday topics. Conducted in Mandarin. This is an EDI course. Throughout the course we will address issues of how cultural differences inform and are informed by different linguistic contexts and practices. Evaluation will be based on written and oral tests, written and oral unit tests, a midterm, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Chinese 102 or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 12 per section).

Hour: 11-11:50 MW and 8:55-9:45 TR, 12:00-12:50 MWF and 11:20-12:10 TR

First Semester: YU
Second Semester: NUGENT

CHIN 210(F) Cultures of China: Conflicts and Continuities (Same as History 220) (D)

This course provides a broad introduction to the cultures of China from earliest times to the contemporary era. The use of the plural “cultures” here is important. The notion that Chinese culture, especially in “pre-modern” times, is a monolithic and unchanging entity is one that has been appealing to interests as diverse as Western imperialist powers and the Chinese Communist Party. If, however, a notion that Chinese culture is more fiction than fact, one story of many that can be told about the area we now call China. This course is organized around a number of topics ranging across different periods and cultures in China, including the following: language, protest, order (and disorder), commerce, the supernatural, reclusion, individualism, and beauty. Lectures and discussions will focus on texts from a wide range of time periods and genres, from ancient poems to modern films, from Buddhist sutras to the writings of Mao Zedong. This course functions as an EDI course in a number of ways. Throughout, we will compare the different cultures broadly considered Chinese to understand the ways in which they interacted, influenced each other, and came into conflict. We will also examine issues of power and privilege as we analyze how different interests used cultural structures and products to gain and maintain their power in society. No previous knowledge of Chinese or Chinese culture is assumed. All readings in English. Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on attendance, oral presentations, two short response papers, and one final research paper.


Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR

NUGENT

CHIN 219 Popular Culture in Modern China (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course adopts a generic approach to introducing students to a variety of forms of popular culture in modern and contemporary China. The forms of popular culture studied include popular readings (fiction, newspapers, magazines), advertisements, propaganda posters, popular music, television shows, film, and popular religious movements. We will explore such themes as the definition of “popular culture,” globalization and cultural trends, the encoding and decoding strategies of popular “text,” as well as the political, ideological and sociological messages behind a popular “text.” All readings in English. Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on attendance, in-class participation, oral presentations, two short response papers, and one final research paper.

No prerequisites; open to all. No Chinese language required, though students with Chinese language background are encouraged to work with Chinese sources if they wish. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20). Preference given to Chinese or Asian Studies majors, and then to sophomores and juniors.

YU

CHIN 223(S) Ethnic Minorities in China: Past and Present (Same as Anthropology 223) (D)

By 2000, of the 1.3 billion population of China, more than 100 million were ethnic minorities (shaoshu minzu). Most of the minority groups reside in autonomous regions and districts, which constitute 64% of China’s total acreage. This course introduces students to the multithetic aspect of China’s past and present. We will address topics such as the minority–group identification project; the definition of minzu; government policy toward the current situation of the five–five official ethnic minority groups; historical sino–centric views about “foreigners” and “barbarians”; ideas of “diversity,” “unity,” and “sinicization”; and the roles that “barbarians” have played in China’s long history. All readings will be in English.

CHIN 224 Cultural Foundations: The Literature and History of Early China (Same as Comparative Literature 220 and History 315) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

The early history of China witnessed many of humankind’s most influential accomplishments, from the development of a civil bureaucracy to the invention of printing, the compass, and gunpowder. It also saw the composition and spread of literary works and styles that continue to be both read and emulated up to the present day not only in China but throughout the world. The acute awareness of early history and literature that runs through modern Chinese culture, in its various forms, from its many regions and locales, is arguably unrivaled in the modern world. To understand modern Chinese culture, one must understand the past that continues to shape it today. The traditional view in China was that “literature, history and philosophy cannot be separated.” Accordingly, this course will look at both the history and literature of China from the 2nd millennium B.C. to the late 13th century A.D. In a typical week we will first read and discuss scholarship on the history and literature of China, then read the works themselves. This course functions as an EDI course in a number of ways. Throughout, we will compare the different cultures broadly considered Chinese to understand the ways in which they interacted, influenced each other, and came into conflict. We will also examine issues of power and privilege as we analyze how different interests used cultural structures and products to gain and maintain their power in society. No previous knowledge of Chinese or Chinese culture is assumed. All readings in English. Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on attendance, in-class participation and presentations, two short response papers, one mid-term, and one final paper.

No prerequisites. No knowledge of Chinese language required, though students with Chinese language background are encouraged to work with Chinese sources if they wish. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 15). Preference given to Chinese and Asian Studies majors, and then to first–year students.

Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF

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CHIN 228 Traditional Chinese Poetry (Same as Comparative Literature 225) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)

Poetry was the dominant form of literature in China for most of the pre-modern period. It could be used to justify the overthrow of dynasties or to court a beloved; Chinese poets sang about communicating with the gods and about brewing ale, sometimes in the same poem. In this course we will read and discuss poems from the first 2000 years of the Chinese literary tradition. Some of the issues we will explore include the ways in which poems present the world and make arguments about it; how Chinese poets construct different notions of the self through their poems; and how poetry can give voice to conflicts between aesthetics and morality, between the self and the community, and between the state and other sources of social capital. We will also look at Chinese theories of...
literature and poetry and compare them with dominant Western models. This is an EDI course and we will be concerned throughout with differences in the way Chinese and other cultures thought about and utilized poetry. We will examine the implicit biases inherent in the ways Western scholars in particular have analyzed and translated Chinese poetry. All readings are in English translation.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on written work and class discussion.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to Chinese majors. NUGENT

CHIN 274(F) Chinese Calligraphy: Theory and Practice (See arrt 274 for full description.) JANG

CHIN 301(F), 302(S) Upper-Intermediate Chinese (D) This course will continue to receive attention, there is at this level increased emphasis on reading and writing. A major goal of the course will be for students' reading proficiency in standard written Chinese, the grammar and vocabulary of which differ considerably from the colloquial written Chinese which was introduced during the first two years of instruction. In this course, students will be expected to read in order to improve their understanding of Chinese culture and society, and to develop their ability to communicate in Chinese. There are several major topics covered in this course, including: Chinese culture and society, literature and philosophy, history, politics, and economics. Through the use of a wide range of materials, including readings, articles, and discussions, students will be encouraged to develop a deeper understanding of Chinese culture and society. The format of the course will be lecture-discussion, with a focus on class participation and discussion. The course will also include short writing assignments and quizzes to assess students' understanding of the material.
Prerequisites: Chinese 302 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: none (expected: 15). Preference given to Chinese majors.

CHIN 352 Bridging Theory and Practice: Learning and Teaching Chinese as a Second Language (Not offered 2011-2012) This course introduces students to the principles of second language acquisition (SLA), a field of study that investigates how people learn a foreign language and provides a basis for understanding research related to foreign language learning and teaching. Theoretical issues to be covered include what it means to know a second language, what language learning involves, and the role of language in the development of the learner's cognitive abilities. The course will also deal with practical issues related to teaching a foreign language, such as developing effective teaching strategies and assessing student progress. The course will be taught in English, and students will be expected to participate actively in class discussions and activities. The course will be offered every semester.

CHIN 401(F), 402(S) Advanced Chinese (D) This course is designed to enhance the Chinese language proficiency of students who are already at relatively advanced levels. A wide assortment of materials is used including (for speaking/comprehension) audiotapes, videotapes, and films featuring Chinese speakers from various segments of society; and (for reading) newspaper and magazine articles dealing with Chinese politics and economics as well as selections from modern Chinese literature. Conducted in Mandarin.

CHIN 404 Advanced Readings in Chinese Cultural and Social Issues (Not offered 2011-2012) Using selections from Chinese literary works, as well as journalistic and academic articles, this advanced reading course is designed to further develop students' abilities to analyze and discuss in Mandarin complex ideas related to Chinese cultural and social issues. Acquisition of specialized vocabulary and improving proficiency in formal discourse, both oral and written, are two primary aims of this course.

CHIN 412 Introduction to Classical Chinese Classical or "Literary" Chinese was the standard written language of China from around the seventh century BC until the 1920s and served for many centuries as the foundation for the language. While the main objective is to develop reading proficiency in Modern Chinese, the course will also serve to enhance proficiency in Classical Chinese through classroom discussion in Mandarin, translation of Classical Chinese into Modern Chinese, and comparison of Classical Chinese and Modern Chinese vocabulary and grammar. Conducted primarily in Mandarin.
Evaluation will be based on classroom performance, homework, tests, and a final exam.
Prerequisites: Chinese 302 or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 12).

Format: lecture/discussion, with a focus on class participation and discussion. The course will also include short writing assignments and quizzes to assess students' understanding of the material.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF Conferences: 11:00-11:50 MW, 12:00-12:50 MW First Semester: CHANG
Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF Conferences: 11:00-11:50 MW, 12:00-12:50 MW Second Semester: CHANG

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CHIN 413 Introduction to Chinese Linguistics

Is Chinese—whose nouns “lack” number and whose verbs have no tense—a monosyllabic, “primitive” language? Are the Chinese characters a system of logical symbols or “idiographs,” which indicate meaning directly without regard to sound? Should (and could) the characters be done away with and alphabetized? Are Cantonese, Hakka, and Taiwanese dialects or languages? And what is the relationship between Chinese, Japanese, Korean, and Vietnamese? These are some of the questions we will be taking up in this one-semester introduction to the scientific study of the Chinese language. Topics to be covered include: the phonological, syntactical, and lexical structure of Modern Standard Chinese; the Chinese writing system; the modern Chinese dialects; the history of the Chinese language; sociolinguistic aspects of Chinese; and language and politics in the Chinese-speaking countries. Readings in English and Chinese, with class discussion primarily in Mandarin.

Evaluation will be based on classroom performance, homework, two short papers, and one longer paper.

Prerequisites: Chinese 302 or permission of instructor.

CHIN 493(F)-W31-494(S) Senior Thesis

Satisfies one semester of the Division I distribution requirement.

CHIN 497(F), 498(S) Independent Study

For students who have completed Chinese 402 and Chinese 412 or equivalent. Interested students must contact the Coordinator of the Chinese Program one semester in advance and present a proposal to the Coordinator or the professor with whom they wish to study during pre-registration week.

COURSES IN JAPANESE (Div. I)

The department regularly offers four levels of language instruction in Modern Japanese, designed to enable the student to become proficient in aural comprehension, speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Counting credits in translation and discussion courses are also offered. The course numbering system for Japanese is sequential. Students move from Japanese 101-102 to 201, 202, 301, 302, 401, 402 and, if appropriate, 403 and 404. Independent study (JAPN 497, 498) may be offered for students who have completed 402 or the equivalent, depending on student needs and available resources. Students interested in pursuing independent study should contact the Coordinator of the Japanese Program one semester in advance and present a proposal to the professor with whom they wish to study by the first day of pre-registration week. Those students desiring credit in Japanese should see the Coordinator concerning placement. For the purpose of the distribution requirement, all courses in Japanese are considered Division I unless otherwise noted.

STUDY ABROAD

Students majoring in Japanese are encouraged to consider study in Japan at some point in their Williams career—during one or both semesters of their junior year, during the summer, or over Winter Study. It is important that students interested in any of these options consult carefully with the department and the Dean’s Office starting at an early date.

JAPN 101(F)-W88-102(S) Elementary Japanese (D)

An introduction to modern spoken and written Japanese; the course will emphasize oral skills in the fall semester, with somewhat more reading and writing in the spring. The relationship between language and culture and the sociolinguistically appropriate use of language will be stressed throughout. Computer-assisted learning materials will be used extensively. Classes consist of a combination of “act” classes, conducted exclusively in Japanese, where students use the language in various types of drills and communicative activities, and “fact” classes, conducted in Japanese and English, where students learn about the language and culture. This is an EDI course. Throughout the course we will address issues of how cultural difference inform and are informed by different linguistic contexts and practices.

Evaluation will be based on daily classroom performance, homework, quizzes, a midterm, and a final exam.

No enrollment limit (expected: 15). Credit granted only if both semesters and the winter study supporting program are taken.

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

Year: 9:55-11:10 TR

First Semester: YAMAMOTO (lecture), YAGI (conferences)

Second Semester: YAMAMOTO (lecture), YAGI (conferences)

JAPN 110(F) Bridging Japanese for Non-beginners I (D)

This course is designed for students who have prior experience in Japanese (i.e. high school Japanese courses), but are not quite ready for intensive training at the intermediate level. It aims to enhance foundations and build up proficiency in all the four skills of speaking, listening, reading and writing, which is critical for success in intermediate Japanese and beyond. The relationship between language and culture and the sociolinguistically appropriate use of language will be stressed throughout. Classes consist of a combination of “act” classes, conducted exclusively in Japanese, where students use the language in various types of drills and communicative activities, and “fact” classes, conducted in Japanese and English, where students learn about the language and culture. This is an EDI course. Throughout the course we will address issues of how cultural difference inform and are informed by different linguistic contexts and practices. Students should be already familiar with two phonetic syllabaries, hiragana and katakana, and have knowledge of approximately 100 kanji. Classes meet for one hour, three times a week.

Evaluation will be based on daily performance, homework, quizzes, a midterm, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 5).

Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF

YAMAMOTO

JAPN 152(F) Japanese Film (Same as Comparative Literature 152)

(See under COMP 152 for full description.)

C. BOLTON

JAPN 200(F), 202(S) Intermediate Japanese (D)

This course is a continuation of First-Year Japanese 101-102. Further developing the four skills of speaking, listening, reading, and writing. The same general methodology will be used. Upon completing the course, students will have been introduced to most of the major structural patterns of contemporary Japanese and will be able to read simple expository prose. This is an EDI course. Throughout the course we will address issues of how cultural difference inform and are informed by different linguistic contexts and practices.

Evaluation will be based on daily performance, homework, quizzes, a midterm, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Japanese 101-102 or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 10).

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR

First Semester: YAMADA (lecture), YAGI (conferences)

Second Semester: YAGI (lecture), ABE (conferences)

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JAPN 217 Early Modern Japanese Literature: The Satsuma Domain (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under HIST 217 for full description.)
Satisfies one semester of the Division II distribution requirement.

JAPN 218 Modern Japanese Literature (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under HIST 218 for full description.)
Satisfies one semester of the Division II distribution requirement.

JAPN 220 Introduction to Linguistic Analysis
This course provides an opportunity to gain an understanding of the nature of human language and its patterns. Upon completion of this course, you will be able to analyze speech sounds (phonetics and phonology), word and sentence structures (morphology and syntax) and meaning (semantics) using simple data from English and other languages like Japanese and Chinese, and to apply analytical thinking to various linguistic phenomena including historical change and contextual variation.
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based on classroom performance, assignments, a midterm and a final exam.
No prerequisites; no previous knowledge of linguistics or of particular foreign languages is required; open to all students. No enrollment limit (expected: 15).
Distributional Requirements: Division I
Hour: 2:55-3:50 MR

JAPN 222 Introduction to Postwar Japanese Cinema to 1960 (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course is an introduction to Japanese postwar cinema. The films screened will be arranged chronologically, starting from 1945 and moving forward until the 1960s. Due to time limitations the course will not be comprehensive but it will be critical, with an examination of major, pioneering Japanese directors and some of their contemporaries, their visual and narrative styles. Analytical attention will be paid to the cultural and historical background of the films before, during and after WWII, and the influence of the American Occupation after 1945. There will be an exploration of the complexity and depth of the thematic topics that recur across time, and how Japanese cinematic representation derived and departed from filmmaking in the West, all the while contributing to defining the film art form in the twentieth century.
All films will be shown in English subtitles; no knowledge of Japanese is required.
Format: lecture and discussion. Requirements: critical (2-3) page responses after each screening and one research essay (10-15 pages) at the end of the term. Attendance at weekly screenings is mandatory. No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 15.
Required reading text: Donald Richie. A Hundred Years of Japanese Film: A Concise History, with a Selective Guide to DVDs and Videos and Harp of Burma.
F. STEWART

JAPN 223 Physical Theatre: Japanese Noh (Same as Theatre 223) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
Japanese nō, a 600-year-old composite of poetry, dance and chant, persists to this day not as a mere relic, but as a thriving cultural institution. Nō performers train decades before they attain professional status, and professional performers enjoy the patronage of thousands of student amateurs who dedicate themselves to lifetime study of one or more of the constituent arts (singing, dancing, or instrumental accompaniment) and who are the core of their audiences. Through readings, discussions and hands-on training, this course looks into both the historical circumstances and the intrinsic properties of the art that have allowed it to attract and cultivate a dedicated following of patron-practitioners. We will also look into how this product of a Japanese cultural milieu has been able to transcend that milieu, compelling western theatre artists (from Eugene O’Neill to Eugenio Barba and composers (from Benjamin Britten to David Byrne) to look to it for sources of inspiration. Finally we consider the diaspora of nō as a performed art outside Japan, and in languages other than Japanese. Throughout the semester, we will delve into the training, history and literature of nō, and investigate how it operates as theatre, how it tells its stories. Along the way, students will learn, rehearse, and be expected to perform one or more basic dances (shimai) and songs (utai) from traditional or emerging repertoire. No experience in dancing or singing is necessary—just an ounce of two of courage! Readings will include English translations of several nō plays (Japanese versions are also available upon request). Other readings offer departure points for our discussions. Where possible, I will endeavor to provide optional opportunities to attend live performances that illustrate the principles at play in our readings and discussions.
Format: seminar. Requirements: active participation in discussions and training sessions; in-class performances; several abstracts and other short written assignments. Final projects may take the form of either a creative work or research paper, and will be designed in direct consultation with the instructor. Some rehearsals outside of regularly scheduled class periods may also be required.
Prerequisite: sophomore standing or higher (waived with permission of the instructor). Material and Lab fee (for rehearsal fan and tabi): $75.
O’CONNOR

JAPN 224 Issues in Contemporary Japanese Literature and Film (Same as Comparative Literature 224) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
Truancy, hikikomori (reclusion), otaku (mnemonic obsessiveness), neet (willful disengagement), enjoikōsa (dates for hire), parasite singles, working poor, low birth-rate, aging and senior care—these are some of the issues actively discussed and debated in contemporary Japanese society. This course explores ways in which these and other societal phenomena are depicted through literature, film, and other media, and thereby probes questions at the crossroads of popular/youth-culture, national identity, and the shifting narratives of minority and gender. All readings, discussions, films, and other media will be in English, or subtitled in English. Some materials may also be available in Japanese for those interested.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: active class participation; presentations; two short essays, and one final project paper.
No prerequisites, open to all. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). Preference to Japanese majors, then Asian Studies majors, and then seniors.
KAGAYA

JAPN 225 The Masks of Japanese Literature (Same as Comparative Literature 252) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
(See under COMP 252 for full description.)
C. BOLTON

JAPN 226 Japanese Theatre and its Contemporary Context (Same as Comparative Literature 261) (Not offered 2011-2012)
Japanese theatre has varied performance traditions, old and new, born of different historical settings, coexist to this day and compete for the attention of audiences, domestically and abroad. The forms to be considered (Nohgaku, Kabuki, Bunraku, Shingeki and Butoh, among others) are all dynamic. Each has transformed itself in response to evolving social conditions. This course examines these performance traditions, considers how each reflects the social, cultural, and political context of its birth, and poses the question: “Of what relevance is this to a contemporary audience?” Some of the other questions we will explore include: How have these performing traditions transformed themselves throughout history? What do we mean by ‘traditional’ vs. ‘contemporary’? How are traditional and contemporary performance genres interacting with each other? And how have the central themes of these works evolved? All readings and discussion will be in English.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: active class participation, presentations, written journals, two short papers, and one longer paper.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). Open to all.
KAGAYA

JAPN 227 Japanese Art and Culture (Same as ArtH 270) (See under ArtH 270 for full description.)
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Some of Japan’s performance traditions, which developed in different historical settings, have survived to this day and continue to coexist and compete for the attention of audiences both domestically and abroad. This course examines the Japanese literature of three major periods in Japan’s history, focusing on how literary and performance traditions have been interrelated in the unfolding of Japanese literary history. We will begin by looking into the Heian period (794-1185) when the work of female authors occupied center stage and some of the canonical texts of the Japanese literary and cultural tradition were born. Next we will consider the medieval period (1185-1600), which saw the rise of the samurai class and the consequent shift in the domain of artistic creation. Then we will look at the Edo period (1600-1867), when a nouveau bourgeoisie culture flourished and audiences were greatly transformed. We will also explore the continuing force of premodern literary traditions in contemporary performing arts. All readings and discussions will be in English.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: active class participation, presentations, written journals, two essay questions, one paper, and attendance of live performance events.

No prerequisites; open to all.

Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15).

KAGAYA JAPN 301(F), 302(S) Upper-Intermediate Japanese (D)
This course is a continuation of Japanese 201, 202, further developing the four skills of speaking, listening, reading, and writing. The same general methodology will be used. Upon completing the course, students will have been introduced to all the major structural patterns of contemporary Japanese and will have begun to emphasize vocabulary building through the study of situationally oriented materials stressing communicative competence. The reading of expository prose of intermediate difficulty will also receive some attention. This is an EDI course. In addition to involving immersion in a classroom Japanese environment, much of our focus will be on the ways that various cultural issues are perceived and addressed differently (and, in many instances, in similar ways) in Japan and the US.
Evaluation will be based on daily performance, homework, quizzes, a midterm, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Japanese 202 or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 10).

Hour: 8:30-9:45 MWF First Semester: YAMADA
8:30-9:45 MWF Second Semester: ABE

KAGAYA JAPN 531 Premodern Japanese Literature and Performance (Same as Comparative Literature 278) (Not offered 2011-2012)
Some of Japan’s performance traditions, which developed in different historical settings, have survived to this day and continue to coexist and compete for the attention of audiences both domestically and abroad. This course examines the Japanese literature of three major periods in Japan’s history, focusing on how literary and performance traditions have been interrelated in the unfolding of Japanese literary history. We will begin by looking into the Heian period (794-1185) when the work of female authors occupied center stage and some of the canonical texts of the Japanese literary and cultural tradition were born. Next we will consider the medieval period (1185-1600), which saw the rise of the samurai class and the consequent shift in the domain of artistic creation. Then we will look at the Edo period (1600-1867), when a nouveau bourgeoisie culture flourished and audiences were greatly transformed. We will also explore the continuing force of premodern literary traditions in contemporary performing arts. All readings and discussions will be in English.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: active class participation, presentations, written journals, two essay questions, one paper, and attendance of live performance events.

No prerequisites; open to all.

Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15).

KAGAYA JAPN 403(F), 402(S) Advanced Japanese (Not offered 2011-2012)
A continuation of Japanese 302, developing speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills in the discussion of social issues in current Japan. Topics may vary according to the level of the students. This is an EDI course. In addition to involving immersion in a classroom Japanese environment, much of our focus will be on the ways that various cultural issues are perceived and addressed differently (and, in many instances, in similar ways) in Japan and the US.
Evaluation will be based on daily performance, homework, quizzes, a midterm, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Japanese 302 or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 8).

Hour: 12:00-12:50 MWF ABE

KAGAYA JAPN 404(S) Advanced Seminar in Japanese II (D)
This course is designed for advanced Japanese language students. The goal is for students to be able to carry on extended discourse—such as a discussion, a speech, or an interview—in a culturally appropriate manner; to read authentic materials such as newspapers, magazine articles and literary works with ease; and to make presentations and write research papers on issues of interest. The course also makes use of video-conferencing and pod-casting and will focus on current social, cultural, educational, and political issues in Japan. This course, which is conducted entirely in Japanese, has the EDI designation since students are immersed in a Japanese environment and the course materials will involve critical thinking and discussion of two diverse cultures, Japan and the US.
Evaluation will be based on daily classroom performance, homework, quizzes, a midterm, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Japanese 403 or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 5).

Hour: 12:00-12:50 MWF ABE

KAGAYA JAPN 406(F) Thematic Reading and Writing in Japanese II (D)
This course is designed for the advanced students of Japanese who want to develop their reading and writing skills intensively. Students will be exposed to various genres of readings on the themes of modern and pre-modern Japanese society in contrast to those of the U.S. Research and writing skills will be developed in conjunction with student projects. This course also aims to develop a high level of speaking proficiency through discussion and narrative discourse. This is an EDI course because students are immersed in a Japanese environment in class and will learn how to express their ideas and opinions using Japanese discourse patterns both in texts and dialogues. This requires reflective thinking over different cultural perspectives between Japan and the U.S. or whatever cultural heritage each student may have.

Format: seminar. Requirements: evaluation will be based on daily preparation and in-class performance, a weekly journal, and a final research paper. 
Prerequisites: any one of Japanese 400’s courses or permission of instructor; open to all. Enrollment limit: 5 (expected: 5). Preference given to majors first and then seniors and juniors.

Hour: 7:00-9:40 p.m. M YAMAMOTO
EN 486T Historical Memory of the Pacific War (Same as Asian Studies 486T and History 486T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
(See under HIST 486 for full description.)
Satisfies one semester of the Division II distribution requirement.

Chair, Professor JAY M. PASACHOFF

Professors: KWITTER, PASACHOFF. Observatory Supervisor/Lecturer: SOUZA.

How long will the Sun shine? When will we discover Earth-like planets among the many circling other stars? How did the universe begin and how has it evolved over its 13.7 billion-year history? Astronomy is the science that asks and tries to answer questions like these. We have come a long way toward un-
standing what makes the sky appear as it does and how the Universe is fashioned. The Astronomy Department offers courses for anyone who is interested in learning about the Universe, and who would like to be able to follow new astronomical discoveries as they are made. All courses in Astronomy satisfy the Division III requirement. The Astronomy major (administered jointly with the Physics Department) and the Astronomy major, are described below.

The beginning astronomy courses are offered on two levels. Astronomy 101, 102, 104, and 330-range courses are intended primarily for non-science majors, and have no prerequisite. Astronomy 111 is designed for students with some exposure to or interest in physics. It has a prerequisite of one year of high school physics or permission of the instructor, and a corequisite of Mathematics 104 or equivalent background in calculus.

Most of the astronomy courses take advantage of our observational and computational facilities including a 24-inch computer-controlled telescope with sensitive electronic detectors, and our own computer network for image processing and data analysis. The Astronomy Department homepage can be found at http://www.williams.edu/Astronomy.

ASTROPHYSICS MAJOR

The Astrophysics major is designed for students who want a rigorous introduction to the field, and includes not only those who plan graduate study in astronomy, astrophysics, or a closely related area, but also those interested in a wide variety of careers. Alumni are not only astronomers but also computer scientists, geologists, lawyers, business professors, and so on. In recent years, many astrophysics majors have had a second major in fields as wide ranging as mathematics, geosciences, economics, English, and art history. This major emphasizes the description of the Universe and its constituents in terms of physical processes. Potential Astrophysics majors should consult early with members of the Astronomy and Physics Departments to determine their most appropriate route through the major. An essential ingredient in such students' undergraduate training is experience in physics and mathematics. Therefore, the major normally will begin in the first year a student has with Physics 131, 141, or 151 and Mathematics 104 or 105 or 106 in the fall. Students with very good background placing them out of Physics 142 and out of Mathematics 104 may choose to take Physics 201 and Mathematics 105 or 106 instead. Astronomy 111 will be taken in the fall of the sophomore year; however, many students take it in the fall of their first year at Williams, along with physics and math. Students who might place out of physics courses should read the section on placement under Physics; those who place out of Physics 131 or 141 into Physics 142 or 151 should particularly consider taking Astronomy 111 in the fall of their first year.

In addition to the major courses described below, other courses in geosciences, mathematics, and computer science may also be appropriate.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS FOR ASTROPHYSICS

Astronomy 111 Introduction to Astrophysics
or Astronomy 101 Stars: From Suns to Black Holes
and either Astronomy 102 The Solar System—Our Planetary Home
or Astronomy 104 The Milky Way Galaxy and the Universe Beyond
Three 400-level astronomy courses
or Two 400-level astronomy courses and one of the following:

Astronomy 211 Astronomical Observing, Image Processing, and Analysis
Physics 302 Statistical Physics
Physics 402T Applications of Quantum Mechanics
Physics 405T Electromagnetic Theory
Physics 411T Classical Mechanics
Physics 418 Gravity
Mathematics 131 Particles and Waves
or Physics 141 Particles and Waves—Enriched
or equivalent placement
Physics 142 Foundations of Modern Physics
or Physics 151 Seminar on Modern Physics
Physics 201 Electricity and Magnetism
Physics 202 Waves and Optics
Physics/Mathematics 210 Mathematical Methods for Scientists
Physics 301 Introductory Quantum Physics
Mathematics 105 Multivariable Calculus
or Mathematics 106 Multivariable Calculus

The total number of courses required for the Astrophysics major, an interdisciplinary major, is eleven. Students entering with Advanced Placement in physics and/or mathematics may obtain credit toward the major for the equivalent of Physics 141 and/or Mathematics 104 and/or 105 or 106 taken elsewhere, but at least 8 courses in astronomy, physics, and mathematics must be taken at Williams. There are some aspects of astrophysics that are closely related to chemistry or geosciences. In recognition of this relation, certain advanced courses in those departments can be accepted for credit toward the Astrophysics major on a two-for-one basis. It is not possible to double major in Astrophysics and Physics.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN ASTROPHYSICS

The honors degree in Astrophysics will be awarded on the basis of a senior thesis presenting the results of an original observational, experimental, or theoretical investigation carried out by the student under the direction of a faculty member in Astronomy or Physics. There are no specific grade requirements (other than College-wide requirements for remaining in good academic standing) for entry into the thesis research program; however, a student wishing to do a thesis should have demonstrated both ability and motivation for independent work in previous courses and in any earlier research involvement. Students doing theses will normally choose a topic and an advisor early in the second semester of their junior year and usually begin their thesis work during the summer. During the senior year, those students whose proposals have been approved will elect two courses and a winter study project in addition to the minimum requirements for the major. Preparation for the thesis will occupy at least one course (Astrophysics 493) and the winter study project (Astrophysics 031). At the end of the winter study period, the departments will decide, in consultation with each student, whether to admit that student to honors candidacy. Both a written thesis and an oral presentation to faculty and fellow students are required. The degree with honors will be awarded to those who meet these requirements with distinction. The degree with highest honors will be awarded to those who fulfill the requirements with unusually high distinction.

The departments will be flexible with regard to the number and timing of courses devoted to thesis research within the general guidelines of two courses and a winter study project over and above the minimum major requirements and the written and oral presentations, especially in cases of students with advanced standing and/or summer research experience. Students considering unusual requests are urged to consult with potential advisors or the department chairs as early as possible.

ASTRONOMY MAJOR

The Astronomy major is designed for students with an interest in learning about many aspects of modern astronomy, but who do not choose to take the advanced physics courses of the astrophysics major. It is also appropriate as a second major for students concentrating in another field. The Astronomy major emphasizes understanding the observed properties of the physical systems that comprise the known Universe, from the Sun and solar system, to the evolution of stars to the Milky Way Galaxy, to external galaxies and clusters of galaxies. Because some knowledge of physics and calculus is necessary to understand many astronomical phenomena, the Astronomy major requires the first two semesters each of the physics and calculus that are also required of Physics majors and Astrophysics majors.

There are several possible routes through the Astronomy major, depending on preparation and interest. Students considering a major in Astronomy should consult with members of the department Astronomy and Astrophysics, may wish to take not only Astronomy 111 but also Physics 131, 141, or 151 and Mathematics 104 (if necessary) in the fall. Students who might place out of physics courses should read the section on placement under Physics.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS FOR ASTRONOMY

Astronomy 111 Introduction to Astrophysics
or Astronomy 101 Stars: From Suns to Black Holes
and either Astronomy 102 The Solar System—Our Planetary Home
or Astronomy 104 The Milky Way Galaxy and the Universe Beyond
Two 200-level Astronomy courses (or additional 400-level Astronomy courses as substitutes)
The total number of courses required for the Astronomy major is nine. Students entering with Advanced Placement in physics and/or math may obtain credit toward the major equivalent of Physics 101 or 102 taken elsewhere. There are some aspects of astronomy that are closely related to chemistry or geosciences. In recognition of this, certain advanced courses in those departments can be accepted for credit toward the Astronomy major.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN ASTRONOMY

The honors degree in Astronomy will be awarded on the basis of a senior thesis presenting the results of an original observational, experimental, or theoretical investigation carried out by the student under the direction of a faculty member in Astronomy. There are no specific grade requirements (other than College-wide minimums for good academic standing); for entry into the thesis research program (or, however, a student should have demonstrated both ability and motivation for independent work in previous courses and in any earlier research involvement. Students doing theses will normally choose a topic and an advisor early in the second semester of their junior year and usually begin their thesis work during the summer. During the senior year, those students whose proposals have been approved will elect two courses and a winter study project in addition to the minimum requirements for the major. Preparation for the thesis will occupy at least one course (Astronomy 493) and the winter study project (Astronomy 494). At the end of the winter study period, the department will decide, in consultation with each student, whether to admit that student to honors candidacy. Both a written thesis and an oral presentation to faculty and fellow students are required. The degree with honors will be awarded to those who meet these requirements with distinction. The degree with highest honors will be awarded to those who fulfill the requirements with unusually high distinction.

The department will be flexible with regard to the number and timing of courses devoted to thesis research within the general guidelines of two courses and a winter study project over and above the minimum major requirements and the written and oral presentations, especially in cases of students with advanced standing and/or summer research experience. Students considering unusual requests are urged to consult with potential advisors or the department chair as early as possible.

ASTRONOMY COURSES

COURSES FOR NON-MAJORS WITH NO PREREQUISITES

ASTR 101(S) Stars: From Sun to Black Holes

What makes a star shine? For how long will the Sun keep shining? What are black holes and how can they form? Astronomy 101, a non-major, general introduction to the part of contemporary astronomy that includes how stars form and how they end their existence, will provide answers to these questions and more. The course gives special attention to the exciting discoveries of the past few years. Topics include modern astronomical instruments such as the Hubble Space Telescope, the Keck Observatory, the Herschel Space Telescope, the Kepler mission to discover extrasolar planets, the new generation of 8- and 10-meter mountain-top telescopes, and results from them; how astronomers interpret the light received from distant celestial objects; the Sun as a typical star (and how its future will affect ours); and our modern understanding of how stars work and how they change with time. We will also discuss how pulsars and black holes result from the evolution of normal, massive stars and how giant black holes are at the center of galaxies and quasars. We will discuss the discovery of planets around stars other than our Sun. We regularly discuss the latest news briefs and developments in astronomy and relate them to the topics covered in the course. This course is independent of and on the same level as Astronomy 102 and 104, and students who have taken those courses are welcome.

Observing sessions will include use of the 24-inch telescope and other telescopes for observations of stars, star clusters, planets and their moons, nebulae, and galaxies, as well as daytime observations of the Sun.

Four lectures, three hours per week, three hours of observing (scattered throughout the semester), afternoon labs (five times per semester), and a planetarium demonstration. Evaluation will be based on two hour tests, a final exam, an observing portfolio, and laboratory reports.


Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

Lab: 1-2:30 TW 2:30-4 TW

PASACHOFF (lectures) SOUZA (labs)

ASTR 102(S) Our Solar System and Others

What makes Earth different from all the other planets? Did Mars ever have running water? What is Pluto? Will asteroids or comets collide with the Earth? What is a solar eclipse like? Astronomy 102, a non-major, general introduction to the part of contemporary astronomy that comprises the study of the solar system, will provide answers to these questions and more. We will cover the historical development of humanity’s understanding of the solar system, examining contributions by Aristotle, Ptolemy, Copernicus, Galileo, Newton, Einstein, and others. We will discuss the discovery of over 1000 exoplanets around stars other than the Sun. The course gives special attention to exciting discoveries of the past few years by space probes and by the Hubble Space Telescope and the Herschel Space Observatory. We will discuss the latest news briefs and developments in astronomy and relate them to the topics covered in the course. This course is independent of and on the same level as Astronomy 101 and 104, and students who have taken those courses are welcome.

Observing sessions will include use of the 24-inch telescope and other telescopes for observations of stars, star clusters, planets and their moons, nebulae, and galaxies, as well as daytime observations of the Sun.

Four lectures, three hours per week, three hours of observing (scattered throughout the semester), afternoon labs (five times per semester), and a planetarium demonstration. Evaluation will be based on two hour tests, a final exam, an observing portfolio, and laboratory reports. To be eligible for the Gaudino grade, which stipulates “intellectual presence,” a student must demonstrate commitment to engaging the course material in all its aspects: lectures, reading, labs, observing, homework, and exams.


Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

Lab: 1-2:30 TW 2:30-4 TW

PASACHOFF (lectures) SOUZA (labs)

ASTR 104 The Milky Way Galaxy and the Universe Beyond (Not offered 2011-2012)

It has been less than a century since the Sun was discovered not to be at the center of the Milky Way Galaxy, and the Milky Way Galaxy was determined to be only one of countless “island universes” in space. A host of technological advances is enabling us to understand even more clearly our place in the universe and how the universe began. For example, the Hubble Space Telescope, the Herschel Space Observatory, and the Chandra X-ray Observatory bring clearer images and cover a wider range of the spectrum than has ever been obtainable before; they are speeding up progress on determining the past and future of the Universe. The course will expand and enlarge our understanding of the Big Bang. In addition, the Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe and Planck spacecraft’s study of the early Universe and large-scale mapping programs such as the Sloan Digital Sky Survey are giving clues into how the Universe’s currently observed structure arose. Astronomy 104, a non-major, general introduction to part of contemporary astronomy comprising the study of galaxies and the Universe, explores the answers to questions like: What is the Milky Way?; Why are quasars so luminous?; Is the Universe made largely of “dark matter” and “dark energy”? What determines the ultimate fate of the Universe? How have studies of Cepheid variables and distant supernovae with the Hubble Space Telescope determined that the Universe is 13.7 billion years old and indicated that the Universe’s expansion is accelerating. We regularly discuss the latest news briefs and developments in astronomy and relate them to the topics covered in the course. This course is independent of, and on the same level as Astronomy 101 and 102, and students who have taken those courses are welcome.

Observing sessions will include use of the 24-inch telescope and other telescopes for observations of stars, star clusters, planets and their moons, nebulae, and galaxies, as well as daytime observations of the Sun.

Format: lectures (three hours per week), observing sessions (scattered throughout the semester), afternoon labs (five times per semester), and a planetarium demonstration. Evaluation will be based on two hour tests, a final exam, an observing portfolio, and laboratory reports. To be eligible for the Gaudino grade, which stipulates “intellectual presence,” a student must demonstrate commitment to engaging the course material in all its aspects: lectures, reading, labs, observing, homework, and exams.

No prerequisites; open to students who have taken or are taking Astronomy 330. Enrollment limit: 48 (expected: 48). Non-major course.

PASACHOFF (lectures) SOUZA (labs)

ASTR 330(S) The Nature of the Universe

A journey through space and time from the first 10–43 seconds to the ultimate fate of the Universe billions of years in the future. Topics include inflation, conditions during the first three minutes, creation of the elements, stellar and giant black holes, the Big Bang and its remnant cosmic background radiation, relativity, galaxies and quasars, the large scale structure of the Universe, and current ideas about the future of the Universe and the end of time. In particular, we
will explore the acceleration of the Universe’s expansion, and the possible contributions of string theory to our understanding.

**Format:** Lecture/discussion, three hours per week. Evaluation will be based on two hour tests, a small observing portfolio, occasional homework, and a final exam. To be eligible for the Gouldino grade, which stipulates "intellellectual presence," a student must demonstrate commitment to engaging the course material in all its aspects: lectures, reading, labs, observing, homework, and exams.

No prerequisites; open only to juniors and seniors: closed to students who have taken or are taking ASTR 104, and closed to Astronomy, Astrophysics, or Physics majors. Non-major course. Courses in the 33X-sequence are meant as general-education courses for students in all majors. Enrollment limit: 48 (expected: 48).

**Hour:** 1:10-2:25 MR  
**Kwitter**

**ASTR 333 Science, Pseudoscience, and the Two Cultures (Same as History of Science 336) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)**

A famous dichotomy between the sciences and the humanities, and public understanding of them, was laid down by C. P. Snow and has been widely discussed, with ignorance of the second law of thermodynamics compared with ignorance of Shakespeare. In this seminar, we will consider several aspects of science and scientific culture, including how scientific thinking challenges the claims of pseudoscience. We will consider C. P. Snow and his critics as well as the ideas about the roles of culture and other paradigms invented by Thomas Kuhn. We will discuss the "Science Wars" over the validity of scientific ideas. We will consider the fundamental originators of modern science, including Tycho, Kepler, Galileo, and Newton, viewing their original works in the Chapin Library of rare books and comparing their interests with what we now call pseudoscience, like alchemy. We will review the history and psychology of astrology and other pseudosciences. Building on the work of Martin Gardner in *Fads and Fallacies in the Name of Science*, and using the current journal *The Skeptics' Society* and *Alternative Medicine*, we consider from a scientific point of view what is now called complementary or alternative medicine, including both versions such as chiropractic, osteopathy, and homeopathy, and newer nonscientific practices. We will discuss the current global-climate-change deniers and their effects on policy. We consider such topics as GM (genetically modified) foods, the safety and regulation of dietary supplements, and the validity of government and other recommendations relevant to the roles of dietary salt and fat in health. We consider the search for extraterrestrial intelligence (SETI) and reports of UFO’s and aliens. We consider the possible effects that superstition’s beliefs have on the general public’s cooperation in vaccination programs and other consequences of superstition. We also consider the recently increased range of dramas that are based on scientific themes, such as Tom Stoppard’s *Arcadia* and Michael Frayn’s *Copenhagen*.

**Format:** Seminar. Evaluation will be based on biweekly 5-page papers, participation in discussions, and a 15-page final paper.

No prerequisites. **Enrollment limit:** 12 (expected: 12).

Non-major course. Does not count toward the Astrophysics, Astronomy, or Physics major. Courses in the 33X-sequence are meant as general-education courses for students in all majors.

**PASACHOFF**

**ASTR 338 The Progress of Astronomy: Galileo through the Hubble Space Telescope (Same as History of Science 338 and Leadership Studies 338) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)**

Our capabilities of understanding the Universe have progressed over the 500 plus years since Copernicus moved the sun into the center. Galileo’s breakthrough observations with the new-fangled telescope led to hundreds of years of improving observations. In a seminar format, week by week we will discuss each of the following topics (and look at original first-editions in the Chapin Library): Copernicus and rare-book variations and annotations; Galileo and his discoveries; mapping the sky and constellations 1540 to the present through star atlases; William and Caroline Herschel and the discovery of a new planet; asteroids from 1 Ceres to 5100 Phaschoff and beyond; contemporary surveys, the extinction of the dinosaurs, and possible dangers to the Earth and its inhabitants arising from when William Womenegy叶 when the Committee of Ten to the Journal of Astronomy Education Research; planetariums from pasted stars to optomechnical and digital 21st-century projection; woman astronomers and astronautas and their reception and roles; transits of Venus: from Horrocks and Capt. Cook through the 2004/2012 pair; the launch of Sputnik and the race to the Moon; the formation of NASA and its transformation through space shuttles and the International Space Station; the past, present, and future of the Hubble Space Telescope; NASA’s “Great Observatories,” including not only Hubble but also the Chandra X-ray Observatory and the Spitzer Space Telescope; NASA’s “Vision” of sending astronauts to the Moon and Mars; advances in ground-based observatories and telescopes; mapping the Universe through projects like the Sloan Digital Sky Survey and 2dF; and the discovery that the Universe’s expansion is accelerating and its ramifications. We consider the role of individual leadership in the various topics.

**Format:** Seminar, one-three hour meeting a week. Planetarium demonstration, with individual planetarium work on request. Evaluation will be based on two 10-page papers and participation in discussions.

No prerequisites. **Enrollment limit:** 19 (expected: 10). Preference will be given to juniors and seniors and to those with backgrounds in science, history of science, or philosophy. Non-major course. Does not count toward the Astrophysics, Astronomy, or Physics major. Courses in the 33X-sequence are meant as general-education courses for students in all majors.

**PASACHOFF**

**COURSES WITH PREREQUISITES**

**ASTR 111(F) Introduction to Astrophysics (Q)**

How do stars work? This course is a survey of some of the main ideas in modern astrophysics, with an emphasis on the observed properties and evolution of stars. This course is the first in the Astrophysics and Astronomy major sequences. It is also appropriate for students planning to major in one of the other sciences or mathematics, and for others who would like a quantitative introduction that emphasizes the relationship of contemporary physics to astronomy. Topics include nuclear reactions in stellar cores, stellar spectra, astronomical instrumentation, physical characteristics of the Sun and other stars, star formation and evolution, masers, white dwarfs and planetary nebulae, pulsars and neutron stars, supernovae, relativity, and black holes. Observing sessions include use of the 24-inch and other telescopes for observations of stars, nebulae, planets, and the Sun, as well as daytime observations of the Sun.

**Format:** Lecture/discussion, observing sessions, and five labs per semester. Evaluation will be based on weekly problem sets, two hour tests, a final exam, lab report and portfolio. To be eligible for the Gouldino grade, which stipulates "intellectual presence," a student must demonstrate commitment to engaging the course material in all its aspects: lectures, reading, labs, observing, homework, and exams.

**Prerequisites:** a year of high school Physics, or concurrent college Physics, or permission of instructor, and Mathematics 104 or equivalent. **Enrollment limit:** 28 (expected: 20).

**Hour:** 11:20-12:35 TR  
**Lab:** 1-4 M,R  
**Kwitter (lectures)**  
**SOUZA (labs)**

**ASTR 207T Extraterrestrial Life in the Galaxy: A Sure Thing, or a Snowball’s Chance? (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)**

A focused investigation of the possibility of life arising elsewhere in our Galaxy, and the chances of our detecting it. In this course, pairs of students will explore the astronomical and biochemical requirements for the development of Earth-like life. We will consider the conditions on other planets within our solar system as well as on newly-discovered planets circling other stars. We will also analyze the famous “Drake Equation,” which calculates the expected number of extraterrestrial civilizations, and attempt to evaluate its components. Finally, we will examine current efforts to detect signals from intelligent alien civilizations and the community’s reactions to a possible detection.

**Format:** Tutorial. Evaluation will be based on the student’s papers, responses to the partner’s papers, and evidence of growth in understanding over the semester.

**Prerequisites:** Astronomy 111 or Biology 101-102, Chemistry 101-102, or Geosciences 101 or equivalent science preparation. **Enrollment limit:** 10 (expected: 10). Instructor’s permission required. If overenrolled, preference given to students who have had Astronomy 111.

**Kwitter**

**ASTR 211(F) Observation and Data Reduction Techniques in Astronomy (Q)**

This course introduces techniques for observing and analyzing astronomical data. We will begin by learning about practical observation planning and move on to discussion of CCD detectors, signal statistics, digital data reduction, and image processing. We will make use of data we obtain with our 24-inch telescope, as well as data from other optical ground-based observatories and archives. We also learn about and work with data from space-based non-optical observatories such as the Chandra X-Ray Observatory the Spitzer Space Telescope (infrared). Fundamental phenomena such as computer simulation and observing. Evaluation will be based on weekly problem sets, an hour exam and an observing project.

**Prerequisites:** Mathematics 105 or 106. Prior experience with Unix is helpful, but not required. **Enrollment limit:** 10 (expected: 6).

**Hour:** 1:10-2:50 W  
**Lab:** 7:00-9:40 p.m. M  
**Kwitter**

**ASTR 217T Planetary Geology (Same as Geosciences 217T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)**

(See under GEOS 217T for full description.)

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their outer layers, whether as planetary nebulae or dazzling supernovae. As these processes go on, they enrich the interstellar medium with the products of the stars' nuclear fusion. The existence of life on Earth is eloquent evidence of this chemical enrichment.

In this class we will study the interstellar medium in its various forms. We will discuss many of the physical mechanisms that produce the radiation we observe from diffuse matter, including radiative ionization and recombination, collisional excitation of "forbidden" lines, collisional ionization, and synchrotron radiation. This course is observing-intensive. Throughout the semester students will work in small groups to design, carry out, analyze, and critique their own observations of the interstellar medium using the equipment on our observing deck.

Format: seminar/discussion, plus computer work and observing projects. Evaluation will be based on homework, class presentations/problem-solving, and observing projects.

Prerequisite: Physics 201. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 8).

KWITTER

ASTR 408T  The Solar Corona (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
The solar corona has recently been revealed as the connection between the Sun and the Earth. Observations from the 10 instruments on the Solar and Heliospheric Observatory (SOHO) now aloft are showing the flow of material from the Sun to the Earth in unprecedented detail. Further, data from total solar eclipses will be used to study the cause of the heating of the solar corona and will be linked to space observations from SOHO, TRACE, and Yohkoh solar satellites. We discuss theoretical aspects and observational techniques, and will make solar observations. Students will meet weekly with the professor in groups of two or three to discuss readings, solve problems, present short papers, and/or make observations.

Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on the submitted material and on tutorial participation, as well as on a final paper.

Prerequisites: Astronomy 111 (or Astronomy 101 and either 102 or 104 with permission of instructor) and a 200-level Physics or Astronomy course. Enrollment limit: 10. PASACHOFF

ASTR 412T(S) Solar Physics (W)
We study all aspects of the Sun, our nearest star. We discuss the interior, including the neutrino experiment and helioseismology, the photosphere, the chromosphere, the corona, and the solar wind. We discuss the Sun as an example of stars in general. We discuss both theoretical aspects and observational techniques, including work at recent total solar eclipses. We discuss results from current spacecraft, including the Solar and Heliospheric Observatory (SOHO) and the Transition Region and Coronal Explorer (TRACE). We also discuss data analysis of recent transits of Mercury across the face of the Sun and the June 8, 2004, transit of Venus. Students will meet weekly with the professor in groups of two or three to discuss readings and present short papers.

Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on four 5-page papers, discussions, and presentations. Students will be expected to improve their writing throughout the course, with the aid of careful editing by and comments from the professor.

Prerequisites: Astronomy 111 (or Astronomy 101 and either 102 or 104 with permission of instructor) and a 200-level Physics or Astronomy course. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 10).

Tutorial meetings to be arranged. PASACHOFF

ASTR 420 Observational Cosmology: Observing and Modeling the Universe (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
Recent astronomical observations have revealed that the universe contains large amounts of dark matter (most probably consisting of undetected yet very-weakly-interacting particles) and dark energy (a strange kind of uniformly-distributed energy that creates negative pressure causing accelerated expansion of the universe). While ordinary radiating matter (stars, galaxies and clouds of gas) is only a minor addition. In this course we will discuss the most important observations of two or three to discuss readings, solve problems, present short papers, and/or make observations.

We will discuss the Standard Cosmological Model that describes the evolution of the universe from the Big Bang to its present state. In particular we will discuss the microwave background radiation and its properties, along with the process of primordial nucleosynthesis. Recent observational data indicate that at a very early stage of evolution the universe passed through a phase of very rapid exponential expansion called "inflation." We will develop and discuss the Standard Cosmological Model that describes the evolution of the universe from the Big Bang to its present state. In particular we will discuss the early phases of radiation-dominated evolution and the late process of structure formation. Finally we will concentrate on the observations indicating that the universe is now dominated by dark matter and dark energy.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: evaluation will be based on classroom participation, homework assignments, a midterm exam and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Physics 211 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 12). If overenrolled, preference will be given to Astronomy and Astrophysics majors.

DIEMANSKI

ASTR 493(F)-W31, W31-494(S) Senior Research in Astronomy
An original experimental or theoretical investigation is carried out under the direction of a faculty member in Astronomy, as discussed under the heading of the degree with honors in Astronomy above.

Prerequisites: permission of the department.

Hour: TBA

Members of the Astronomy Department

ASP 493(F)-W31, W31-494(S) Senior Research in Astrophysics
An original experimental or theoretical investigation is carried out under the direction of a faculty member in Astronomy or Physics, as discussed under the heading of the degree with honors in Astrophysics above.

Prerequisites: permission of the department.

Hour: TBA

Members of the Astronomy and Physics Departments

ASTR 497(F), 498(S) Independent Study in Astronomy

ASP 497(F), 498(S) Independent Study in Astrophysics

ASTR 499(F)-W31 Physics and Astronomy Colloquium (Same as Physics 499)
Physics and Astronomy researchers from around the country come to explain their research. Students of Physics and Astronomy at any level are welcome. This is not a for-credit course. Registration is not necessary to attend.

Hour: 2:30-3:45 F

TBA

BIOCHEMISTRY AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY
(Div. III)
Chair, Professor AMY GEHRING

Advisory Committee: Professors: ALTSCHULER, DEWITT, KAPLAN, LOVETT, D. LYNCH**, RAYMOND, ROSEMAN*, SAVAGE***, SWOAP, Associate Professors: BANTA, GEHRING, TING. Assistant Professor: LEBESTKY.

Biochemistry and molecular biology are dynamic fields that lie at the forefront of science. Through elucidation of the structure and function of biologically important molecules (such as nucleic acids, lipids, proteins, and carbohydrates) these disciplines have provided important insights and advances in the fields of molecular engineering (recombinant DNA technology, "intelligent" drug design, "in vitro evolution"), genomics and proteomics, signal transduction, immunology, developmental biology, and evolution. The Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Program is designed to provide students with an opportunity to explore living systems in molecular terms. Biochemistry and molecular biology are at the interface between the chemical and biological methods of looking at nature; therefore, the program draws heavily from these disciplines. While chemistry is concerned with the relationship between molecular structure and reactions, and biology focuses on cells and organisms, biochemistry and molecular biology probe the details of the structures and interactions of molecules in living systems in order to provide the foundation for a better understanding of biological molecules both individually and as members of more complex structures.

PROGRAM

While aspects of biochemistry and molecular biology can be very diverse, a common set of chemical and biological principles underlie the more advanced topics. With this in mind, the program has been structured to provide the necessary background in chemistry and biology and the opportunity to study the many
facets of the modern areas of the biochemical sciences. Students interested in the Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Program should plan their course selection carefully. Since it is expected that Biochemistry 321 and 322 would be taken in the junior year, students are advised to take the prerequisites for those courses in both chemistry and biology during their first two years at Williams. While the program is open to all students, it is expected that it will appeal primarily to majors in biology and chemistry because of the number of courses required in those fields. In addition to taking the required courses, students planning to complete the Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Program are strongly encouraged to elect courses in mathematics and physics.

The following interdepartmental courses serve as the core of the Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Program.

BIMO 321 and 322 provide a comprehensive introduction to biochemistry. BIMO 401, the capstone course for the concentration, provides students the opportunity to examine the current scientific literature in a wide variety of BIMO-related research areas.

BIMO 321(F) Biochemistry I—Structure and Function of Biological Molecules (Same as Biology 321 and Chemistry 321) (Q)

This course introduces the basic concepts of biochemistry with an emphasis on the structure and function of biological macromolecules. Specifically, the structure of proteins and nucleic acids are examined in detail in order to determine how their chemical properties and their biological behavior result from those structures. Other topics covered include catalysis, enzyme kinetics, mechanism and regulation; the molecular organization of biomembranes; and the flow of information from nucleic acids to proteins. In addition, the principles and applications of the methods used to characterize macromolecules in solution and the interactions between macromolecules are discussed. The laboratory provides an opportunity to study the structure of macromolecules and to learn the fundamental experimental techniques of biochemistry including electrophoresis, chromatography, and principles of enzymatic assays.

Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation will be based on quizzes, a midterm exam, a final exam, problem sets and performance in the laboratories including lab reports.


Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF Lab: 1-5 M, W, R GEHRING

BIMO 322(S) Biochemistry II—Metabolism (Same as Biology 322 and Chemistry 322) (Q)

This lecture course provides an in-depth presentation of the complex metabolic reactions which are central to life. Emphasis is placed on the biological flow of energy including alternative modes of energy generation (aerobic, anaerobic, photosynthetic); the regulation and integration of the metabolic pathways including compartmentalization and the transport of metabolites; and biochemical reaction mechanisms including the structures and mechanisms of coenzymes. This comprehensive study also includes the biosynthesis and catabolism of small molecules (carbohydrates, lipids, amino acids, and nucleotides). Laboratory experiments introduce the principles and procedures used to study enzymatic reactions, bioenergetics, and metabolic pathways.

Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation will be based on several exams and performance in the laboratories including lab reports that emphasize conceptual and quantitative and/or graphic analysis of the data generated.

Prerequisites: Biology 101 and Chemistry 251/255. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 40). Preference given to junior and senior Biology and Chemistry majors and BIMO concentrators.

Not available for the Gaudino option.

Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF Lab: 1-4 TW D. LYNCH

BIMO 401(S) Topics in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (W)

This seminar course involves a critical reading, analysis, and discussion of papers from the current biochemistry and molecular biology literature. Specific topics vary from year to year but are chosen to illustrate the importance of a wide range of both biological and chemical approaches to addressing important questions in the biochemical and molecular biological fields. To facilitate discussion, students will prepare written critiques analyzing the data and conclusions of the chosen literature.

Format: seminar, three hours per week. Evaluation will be based on class presentations and discussions, frequent short papers, and a final paper.

Prerequisites: Biology 202 and BIMO 321. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 8). Preference given to those completing the BIMO concentration; open to others with permission of instructor.

Hour: 1:10–3:50 W GEHRING

To complete the concentration in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, a student must complete all of the required courses listed below, take one elective not within the student’s major from the list below, and attend at least eight Biology and/or Chemistry Department colloquia. Since the Chemistry Department counts two biology courses and the Biology Department counts two chemistry courses toward the majors (each of which can be completed with only eight other courses), a student majoring in either chemistry or biology would have to take only two or three additional courses to complete the program.

Required Courses

| BIOL 101 | The Cell |
| BIOL 102 | The Organism |
| BIOL 202 | Genetics |
| CHEM 151 or 153 or 155 | Concepts of Chemistry |
| CHEM 156 | Organic Chemistry: Introductory Level |
| CHEM 251 | Organic Chemistry: Intermediate Level |
| CHEM 256 | Foundations of Physical and Inorganic Chemistry |

(Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 10). Preference given to junior and senior Biology and Chemistry majors and BIMO concentrators.

Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF Lab: 1-4 TW D. LYNCH

Students can check with the department coordinator to see if other courses not listed here might count as electives.

Elective Courses

| BIOL 301 | Developmental Biology |
| BIOL 304 | Neurobiology |
| BIOL 306 | Cellular Regulatory Mechanisms |
| BIOL 308 | Integrative Plant Biology: Fundamentals and New Frontiers |
| BIOL 310 | Neural Development |
| BIOL 313 | Immunology |
| BIOL 315 | Microbiology, Diversity, Cellular Physiology, and Interactions |
| BIOL/CHEM/CSCI/MATH/PHYS 319 | Integrative Bioinformatics, Genomics, and Proteomics Laboratory |
| BIOL 405 | Stem Cells and Cellular Identity in Development and Disease |
| BIOL 407/NSCI 347 | Neurobiology of Emotion |
| BIOL 408 | RNA Worlds |
| BIOL 409 | Molecular Physiology |
| BIOL 413 | Molecular Basis of Biological Clocks |
| BIOL 414 | Life at Extremes: Molecular Mechanisms |
| BIOL 416 | Epigenetics |
| BIOL 426T | Frontiers in Muscle Physiology: Controversies |
| BIOL 430T | Genome Science: At the Cutting Edge |
| CHEM 324 | Enzyme Kinetics and Reaction Mechanisms |
| CHEM 341 | Toxicology and Cancer |
| CHEM 342 | Synthetic Organic Chemistry |
| CHEM 343 | Medicinal Chemistry |
| CHEM 344T | Physical Organic Chemistry |
| CHEM 348 | Polymer Chemistry |
| CHEM 364 | Instrumental Methods of Analysis |
| CHEM 366 | Physical Chemistry: Thermodynamics |
| CHEM 367 | Biophysical Chemistry |
BIOINFORMATICS, GENOMICS, AND PROTEOMICS

Chair, Professor CHARLES M. LOVETT, Jr.

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Bioinformatics, genomics, and proteomics are rapidly advancing fields that integrate the tools and knowledge from biology, chemistry, computer science, mathematics, physics, and statistics in research at the intersection of the biological and informational sciences. Inspired by the enormous amount of biological data that are being generated from the sequencing of genomes, these new fields will help us pose and answer biological questions that have long been considered too complex to address. Research in genomics, proteomics, and bioinformatics will also significantly impact society affecting medicine, culture, economics, and politics.

The Bioinformatics, Genomics, and Proteomics curriculum involves faculty from the biology, chemistry, computer science, mathematics/statistics, and physics departments and was designed to provide students with an understanding of these revolutionary new areas of investigation. The introductory level courses, Computation and biology and Statistics for Biologists are accessible to all students interested in gaining familiarity with the power of genomic analysis. Students interested in graduate work in bioinformatics, genomics, and proteomics should take the core courses and five of the recommended courses. Interested students are also encouraged to participate in independent research with members of the advisory faculty as they explore the development of these new fields.

Core course:
BIOCHEM/CSCI/MATH/PHYS 319  Bioinformatics, Genomics, and Proteomics Laboratory
[CSCI/BIO 106  Life as an Algorithm—last offered Fall 2006]

Recommended courses (in addition to the core course):

- BIOL 202  Genetics
- BIOL 206T  Genomes, Transcriptomes and Proteomes
- BIOL 305  Evolution
- CSCI 134  Introduction to Computer Science
- CSCI 136  Data Structures and Advanced Programming
- CSCI 256  Algorithm Design and Analysis
- PHYS/INTRO/CSCI 315  Computational Biology
- STAT 101 or 201  Statistics

Related courses:

- BIMO/BIOL/CHEM 321 Biochemistry I—Structure and Function of Biological Molecules
- BIMO/BIOL/CHEM 322 Biochemistry II—Metabolism
- CHEM 311 Fighting Disease: The Evolution and Operation of Human Medicine
- MATH 357  Phylogenetics
- [PHIL 334  Philosophy of Biology—last offered Spring 2007]
- PHYS 302  Statistical Physics
- STAT 251  Statistical Design of Experiments

BIOLOGY (Div. III)

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The Biology curriculum has been designed to provide students with a broad base for understanding principles governing life processes at all levels, from biochemistry and cell biology to physiology to ecology and behavior. Courses emphasize fundamentals common to all sub-disciplines including the coupling of structure to function, the transfer of energy in living systems, communication, and the molding of diversity by the evolutionary process. In upper-level courses and in independent and honors research, students have the opportunity to investigate areas at the frontiers of modern biology.

Although the Biology major is specifically designed to provide a balanced curriculum in the broader context of the liberal arts, it is also excellent preparation for graduate studies in the life sciences and in the health professions.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

In order to make the major accessible to students with diverse interests, required courses are kept to a minimum. The Biology major is satisfied by nine courses, as follows:

- Biology 101  The Cell
- Biology 102  The Organism
- Biology 202  Genetics
- Any two 300-level courses, each of which must have a laboratory associated with it
- Any one 400-level course other than 493–494
- Any other three courses or any other two courses and two semesters of Organic Chemistry

NOTE: Independent study courses and AMS 311 (Same as Biology 231) do not fulfill the 300-level or 400-level course requirements. WIOX 316, Biology: Evolution, in the Williams Oxford Program qualifies for major credit at the 200-level.

Distribution Requirement

In order to ensure that majors broaden their knowledge of biology, one of the elective courses for the major must include an upper-level course covering biological processes at levels of organization above the cell. Courses that satisfy this distribution requirement are indicated in the individual course description.

COURSE SELECTION AND PLACEMENT

It is preferable for students who plan to major in biology, or think they may be interested in doing so, to take Biology 101, 102 during their first year at Williams. It is also possible to begin the Biology major during the sophomore year, although students should understand that it may require taking two or more biology courses during several semesters.

Students interested in biology, whether or not they intend to major in it, are encouraged to take Biology 101, 102. It is also possible, with permission of the instructor, to take Biology 205 Ecology, Biology 204 Animal Behavior and Biology 220 Field Botany without prerequisite. Other 100–level biology courses are designed specifically for students who do not intend to take additional upper-level courses in biology. All of these courses satisfy the Division III distribution requirement.

Beginning students should normally enroll in Biology 101 and 102. Students with unusually strong backgrounds in biology, such as those with outstanding performance on the College Board Biology Advanced Placement Test, may be permitted to elect a sophomore-level course in lieu of Biology 101 and/or Biology 102 upon successful completion of a departmental qualifying exam, administered during First Days.

COURSES RELATED TO THE BIOLOGY MAJOR

Students planning to pursue their interest in biology and related fields after completing their undergraduate degrees are strongly encouraged to take one year of chemistry, at least one semester of mathematics (a course in statistics is recommended), and one semester of physics. Students may wish to check the requirements for graduate admission at relevant universities, and are also encouraged to consult with the Biology Department’s graduate school advisor about prerequisites for admission to graduate programs.
Students interested in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (BIMO) should consult the general statement under Biochemistry and Molecular Biology.

**Prerequisites:** Biology 101.

**BIOL 101(F) The Cell**

This course provides an introduction to cellular and molecular aspects of modern biology. It explains the development of cell structure and function as a consequence of evolutionary processes, and it stresses the dynamic properties of living systems. Topics considered include molecular biology and enzyme action, membrane structure and function, energy exchange and design of metabolic systems, expression of genetic information, cell signaling, cell trafficking, the cell cycle, and cancer. In addition to textbook and laboratory assignments, articles from the recent biological literature will be assigned and discussed.

**Format:** lecture, 3 hours per week; laboratory and discussion, 3 hours per week. Evaluation will be based on hour tests, a final exam, lab reports, discussion assignments, and discussion participation.

**Prerequisites:** Biology 101. **Enrollment limit:** 192 (expected: 192—48 per section.)

**Not available for the Gouldino option.**

**Hour:** 10:00-10:50 MWF, 9:55-11:10 TR, 11:00-11:50 MWF, 11:20-12:35 TR **Lab:** 1-4 M, T, W, R DEWITT, RAYMOND

**BIOL 102(S) The Organism**

This course focuses upon the developmental and evolutionary processes that have given rise to a wide diversity of multicellular organisms. We consider many levels of biological organization, from molecular and cellular to individuals and populations. Topics include meiosis and sexual reproduction, animal and plant development, evolutionary mechanisms, and speciation, with examples from the three main groups of multicellular organisms (animals, plants, and fungi). Readings are drawn from a variety of sources, including the recent biological literature.

**Format:** lecture/discussion/laboratory, six hours per week. Evaluation will be based on hour tests, a final exam, three lab reports, and problem sets.

**Prerequisites:** Biology 101. **Enrollment limit:** 152—2 sections of 76.

**Hour:** 9:55-11:10 TR, 11:00-11:50 MWF **Lab:** 1-4 M, T, W, R TING, D. C. SMITH

**BIOL 132(S) The Human Genome**

An ambitious plan was launched in 1988 to determine the DNA sequence of the human genome. That project was “completed” in 2001—but that was really only the beginning. Sequencing of additional genomes goes on, but, more importantly, scientists and society are putting considerable effort into trying to understand what all those A’s, G’s, C’s, and T’s mean. Lectures will acquaint students with the fundamentals of human DNA research and its applications in the fields of medicine, human evolution, and biotechnology. The implications of this research for individuals and for society as a whole will be addressed in readings and discussions.

**Format:** lecture; three hours per week; discussion; one hour every other week. Evaluation will be based on three exams, discussion participation, and one short paper.

**Prerequisites:** none; open to students who have not taken BIOI 202. **Enrollment limit:** 60 (expected: 60).

**Hour:** 12:00-12:50 MWF **Conference:** 1:10-2:25 T, W, 2:35-3:50 T, W ALTSCHELER

**BIOL 133(F) Biology of Exercise and Nutrition**

This class, intended for the non–scientist, focuses on the impact of exercise and nutrition on the human body. We will discuss topics such as how different types of intense exercise influence performance; the changes that occur in the cardiovascular system during an exercise routine; the inherent limits of the body to perform aerobic and anaerobic tasks; and the long-term health consequences of a lifetime of activity and inactivity. We will also examine how nutrition and metabolism affect both performance and health. For example, we will rigorously and scientifically scrutinize the use of “fast” diets as a means to lose weight.

**Format:** lecture; three hours per week. Evaluation will be based on exams, lab notebook and class participation.

**Prerequisites:** none. **Enrollment limit:** 120 (expected: 120). Preference given to seniors, juniors, sophomores, and first-year students—in that order. Does not count for major credit in biology.

**Hour:** 8:30-9:45 TR **Lab:** 1-4 M, T, W, R SWOAP

**BIOL 134 The Tropics: Biology and Social Issues (Same as Environmental Studies 134)**

(Not offered 2011-2012)

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Intended for the non–scientist, this course explores the biological dimensions of social issues in tropical societies, and focuses on specifically on the peoples and cultures of tropical regions in Asia, Africa, South America, Oceania, and the Caribbean. Tropical issues have become prominent on a global scale, and many social scientists are increasingly aware of the inextricably bound to human ecology, evolution, and physiology. The course begins with a survey of the tropical environment of humans, including major climatic and habitat features. The next section focuses on human population biology, and emphasizes demography and the role of disease particularly malaria and AIDS. The final part of the course covers the place of human societies in local and global ecosystems including the challenges of tropical food production, the importance of organic diversity, and the interaction of humans with their supporting ecological environment.

**Format:** lecture/discussion, three hours per week. Evaluation will be based on two hour exams, a short paper, panel preparation, and a final exam.
BIOL 202(F) Genetics (Q)
Genetics, classically defined as the study of heredity, has evolved into a discipline whose limits are continually expanded by innovative molecular technologies. This course covers the experimental basis for our current understanding of the inheritance, structures, and functions of genes. It introduces approaches used by contemporary geneticists and molecular biologists to explore questions in areas of biology ranging from evolution to medicine. The laboratory part of the course provides an introductory framework to modern genetic analysis. Laboratory experiments include linkage analysis, bacterial transformation with plasmids and DNA restriction mapping.
Format: lecture/laboratory, six hours per week. Evaluation will be based on problem sets, weekly laboratory exercises and laboratory reports, and examinations.
Prerequisites: Biology 101 and 102; open to first-year students with permission of the Biology department. No enrollment limit (expected: 32).
Hour: 8:30-9:45 MWF
Lab: I-4 M, T, W
D. C. SMITH

BIOL 203(F) Ecology (Same as Environmental Studies 203) (Q)
This course combines lectures with field and indoor laboratory exercises to explore factors that determine the distribution and abundance of plants and animals in natural systems. The course begins with an overall view of global patterns and then builds from the population to the ecosystem level. An emphasis is given to basic ecological principles and relates them to current environmental issues. Selected topics include population dynamics (competition, predation, mutualism); community interactions (succession, food chains and diversity) and ecosystem function (biochemical cycles, energy flow).
Format: lecture/laboratory, six hours per week. Evaluation will be based on problem sets, lab reports, hour exams, and a final exam.
Prerequisites: Biology 101 and 102, or Environmental Studies 101 or 102, or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 35).
Required course in the Environmental Studies Program. Satisfies distribution requirement in major.
Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF
Lab: I-4 M, T
M. JOHNSON

BIOL 204(S) Animal Behavior
Making sense of what we see while watching animals closely is both an enthralling pastime and a discipline that draws on many aspects of biology. Explanations can be found on many levels: evolutionary theory tells us why certain patterns have come to exist, molecular biology can help us understand how those patterns are implemented, neuroscience gives insights as to how the world appears to the behaving animal, endocrinology provides information on how suites of behaviors are regulated. The first part of the course focuses upon how descriptive studies provide the basis for formulating questions about behavior as well as the statistical methods used to evaluate the answers to these questions. We then consider the behavior of individuals, both as it is mediated by biological mechanisms and as it appears from an evolutionary perspective. The second half of the course is primarily concerned with the behaviors of groups of animals from a wide variety of vertebrate and invertebrate species, concentrating upon the stimuli, responses, and internal mechanisms that maintain social systems and on the selection pressures that drive animals toward a particular social system.
Format: lecture/laboratory, six hours per week. Evaluation will be based on examinations, lab reports, and a research paper.
Prerequisites: Biology 102, or Psychology 101, or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 32 (expected: 32). Preference given to seniors and Biology majors.
Satisfies distribution requirement in major.
Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR
Lab: I-4 TW
M. SMITH

BIOL 205(S) Physiology
This lecture-based course examines principles, patterns, and mechanisms of biological function from the level of cells and tissues to the whole organism. The themes of the course include structure and function, mechanisms of regulation, control and integration, and adaptation to the environment. Examples of these themes are taken from a wide variety of organisms with a focus on vertebrates. Laboratories provide practical experience in measurement and experimental elucidation of physiological phenomena and functional analysis of gross structure. Evaluation will be based on hour exams, laboratory practical, laboratory report, and a final exam.
Satisfies distribution requirement in major.
Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF
Lab: I-4 M, T, W
M. SMITH

BIOL 211(S) Invertebrate Paleobiology (Same as Geosciences 212)
(See under GEOS 212 for full description.)
Prerequisites: Biology 101, 102, or 203, or any 100-level Geosciences course.
M. JOHNSON

BIOL 212(F) Neuroscience (Same as Neuroscience 201 and Psychology 212)
A study of the relationship between brain, mind, and behavior. Topics include a survey of the structure and function of the nervous system, basic neurophysiology, development, learning and memory, sensory and motor systems, language, consciousness and clinical disorders such as schizophrenia, Parkinson's disease, and Alzheimer's disease. The laboratory focuses on current topics in neuroscience.
Format: lecture, three hours a week; laboratory, every other week. Evaluation will be based on lab practical, lab reports, and on one class presentation.
Prerequisites: Psychology 101 or Biology 101; open to first-year students who satisfy the prerequisites, or by permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 72 (expected: 72). Preference given to sophomores and to Biology and Psychology majors.
Satisfies one semester of the Division III requirement.
Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR
Lab: I-4 TW
N. SANDSTROM and H. WILLIAMS (lecture) MARVIN (labs)

BIOL 218(F) DNA, Life and Everything (W)
Since the molecular biology revolution of the 1960s, a view of biology has developed which regards living organisms as predictable products of their encoded DNA programs. A motto for this philosophy and scientific approach could be "To know my DNA is to know me." In this tutorial we'll examine the power and the limitations of DNA analysis and manipulation for understanding life. Students will read and discuss scientific articles that deal with creating artificial life (the field of synthetic biology), environmental DNA sampling (to deduce community structure; to discover new, uncultured species), human genome diversity surveys (to discover the basis for human phenotypic variation and human evolutionary history), comparative genomics to address evolutionary questions (ex., chimp and Neanderthals compared to humans), and resurrecting extinct organisms.
Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on 5 papers (4-5 pages each) and on in-class performance as a presenter or challenger. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to juniors, seniors, then sophomores. Tutorial meetings to be arranged.
ALTSCHULER

BIOL 220(S) Field Botany and Plant Natural History (Same as Environmental Studies 220)
This field-lab course covers the evolutionary and ecological relationships among plant groups represented in our local and regional flora. Lectures focus on the evolution of the land plants, the major groups and evolutionary developments in plant systems and phylogeny, cultural and economic uses of plants, and characteristics of plant families and native species. The labs cover field identification, natural history, and ecology of local species.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 25). Preference given to seniors, Biology majors, and Environmental Studies majors or concentrators.
Satisfies distribution requirement in major.
Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF
Lab: I-4 TW
J. EDWARDS

BIOL 301(F) Developmental Biology
Developmental biology has undergone rapid growth in recent years and is becoming a central organizing discipline that links cells and molecular biology, evolution, anatomy and medicine. We are now beginning to have a molecular understanding of fascinating questions such as how cells decide their fate, how patterns are created, how male and females are distinguished, and how organisms came to be different. We have also discovered how the misregulation of important
BIOL 302 Communities and Ecosystems (Same as Environmental Studies 312) (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)

An advanced ecology course that examines how organisms interact with each other and with abiotic factors. This course emphasizes phenomena that emerge in complex ecological systems, building on the fundamental concepts of population biology and ecosystem ecology. Lectures and workshops explore how communities and ecosystems are defined, and how theoretical, comparative, and experimental approaches are used to elucidate their structure and function. Field labs introduce hypothesis-oriented experiments; field trips introduce the diversity of natural communities and ecosystems in New England.

Format: lecture/laboratory, six hours per week. Evaluation will be based on hour exams, shorter papers, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Biology 202 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 24 (expected: 15).

Open to first-year students? No

Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF
Lab: 1-4 TW

SAVAGE

BIOL 304(F) Neurobiology (Same as Neuroscience 304)

This course integrates basic neuroscience with the molecular biology of the nervous system, focusing primarily on the cellular bases of neuronal function. Lectures will cover such topics as nerve resting and action potentials, ion channels, neurotransmitters and synapses, and the neural correlates of behavior in organisms with simple nervous systems. Reading original research papers and discussing them constitutes an important part of the course. Some of the topics that may be covered include: transmitter release mechanisms, ion permeation through channels, plasticity in the nervous system, and various clinical disorders. Laboratories are designed to introduce the students to modern techniques in neurobiology including extracellular and intracellular recording, histochemistry, and immunohistochemistry.

Format: lecture/laboratory, six hours per week. Evaluation will be based on class participation, laboratory notebooks and posters, two hour exams and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Neuroscience 201 or Biology 205. Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 16). Preference given to Biology majors and Neuroscience concentrators.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR
Lab: 1-4 MW

ZOTTOLI

BIOL 305(S) Evolution (Q)

This course focuses on current ideas about the nature of evolutionary mechanisms (e.g., selection, convergence, and migration) to long-term evolutionary patterns (e.g., evolutionary innovation) and the emergence of diversity. Topics include micro-evolutionary models, natural selection and adaptation, sexual selection, kin selection, speciation, and the inference of evolutionary history. Labs will include: transmitter release mechanisms, ion permeation through channels, plasticity in the nervous system, and various clinical disorders. Laboratories are designed to introduce the students to modern techniques in neurobiology including extracellular and intracellular recording, histochemistry, and immunohistochemistry.

Format: lecture/discussion/laboratory, six hours per week. Evaluation will be based on written assignments and exams (70%, including an independent research project), problem sets (10%), and participation in discussions (20%).


Satisfies distribution requirement in major.

Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF
Lab: 1-4 WR

MAROJA

BIOL 306(S) Cellular Regulatory Mechanisms

This course explores the regulation of cellular function and gene expression from a perspective that integrates contemporary paradigms in molecular genetics, signal transduction, and genomics. Topics include: transcriptional and post-transcriptional control, chromatin regulation of gene silencing and imprinting, chromosome instability, protein degradation, organelar and cytoskeletal dynamics, and programmed cell death. The course will culminate with an in-depth look at how these cellular mechanisms are used in concert in the generation and function of mammalian immune cells. A central feature of the course will be discussion of articles from the primary literature, with an emphasis on the molecular bases for a variety of human pathologies, especially focused on cancer. The laboratory will consist of a semester-long research project that integrates recombinant DNA techniques with genomic tools.

Format: lecture/discussion/laboratory. Evaluation will be based on three tests, in-class discussion of papers, the laboratory notebook, an independent research project, and a research paper.


Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR
Lab: 1-4 TW

SNOW

BIOL 308 Integrative Plant Biology: Fundamentals and New Frontiers (Not offered 2011-2012)

Plants are one of the most successful groups of organisms on Earth and have a profound impact on all life. Successful use of plants in addressing global problems and understanding their role in natural ecosystems depends on fundamental knowledge of the molecular mechanisms by which they grow, develop, and respond to their environment. This course will examine the molecular physiology of plants using an integrative approach that considers plants as dynamic, functional units in their environment. Major emphasis will be on understanding fundamental plant processes, such as photosynthesis, growth and development, and reproduction, using the same physiological, molecular, and cellular tools that are used in concert in mammalian immune cells. A central feature of the course will be discussion of articles from the primary literature, with a focus on the molecular basis for a variety of plant pathologies, especially focused on cancer.

Laboratories are designed to introduce the students to modern techniques in neurobiology including extracellular and intracellular recording, histochemistry, and immunohistochemistry.

Format: lecture/discussion/laboratory. Evaluation will be based on three tests, in-class discussion of papers, the laboratory notebook, an independent research project, and a research paper.


Satisfies distribution requirement in major.

TINO

BIOL 310(S) Neural Development and Plasticity (Same as Neuroscience 310)

Development can be seen as a tradeoff between genetically-determined processes and environmental stimuli. The tension between these two inputs is particularly apparent in the developing nervous system, where many events must be predetermined, and where plasticity, or altered outcomes in response to environmental conditions, is also essential. Plasticity is reduced as development and differentiation proceed, and the potential for regeneration after injury or disease in adults is limited; however some exceptions to this rule exist, and recent data suggest that the nervous system is not hard-wired as previously thought. In this course we will discuss the mechanisms governing nervous system development, from relatively simple nervous systems such as that of the roundworm, to the more complicated nervous systems of humans, examining the roles played by genetically specified programs and non-genetic influences.

Format: lecture/discussion/laboratory, six hours per week. Evaluation will be based on exams, class participation and lab reports.

Prerequisites: BIOL 212/NSC 201. Enrollment limit: 24 (expected: 12/lab section). Preference given to Biology majors and Neuroscience concentrators.

Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF
Lab: 1-4 M,T

LEBESTKY

BIOL 313(F) Immunology

The rapidly evolving field of immunology examines the complex network of interacting molecules and cells that function to recognize and respond to agents foreign to the individual. In this course, we will focus on the cellular and biochemical mechanisms that act to regulate the development and function of the immune system and how alterations in different system components can cause disease.

Format: lectures, three hours a week; laboratory, three hours a week. Evaluation will be based on exams, laboratory reports, and a research paper.

Prerequisites: Biology 202. Enrollment limit: 24 (expected: 24). Preference given to senior and then to junior Biology majors.

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR
Lab: 1-4 TW

SNOW

BIOL 315(S) Microbiology: Diversity, Cellular Physiology, and Evolution

Biodiversity and the alarming spread of antibiotic resistant bacteria are but two of the reasons for the resurgence of interest in the biology of microorganisms. This course will examine microbes from the perspectives of cell structure and function, genomics, and evolution. A central theme will be the adaptation of bacteria as they evolve to fill specific ecological niches, with an emphasis on microbe:host interactions that lead to pathogenesis. We will consider communication among bacteria as well as between bacteria and their environment. Topics include: microbial development, population dynamics, bioremediation, plant and animal defenses against infection, and bacterial strategies to subvert the immune system. In the lab, major projects will focus on horizontal gene transfer, metagenomics,
and the isolation and characterization of bacteria from natural environments. Students will also use flow cytometry to investigate fundamental aspects of the mammalian immune system. The lab experience will culminate in multi-week independent investigations. Readings will be supplemented by articles from the primary literature.

Format: lectures, three hours a week; laboratory, three hours a week. Evaluation will be based on three exams, a lab report, and a poster presentation or term paper.

Prerequisites: Biology 202. Enrollment limit: 24 (expected: 24). Preference given to senior and then to junior Biology majors.

Hour: 9:00-10:00 MWF
Lab: 1-4 TR

BIOL 339/F - Integrative Bioinformatics, Genomics, and Proteomics (Same as Chemistry 319, Computer Science 319, Mathematics 319 and Physics 319) (Q)

What can computational biology teach us about cancer? In this capstone experience for the Genomics, Proteomics, and Bioinformatics program, computational analysis and wet-lab investigations will inform each other, as students majoring in biology, chemistry, computer science, mathematics/statistics, and physics contribute their own expertise to explore how ever-growing data and protein data-sets can provide key insights into human disease. In this course, we will take advantage of the abundant family of proteins, (and) the high rate of protein production in human and other organisms, to study the function of novel amino acids involved in protein-protein contacts. Flow cytometry and mass spectrometry will be used to study networks of interacting proteins in normal colon and colon tumor tissue.

Format: lab, with one-hour of lecture per week. Evaluation will be based on lab participation and several short papers/ lab reports.

Prerequisites: Biology 202; alternatively, students who have not taken Biology 202 but have taken Biology 101/AP Biology and Computer Science 315 or Physics 315 or Computer Science 106, may enroll with permission of instructor. Enrolment: 12 (expected: 12). Preference given to seniors, then juniors/sophomores.

Hour: 12:25-1:10 W
Lab: 1:15-4 W, R

BIOL 321/F - Biochemistry I—Structure and Function of Biological Molecules (Same as Biochemistry and Molecular Biology 321 and Chemistry 321) (Q)

This course introduces the basic concepts of biochemistry with an emphasis on the structure and function of biological macromolecules. Specifically, the structure of proteins and nucleic acids are examined in detail in order to determine how their chemical properties and their biological behavior result from those structures. Our discussion will include catalysts, enzyme kinetics, mechanism and regulation; the molecular organization of membranes; and the flow of information from nucleic acids to proteins. In addition, the principles and applications of the methods used to characterize macromolecules in solution and in the interactions between macromolecules are discussed. The laboratory provides an opportunity to study the structure of macromolecules and to learn the fundamental experimental techniques of biochemistry including electrophoresis, chromatography, and principles of enzymatic assays.


Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF
Lab: 1-5 M, W, R

BIOL 322/S - Biochemistry II—Metabolism (Same as Biochemistry and Molecular Biology 322 and Chemistry 322) (Q)

This lecture course provides an in-depth presentation of the complex metabolic reactions which are central to life. Emphasis is placed on the biological flow of energy including alternative modes of energy generation (anaerobic, aerobic, photosynthetic); the regulation and integration of the metabolic pathways including compartmentalization and the transport of metabolites; and biochemical reaction mechanisms including the structures and mechanisms of enzymes. This comprehensive study also includes the biosynthesis and catabolism of small molecules (carbohydrates, lipids, amino acids, and nucleotides). Laboratory experiments introduce the principles and procedures used to study enzymatic reactions, bioenergetics, and metabolic pathways.

Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation will be based on quizzes, a midterm exam, a final exam, problem sets and performance in the laboratories including lab reports.

Prerequisites: Biology 101 and Chemistry 251/255. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 40). Preference given to junior and senior Biology and Chemistry majors and BMI0 concentrators.

Not available for the Gaudino option.

Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF
Lab: 1-4 TW

BIOL 407/F - Neurobiology of Emotion (Same as Neuroscience 347)

Emotions are governed by a number of neural circuits and emotional states can be influenced by experience, memory, cognition, and many external stimuli. We will read and discuss articles about mammalian neuromodulatory associated with emotion as defined by classic lesion studies, pharmacology, electrophysiology, fMRI imaging, knockout mouse studies, as well as new opto-genetic methods for investigating neural circuit function in order to gain an understanding of the central circuits and neurotransmitter systems that are implicated in emotional processing and mood disorders.

Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation will be based on class participation and several short papers.

Prerequisites: Biology 202 and 212. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Preference given to senior Biology majors who have not taken a 400-level Biology course, then to eligible NSCI concentrators.

Not available for the Gaudino option.

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

LEBESTKY

BIOL 408/F - RNA Worlds

RNA, short for ribonucleic acid, serves as the blueprint for protein synthesis, and is essential for the regulation of the expression of genes. This course will introduce the principles and applications of the methods used to characterize RNAs in all three domains of life.

Format: discussion, three hours per week. Evaluation will be based on class participation and several short papers.

Prerequisites: Biology 202. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Preference given to senior Biology majors who have not taken a 400-level course and BMI0 concentrators.

Not available for the Gaudino option.

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR, 11:20-12:35 TR

LEVET

BIOL 413/S - Molecular Basis of Biological Clocks

Circadian rhythms have been described in all organisms studied, including humans, a wide range of other eukaryotes and several prokaryotes. With periods of about 24 hours, these rhythms regulate biochemical, cellular, physiological and behavioral activities. Circadian rhythms are generated by cellular clocks—genetically determined internal pacemakers that maintain their oscillations in the absence of environmental cues but may be reset by periodicities in the environment, especially during the light-dark cycle. Only recently have we begun to understand how circadian rhythms are generated and controlled at the cellular level. This course will explore the basic biochemical features of biological clocks with the aim of understanding their crucial role in regulating key biological parameters, such as enzyme levels, levels of hormones and other regulatory molecules, and activity and sleep cycles. Class discussions will focus on readings in the original literature.

Format: discussion, three hours per week. Evaluation will be based on class participation and several short papers.

Prerequisites: Biology 202. Enrollment limit: 2 sections of 12 per section (expected: 12 ). Open to juniors and seniors, with preference given to senior Biology majors who have not taken a 400-level course. Not available for the Gaudino option.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR, 9:55-11:10 TR

DEWIT

BIOL 414/F - Life at Extremes: Molecular Mechanisms

All organisms face variability in their environments, and the molecular and cellular responses to stresses induced by environmental change often illuminate otherwise hidden facets of normal physiology. Moreover, many organisms have evolved unique molecular mechanisms, such as novel cellular compounds or macromolecular structural modifications, which contribute to their ability to survive continuous exposure to extreme conditions, such as high temperatures or low
B I O L 4 1 6  E p i g e n e t i c s  ( N o t o f f e r e d  2 0 1 1 - 2 0 1 2 )  

After decades of studies emphasizing the role of DNA in heredity, scientists are now turning their attention from genetics to a variety of heritable phenomena that fall under the heading of epigenetics, heritable changes that do not result from an alteration in DNA sequence. Research reveals that stable changes in cell function can result from, for example, stable changes in protein conformation, protein modification, DNA methylation, or the location of a molecule within the cell. Moreover, recent developments in “metagenomics,” (genomic studies of entire communities of microorganisms in natural environments, such as the mammalian gut and the deep sea) and “metatranscriptomics” (studies of genome wide changes in expression and rRNA levels in natural communities of organisms) have generated unprecedented knowledge about the genomic potential of a community and the in situ biological activity of different ecological niches. In this course we will explore how these and other molecular mechanisms function to stabilize DNA and proteins—and, ultimately, cells and organisms. Other extreme environments, such as hydrothermal vents on the ocean floor, snow fields, hypersaline lakes, the intertidal zone, and acid springs provide further examples of cellular and molecular responses to extreme conditions. Biotechnological applications of these molecular mechanisms in areas such as protein engineering will also be considered. Class discussions will focus upon readings from the primary literature.

Format: discussion, three hours per week. Evaluation will be based on class participation and several short papers.

Prerequisites: Biology 202. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Open to juniors and seniors, with preference given to senior Biology majors who have not taken a 400-level course, then to juniors.

Not available for the Gaudino option.

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR TING

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A tutorial course investigating patterns, processes, and concepts of stability in human-dominated, food production ecosystems. As a capstone course in biology, the tutorial will draw heavily upon the experiences that students have had in courses such as Ecology and Genetics. Topics will include: the relationships among diversity, ecosystem function, sustainability, resilience, and stability of food production systems, nutrient pools and processing in human-dominated ecosystems. Two field trips will be taken to agricultural operations in the region.

Each student will write five 5-page papers that deal with topics requiring extensive reading of primary resources. Paper presentations will alternate with serving as a paper critic. Students will be given the opportunity to revise and rewrite two of the first four papers in the week following their tutorial presentation thereby being able to respond to the criticism and discussion of the tutorial group.

Format: tutorial/field trip, one to three hours per week. Requirements: evaluation will be based on writing assignments, tutorial presentation, performance in the role of paper critic, and course participation.

Prerequisites: Biology 203 or Biology 302 or Environmental Studies 203 or permission of instructor; open to juniors and seniors. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to senior Biology majors who have not taken a 400-level course, then to senior Environmental Studies majors or concentrators.

Satisfies the distribution requirement in the Biology major; the Natural World distributional requirement of the Environmental Studies program.

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B I O L 4 2 4 T ( F )  C o n s e r v a t i o n  B i o l o g y  ( S a m e  a s  E n v i r o n m e n t a l  S t u d i e s  4 2 4 T )  ( W )

This tutorial examines the application of population genetics, population ecology, community ecology, and systematic to the conservation of biological diversity. While the focus of this tutorial is on biological rather than social, legal, or political issues underlying conservation decisions, the context is to develop science-based recommendations that can inform policy. Topics include extinction, the genetics of small populations, habitat fragmentation, the impact of invasive species, restoration ecology, design of reserves and conservation strategies.

Format: tutorial/field trip, one to three hours per week. Evaluation will be based on 5 writing assignments, tutorial presentation, performance in the role of paper critic, and course participation.

Prerequisites: Biology 203 or Biology 302 or 303 or permission of instructor; open to juniors and seniors. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to senior Biology majors who have not taken a 400-level course, then to senior Environmental Studies majors or concentrators.

Satisfies the distribution requirement in the Biology major; the Natural World distributional requirement of the Environmental Studies program.

TUTORIAL MEETINGS TO BE ARRANGED J. EDWARDS

B I O L 4 2 6 T  F r o n t i e r s  i n  M u s c l e  P h y s i o l o g y :  C o n t e r v o i s i e s  ( N o t  o f f e r e d  2 0 1 1 - 2 0 1 2 )  ( W )

While an active muscle produces force, contraction of muscle is far from the only function of this intriguing organ system. Muscle plays a major role in metabolic regulation of organisms, acts as a glucose storage facility, and produces numerous hormones. The mechanism for contractile activity varies not only among different organisms, but also among different muscles within the same organism. Controversies, disagreements, and arguments pervade the muscle biology literature perhaps because of the integrative nature of the science. In this tutorial course, we will utilize molecular, physiological, comparative, and evolutionary aspects of muscle biology to address current controversies of this dynamic tissue. Some questions that will be addressed include: 1) Lactic acid generated by skeletal muscle is / is not involved with fatigue at high exercise intensity. 2) Satellite cells are / are not obligatory for skeletal muscle hypertrophy, 3) Do mammals possess the same “stretch activation” of skeletal muscle as seen in insect flight muscle?, 4) Are smooth and skeletal muscles from the same lineage of cells, or do they represent convergent evolution on the tissue level? After an initial group meeting, students meet weekly with a tutorial partner and the instructor for an hour each week. Every other week at this tutorial meeting, students present a written and oral critical analysis of the assigned research articles. Students not making a presentation question and critique the work of their colleague.

Format: tutorial meeting one hour a week. Evaluation is based on five tutorial papers of four pages each, five critiques, tutorial presentations, and general participation. 

Prerequisite: Biology 205. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected:10). Preference will be given to biology majors who have not had a 400-level biology course. Not available for the Gaudino option.

S W O A F

B I O L 4 3 0 T  G e n o m e  S c i e n c e s :  A t  t h e  C u t t i n g  E d g e  ( N o t  o f f e r e d  2 0 1 1 - 2 0 1 2 )  ( W )

Research in genomics has integrated and revolutionized the field of biology, including areas of medicine, plant biology, microbiology, and evolutionary biology. Moreover, recent developments in “metagenomics” (genomic studies of entire communities of microorganisms in natural environments, such as the mammalian gut and the deep sea) and “metatranscriptomics” (studies of genome wide changes in expression and rRNA levels in natural communities of organisms) have generated unprecedented knowledge about the genomic potential of a community and the in situ biological activity of different ecological niches. In this course we will explore how research in these and related areas, including proteomics, has advanced our fundamental understanding of (1) organisms in the three domains of life, and their interactions and evolutionary relationships; (2) biological systems and environments, such as the human body, extreme environments, and bioremediation; (3) strategies for solving global challenges in medicine, agriculture, energy resources, and environmental sciences. During the course, students will meet each week for one hour with a tutorial partner and the instructor. Every other week, students will present a written and oral critical analysis of the assigned research articles. On alternate weeks, students will question/critique the work of their colleague.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: evaluation will be based on five (4-5 page) papers, tutorial presentations, and the student’s effectiveness as a critic.

Prerequisites: Biology 202; open to juniors and seniors. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to senior Biology majors who have not taken a 400-level course.

T I N G

R E S E A R C H  a n d T H E S I S  C O U R S E S

Individual research projects must be approved by the department. Application should be made to the department prior to spring registration. 

NOTE: Senior thesis and independent study courses do not count as 300-level or 400-level course requirements for the major. Only one research course (i.e., BIOL 297, BIOL 298, BIOL 493, or BIOL 494) may be counted towards the major requirements.

B I O L 2 9 7 ( F ) , 2 9 8 ( S )  I n d e p e n d e n t  S t u d y

Each student carries out independent field or laboratory research under the supervision of a member of the department.
CHEMISTRY (Div. III)

Chair, Professor JOHN W. THOMAN, Jr.


MAJOR

Through a variety of individual courses and sequential programs, the department provides an opportunity for students to explore the nature and significance of chemistry, an area of important achievement in our quest for knowledge about ourselves and the world around us. The student of chemistry is able to become aware of the special viewpoint of chemists, the general nature of chemical investigation, some of its important results, how these results are expressed, and something of their significance within the fields of science and in the area of human endeavor as a whole. The Chemistry major provides excellent preparation for graduate study in chemistry, biochemistry, chemical engineering, environmental science, materials science, medicine, and the medical sciences.

A major in chemistry can be achieved in several ways, preferably beginning in the student’s first year at Williams, but also beginning in the sophomore year. Building on a foundation in general chemistry, organic chemistry, and physical chemistry, a student elects additional advanced courses to complete a major that is consistent with his or her background in other sciences, interests, and goals. A student’s program might emphasize biochemistry, organic chemistry, physical chemistry, or inorganic chemistry. For additional courses available in analytical chemistry, environmental science, and materials science. Students considering a major in chemistry should consult with a member of the department as early as possible in order to plan a program which best suits their interests and abilities and which makes full use of their previous preparation.

All students begin their study in the department with either Chemistry 151, 153, or 155. Placement at the introductory level is based upon performance on the departmental placement test and consultation with the chair; results of the College Board Advanced Placement Test or the International Baccalaureate Exam are also taken into account. The first year is completed with Chemistry 156. In the second year at the introductory level, students take Chemistry 251 (or 255) and Chemistry 256 (those students who complete 155 are exempted from 256). Completion of a Chemistry major requires either nine semester chemistry courses or eight semester chemistry courses plus two approved courses from among the following: Biology 101; Computer Science 134; Mathematics 103, 104, 105, 106; Physics 131, 141; or any courses in these departments for which the approved courses are prerequisites. Starting at the 300 level, at least three of the courses taken must have a laboratory component, and at least one must be selected from Chemistry 361, 366, 364, or 367. (The specific course elected, in consultation with the chair or major advisor, will depend on the student’s future plans.) In addition, the department has a number of “Independent Research Courses” which, while they do not count toward completion of the major, provide a unique opportunity to pursue an independent research project under the direction of a faculty member.

Required Courses

First Year:

Fall: 151,153 or 155 Introductory Chemistry
Spring: 156 Organic Chemistry: Introductory Level

Second Year:

Fall: 251 (or 255) Organic Chemistry: Intermediate Level
Spring: 256 Foundations of Modern Chemical Science

Elective Courses

319 Integrative Bioinformatics, Genomics, and Proteomics Lab
321 Biochemistry I-Structure and Function of Biological Molecules
322 Biochemistry II-Metabolism
324 Enzyme Kinetics and Reaction Mechanisms
335 Inorganic/Organometallic Chemistry
336 Materials Chemistry
341 Toxicology and Cancer
342 Synthetic Organic Chemistry
343 Medicinal Chemistry
344T Physical Organic Chemistry
348 Polymeric Chemistry
361 Physical Chemistry: Structure and Dynamics
364 Instrumental Methods of Analysis
366 Physical Chemistry: Thermodynamics
367 Biophysical Chemistry
368T Quantum Chemistry and Molecular Spectroscopy

Independent Research Courses

393-W31-394 Junior Research and Thesis
397, 398 Independent Study, for Juniors
393-W31-494 Senior Research and Thesis
397, 498 Independent Study, for Seniors

For the purpose of assisting students in selecting a program consistent with their interests and possible continuation of their studies at the graduate level, the following groupings of electives and faculty advisors are suggested. However, a case can be made for selecting courses from the different groups.

Biochemistry: Chemistry 321, Chemistry 322, Chemistry 324, Chemistry 341, Chemistry 364, Chemistry 367. Students interested in biochemistry should consult with Professors Gehring, Kaplan, or Lovett.


Physical and Inorganic Chemistry: Chemistry 335, Chemistry 336, Chemistry 364, Chemistry 366, Chemistry 368T. Students interested in physical chemistry should consult with Professors Bingemann, Peacock-López, or Thomann. Students interested in inorganic chemistry should consult with Professor C. Goh or Park. Students interested in materials science should consult with Professors C. Goh or Park.

While any accepted route through the major would permit a student to proceed to graduate study in chemistry, four electives should be considered a minimum, and at least a semester of research is strongly recommended.

The department is accredited by the American Chemical Society (A.C.S.), a professional body of academic, industrial, and research chemists. The A.C.S. suggests the following courses for someone considering graduate study or work in chemistry or a related area: 151 (153 or 155), 156, 251 (255), 256, 335, 361, 364, 366, 493-494; and at least two courses from 321, 322, 342, 344T, 348, 368T, BIMO 401. Students completing these courses are designated Certified A.C.S. Majors.

BIOCHEMISTRY AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY (BIMO)

Students interested in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology should consult with the general statement under the Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Program (BIMO) in the Courses of Instruction. Students interested in completing the BIMO program are also encouraged to complete the biochemistry courses within the chemistry major by taking 321, 322, 324, and 367 in addition to the first and second year required courses.

BIOINFORMATICS, GENOMICS, AND PROTEOMICS (BiGP)

Students interested in Bioinformatics, Genomics, and Proteomics should consult the general statement under Bioinformatics, Genomics, and Proteomics in the Courses of Instruction. Students interested in these areas are also encouraged to complete the biochemistry courses within the chemistry major by taking 319, 321, 322, 324 and 367 in addition to the first and second year required courses.
MATERIALS SCIENCE
Students interested in Materials Science are encouraged to elect courses from the Materials Science program offered jointly with the Physics Department, and should consult that listing.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN CHEMISTRY
The degree with honors in Chemistry provides students with an opportunity to undertake an independent research project under the supervision of a faculty member, and to report on the nature of the work in two short oral presentations and in a written thesis. Chemistry majors who are candidates for the degree with honors take the following in addition to a major outlined above: Chemistry 493-W31-494 Senior Research and Thesis

THE principal considerations in admitting a student to a program of independent research are mastery of fundamental materials and skills, ability to pursue individual study independently and responsibly, and demonstrated student interest and motivation. In addition, to enroll in these courses leading to a degree with honors, a student must have at least a B- average in all chemistry courses or the permission of the chair. At the end of the first semester of the senior year, the department reviews the student’s progress and determines whether the student is a candidate for a degree with honors. The designation of a degree with honors in Chemistry or a degree with highest honors in Chemistry is based primarily on a departmental evaluation of the accomplishments in these courses and on the quality of the thesis. Completion of the research project in a satisfactory manner usually results in a degree with honors. In cases where a student has demonstrated unusual commitment and initiative resulting in an outstanding thesis based on original results, combined with a strong record in all of his or her chemistry courses, the department may elect to award a degree with highest honors in Chemistry.

EXCHANGE AND TRANSFER STUDENTS
Students from other institutions wishing to register for courses in chemistry involving college-level prerequisites should do so in person with a member of the Chemistry Department. Registration should take place by appointment during the spring semester prior to the academic year in which courses are to be taken. Students are requested to have with them transcripts of the relevant previous college work.

COURSES FOR NON-MAJORS WITH NO PREREQUISITES
Students with principal interests outside of the sciences may extend a secondary school foundation in chemistry by electing a basic two-semester introductory course of a general nature or they may elect semester courses designed for non-majors. All courses in chemistry satisfy the divisional distribution requirement.

STUDY ABROAD
Students who complete a chemistry major (or chemistry requirements for pre-medical study) as well as to study abroad during their junior year are encouraged to begin taking chemistry in their first semester at Williams, and should consult with members of the department as early as possible.

COURSES FOR NON-MAJORS WITH NO PREREQUISITES

CHEM 113(S) Chemistry and Crime: From Sherlock Holmes to Modern Forensic Science
In this course, designed for students who do not plan to major in the natural sciences, we use a case-oriented approach to explore selected topics of forensic science. These include: (1) the scientific and technological foundation for the examination of physical, chemical, and biological items of evidence, and (2) the scope of expert qualifications and testimony, the legal status of scientific techniques, and the admissibility of the results in evidence. The analysis of trace evidence, including glass, soil, gunshot residues and bullet fragments, and inorganic and heavy metal poisons are discussed through an understanding of the basic concepts of chemistry and analytical chemistry. Forensic toxicology and pharmacology are applied to the analysis of alcohol, poisons, and drugs based upon the principles of organic chemistry and biochemistry. The characterization of blood and other body fluids necessitates an understanding of serology and molecular genetics. The cases which stimulate the exploration of these areas include: the John and Robert Kennedy assassinations, the Jeffrey MacDonald case (Fatal Vision), the Wayne Williams case, the deaths of celebrities Marilyn Monroe, John Belushi, and Janis Joplin, the authenticity of the Shroud of Turin, the Lindberg baby kidnapping, the Tylenol poisonings, and the identity of Anastasia.

A highly interactive laboratory program provides an appreciation of scientific experimentation in general and the work of a crime lab in particular. It includes an analysis of evidence collected at various crime scenes and provides an opportunity to learn forensic techniques such as chromatography (for ink, drug, and fire accelerant analysis), spectroscopy (for alcohol and drug analysis), and electrophoresis (for DNA fingerprinting).

This course is designed for the non-science major who does not intend to pursue a career in the natural sciences.

Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation will be based on problem sets and/or quizzes, hour tests, a final exam, and laboratory performance.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 30).

CHEM 115(S) AIDS: The Disease and Search for a Cure
Since the discovery of the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV-1) in 1983, modern techniques of molecular biology have revealed much about its structure and life cycle. The intensity of the scientific investigation directed at HIV-1 has been unprecedented in history. We now know more about this virus than any other known pathogen. However, the early optimism concerning the prospects for an effective AIDS vaccine has now waned and HIV strains that are resistant to drug therapies are common. We are now nearly three decades into the AIDS pandemic and the World Health Organization estimates that there are more than 33 million HIV-infected persons worldwide.

After an introduction to the physical chemistry, we examine the molecular biology of the HIV virus, the molecular targets of anti-HIV drugs, and the prospects for a cure. We look at how HIV-1 interacts with the human immune system and discuss both old and new methods of vaccine development as well as the prospects for making an effective AIDS vaccine.

This course is designed for the non-science major who does not intend to pursue a career in the natural sciences.

Format: lecture, three hours per week. Evaluation will be based on problem sets, a midterm, quizzes, a final exam, and a paper/discussion.

No prerequisites. No enrollment limit (expected: 60).

CHEM 262T Applying the Scientific Method to Archaeology and Paleoanthropology (Same as Anthropology 262T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
How do we ‘know’ early hominids migrated from Africa to Europe? What’s the origin of Grecian pottery glazes? Archaeological studies of human environmental impact include materials as recent as nineteenth century glass, or as ancient as hundred-thousand year old stone tools. Paleoanthropology, the study of early humans, covers materials that are millions of years old. Natural science can answer many questions, not just how old an object is, but also where, how and sometimes why an object was made. These answers in turn tell us about patterns of human development and settlement, and also help us distinguish forgeries from genuine artifacts. Understanding when we do not know an answer is also important. This tutorial will introduce science students to interesting applications of fundamental scientific principles to overarching research questions in anthropology, art history, or just possessing general curiosity to the anthro- and limits of ‘scientific analysis’. Given the wide scope of this field, students will decide some of the topics. Papers will be thoroughly edited for style, grammar and syntax, as well as the quality of argument. Students will improve their writing by integrating into successive papers the editorial comments they receive and also by editing the writing of their tutorial partners.

Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on five 5- to 6-page papers.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to sophomores.

INTRODUCTORY- AND INTERMEDIATE-LEVEL COURSES

CHEM 151(F) Introductory Concepts of Chemistry (Q)
This course provides a general introduction to chemistry for those students who are anticipating professional study in chemistry, in related sciences, or in one of the sciences as well as for those chemistry majors who are part of their general education. In addition to presenting an overview of chemical concepts, the course provides the foundation for the further study of organic chemistry, physical chemistry, and biochemistry; and it gives special attention to the principles of qualitative and quantitative analysis.

The principal topics include chemical bonding, molecular structure, stoichiometry, chemical equilibrium, acid-base reactions, oxidation-reduction reactions, solution behaviors, and applications. Laboratory work comprises a system of qualitative analysis and quantitative techniques.

Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation will be based on quantitative weekly problem set assignments, laboratory work and reports, quizzes, one hour test, and a final exam.

Preference is given to majors in mathematics as demonstrated in the diagnostic test administered to all first-year students at the beginning of the academic year. In lieu of that, Chemistry 151 may be taken concurrently with Mathematics 100/101/102—see under Mathematics. Chemistry 151 or its equivalent is prerequisite to Chemistry 156. Those students with a strong background in chemistry from high school are encouraged to consider Chemistry 153 or 155. No enrollment limit (expected: 100).

CHEM 260T Applying the Scientific Method to Archaeology and Paleoanthropology (Same as Anthropology 262T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
How do we ‘know’ early hominids migrated from Africa to Europe? What’s the origin of Grecian pottery glazes? Archaeological studies of human environmental impact include materials as recent as nineteenth century glass, or as ancient as hundred-thousand year old stone tools. Paleoanthropology, the study of early humans, covers materials that are millions of years old. Natural science can answer many questions, not just how old an object is, but also where, how and sometimes why an object was made. These answers in turn tell us about patterns of human development and settlement, and also help us distinguish forgeries from genuine artifacts. Understanding when we do not know an answer is also important. This tutorial will introduce science students to interesting applications of fundamental scientific principles to overarching research questions in anthropology, art history, or just possessing general curiosity to the anthro- and limits of ‘scientific analysis’. Given the wide scope of this field, students will decide some of the topics. Papers will be thoroughly edited for style, grammar and syntax, as well as the quality of argument. Students will improve their writing by integrating into successive papers the editorial comments they receive and also by editing the writing of their tutorial partners.

Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on five 5- to 6-page papers.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to sophomores.
CHEM 153(F) Introductory Concepts of Chemistry: Advanced Section (Q)
This course parallels Chemistry 151 and provides a foundation in chemistry for students who are anticipating professional study in chemistry, related sciences, or one of the health professions. It is designed for those students who have completed two years of high school chemistry and have a strong preparation in mathematics. This course is designed to extend and develop the fundamental ideas of chemistry as part of their general education. It includes a laboratory section where students will perform experiments involving synthesis, characterization, and reactivity studies of coordination and organic complexes, spectroscopic analyses, thermodynamics, kinetics, and reaction mechanisms.
Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation will be based on quantitative weekly problem sets, laboratory work and reports, hour tests, and a final exam.
Prerequisites: placement exam administered during First Days and permission of instructor are required. No enrollment limit (expected: 25).
Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF
Lab: 1-5 M, T

CHEM 155(F) Principles of Modern Chemistry (Q)
This course provides a foundation in chemistry for those students who are anticipating professional study in chemistry, related sciences, or one of the health professions. It is designed for those students who have completed two years of high school chemistry and have a strong preparation in mathematics. This course is designed to extend and develop the fundamental ideas of chemistry as part of their general education. It includes a laboratory section where students will perform experiments involving synthesis, characterization, and reactivity studies of coordination and organic complexes, spectroscopic analyses, thermodynamics, kinetics, and reaction mechanisms.
Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation will be based on quantitative weekly problem sets, laboratory work and reports, hour tests, and a final exam.
Prerequisites: placement exam administered during First Days and permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 25).
Preference: none.
Hour: 8:00-8:50 MWF
Lab: 1-5 W, R

CHEM 156(S) Organic Chemistry: Introductory Level (Q)
This course provides the necessary background in organic chemistry for students who are planning advanced study or a career in chemistry, the biological sciences, or the health professions. It initiates the systematic study of the common classes of organic compounds with emphasis on theories of structure and reactivity. The fundamentals of molecular modeling as applied to organic molecules are presented. Specific topics include basic organic structure and bonding, isomerism, stereochemistry, molecular energetics, the theory and interpretation of infrared and nuclear magnetic spectroscopy, substitution and elimination reactions, and the addition reactions of alkenes and alkynes. The coordinated laboratory work includes purification and separation techniques, structure-reactivity studies, IR, and NMR spectroscopy, and the identification of unknown compounds.
Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation will be based on quantitative problem sets, laboratory performance, including written lab reports, three midterm exams, and a final exam.
Prerequisites: Chemistry 151 or 155. No enrollment limit (expected: 120).
Preference: given to sophomores.
Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF
Lab: 1-5 M, T, W, R; 8 a.m.-12 T

CHEM 251(F) Organic Chemistry: Intermediate Level (Q)
This course is a continuation of Chemistry 156 and it concludes the systematic study of the common classes of organic compounds with emphasis on theories of structure and reactivity. Specific topics include radical chemistry, an introduction to mass spectrometry and ultraviolet spectroscopy, the theory and chemical reactivity of conjugated and aromatic systems, the concepts of kinetic and thermodynamic control, an extensive treatment of the chemistry of the carbonyl group, alcohols, ethers, polyfunctional compounds, the concept of selectivity, the fundamentals of organic synthesis, an introduction to carbohydrates, carboxylic acids and derivatives, acyl substitution reactions, amines, and an introduction to amino acids, peptides, and proteins. The coordinated laboratory work includes applications of organic chemistry learned in the introductory level laboratory, along with new functional group analyses, to the separation and identification of several unknown compounds. Skills in analyzing NMR, IR, and MS data are practiced and further refined.
Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation will be based on midterm exams, problem sets, laboratory performance, including written lab reports, and a final exam.
Prerequisites: Chemistry 156 or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 100).
Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF
Lab: 1-5 M, T, W, R; 8 a.m.-12 T

CHEM 255(F) Organic Chemistry: Intermediate Level—Special Laboratory Section
This course is a continuation of Chemistry 156 and contains the same material as Chemistry 251 except for the laboratory program described below. The aim of this advanced laboratory section is to enrich and enhance the laboratory experiences of motivated students of recognized ability by providing a laboratory program that more closely resembles the unpredictable nature and immediacy of true chemical research. Students synthesize, isolate, and characterize (using a range of modern physical and spectroscopic techniques) a family of unknown materials in a series of experiments constituting an integrated, semester-long investigation. A flexible format is employed to help foster an appreciation for how the students will be responsible for helping to plan the course of their laboratory work based upon discussions with the instructor about the previous week's experimental results. Students are drawn from Chemistry 156 with placement based upon student selection and nomination by the Chemistry 156 instructor. Participants attend their regular Chemistry 251 lecture but attend the special laboratory section instead of Chemistry 251 laboratory section.
Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, four hours per week; weekly one-hour discussion. Evaluation will be based on the requirements for the Chemistry 251 lecture and performance in this special laboratory section including written laboratory reports and participation in discussion.
Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Preference given to sophomores. Permission of instructor is required.
This course was developed under a grant from the Ford Foundation.
Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF
Lab: 1-5 R

CHEM 256(S) Foundations of Modern Chemical Science
This course treats an array of topics in modern chemistry, emphasizing broad concepts that connect and weave through the various traditional subdisciplines of the field. It begins with an introduction to coordination complexes (with applications in bioinorganic and geochemistry for instance.) From here we move on to a detailed description of structure and bonding, comparing the strengths, weaknesses and appropriate application of various bonding theories to different types of chemical complexes (small organic molecules, biomolecules, coordination complexes, and organic electronic materials, for instance.) We then transition to a broader, more macroscopic perspective, covering chemical thermodynamics and kinetics. In this section we emphasize how these views allow us to study different aspects of chemical reactivity of all types. Laboratory work includes experiments involving synthesis, characterization, and reactivity studies of coordination and organic complexes, spectroscopic analyses, thermodynamics, kinetics, electrochemical, and nuclear chemistry.
Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation will be based on homework assignments, laboratory work, hour tests, and a final exam.
Prerequisites: Chemistry 251/255, or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 60).
Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF
Lab: 1-5 M, T, W, R; 8 a.m.-12 T

CHEM 319(F) Integrative Bioinformatics, Genomics, and Proteomics Lab (Same as Biology 319, Computer Science 319, Mathematics 319 and Physics 319) (Q)
(See under BIOL 319 for full description.)

CHEM 321(F) Biochemistry I—Structure and Function of Biological Molecules (Same as Biochemistry and Molecular Biology 321 and Biology 321) (Q)
This course introduces the basic concepts of biochemistry with an emphasis on the structure and function of biological macromolecules. Specifically, the structure of proteins and nucleic acids are examined in detail in order to determine how their chemical properties and their biological behavior result from those structures. Other topics covered include catalysis, enzyme kinetics, mechanism and regulation; the molecular organization of biomembranes; and the flow of information
from nucleic acids to proteins. In addition, the principles and applications of the methods used to characterize macromolecules in solution and the interactions between macromolecules are discussed. The laboratory provides an opportunity to study the structure of macromolecules and to learn the fundamental experimental techniques of biochemistry including electrophoresis, chromatography, and principles of enzymatic assays.

Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation will be based on several exams and performance in the laboratories including lab reports. Prerequisites: Biology 101 and Chemistry 251/255 and Chemistry 155/256. Enrollment limit: 48 (expected: 48). Preference given to junior and senior Biology and Chemistry majors and BIMO concentrators. Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF Lab: 1-5 M.W.R. GEHRING

CHEM 322(S) Biochemistry II—Metabolism (Same as Biochemistry and Molecular Biology 322 and Biology 322 Q)

This lecture course provides an in-depth presentation of the central metabolism, which are central to life. Emphasis is placed on the biological flow of energy including alternative modes of energy generation (aerobic, anaerobic, photosynthetic); the regulation and integration of the metabolic pathways including compartmentalization and the transport of metabolites; and biochemical reaction mechanisms including the structures and mechanisms of coenzymes. This comprehensive study also includes the biosynthesis and catabolism of small molecules (carbohydrates, lipids, amino acids, and nucleotides). Laboratory experiments include the principles and procedures used to study enzymatic reactions, bioenergetics, and metabolic pathways. Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation will be based on several exams and performance in the laboratories including lab reports that emphasize conceptual and quantitative and/or graphic analysis of the data generated. Prerequisites: Biology 101 and Chemistry 251/255. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 40). Preference given to junior and senior Biology and Chemistry majors and BIMO concentrators. Not available for the Gaudino option. Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF Lab: 1-4 T.W. D. LYNCH

CHEM 324(S) Enzyme Kinetics and Reaction Mechanisms

Enzymes are complex biological molecules capable of catalyzing chemical reactions with very high efficiency, stereo-selectivity and specificity. The study of enzymatically-catalyzed reactions gives insight into the study of organic reaction mechanisms in general, and into the topic of catalysis especially. This course explores the maps and frameworks for determining mechanisms of enzymatic reactions. These methods are based on a firm foundation of chemical kinetics and organic reaction mechanisms. The first portion of the course is devoted to enzyme kinetics and catalysis including discussions of transition state theory, structure-reactivity relationships, Michaelis-Menten parameters, pH-dependence of catalysis, and methods for measuring rate constants. As the course progresses, the concepts of mechanism and its elucidation is applied to specific enzymatic processes as we discuss reaction intermediates and stereochemistry of enzymatic reactions. Our discussions of modern methods include the use of altered reactants, including mechanism-based inactivators and genetically modified enzymes as tools for probing enzymatic reactions. Format: lecture, three hours per week. Evaluation will be based on problem sets, quizzes, a midterm exam, a paper, and a final exam. Prerequisites: Chemistry/Biology/BIMO 321 or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 10). Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR GEHRING

CHEM 335(F) Inorganic/Organometallic Chemistry

This course addresses fundamental issues in chemistry of transition metals and main group elements that are relevant to a variety of important areas, including applications in organic synthetic transformations, medicine, and industrial and biological catalysis. The course introduces symmetry and group theory concepts, and applies them in a systematic approach to the study of structure, bonding, and spectroscopy of coordination and inorganic compounds. The course also covers selected inorganic and organometallic reactions and their mechanisms and bioinorganic chemistry. Primary literature and review articles are used to discuss recent developments and applications in the field. Format: lecture, three hours per week. Evaluation will be based on problem sets, exams, an independent project and participation. Prerequisites: Chemistry 155 or 256 and 251/255. No enrollment limit (expected: 10). Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR GEHRING

CHEM 336(S) Materials Chemistry

Materials Science focuses on the study of bulk physical properties such as hardness, electrical conductivity, optical behavior, and elasticity. Materials chemists bridge the gap between traditional synthetic chemists and materials scientists, by working to understand the relationships between bulk physical properties, length scale (mesoscale, nanoscale), and molecular structure. This course will cover a variety of different types of materials and their properties including solids (insulators, semiconductors, conductors, superconductors, magnetic materials), soft materials (polymers, gels, liquid crystals), nanoscale structures, and organic electronics. We'll examine some of the latest developments in materials chemistry, including new strategies for the synthesis and preparation of materials on different length scales, as well as a variety of potential applications of emerging technologies. Laboratory work will include analysis of thermal properties, optical properties, force curves, as well as the preparation and measurement of mesoscale and nanoscale structures and their properties. Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation is based on problem sets, laboratory work, reviews of research articles, hour exams, and a final exam. Prerequisites: Chemistry 251/255. Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 16). Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR Lab: 1-5 TR L. PARK

CHEM 341 Toxicology and Cancer (Same as Environmental Studies 341) (Not offered 2011-2012)

What is a poison and what makes it poisonous? Paracelsus commented in 1537: “What is not a poison? All things are poisons (and nothing is without poison). The dose alone keeps a thing from being a poison.” Is the picture really this bleak; is modern technology-based society truly swimming in a sea of toxic materials? How are the nature and severity of toxicity established, measured and expressed? Do all toxic materials exert their effect in the same manner, or can materials exert toxic effects in a variety of different contexts? Are the dangers low enough for a range of common toxic materials, such as mercury, lead, and certain pesticides? How are poisons metabolized and how do they lead to the development of cancer? What is cancer and what does it take to cause it? What biochemical defense mechanisms exist to counteract the effects of poisons? This course attempts to answer these questions by surveying the fundamentals of modern chemical toxicology and the induction and progression of cancer. Topics will range from description and quantitation of the toxic response, including risk assessment, to the basic mechanisms underlying toxicity, mutagenesis, carcinogenesis, and DNA repair. Evaluation: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation will be based on two hour tests, a class presentation and paper, participation in discussion sessions, a self- exploration of the current toxicological literature, and a final exam. Prerequisites: Chemistry 156. May be taken concurrently with Chemistry 251/255. A basic understanding of organic chemistry will be required. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 24). L. PARK

CHEM 342 Synthetic Organic Chemistry (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

The origins of organic chemistry are to be found in the chemistry of living things and the emphasis of this course is on the chemistry of naturally-occurring compounds. This course presents the logic and practice of chemical total synthesis while stressing the structures, properties and preparations of terpenes, polyketides and alkaloids. Modern synthetic reactions are surveyed with an emphasis on the stereochemical and mechanistic themes that underlie them. To meet the requirements for the semester’s final project, each student chooses an article from the recent synthetic literature and then analyzes the logic and strategy involved in the work in a final paper. A summary of this work is also presented to the class in a short seminar. Laboratory sessions introduce students to techniques for synthesis and purification of natural products and their synthetic precursors. Format: lecture; three hours per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation will be based on problem sets, midterm exams, laboratory work, a final project, and class participation. Prerequisites: Chemistry 251/255. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 10). L. PARK

CHEM 343 Medicinal Chemistry (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course explores the design, development, and function of pharmaceuticals. Fundamental concepts of organic chemistry are extended to the study of pharmaceutically active substances, and interactions between drugs and their targets that elicit a biological effect—and pharmacokinetics—the study of how the body absorbs, distributes, metabolizes, and eliminates drugs. The path of drug development is traced from discovery of an initial lead, through optimization of structure, to patenting and production. Mechanisms by which drugs target cell membranes, nucleic acids, and proteins are discussed. Drug interactions with enzyme and receptor targets are studied extensively. Specific drug classes selected for detailed analysis may include opiate analgesics, aspirin and other NSAIDs, antibacterial agents, cholesterol & adrenergic agents, CNS agents, as well as antiviral, antitumor, and anticholesterol drugs.
CHEM 344T  Physical Organic Chemistry (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course extends the background derived from previous chemistry courses to the understanding of organic reaction mechanisms. Correlations between structure and reactivity are examined in terms of kinetic and thermodynamic parameters including: solvent effects, isotope effects, stereochemical specificity, linear free-energy relationships, acid/base theory, delocalized bonding, and aromaticity.
For the first 7 weeks, the class meets once a week for an introductory lecture. A second tutorial meeting between the instructor and 1-2 other students occurs early the following week, for example during the laboratory time period. During this time, students work through and present solutions to an assigned problem set.
For the remaining 5 weeks, students execute a self-designed set of laboratory experiments that revolve around physical organic methods. Students present and grade one results per lab hour each week (in the hour time slot). The experiments culminate in a final paper.
Format: tutorial, one hour per week; laboratory four hours per week.
Evaluation will be based on problem sets, participation, laboratory work, and a final laboratory paper.
Prerequisites: Chemistry 251/255. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to Chemistry majors.

CHEM 348  Polymer Chemistry (Not offered 2011-2012)
From synthetic to natural macromolecules, we encounter polymers everywhere and everyday. This course explores the multitude of synthetic techniques available and discusses how structure defines function. Topics include condensation and chain (anionic, cationic, radical) polymerizations, dendrimers, controlling molecular weight, ring opening, and biopolymer syntheses. Fundamentals of composition and physical properties of polymers, and methods of characterization are also covered. Laboratory experiments give students hands on experience in polymer synthesis and characterization, with opportunities for exploration of advanced structures and applications.
Format: lecture, one hour per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Requirements: evaluation will be based on problem sets, participation, two exams, laboratory, and a final paper.
Prerequisites: Chemistry 251/255. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Preference given to Chemistry majors.

CHEM 361(F)  Physical Chemistry: Structure and Dynamics
This course integrates a number of physical chemistry topics. In the first part of the course, an introduction to quantum mechanics provides the basis for understanding atomic and molecular structure as well as spectroscopic methods. In the second part of the course we discuss chemical kinetics and molecular reaction dynamics in the gas phase and in solution. Applications of these principles are chosen from a variety of areas, including polymer chemistry, biochemistry, photochemistry, and solid and liquid state chemistry. Quantitative laboratory experiments and consultation with the scientific literature provide the background necessary for carrying out an independent theoretical or experimental project.
Format: lecture, three hours per week; discussion, one hour per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation will be based on class participation, problem sets, oral presentation and discussion on selected problems, laboratory work, and an independent project.
Prerequisites: Chemistry 155 or 256. No enrollment limit (expected: 10).
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF  Lab: 1-5 T  BINGEMANN

CHEM 364(S)  Instrumental Methods of Analysis (Same as Environmental Studies 364)
This course provides the student an understanding of the applicability of current laboratory instrumentation both to the elucidation of fundamental chemical phenomena and to the measurement of certain atomic and molecular parameters. Experimental methods, including absorption and emission spectroscopy in the x-ray, ultraviolet, visible, infrared, microwave, and radio frequency regions, chromatography, electrochemistry, mass spectrometry, magnetic resonance, and thermal methods are discussed, with examples drawn from the current literature. The analytical chemical techniques developed in this course are useful in a wide variety of scientific areas. The course also covers new developments in instrumental methods and advances in the approaches used to address modern analytical questions.
Format: lecture, three hours per week; discussion, one hour per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation will be based on class participation, problem sets, oral presentation and discussion of selected topics, laboratory work, and an independent project.
Prerequisites: Chemistry 155 or 256 and 251/255; may be taken concurrently with Chemistry 256 with permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 18 (expected: 8).
This course satisfies “The Natural World” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF  Lab: 1-5 R  BINGEMANN

CHEM 366(S)  Physical Chemistry: Thermodynamics
The thermodynamic laws provide us with our most powerful and general scientific principles for predicting the direction of spontaneous change in physical, chemical, and biological systems. This course develops the concepts of energy, entropy, free energy, temperature (and absolute zero), heat, work, and chemical potential within the framework of classical and statistical thermodynamics. The principles developed are applied to a variety of problems: chemical reactions, physical changes, energy technology, industrial processes, and environmental science. Laboratory experiments provide quantitative and practical demonstrations of the theory of real and ideal systems studied in class.
Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation will be based on problem sets, laboratory work, exams, and an independent project.
Prerequisites: Chemistry 155 or 256, and a basic knowledge of applied integral and differential calculus. No enrollment limit (expected: 12).
Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF  Lab: 1-5 M  THOMAN

CHEM 367(F)  Biophysical Chemistry
This course is designed to provide a working knowledge of basic physical chemistry to students primarily interested in the biochemical, biological, or medical professions. Topics of physical chemistry are presented from the viewpoint of their application to biochemical problems. Three major areas of biophysical chemistry are discussed: 1) the conformation of biological macromolecules and the forces that stabilize them; 2) techniques for the study of biological structure and function including spectroscopic, hydrodynamic, electrophoretic, and chromatographic, 3) the behavior of biological macromolecules including ligand interactions and conformational transitions.
Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, four hours per week. Evaluation will be based on problem sets and/or quizzes, laboratory work, hour tests, and a final exam.
Prerequisites: Chemistry 155 or 256 and 251/255, and Mathematics 104 or equivalent. No enrollment limit (expected: 25). Preference given to junior and senior Chemistry majors.
Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR  Lab: 1-5 TR  KAPLAN

CHEM 368T  Quantum Chemistry and Molecular Spectroscopy (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course provides an introduction to the principles of computational quantum mechanics and their application to problems of chemical interest such as chemical bonding, chemical reactivity, and molecular spectroscopy. Emphasis is placed upon modern electronic structure calculations, their fundamentals, practical considerations, interpretation, and applications to current research questions. Under guidance in the laboratory section and through independent work, students use computational methods to explore assigned weekly research problems. The research results are presented to and discussed with the tutorial partner at the end of each week.
Format: tutorial, one hour per week; laboratory, three hours per week. Evaluation will be based on tutorial participation, presentations, and submitted papers.
Prerequisites: Chemistry 361 or equivalent background in Physics. No enrollment limit (expected: 5).

RESEARCH AND THESIS COURSES
CHEM 393(F), 394(S)  Junior Research and Thesis
CHEM 493(F)-W31-494(S)  Senior Research and Thesis
CHEM 497(F), 498(S)  Independent Study, for Juniors
CHEM 497(F), 498(S)  Independent Study, for Seniors
Individual research projects in a field of interest to the student are carried out under the direction of a faculty member.

CLASSICS (Div. I)

Chair, Professor MEREDITH HOPPIN

Professors: CHRISTENSEN, HOPPIN. Associate Professor: DEKEEL. Assistant Professors: RUBIN, WILCOX.

The course offerings in Classics enable students to explore the ancient Greek, Roman, and Greco-Roman worlds from various perspectives, including literature, history, archaeology, art, philosophy, and religion. Courses are of two types: language (Greek and Latin) and translation (Classical Civilization). The 100-level language courses are intensive introductions to Greek and Latin grammar; the 200-level language courses combine comprehensive grammar review with readings from Greek or Latin texts of pivotal historical periods; Latin 302 and the 400-level language courses are seminars that explore in depth selected authors or topics and the methods of analysis appropriate to each of them. Courses in which texts are read in translation provide both surveys and more specialized study of the classical world from earliest historical times through late antiquity.

MAJOR

Majors and prospective majors are encouraged to consult with the department’s faculty to ensure a well-balanced and comprehensive selection of Classics courses appropriate to their individual interests. A course or courses in ancient history are strongly recommended. Majors may also benefit from advice on courses offered in other departments that would complement their particular interests in Classics. A reading knowledge of French, German, and Italian is useful for any study in Classics and is required in at least two of these modern languages by graduate programs in classics, ancient history, classical art and archaeology, and medieval studies.

The department offers two routes to the major: Classics and Classical Civilization.

Classics: (1) Six courses in Greek and/or Latin, with at least two 400-level courses in one language; (2) Three additional courses, elected from the offerings in Greek, Latin, or Classical Civilization or from approved courses in other departments; (3) Participation in the Senior Colloquium.

Classical Civilization: (1) Either Classics 101 or 102 and one of Classics 222, 223, or 224; (2) Three additional courses from the offerings in Classical Civilization or from approved courses in other departments; (3) Three courses in Greek or Latin with at least one at the 400 level, or four courses in Latin at any level; (4) A senior independent study is normally required to complete the Classical Civilization major. Several of the courses elected, including the independent study, should relate to each other in such a way as to reflect a concentration on a particular genre, period, or problem of Greek and Roman civilization, including topics in ancient art and archaeology, religion in the Greco-Roman world, and ancient philosophy; 4) Participation in the Senior Colloquium.

A number of courses from other departments are cross-listed with Classics and may be elected for the major, for instance, Art/H 213 Greek Art and Myth, Philosophy 201 Greek Philosophy, and Religion 210 Reading Jesus, Writing Gospels. Appropriate courses that are not cross-listed may also count toward the major of the Chair of Classics. Examples of such courses, which vary from year to year, are Art History 105 Picturing God in the Middle Ages, Religion/Jewish Studies 201 The Hebrew Bible, Religion 212 The Development of Christianity, and Political Science 251 Ancient Political Thought.

Senior Colloquium: Senior majors are required to enroll in CLAS 499 in both semesters. The topics and activities of this colloquium, which normally meets every other week for an hour, vary according to the interests of the participants. Junior majors are also encouraged to participate.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN CLASSICS

Students who wish to be considered for the degree with honors will normally prepare a thesis or pursue appropriate independent study in one semester and with some preparatory work in the senior year. The thesis or independent study offers students the opportunity to work in depth on a topic of their choosing and to apply and develop the techniques and critical methods with which they have become acquainted during their regular course work. It may also include relevant work with members of other departments. In order to write a thesis, students normally must have a minimum GPA of 3.3 in their major courses and must submit a thesis proposal before the end of the spring semester of their junior year that earns departmental approval. To be awarded the degree with honors in Classics, the student is required to have taken a minimum of ten semester courses in the department (not including the thesis or independent study) and to have demonstrated original or superior ability in studies in the field both through course work and through the thesis or equivalent independent study.

COURSE NUMBERING SYSTEM

Language Courses: The numbering of courses through the 300 level reflects the prerequisites involved. The only prerequisite for any 400-level course is Greek 201 or Latin 201 or equivalent language preparation. The rotation of 400-level courses is arranged to permit exposure, in a three- to four-year period, to most of the important periods and genres of classical studies. Students may enter the rotation at any point.

Classical Civilization Courses: The numbering of these courses often suggests a recommended but rarely necessary sequence of study within a given area of classical studies. Most of these courses do not assume prior experience in Classics or a cross-listed field.

STUDY ABROAD

We strongly encourage Classics majors to study abroad in their junior year, at programs in Italy (especially the semester-length program at the Intercollegiate Center for Classical Studies in Rome), at programs in Greece (especially the College Year in Athens, which students need only attend for one semester), and in the Williams at Oxford Program. Our majors have also had excellent Classics experiences in other study-abroad programs in Italy and Greece and at various universities in Europe and the United Kingdom. In addition, we encourage students to take advantage of opportunities available in the summer; study abroad programs in Italy and Greece, archaeological digs, or even carefully planned travel to other areas of the ancient Greek-Roman world. When the college cannot do so, the department may be able to provide some financial support for summer study abroad. The department’s faculty are always available to advise students, the chair has materials to share, and students can visit the department’s website for information and links to helpful sites.

CLASSICAL CIVILIZATION

CLAS 101(S) The Trojan War (Same as Comparative Literature 107)

The Trojan War may or may not have taken place near the end of the Bronze Age (c1100), but it certainly provided poets, visual artists, historians, philosophers, and many others in archaic and classical Greek and Roman literature with a rich discourse for engaging questions about gender, exchange, desire, loss, and remembrance, and about friendship, marriage, family, army, city-state and religious cult. This discourse of “The Trojan War” attained a remarkable coherence yet also thrived on substantial variations and changes over the 300-400 years of Greek literature we will explore, a dynamic of change and continuity that has persisted through the more than two millennia of subsequent Greek, Roman, Western, and non-Western participation in this discourse.

More than half of the course will be devoted to the Homeric Iliad and Odyssey; we will also read brief selections from lyric poetry (e.g. Archilochus, Sappho of Lesbos), some selections from the historians Herodotus and Thucydides, and several tragedies (e.g. Aeschylus’ Oresteia, Sophocles’ Ajax, Euripides’ Trojan Women). We may briefly consider a few short selections from other ancient Greek and Roman authors and/or one or two modern poets. We will also watch several films, e.g. Troy, Oh Brother, Where Art Thou?, Gods and Monsters, Fight Club, In the Bedroom, Grand Illusion.

Format: lecture and discussion. Evaluation will be based on a series of short papers involving close textual analysis, several short response papers, two 5-page papers, and contributions to class discussion.

Enrollment limit: 35 (expected: 35). Preference given to majors in Classics and Comparative Literature, with attention also given to assuring a balance of class years and majors.

Hour: 9:55–11:10 TR HOPPIN

CLAS 102(F) Roman Literature: Foundations and Empire (Same as Comparative Literature 108)

In the first book of Vergil’s Aeneid, the god Jupiter prophesies the foundation and the greatness of Rome: “I place no limits on their fortunes and no time; I grant them empire without end.” Yet elsewhere in this epic account of Rome’s origins, this promise of unlimited power for the descendants of Romulus seems to be seriously abridged. Some readers have seen, not only in the Aeneid but throughout classical Roman literature, a persistent tendency to inscribe the decay and destruction of Rome into the very works that proclaim and celebrate Roman preeminence. This course explores the ancient Romans’ own interpretations of their past, their present, and their destiny: the humble beginnings of their city, its rise to supreme world power, and premonitions of its decline. Related topics for our consideration will include Roman constructions of gender, the location and expression of virtue in public and private spheres, the connections and conflicts between moral propriety and public success, the exercise of individual power versus action on behalf of the commonwealth, the absorption of foreign customs and peoples into Rome, the management of literal and metaphorical frontiers, and other anxieties of empire. We will read selections and complete works by a wide variety of Roman authors, including Cicero, Catullus, Caesar, Vergil, Sallust, Horace, Ovid, Seneca, and Tacitus. All readings will be in translation.

Format: discussion/lecture. Evaluation will be based on short written assignments, midterm and final exams with essays, and contributions to class discussion.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 23 (expected: 15). Preference will be given to first-year students and sophomores and to majors in Classics and Comparative Literature.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF WILCOX

CLAS 201(S) History of Ancient Greek Philosophy (Same as Philosophy 201)

(See under PHIL 201 for full description.) A. WHITE
CLAS 205  Ancient Wisdom Literature (Same as Comparative Literature 217, Jewish Studies 205 and Religion 205) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under REL 205 for full description.) DEKEL

CLAS 207  From Adam to Noah: Literary Imagination and the Primeval History in Genesis (Same as Comparative Literature 250, Jewish Studies 207, Religion 207) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under REL 207 for full description.) DEKEL

CLAS 210  Reading Jesus, Writing Gospels: Christian Origins in Context (Same as Comparative Literature 213 and Religion 210) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (See under REL 210 for full description.) DEKEL

CLAS 213  Greek Art and Myth (Same as ArtH 213) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under ARTH 213 for full description.) BUELL

CLAS 216(S)  Body of Evidence: Greek Sculpture and the Human Figure (Same as ArtH 216) (See under ARTH 216 for full description.) MCGOWAN

CLAS 218(S)  Gnosis, Gnostics, Gnosticism (Same as Comparative Studies 218, History 331 and Religion 218) (W) (See under REL 218 for full description.) MGOWEN

CLAS 222  Greek History (Same as History 222) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under HIST 222 for full description.) CHRISTENSEN

CLAS 223(F)  Roman History (Same as History 223) (See under HIST 223 for full description.) CHRISTENSEN

CLAS 224(S)  Roman Archaeology and Material Culture (Same as Anthropology 235, ArtH 235 and History 224) This course examines the development of Roman archaeology and material culture from the early Iron Age, ca. 1000 BCE, to the end of the reign of Constantine in 337 CE. The primary goal of the course is to help students understand the social and historical context in which Roman material culture was created and used. We will consider a variety of evidence from across the empire, including monumental and domestic architecture, wall painting, mosaics, sculpture, coins and inscriptions. Special emphasis will be placed on the city of Rome; however, we will also look at other important urban centers, such as Pompeii, Aphrodisias and Lepcis Magna. Roman art and architecture were not the product of any single people or culture, but rather the hybrid synthesis of complex cultural negotiations between the Romans and their colonial subjects (i.e., Greeks, Jews, Celts, etc.). Class discussions will focus on issues related to gender, ethnicity and cultural identity in the Roman Empire. For example, we will explore what it meant to be "Roman" in terms of language, ethnicity and cultural institutions. We will also discuss how Roman elites used material culture to convey political messages and social status in the imperial hierarchy, as well as the legacy of Roman art and architecture in the modern world. Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on classroom performance, quizzes, one 8- to 10-page paper, a midterm, and a final exam. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 30). Preference given to majors or prospective majors in Classics, History, Art History, and Anthropology. Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR RUBIN

CLAS 226(S)  The Ancient Novel (Same as Comparative Literature 226) (W) In this course we will closely and comparatively analyze works of fiction composed in the ancient Mediterranean between the first century BCE and the fourth century CE. To call these ancient works "novels" might be misleading, if our definition depended on the historical conditions that fostered the emergence of the modern novel (e.g., industrialization and widespread literacy). On another definition, however, the novel is that genre which, more than any other, devours and incorporates other genres. Judged by this standard, the works we will deal with in this course are quintessentially novels. They afford new perspectives on the diverse, cosmopolitan culture of the Hellenistic and late antique Mediterranean world in which they were originally written and read. Replete with spectacular tales of true love, death, danger, miracles, stunts, conversions, triumphant recognitions and happily-ever-after reconciliations, they access other classical genres such as history, tragedy, and epic by means of parody, allusion, and homage. Format: discussion, with occasional short lectures. Requirements: vigorous participation in class discussion, about six 2-3 page papers, one revised and expanded 5- to 6-page paper, and a final 10- to 15-page paper. No prerequisites; open to students who took this course as CLAS 105/COMP 113. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 10). Preference will be given to sophomores and first-years intending to major in Classics, Comparative Literature, English, or another literature. Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF RUBIN

CLAS 239  The Construction of Gender in Ancient Greece and Rome (Same as History 322 and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 239) (Not offered 2011-2012) The inferior political status and heavily circumscribed lives of women in ancient Greek and Roman societies have received extensive study in recent decades. Yet it is nearly impossible to understand women's lives without also studying the often stringent cultural norms that governed men's lives as well. This course seeks to discuss some of these aspects of Greek and Roman societies over time as expectations, priorities, and activities of both women and men evolved. While the impact of these gendered expectations on the lives of men and women often varied considerably in kind and degree, their interplay was at the same time often intricate, and many that constructed women's lives could only be articulated with reference to corresponding expectations for men. Others emerged only during times of crisis and could even involve a reversal of the usual roles of men and women. Some norms gave men and women a shared experience that is rare in other societies. We will explore these and related issues by reading widely in such ancient authors as Homer, Sappho, Herodotus, the Greek tragedians, Greek and Roman philosophers, Vergil and other Latin poets, and Roman didactic writers. We will also read modern scholarship on such subjects as the family, prostitution, the exposure of unwanted infants, demography, and the anthropology of gender in both Greek and Roman societies. Format: lecture and discussion. Evaluation will be based on class preparation and participation, two short 5- to 7-page papers, a midterm, and a final exam. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 15). CHRISTENSEN

CLAS 248  The Image of God in Greek Art (Same as ArtH 238) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under ARTH 238 for full description.) HEDREEN

CLAS 262  Performing Greece and Rome (Same as Comparative Literature 270 and Theatre 262) (Not offered 2011-2012) Since their beginnings in fifth-century Athens, tragedy and comedy have always been translations of something else. The tragedies of Aeschylus, Sophocles and Euripides, ancient comedies of Aristophanes were hybrids of various poetic, musical and dance genres first developed for a variety of different performance occasions. This class, which will be team-taught by classics professor and a stage-director who have collaborated in the past on Williamstheatre productions of Greek tragedies, will examine selected dramatic texts from ancient Greece and Rome as literary artifacts and as documents intended for translation into performance. We hope that our interdisciplinary approach will stimulate a wide-ranging consideration of these enormously influential plays. In addition to scrutinizing the relation of the texts to what we know of ancient production practice, we will illuminate these archaic stagings by analogy to a number of surviving performance traditions in such places as contemporary Japan, China, Indonesia and Africa. We will also trace successive translations and hybridizations of these plays through history to stages of modern Paris, Berlin, Johannesburg, London, Athens, Kabul, and New York. The class will include a modest number of workshops in performance in order to begin to develop a kinesthetic sense of the production practices we examine. Format: lecture, discussion, and workshops. Evaluation will be based on contributions to discussion, effort in workshops, and several short papers. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to majors or prospective majors in Classics, Theatre, and Comparative Literature. HOPPIN and BUCKY

CLAS 320T  Enchantment and the Origins of Poetry (Same as Comparative Literature 320T and CLGR 410T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) Since the earliest period of Greek literature, poems have been intimately bound up in the notion of enchantment, or thelxis. The power of song to alter the idea of divine or supernatural inspiration can be interpreted as a reflexive enchantment that binds the poet to the transformative power of language. This tutorial
course will explore the fundamental ways in which ancient Greek and Roman poetry, and its later offspring, are configured and understood as a kind of enchantment or incantation. By examining works that explicitly depict acts of enchantment as well as those that represent themselves as spells, dreams, charms, and curses, we will attempt to understand the structural and semantic relationships between song and magic across several genres. We will also consider the role of inspiration, enthusiasm, memory, truth, and falsehood in shaping both the poems themselves and discourses about poetry. Finally, we will investigate the reception and elaboration of these concepts in later European poetic traditions from the Middle Ages through modernity. Readings may include selections from Homer, Hesiod, Sappho, Pindar, Aeschylos, Euripides, Plato’s Ion and Phaedrus, Theocritus, Virgil, Horace, Ovid, Roman love elegy, Old English charms, Old Norse Runes, Marlowe’s Dr. Faustus, Shakespeare’s A Winter’s Tale, Coleridge, Shelley, Melville, Valery, T.S. Eliot, and various other poets and critics. All works will be read in English translation, but students who have studied ancient Greek will be expected to read significant portions of the original.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: students will meet with instructor in pairs once a week; one 5- to 7-page paper every other week and critique of partners’ papers in alternate weeks.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10). Preference given to majors in Classics and Comparative Literature.

DEKE

CLAS 323(S) Leadership, Government, and the Cultivated in Ancient Greece (Same as History 323 and Leadership Studies 323) (W)

(See under HIST 323 for full description.)

CHRISTENSEN

CLAS 330 Plato (Same as Philosophy 330) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

(See under PHIL 330 for full description.)

MCPARTLAND

CLAS 332 Aristotle (Same as Philosophy 332) (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under PHIL 332 for full description.)

MCPARTLAND

CLAS 334 Greek and Roman Ethics (Same as Philosophy 334) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

(See under PHIL 334 for full description.)

MCPARTLAND

CLAS 340 (formerly 240) Roman Cities in the Near East (Same as Anthropology 240 and History 340) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

The Near East under Roman rule was a zone of intense cultural contact and exchange. Major urban centers like Ephesus and Alexandria were home to a diverse array of Greeks, Romans, Jews, Egyptians and other Semitic peoples. Out of this cultural crucible emerged new movements in religion, science, and the arts which changed the face of the Roman Empire. This course examines the history and material culture of Roman cities in the Near East, from Pompey’s annexation of Syria in 64 BCE to the Arab conquest in the 7th century CE. We will consider a variety of evidence, including sculpture, architecture and epigraphy, as well as textual sources, such as Josephus’ Jewish War, Acts of the Apostles andTacitus’ Histories. Class discussion will focus on issues related to ethnicity and identity in the eastern Roman provinces. Possible topics include the Romanization of the Near East, the First Jewish Revolt, the formation of early Christianity, and the Roman wars with Sassanian Persia. This course fulfills the EDI requirement because it explores the interaction between peoples and cultures in the ancient Near East and their diverse responses to Roman imperialism.

Format: seminar. Requirements: evaluation will be based on classroom performance, one 15-minute oral presentation, one 10- to 12-page paper, a midterm and a final exam.


RUBIN

CLAS 341 (formerly 238) Envisioning Empire: Geography in the Graeco-Roman World (Same as ArtH 239 and History 341) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

During the first century BCE, successive civil wars divided the Roman Empire along ethnic, geographical and partisan lines. Octavian’s victory at battle of Actium in 31 BCE officially brought an end to the Roman civil wars, but it did not itself unify the empire. Out of this matrix of social fragmentation and uncertainty arose the geographical texts of the Augustan age. This course examines the history and material culture of Roman cities in the Near East, from Pompey’s annexation of Syria in 64 BCE to the Arab conquest in the 7th century CE. We will consider a variety of evidence, including sculpture, architecture and epigraphy, as well as textual sources, such as Josephus’ Jewish War, Acts of the Apostles and Tacitus’ Histories. Class discussion will focus on issues related to ethnicity and identity in the eastern Roman provinces. Possible topics include the Romanization of the Near East, the First Jewish Revolt, the formation of early Christianity, and the Roman wars with Sassanian Persia. This course fulfills the EDI requirement because it explores the interaction between peoples and cultures in the ancient Near East and their diverse responses to Roman imperialism.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on classroom performance, quizzes, one 8- to 10-page paper, a midterm and a final exam.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 25. Preference given to majors or prospective majors in Classics, Anthropology, and History.

RUBIN

CLAS 394 (formerly 258) Divine Kingship in the Ancient Mediterranean (Same as Anthropology 258, History 394 and Religion 213) (Not offered 2011-2012)

What is the relationship between politics and religion? How do kings legitimize their rule? Why did the ancient Greeks and Romans worship their emperors as gods? The course examines the origins and development of divine kingship in the ancient Mediterranean from its earliest beginnings in Pharaonic Egypt to the reign of the Christian Roman Emperors in the fourth century CE. We will address the various symbolic strategies employed by ancient kings to project their own divinity. These include portraiture, panegyric poetry, ritual processions, royal autobiography and monumental architecture, e.g., the Great Pyramids in Egypt and the Pantheon in Rome. We will also study the reception of royal art and ideology among the king’s subjects. Special attention will be paid to the role of the Roman emperor-cult in shaping social, political and religious identity in the Roman Empire.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: evaluation will be based on classroom performance, quizzes, one 8- to 10-page paper, a midterm and a final exam.


RUBIN

GREEK

CLGR 101(F)-102(S) Introduction to Greek

This full-year, intensive course presents the fundamentals of Greek grammar, syntax, and vocabulary and introduces students in the second semester, to works of the classical period (usually Xenophon and Euripides). This course is designed for students who are beginning Greek or have studied less than two years of Greek in secondary school. Credit is granted for the first semester only if the second semester is taken as well. Students with some previous experience in Greek may want to enroll in CLGR 101 only. (Consult the department.)

No prerequisites. Format: recitation/discussion. Evaluation will be based on frequent quizzes, tests, and a final exam.

Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 8-10).

Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF First Semester: CHRISTENSEN

Second Semester: CHRISTENSEN

CLGR 201(F) Intermediate Greek

Reading of selections from Hesiod and from Plato, combined with grammar review. The primary goal of this course is to develop fluency in reading Greek. We will also read the texts closely to explore important continuities and changes in Greek culture between the archaic and classical periods. The emphasis will vary from year to year, but possible subjects to be explored include: the education and socialization of the community’s children and young adults; religion and cult practice; the origins and development of prose (and choral) poetry and the philosophical dialogue; traditional oral poetry and storytelling; and the growth of literacy; the construction of woman, of man; the development of the classical polis.

Format: recitation/discussion. Evaluation will be based on classroom participation, quizzes, tests, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Greek 101-102 or two years of Greek in secondary school. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 5-10).

Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

HOPPIN
CLGR 401 Homer: The Iliad (Not offered 2011-2012)
From the early archaic era through the classical and beyond, Homer’s Iliad and Odyssey remained foundational in Greek discourse about community, leadership, family, friendship, loyalty, the gods, justice, and much more. Nearly all of subsequent Greek literature, both poetry and prose, developed out of a dialogue with these epics. In this course, we will read extensive selections from the Iliad in Greek and the entire epic in translation.
Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, short written exercises and/or oral reports, midterm and final exams, and a final paper.
Prerequisites: CLGR 201 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 5-6). Preference given to majors in Classics, Comparative Literature, English and other literatures. HOPPIN

CLGR 402(F) Homer: The Odyssey
From the early archaic era through the classical and beyond, Homer’s Iliad and Odyssey remained foundational in Greek discourse about community, leadership, war, heroism, family, friendship, loyalty, the gods, justice, and much more. Nearly all of subsequent Greek literature, both poetry and prose, developed out of a dialogue with these epics. In this course, we will read extensive selections from the Odyssey in Greek and the entire epic in translation.
Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, short written assignments and/or oral reports, a midterm and final exams, and a final paper.
Prerequisites: CLGR 201 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 5-6). Preference given to majors in Classics, Comparative Literature, English and other literatures.
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

CLGR 403 Poetry and Revolution in Archaic Greece (Not offered 2011-2012)
The age of experiment, lyric poetry, tyranny and discovery, and the personal voice: it takes many images to describe the profound changes in Greek society, thought, and self-expression that took place during the archaic era (roughly 800 BCE to the Persian invasion of 479 BCE). We will first read selections from the lyric poets (e.g. Archilochus and Sappho, Tyrtaeus and Solon), whose concise and expressive poems reflected contemporary culture in a way that the archaic epics did not. Their poems create for modern readers, as they did for the Greeks, a powerful sense of the poet’s personal presence and engagement with his (or her) audience. A similar intimacy characterizes the writings of many of the pre-SOCRATICS, from which we will next read selections. Confident in the ability of the human mind to understand both the human and the physical world, the pre-SOCRATICS anticipated what came to be known as philosophy and natural science. We will then turn to other writers who spoke directly about the political upheavals of the archaic age, focussing on the “tyrant narratives” of Herodotus. Throughout the semester we will also consider such significant material changes in the archaic era as the development of monumental public sculpture, the evolution of the temple, and the undertaking of vast building programs, all of which transformed the visual scale of the Greek cities and their citizens’ sense of self and community.
Format: recitation/discussion. Evaluation will be based on daily translations and contributions to class discussion, several translation quizzes, an oral presentation, a final paper, and a final exam.
Prerequisites: Greek 201 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 5-6).
CHRISTENSEN

CLGR 404(S) Tragedy
Tragedy was a new theatrical genre invented in sixth-fifth century Athens, where tragic performances in the city’s festival of the Greater Dionysia played a vital role in the democratic polis. This course will focus on reading in Greek a complete tragedy of Sophokles or Euripides; we will also read in translation several other tragedies, a satyr-play, and a comedy of Aristophanes. While focusing on questions of particular importance for the play we are reading in Greek, we will also situate that play in a larger context by exploring, for instance: aspects of the social and political situations in and for which fifth-century tragedies were first produced; the several performance genres out of which tragedy was created; developments in the physical characteristics of the theater and in elements of staging and performance; problems of representation particularly relevant to theatrical production and performance.
Format: recitation/discussion. Evaluation will be based on contributions to class, several 1- to 2-page papers involving close textual analysis, perhaps a midterm exam, a final exam, and a final paper.
Prerequisites: Greek 201 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 4-5).
Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF
HOPPIN

CLGR 405 Greek Lyric Poetry (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course will explore the development of Greek lyric poetry from the eighth to the fifth centuries BCE. Beginning with Archilochus, Sappho, and Alcaeus, and proceeding through such poets as Solon, Anacreon, Thucydides, and Pindar, we will examine the formal, social, and performative contexts of lyric, the influence of epic and choral poetry on the evolution of the genre, and the difficulties of evaluating a fragmentary corpus. Finally, we will explore the influence of poetry on social and political changes in the early fifth century on the work of Simonides. The goal throughout is to investigate the structures, innovations, and problems of poetic self-expression in early Greek poetry.
Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, a midterm exam, a final paper, and a final exam. Prerequisites: Greek 201 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 5).
DEKEL

CLGR 406(T) Coming of Age in the Polis (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 406T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
Students will study the socio-cultural context of socialization into adulthood in the ancient Greek world. In ancient Athens, adolescence was a period of preparation for the “coming of age” into adult roles, primarily the military role of citizen-soldier. We will focus on the Demeter ritual and the process of becoming a citizen.
Prerequisites: Greek 201 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 6-8).
HOPPIN

CLGR 407 Rhetoric and Democracy: the Greek Orators (Not offered 2011-2012)
The Greek orators of the 4th-century BCE have left us a rich and varied body of work. They were specialists in rhetoric and persuasive discourse, and in the deployment of the one to produce the other. They wrote forensic oratory intended to sway juries, often with little reference to the facts of the case; political speeches with which they argued policy before the Athenian Assembly and aspired to be the city’s leaders; attack speeches which they hoped would destroy their rivals; and show pieces intended to dazzle the listener with their rhetorical brilliance. Political careers were launched not by the noble birth and military success that were so important in the previous century, but by high-profile prosecutions won by oratorical prowess. In their own words, the most influential orators of 4th-century Athens will instruct us in rhetoric, demonstrate the stylistic versatility of the Greek language, teach us about what Athenians in the 4th century cared about, reveal theories of human psychology, and persuade us of a thing or two. We will read selected speeches by Lysias, Aeschines, and Demostenes, as well as portions of speeches by other orators such as Isocrates, Antiphon, and Dinarchus.
Format: recitation/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class translation and discussion, several short exercises, a midterm, a final paper, and a final translation exam.
Prerequisites: Greek 201 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 6-8).
CHRISTENSEN

CLGR 410T Enchantment and the Origins of Poetry (Same as Classics 320T and Comparative Literature 320T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
(See under CLAS 320T for full description.)
DEKEL

CLLA 101(F)-102(S) Introduction to Latin
This is a full-year course on the fundamentals of the Latin language. The first semester and part of the second emphasize learning basic grammar; the rest of the second semester is devoted to reading selections from Latin poetry (e.g., Vergil’s Aeneid and some Medieval Latin poetry, e.g., the Carmina Burana) and from Latin prose (e.g., Pliny’s Letters and/or the Vulgate Bible). This course is designed for the student with no previous preparation in Latin or who has had only a little
Latin and wishes a refresher. Credit is granted for the first semester only if the second semester is taken as well. Students with some previous experience in Latin may want to enroll in CLLA 102 only; consult the department. 

Format: recitation/discussion. Evaluation will be based on frequent quizzes, tests, classroom exercises, and a final exam. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 8-10).  
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF First Semester: HOPPIN
11:00-12:15 MWF Second Semester: RUBIN

CLLA 201(F) Intermediate Latin: The Late Republic

Reading of selections from Latin prose and poetry, normally from a speech or letters by Cicero and from the poetry of Catullus. This course includes a comprehensive review of Latin grammar and aims primarily at developing fluency in reading Latin at the same time it acquaints students with one of the most turbulent and important periods in Roman history and attends to the development of their interpretative and analytic skills. Format: recitation/discussion. Evaluation will be based on classroom performance, quizzes, a midterm, and a final exam. Occasional oral presentations or short essays may be required as well. Prerequisites: Latin 101-102 or 3-4 years of Latin in secondary school; consult the department. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 6-10).  
Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF  WILCOX

CLLA 302(S) Vergil’s Aeneid

This course is a comprehensive introduction to Vergil’s Aeneid. Students will develop their ability to read and translate the Latin text of the poem, while at the same time exploring the major interpretive issues surrounding the definitive epic Roman. Through a combination of close reading and large-scale analysis, we will investigate the poem’s literary, social, and political dimensions with special attention to Vergil’s consummate poetic craftsmanship. Format: discussion/recitation. Evaluation will be based on class participation, a midterm exam, a final paper, and a final exam. Prerequisites: Latin 201 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 10).  
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR  DEKE

CLLA 401 Plautus’ Rome Made Visible (Not offered 2011-2012)

Augustus famously claimed to have found Rome a city of brick and left it a city of marble, but Rome had been a visually impressive city since the sixth century. Romans in every period and of every status experienced their lives with an intense sense of time and place in this gloriously multi-class, multi-ethnic, and multi-lingual city, filled with public spectacles that often competed with one another to map Rome and its history. We will explore Rome of the Middle Republic through selected fragments of Livius Andronicus, Naevius, Ennius, and the elder Catu, as well as some remains of much older Latin, but our chief goal will be Plautus’ comedy, the Aulularia (circa 190). This play was produced after more than a century of temple-building, monument-erecting, cult-and–festival–creating, and story-promoting that would shape every subsequent version of Rome, in real space and time and in the imaginary. The Aulularia takes us into the heat of this loud, crowded and busy Rome—even though it purports to be set in Athens. In using this play as our guide to Rome, we will examine Romans’ self-fashioning through a creative appropriation of “the other” which insists on maintaining a distance from that other, be it Greek or Sabine, female or eunuch, slave or plebeian. Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on critical analysis, two 2- to 3-page papers (translation with comments), a short memorization assignment, perhaps a class project or a research paper. Prerequisites: Latin 302 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 5–7). Preference will be given to majors and prospective majors in Classics and Comparative Literature. HOPPIN

CLLA 403 The Invention of Love: Catullus and the Roman Elegists (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course will explore the development of Latin love poetry in the first century BCE. Beginning with Catullus, we will examine the influence of Greek lyric poetry on the evolution of the genre as well as Roman attitudes toward love exhibited in other literature of the Late Republic. We will then turn to the full development of the elegiac form in the love poems of Propertius, Tibullus, and Sulpicia. Finally, we will explore the transformation of the genre in Ovid’s Ars Amatoria to investigate the conventions, innovations, and problems of expressing personal desire and longing amid the social and political upheaval of the transition from Republic to Principate. Format: discussion/recitation. Evaluation will be based on class participation, a midterm exam, and a final exam. Prerequisites: Latin 302 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 10-12). Preference given to Classics majors. DEKE

CLLA 405 Livy and Tacitus: Myth, Scandal, and Morality in Ancient Rome (Not offered 2011-2012)

Mythical stories of Rome’s founding, which were formulated by many generations of Roman authors and public figures, served as a framework for these very thinkers to analyze and articulate Roman self-image in rich and creative ways; one who stands out among these figures is the Augustan historian Livy. The “second founding” of the Republic by Augustus, and the careers of his successors, in turn gave later Roman writers like Tacitus fresh inspiration for Roman self-imagining and self-analysis. We will begin the semester in mythical Rome, reading selections from Book 1 of Livy’s history which present figures like Aeneas, the Trojan refugee whose arrival in Italy was conceptually crucial to Rome’s development and position in Italy and the Mediterranean; Romulus, by whom Rome was founded in an act of fratricide; the Sabine women, whose nobility prevented a deadly war between their fathers and their Roman kidnappers; and Lucretia, whose virtue and self-sacrifice led to the liberation of Rome from a decadent and violent monarchy and to the founding of the Roman Republic. We will examine how Livy deploys the storyteller’s art to excite his readers’ pathos, indignation, and sympathy; we will examine as well how Livy often filters his account of mythical Rome through his own time, thereby constructing Rome’s past through the Augustan present. Writing more than a century after Livy, Tacitus offers a different view of Augustus, and his account of the nude and dissolute Tiberius, the unscrupulous Livia, Rome’s chaste and disdained senators, and the many scandals attached to the imperial family, figures a Rome once again suffering under a decadent monarchy. Tacitus’s compressed, fastidious, inimitable prose is the vehicle for his stern yet often sardonic psychological insights, which subtly manage to combine moral judgment with prurient pleasure in the scandals of others. Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on class preparation and participation, an 8- to 10-page paper, a midterm, and a final exam. Prerequisites: Latin 302 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 6). CHRISTENSEN

CLLA 406 Horace Odes 1-3 (Not offered 2011-2012)

Nietzsche claimed that he never had an artistic delight comparable to his experience of reading a Horatian ode. Through close readings of selected odes in Books 1-3 we will seek to experience such delight for ourselves and to learn why, as Nietzsche put it, “what is here achieved is in certain languages not even to be hoped for.” We will examine the relation between poetic landscapes, poetic programs and the poetry’s exploration of subjects like love, friendship, youth and old age, death, politics, private morality; the poet’s capacity to define himself by offering his own account of poetic traditions and his place in them; the variety of voices and perspectives within individual poems and throughout the collection; the demands thereby placed on the poet’s audience and the power of the poetry to transform an audience equal to those demands. It is in terms of this transformational power of poetry that we will consider Horace’s relationship to his contemporaries, particularly Vergil, his patron Maecenas, and Augustus in rewriting Latin. The course will focus on Horace’s transformations of his predecessors to develop the concept of Horace as a consummate “mimic poet.” Evaluation will be based on contributions in the classroom, two 2- to 3-page papers (translation with comments), a short memorization assignment, perhaps a midterm, a final paper, and a final exam. Prerequisites: Latin 302 or permission of instructor. HOPPIN

CLLA 407 Caesar and Cicero (Not offered 2011-2012)

The one a brilliant strategist, the other preeminent in the courts, Caesar and Cicero were both master politicians whose ambitions for themselves and for their country brought them into bitter conflict. Their combined oeuvres provide compelling, detailed accounts of the events and personalities that ended the Roman republic and ushered in an era of prolonged civil war. Moreover, despite striking differences, their works can justifiably be claimed to be the twin summits of classical Latin prose. In this course we will read extensive selections from Caesar’s Commentaries (the bellum Gallicum and bellum Civile) and from Cicero’s speeches and letters, aiming throughout at a better understanding of these authors’ stylistic achievements as well as the pragmatic persuasive goals that drove their rhetoric. Format: recitation/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, several short written assignments (such as article reviews), a midterm exam and essay of moderate length, plus a final exam and longer paper. Prerequisites: Latin 302 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 6-9). WILCOX
CLLA 408 Roman Comedy (Not offered 2011-2012)
Roman comedy flourished only briefly, between the second and third Punic Wars, but its cultural-historical importance is undeniable. In these fabulae palliatae, Latin comedies staged in Greek costume and featuring ostensibly Greek characters, Roman attitudes are questioned and mocked, but ultimately reasserted. We will read the Menaechmi of Plautus and the Adelphi of Terence, two plays that burlesque the stereotypical relationships between fathers, brothers, sons, and slaves. We will also consider selections from Cato the Elder, Cicero’s letters, and other primary and secondary texts that shed additional light on Roman familial relationships and their place in republican society.
Format: discussion/recitation. Evaluation will be based on class participation, several short papers, a midterm and a final exam.
Prerequisites: Latin 302 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 8-10).
WILCOX

CLLA 409(S) Seneca and the Self
Through a close reading of selections from his Dialogues, Epistulæ Morales, and a tragedy (probably Medea), this course will consider ethical and literary dimensions of self-fashioning, self-examination, and the conception of self in the Stoic philosophy of the younger Seneca. The focus of this course lies squarely in the first century CE, and on the analysis of Seneca’s own texts. We will begin, however, with an introduction to the ethics of Roman Stoicism through the persona theory of Panautius as recorded in Cicero’s De Officiis. Moreover, we will read and discuss selections from some of Seneca’s most famous and influential interpreters, including Montaigne and Foucault, in order to enrich our understanding of contemporary assessments of his work and to gain an appreciation of Seneca’s considerable influence on later theorizations of selfhood.
Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, several short written and oral assignments, midterm and final exams, and a final paper.
Prerequisites: Latin 302 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 5-10).
Hour: 1:20-2:25 MR WILCOX

CLLA 412(F) Roman Ethnography
This course explores the development of Roman ethnography from the Late Republic into the early Empire. We will begin by examining how Greek ethnographic accounts of the barbarian “Other” influenced Roman writers of the late Republic, and then move on to assess the impact of Roman imperial ideology on the further development of the genre. Roman ethnographers appealed to popular tropes and ethnic stereotypes that were easily intelligible to their Roman audience. As a result, their writings tell us far less about the foreign peoples and places they claim to describe than about the cultural and political aspirations of the Romans themselves. In addition to reading excerpts, in Latin, from Caesar’s De Bello Gallico, Ovid’s Tristia, and Tacitus’ Agricola, we also will read selections from Catullus, Pliny’s Natural History, and the earliest Roman geographer, Pomponius Mela.
Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, a midterm exam, an 8- to 10-page final paper, and a final exam.
Prerequisites: Latin 302 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 6-9).
Preference given to majors or prospective majors in Classics, History, Art History.
RUBIN

CLASSICS

CLAS 499(FS) Senior Colloquium
This colloquium is required for all senior Classics majors and normally meets every other week for one hour in both the fall and spring semesters. Although required for the Classics major, it is a non-credit course and does not count towards the number of semester courses required for the Classics major or for graduation.
Students must arrange their class schedules so that they can meet on Wednesdays between 12:15 and 1:10.
Hour: 12:00-12:50 W Members of the Department.

CLAS 499(F)-W31, W31-494(S) Senior Thesis
Recommended for all candidates for the degree with honors. This project will normally be of one semester’s duration, in addition to a Winter Study.

CLAS 497(F), 498(S) Independent Study
Students with permission of the department may enroll for independent study on select topics not covered by current course offerings.

COGNITIVE SCIENCE (Div. II)

Chair, Professor KRIS KIRBY

Advisory Committee: Professors: DANYLUK, KIRBY, H. WILLIAMS**, ZAKI, Associate Professor: CRUZ**, Assistant Professor: KORNELL.

Cognitive science is concerned with how humans, non-human animals, and computers acquire, process and use information. As an interdisciplinary field it combines research and theory from computer science (e.g., artificial intelligence), cognitive psychology, philosophy, linguistics, and neuroscience, and to some extent evolutionary biology, math, and anthropology. Complex issues of cognition are not easily addressed using traditional intra-disciplinary tools. Cognitive scientists in any discipline typically employ a collection of many research and modeling tools from across traditional disciplinary boundaries. Thus the methods and research agenda of cognitive science are broader than those of any of the fields that have traditionally contributed to cognitive science. The Cognitive Science Program is designed to provide students with the broad interdisciplinary foundation needed to approach issues of cognition.

THE CONCENTRATION

The concentration in Cognitive Science consists of six courses, including an introductory course, four electives, and a senior seminar.
Minds, Brains, and Intelligent Behavior (COGS 222) is the entry point into the concentration, and provides an interdisciplinary perspective on issues of cognition. Ideally, it should be taken before the end of the sophomore year. Emphasis, during the highly interdisciplinary nature of the field, the four electives must be distributed over at least three course prefixes. In the fall of the senior year, concentrators will participate in a senior seminar (COGS 493).

REQUIRED COURSES

COGS/PHIL/PSPC 222 Minds, Brains, and Intelligent Behavior: An Introduction to Cognitive Science
COGS 493 Senior Seminar

ELECTIVES

Four electives are required, chosen from at least three prefixes, at most two of which can be at the 100 level.
CSCI 108 Artificial Intelligence: Image and Reality
CSCI 361 Theory of Computation
CSCI 375 Artificial Intelligence
CSCI 374 Machine Learning
NSCI 201/BIOL/PSPC 212 Neuroscience
PHIL 200 Philosophy of Language and Philosophy of Mind
PHIL 331 Epistemology
PHIL 388T Consciousness
PSYC 221 Cognitive Psychology
PSYC 322 Concepts: Mind, Brain, and Culture
PSYC 324T Great Debates in Cognition
PSYC 326 Choice and Decision Making
PSYC 327 Optimizing Learning and Memory
REL/PHIL 288 Embodied Mind: A Cross-Cultural Exploration

RECOMMENDED

The following courses are recommended for students seeking a richer background in cognitive science. These will not count as electives for the cognitive science concentration.
BIOL 204 Animal Behavior
BIOL/NSCI 209T Animal Communication
BIOL 305 Evolution
LING 230/PHIL 131 Introduction to Logic and Semantics
MATH 211 Linear Algebra

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THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN COGNITIVE SCIENCE

Formal admission to candidacy for honors will occur at the end of the fall semester of the senior year and will be based on promising performance in COGS 493. This program will consist of COGS W31-494(S), and will be supervised by members of the advisory committee from at least two departments. Presentation of a thesis, however, should not be interpreted as a guarantee of a degree with honors.

STUDY ABROAD

Students who wish to discuss plans for study abroad are invited to meet with any member of the Cognitive Science advisory committee.

COGS 222(F) Minds, Brains, and Intelligent Behavior: An Introduction to Cognitive Science (Same as Philosophy 222 and Psychology 222)

This course will emphasize interdisciplinary approaches to the study of intelligent systems, both natural and artificial. Cognitive science synthesizes research from cognitive psychology, computer science, linguistics, neuroscience, and contemporary philosophy. Special attention will be given to the philosophical foundations of cognitive science, representation and computation in symbolic and connectionist architectures, concept acquisition, problem solving, perception, language, semantics, reasoning, and artificial intelligence.

Prerequisites: required of, and open only to, senior cognitive science concentrators (though in unusual circumstances non-concentrators may take the class with permission of the advisory committee). COGS 101, COGS 102, or Psychology 222.

Format: seminar or tutorial, depending on enrollment. Requirements: several short assignments, final paper, attendance and participation.

Students will be responsible for presentations on the assigned readings, and for the development of a final paper involving independent research. Format: seminar or tutorial, depending on enrollment. Requirements: several short assignments, final paper, attendance and participation.


Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR KIRBY

KIRBY

COGS 493(F) Senior Seminar

The goal of the cognitive science senior seminar is threefold. Firstly, we will revisit the foundations of cognitive research by reading some of the classics that established the field in the middle of the 20th century. Secondly, we will engage current research trends in cognitive studies by looking at work published in the last five years on cognitive neuroscience, embodied cognition, dynamic systems theory, empirical approaches to consciousness, and situated robotics. In addition to attending to the specific empirical details of this latter work, we will also discuss how current research elaborates, expands, and sharpens early conceptions of the domain and methodology of cognitive science. Our final goal will be the preparation of individual research papers by members of the class. These will be on topics determined in collaboration with the instructor. Students will be responsible for presentations on the assigned readings, and for the development of a final paper involving independent research.

Format: seminar or tutorial, depending on enrollment. Requirements: several short assignments, final paper, attendance and participation.

Prerequisites: required of, and open only to, senior cognitive science concentrators (though in unusual circumstances non-concentrators may take the class with permission of the cognitive science advisory committee). Enrollmen limit: number of senior concentrators.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 W KIRBY

KIRBY

COGS W31-494(S) Senior Thesis

The senior concentrator, having completed the senior seminar and with approval from the advisory committee, may devote winter study and the spring semester to a senior thesis based on the fall research project.

COGS 497(F), 498(S) Independent Study

COMPARATIVE LITERATURE (Div. I)

Chair; Associate Professor CHRISTOPHER BOLTON

Comparative Literature (Div. I) Chair, Associate Professor CHRISTOPHER BOLTON


Students motivated by a desire to study literary art in the broadest sense of the term will find an intellectual home in the Program in Comparative Literature. The Program in Comparative Literature gives students the opportunity to develop their critical faculties through the analysis of literature across cultures, and through the exploration of literary and critical theory. By crossing national, linguistic, historical, and disciplinary boundaries, students of Comparative Literature learn to read texts for the ways they make meaning, the assumptions that underlie that meaning, and the aesthetic elements evinced in the making. Students of Comparative Literature are encouraged to examine the widest range of literary communication, including the metamorphosis of genres, forms, and themes.

Whereas specific literature programs allow the student to trace the development of one literature in a particular culture over a period of time, Comparative Literature juxtaposes the writings of different cultures and epochs in a variety of ways. Because interpretive methods from other disciplines play a crucial role in investigating literature’s larger context, the Program offers courses intended for students in all divisions of the college and of all interests. These include courses that introduce students to the comparative study of world literature and courses designed to enhance any foreign language major in the Williams curriculum. In addition, the Program offers courses in literary theory that illuminate the study of texts of all sorts. Note: The English Department allows students to count one course with a COMP prefix as an elective within the English major.

The Program supports two distinct majors: Comparative Literature and Literary Studies. The major in Comparative Literature requires advanced work in at least one language other than English and is strongly recommended for students contemplating graduate study in the discipline. Both majors provide a strong basis for any career demanding analytical, interpretive, and evaluative skills and allow the student, within a framework of general requirements, to create a program of study primarily shaped by the student’s own interests.

MAJORS

Comparative Literature

The Comparative Literature major combines the focused study of a single national–language literature with a wide–ranging exploration of literary forms across national, linguistic, and historical boundaries. Each student declaring the major must select a single foreign language as his or her specialty, although the serious study of literature in foreign languages other than the student’s specialty is strongly encouraged. The languages currently available are French, German, Ancient Greek, Latin, Russian, and Spanish. Each student should choose a faculty advisor with whom the student will meet each semester to discuss how best to fulfill the requirements for the major.

Eleven courses are required for the major (at least 1 course needs to be writing intensive);

Comparative Literature 110 Introduction to Comparative Literature OR Comparative Literature 111 The Nature of Narrative

Any three comparative literature core courses. A core course is any course that meets at least one of the following criteria: a) it must be genuinely comparative across cultures and/or b) it must primarily treat literary theory. The three core courses may be chosen from the offerings of the Program in Comparative Literature or from the offerings of other departments and programs, including, but not limited to, the foreign language programs and English, Religion, Africana Studies, Latino/Latina Studies, and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies. Examples of core courses include the following (please be aware that this is not an exhaustive list; consult with a major advisor about which courses may count as cores):

COMP 104 Critical Approaches to Theater and Performance

COMP 117 Introduction to Cultural Theory

COMP 205 The Book of Job and Joban Literature

COMP 222 Comparative Middle Eastern and Latin American Cultural Studies

COMP 227 Writing Translation

COMP 227 Gender and Desire 1200–1600

COMP 243 Modern Women Writers and the City

COMP 249T Philosophy and Narrative Fiction

COMP 313 Gender, Race, Beauty in the Age of Transnational Media

COMP 329 The Contemporary World Novel

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Students should complete core course requirements by the end of their junior year.

Three literature courses in the student’s specialty language, in which texts are read in the original. At least one of the three must be above the 200-level.

Students who are considering a major in Comparative Literature should aim to acquire intermediate-level proficiency in their specialty language by the end of the sophomore year.

Three courses in which most of the course work concerns literature other than that of the student’s specialty language or literary theory. These courses may be selected from Comparative Literature offerings or from other departments and must be approved by the student’s major advisor. Only one may be in English or American literature.

Comparative Literature 401 Senior Seminar (variable topics)—Students are expected to take the version of 401 offered in their senior year.

Students pursuing the Comparative Literature major are strongly encouraged to study abroad during their junior year and may receive major credit for up to 4 courses taken during study abroad. At least three courses towards the major must be at the 300 level or above. At least one of the courses counted toward the major must be Writing Intensive.

Literary Studies

The Literary Studies major allows for a wide-ranging exploration of literary forms across national, linguistic, and historical boundaries. Unlike the major in Comparative Literature, the Literary Studies major does not require the student to choose a specialty language, although the serious study of literature in one or more foreign languages is strongly encouraged. Each student should choose a faculty advisor, with whom the student will meet each semester to discuss how best to fulfill the requirements for the major.

Eleven courses are required for the major:

Comparative Literature 111 The Nature of Narrative OR Comparative Literature 110 Introduction to Comparative Literature

Any four comparative literature core courses. A core course is any course that meets the following criteria: a) it must treat primarily literature and b) it must be genuinely comparative across cultures and/or primarily theoretical. The three core courses may be chosen from the offerings of the Program in Comparative Literature or from the offerings of other departments and programs, including the foreign language programs and English, Religion, African Studies, and Latino/Latina Studies. See above under "Comparative Literature" for some examples of core courses. This list is not exhaustive, and each student should consult with a major advisor when choosing cores. Students who are considering a major in Literary Studies should aim to complete core course requirements by the end of their junior year.

Five courses devoted to literature or literary theory that cover at least three different national/cultural traditions. The courses may be selected from Comparative Literature offerings or from other departments and must be approved by the student’s major advisor. Of the courses taken outside of the Program in Comparative Literature, no more than two may have the same course prefix. Students are strongly encouraged to include courses in a foreign language among these five.

Comparative Literature 401 Senior Seminar (variable topics)—Students are expected to take the version of 401 offered in their senior year.

Students who choose to study abroad during their junior year may receive major credit for up to 4 courses taken during study abroad. At least three courses towards the major must be at the 300 level or above. At least one of the courses counted toward the major must be Writing Intensive.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN COMPARATIVE LITERATURE OR LITERARY STUDIES

Prerequisites

Honors candidates in Comparative Literature or Literary Studies are required to have maintained a GPA of 3.5 in the major to qualify for submitting a thesis proposal. In addition, candidates must demonstrate a strong interest in a specific topic for which an appropriate faculty advisor will be available in the senior year.

Timing

Students wishing to pursue a thesis in Comparative Literature or Literary Studies are strongly urged to secure an advisor by the end of the week after Spring Break in their junior year. By May 15th of their junior year, candidates must submit to the Program Advisory Committee a one- to two-page proposal and a preliminary bibliography. The Advisory Committee will inform candidates by June 1 whether they may proceed with the thesis and advise them about any changes that should be made in the focus or scope of the project. The summer before the senior year will be spent compiling a more detailed bibliography and preparing for the process of writing the thesis.

In their senior year, candidates will devote two semesters and the winter study period to their theses (493-W31-494). By the end of the Fall semester, students will normally have undertaken substantial research and produced the draft of at least the first half of the project. At this point students should also have a clear sense of the work remaining for completion of the thesis. In the course of the Fall semester, students will also have chosen and met with a second reader for the project, who will provide additional guidance and read the final thesis. By the end of Winter Study, students should have completed a draft of the entire project. At that time, the Comparative Literature Advisory Committee, together with the advisor, will determine whether the project may continue as an Honors Thesis, or whether its first portions (COMP 493-W) will be graded as Independent Studies.

The second semester of independent thesis work will be spent revising as necessary. The completed thesis in its final form will be due one week before the last day of classes. At the end of the Spring term, the student will make a public presentation of the final project, to which members of the Advisory Committee will be specially invited.

Characteristics of the Thesis, Evaluation, and Major Credit

The topic of the thesis must be comparative and/or theoretical. It is also possible to write a thesis that consists of an original translation of a significant text or texts; in this case, a theoretical apparatus must accompany the translation. The complete thesis must be at least 50 and at most 75 pages in length, excluding the bibliography.

The advisor will assign the grades for the thesis courses (COMP 493-W-494); the Advisory Committee will determine whether a candidate will receive Honors, Highest Honors, or no honors.

For students who pursue an honors thesis, the total number of courses required for the major-including the thesis course (COMP 493-W-494)—is 12, i.e., one of the thesis courses may substitute for one elective.

STUDY ABROAD

The Program in Comparative Literature strongly urges its students to study abroad. Students who have Comparative Literature as a major should seriously consider study abroad in a country where their specialty language is spoken; they will likely be able to complete some of the specialty language courses required for the major during study abroad. Literary Studies students can also benefit from study abroad; literature courses from abroad are often candidates for credit as major electives.

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<td>COMP 110(S)</td>
<td>Introduction to Comparative Literature (Same as English 241)</td>
<td>Comparative literature involves reading and analyzing literature that spans a range of different times, cultures, and media. In this class we will study English translations of texts that belong to several important literary traditions: Japanese, Chinese, and Greek classics; 19th-century Russian, French, and German fiction; and visual texts from oil painting to graphic novels, video games, and film. Throughout the course we will consider what it means to think about all these different</td>
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works as literary texts. To help with this, we will also read some representative works of literary theory that have tried to define literature in abstract or philosophical terms. Assignments will focus on close reading of relatively short texts by authors like Horner, Sei Shōnagon, Wu Chêng en, Kleist, Tolstoy, Zola, Maupassant, Wilde, Shklovsky, Bakhtin, Borges, Mannet, and Bechdel. All readings will be in English.

Format: lecture with some discussion.
Requirements: regular attendance, ungraded creative project, a few 1-page response assignments, and two 5- to 7-page papers.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 25). Preference given to students considering a major in comparative literature or literary studies.

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

COMP 111(F) The Nature of Narrative (Same as English 120) (W)

In this course, we will read first-rate fiction by first-rate writers from a wide variety of traditions and eras in an effort to understand the meaning of narrative. How does narrative technique shape our understanding of a given text? In what ways and for what purposes do authors create different narrators to present a story? Our texts will include writings from Antiquity, and by Cervantes, Goethe, Kleist, Gogol, Kafka, Nabokov, Woolf, and Mishima. We will accompany these texts with pertinent theoretical pieces by, among others, Aristotle, Plato, Benjamin, and Foucault. All readings in English.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: active class participation, several short papers, and a final 10-page paper.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to students considering a major in Comparative Literature or Literary Studies and currently studying a foreign language.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

COMP 117(F) Introduction to Cultural Theory (Same as English 117) (W)

(See under ENGL 117 for full description.)

THORNE

COMP 134 Myth in Music (Same as Music 134) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

(See under MUS 134 for full description.)

M. HIRSCH

COMP 139(S) Metafiction (Same as English 139) (W)

(See under ENGL 139 for full description.)

ROSENEIM

COMP 152(F) Japanese Film (Same as Japanese 152)

An introduction to Japanese film organized around major directors. The course will cover early masters like Ozu, Mizoguchi, and Kurosawa; New Wave directors of the 1960s and 1970s; and a few contemporary figures like Kitano “Beat” Takeshi. We will also consider popular genres like swordplay films, J-Horror, and anime, focusing on several directors whose work seems to borrow equally from genre film and the artistic avant-garde. All texts are translated or subtitled in English.

Format: lecture with some discussion. Requirements: regular attendance in class and at weekly evening screenings, weekly readings in film theory and criticism, and several short response assignments, plus two short papers and an in-class exam.

No prerequisites. No enrollment limit (expected: 25).

Hour: 7:00-9:40 p.m. M and 1:10-2:25 TF

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COMP 200 European Modernism—and Its Discontents (Not offered 2011-2012)

What is/was Modernism? An artistic movement? A new dynamic and sensibility? A transformative response to changed conditions? All these and more! This course will attempt to deal with such issues via examination of certain key works spanning the years 1850-1930. Topics to be considered: the rise of industrial capitalism and the literary market, advances in science and technology, urban alienation and social conflict, anti-“bourgeois” stances, the displacement of religion, the fragmented self, the proliferation of multiple perspectives, the breaks with the past and privileging of the present, and the horrors of war. To be studied: poetry by Baudelaire, Yeats, and Neruda; prose fiction by Dostoevsky, Kafka, Proust, Joyce, and Woolf; drama by Pirandello; Futurist and Surrealist manifestoes; German Expressionist films; and theoretical writings by Marx, Freud, Nietzsche, Ortega y Gasset, and Benjamin. In addition, select portions of Bell-Villada’s Art for Art’s Sake and Literary Life and Peter Gay’s Modernism will serve as general background to the course. All readings in English.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: class participation, brief weekly journals, one class presentation, three 6-page papers, a mid-term, and a final.

No prerequisites; first-year students must consult with the instructor before registering for this course. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20). Preference given to students considering a major in Comparative Literature or Literary Studies.

BELL-VILLADA

COMP 201(F) The Hebrew Bible (Same as Jewish Studies 201 and Religion 201)

(See under REL 201 for full description.)

DEKEL

COMP 202(S) Modern Drama (Same as English 202 and Theatre 229)

(See under ENGL 202 for full description.)

PETHICA

COMP 203(F) 19th-Century Russian Literature in Translation (Same as Russian 203)

(See under RUSS 203 for full description.)

SECKLER

COMP 204 Twentieth-Century Russian Literature: Manuscripts Don’t Burn (Same as Russian 204) (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under RUSS 204 for full description.)

VAN DE STADT

COMP 205 The Latin-American Novel in Translation (Same as Spanish 205)

(See under RSLP 205 for full description.)

BELL-VILLADA

COMP 206 The Book of Job and Joban Literature (Same as Jewish Studies 206 and Religion 206) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

(See under REL 206 for full description.)

DEKEL

COMP 207(T) Tolstoy: The Major Novels (Same as Russian 210T) (W)

(See under RUSS 210 for full description.)

CASSIDAY

COMP 208 The Culture of Carnival (Same as Theatre 205) (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under THEA 205 for full description.)

BROTHERS

COMP 209 The Legend of the Wandering Jew (Same as Jewish Studies 209 and Religion 209) (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under REL 209 for full description.)

DEKEL

COMP 210(S) Latina/o Language and Literature: Hybrid Voices (Same as American Studies 240 and Latina/o Studies 240) (D)

(See under LATS 240 for full description.)

CEPEDA

COMP 211(S) Terrorism and Literature (W)

Terrorism is distinctly related to literature in that text is often the primary form in which the motives of terrorists are conveyed to the public and the way in which many people contextualize trauma and create cultural memory. The ten–year anniversary of 9/11 will provide an opportunity for students to revisit the attacks through literature and read texts pertaining to 9/11 by al–Qaeda, major news sources, and novels by authors such as Jonathan Safran Foer and Don DeLillo. Students will also have the opportunity to see how terrorism and the cultural memory of terrorism is approached in different countries with a focus on Germany and the Red Army Faction (RAF) and texts by former RAF members, by major news sources, and by authors such as Heinrich Böll, Peter Schneider, Stefan Aust, Erin Cosgrove, and Bernhard Schlink.

Format: seminar. Requirements: frequent short writing assignments, final oral presentation that will be revised into final paper.

No prerequisites. No enrollment limit (expected: 25).

Hour: 7:00-9:40 p.m. M and 1:10-2:25 TF

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Theorists of the postmodern have argued that it represents not only a radical flattening of the distinction between high and low culture as well as between the written and the visual, so we will also examine examples from other cultures better (by locating them within a single universal system), or whether this approach conceals important cultural differences. Texts will include essays by Jean Baudrillard, Fredric Jameson, Jean-François Lyotard, and others; novels and short stories by writers like Don DeLillo, Jorge Luis Borges, Italo Calvino, and Murakami Haruki; painting and sculpture associated with Pop Art and Superflat; the architecture of Williamstown area museums; etc. Writing assignments will focus on reading the theoretical texts critically and applying their ideas to the artistic texts in creative and interesting ways. Open to sophomores as well as advanced students.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: After an introductory lecture meeting, students will meet with the instructor in pairs for approximately an hour each week; they will write a 5-page paper every other week (five in all), and respond to their partners' papers in alternate weeks. Emphasis will be on understanding and engaging the criticism that we read, and comparing the critical and fictional texts creatively in a way that sheds light on both.

Prerequisites: a 100-level literature course (Comparative Literature, English, etc.) and sophomore standing or higher, or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Priority will be given to students majoring in a discipline related to critical theory (or considering such a major) and those with a demonstrated interest in the material.

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COMP 232(F) 20th-Century Korea Through Fiction and Film (Same as Asian Studies 232) (See under ASST 232 for full description.)

FLOYD

COMP 233 Introduction to Classical Arabic Literature (Same as Arabic 233) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
(See under ARAB 233 for full description.)

VARGAS

COMP 234 Modern Japanese and Korean Literature in Comparative Perspective (Same as Asian Studies 234) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under ASST 234 for full description.)

FLOYD

COMP 235 China on Screen (Same as Chinese 235) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under CHIN 235 for full description.)

NUGENT

COMP 237(F) Gender and Desire 1200-1600 (Same as English 237 and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 237) (W) (D)
(See under ENGL 237 for full description.)

KNOPP

COMP 238(S) Comedy/Tragedy (Same as English 235) (W)
(See under ENGL 235 for full description.)

KLEINER

COMP 239(S) The Novel in Theory (Same as English 240) (W)
(See under ENGL 240 for full description.)

MCWEENY

COMP 240(S) Introduction to Literary Theory (Same as English 230) (W)
(See under ENGL 230 for full description.)

DAVIS

COMP 241(F) Performing Race: From Shakespeare to Spike Lee (Same as Africana Studies 241 and Theatre 241) (D)
(See under THEA 241 for full description.)

P. ERICKSON

COMP 242T Reading and Writing the Body (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
Am I a body, or do I have one? The tradition of favoring thought over physical experience has long informed, and limited, our sense of self as human beings. While some writers maintain that the creative impulse is a gift of the muse and that it is rooted entirely in the mind or spirit, there are those for whom the human body, frequently their own, plays a central role, both in the process of creation and as a subject of artistic inquiry or contemplation. In their writing, these authors tell a very different tale with regard to the literary process, and it is focused on the primacy of the physical experience. This course will consider the work of, among others, Maupassant, Kafka, Tanizaki, Tolstoy, Dinesen, Babel, Mandelstam, and Atwood in order to examine how writers from different cultural and aesthetic perspectives either present or use the body as a vehicle of expression. We will also consider other areas of study that are intimately related to the physical experience, such as asceticism, illness, prostitution, and disability, and occasionally turn our attention to other art forms.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: weekly one-hour sessions with the instructor and a fellow student. Every other week the student will write and present orally a 5-6 page paper on the assigned readings for that week. On alternate weeks the student will write and present a 2-page critique of the fellow student’s paper. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference will be given to majors in Comparative Literature.

VAN DE STADT

COMP 243(S) formerly 252 Modern Women Writers and the City (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 252) Ambivalence has always been a vital part of literary responses to city life. Whether they praise the city or blame it, women writers react to the urban environment in a significantly different way from men. While male writers have often emphasized alienation and strangeness, women writers have celebrated the mobility and public life of the city as liberating. We will look at issues of women’s work, class politics, sexual freedom or restriction, rituals of consumption, the conservation of memory by architecture, and community-building in cities like London, New York, Berlin, Paris. We will examine novels and short stories about the modern city by writers as diverse as Virginia Woolf, Gertrude Stein, Anzia Yezierska, Ann Petry, Jean Rhys, Marguerite Duras, Margaret Drabble Ntozake Shange, Verena Stefan, Jumpa Lahiri and Edwidge Danticat. We will consider theoretical approaches to urban spaces by feminists (Beatriz Colomina, Elizabeth Wilson), architectural historians (Christine Boyer) and anthropologists and sociologists (Janet Abu-Lughod, David Sibley, Michael Sorkin). Several contemporary films will be discussed. All readings in English.

Format: lecture and discussion. Requirements: two short papers and one final paper. Prerequisites: Comparative Literature 111 or a 100-level English course. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 20).

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

DRUXES

COMP 248(S) The Modern Theatre: Plays and Performance (Same as English 234 and Theatre 248)
(See under THEA 248 for full description.)

BAKER-WHITE and ERICKSON

COMP 250 From Adam to Noah: Literary Imagination and the Primeval History in Genesis (Same as Classics 207, Jewish Studies 207 and Religion 207) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under REL 207 for full description.)

DEKEL

COMP 252 The Masks of Japanese Literature (Same as Japanese 252) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
From the masks of the noh theater to science fiction fantasies of plastic surgery and cyborg identity, this course examines the device of the mask in modern Japanese fiction, as well as some of its premodern antecedents. The fictional masks we will look at range from the traditional to the technological, from the physical to the purely psychological. But all of them are used by the authors to explore the nature of identity, and the significance of concealing or revealing the self, either in fiction or face to face. This course considers diversity by giving careful thought to the nature of personal and cultural identity, and to how different individuals express those identities through language. Readings will include modern novels and short stories by Abe Kôbô, Enchi Fumiko, Endô Shûsaku, Kurahashi Yûniko, Mishima Yukio, Tanizaki Jun’ichirô, and Oscar Wilde. Visual texts will include noh and puppet theater, avant-garde film by Teshigahara Hiroshi, comics by Tezuka Osamu, and animation by Oshii Mamoru. The class and the readings are in English. No familiarity with Japanese language or culture is required.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: in-class exam, ungraded creative project, and two short papers (5-7 pages each) emphasizing original, creative, and convincing readings of the class texts.
No prerequisites. No enrollment limit (expected: 15).

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COMP 255(S) Love and Death in Modern Japanese Literature (Same as Japanese 255) (D)
The initial thing that surprises many first-time readers of modern Japanese fiction is its striking similarity to Western fiction. But equally surprising are the intriguing differences that lie concealed within that sameness. This course investigates Japanese culture and compares it with our own by reading Japanese fiction about two universal human experiences—love and death—and asking what inflections Japanese writers give these ideas in their work. The course begins with tales of doomed lovers that were popular in the eighteenth century kabuki and puppet theaters, and that still feature prominently in Japanese popular culture, from comics to TV dramas. From there we move on to novels and films that examine a range of other relationships between love and death, including parental love and sacrifice, martyrdom and love of country, sex and the occult, and romance at an advanced age. We will read novels and short stories by canonical modern authors like Tanizaki, Kawabata, and Mishima as well as more contemporary fiction by writers like Murakami Haruki; we will also look at some visual literature, including puppet theater, comics, animation, and Japanese New Wave film.

The class and the readings are in English. No familiarity with Japanese language or culture is required.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: in-class exam, ungraded creative project, and two short papers (5-7 pages each) emphasizing original, creative, and convincing readings of the class texts.
No prerequisites. No enrollment limit (expected: 15).

Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF

COMP 256T Crises and Critiques: The Literature and Intellectual History of Early 20th Century China (Same as Chinese 251T and History 215T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)
(See under CHIN 251 for full description.)

NUGENT
COMP 257  Baghdad (Same as Arabic 257) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under ARAB 257 for full description.) VARGAS

COMP 259T  Adultery in the Nineteenth-Century Novel (Same as English 261T and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 259T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
In this tutorial, we will read five novels written between 1850 and 1899, all of which focus on the figure of the adulteress: Nathaniel Hawthorne's The Scarlet Letter (1850), Gustave Flaubert's Madame Bovary (1856), Lev Tolstoy's Anna Karenina (1873-77), Theodor Fontane's Effi Briest (1894), and Kate Chopin's The Awakening (1899). For each week of class, students will read one of these primary texts, as well as a selection of secondary literature that will allow us to understand, over the course of the semester, how and why the adulteress played a key role in the cultural imagination of Europe and the United States during this time. Students will meet with the professor in pairs, with one student from each pair writing a 5-page paper for each class session. All works not originally written in English will be read in English translation.
Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on completion of weekly reading and writing assignments, active engagement during tutorial sessions, and completion of a final synthetic writing assignment.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference will be given to students who have already taken at least one course devoted to literature at Williams. CASSDAY

COMP 260  Reading Reading: An Introduction to the Qur'an and Islam (Same as Religion 230) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
(See under REL 230 for full description.) DARROW

COMP 261  Japanese Theatre and its Contemporary Context (Same as Japanese 260) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
(See under JAPN 260 for full description.) KAGAYA

COMP 262  Outlaws and Underworlds: Arabic Literature of the Margins (Same as Arabic 262) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
(See under ARAB 262 for full description.) NAAMAN

COMP 264  Japanese Literature and the End of the World (Same as Japanese 254) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
From the endemic warfare of the medieval era to the atomic bombing and the violent explosion of technology in the last century, the end of the world is an idea which has occupied a central place in almost every generation of Japanese literature. Paradoxically, the spectacle of destruction has given birth to some of the most beautiful, most moving, and most powerfully thrilling literature in the Japanese tradition. Texts may be drawn from medieval war narratives like The Tale of the Heike; World War II fiction and films by Buse Masuj, Inamura Shôhei, and Ichikawa Kon; fantasy and science fiction novels by Abe Kôbô, Murakami Haruki and Murakami Ryû; and apocalyptic comics and animation by Oshii Mamoru, Ôtomo Katsuhiro and Takahata Isao. The class and the readings are in English; no familiarity with Japanese language or culture is required.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: in-class exam, ungraded creative project, and a few short response assignments, plus two 5- to 7-page papers emphasizing original, creative readings of the literary texts.
No prerequisites. No enrollment limit (expected: 15). C. BOLTON

COMP 266  Confession and Deception in Japanese Literature (Same as Japanese 256) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
Situated at the origins of Japanese literature are the beautiful and revealing diaries of ladies in waiting of the tenth-century imperial court. Since that time, Japanese literary tradition has placed great value on confessional writing of many kinds, from Sei Shônagon's classical Pillow Book and the haiku master Basho's eighteenth-century travel diaries to postwar autobiographical fiction by writers like Mishima and Tanizaki. The source of interest in many of these texts lies in their combination of self-revelation and concealment or deception. This course asks what it meant for these authors to write from their own experience, and also what new things we can reveal in their work by writing about it ourselves. The class and the readings are in English; no familiarity with Japanese language or culture is required.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: in-class exam, ungraded creative project, and a few short response assignments, plus two 5- to 7-page papers emphasizing original, creative readings of the literary texts.
No prerequisites. No enrollment limit (expected: 15). C. BOLTON

COMP 270  Performing Greece and Rome (Same as Classics 262 and Theatre 262) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
(See under CLAS 262 for full description.) HOPPIN and BUCKY

COMP 269  Transitional Japanese Literature into the Twentieth Century (Same as Japanese 271) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
(See under JAPN 271 for full description.) KAGAYA

COMP 271  Religion and the Modern Literary Imagination (Same as English 271 and Religion 271) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
(See under REL 271 for full description.) HAMMERSCHLAG

COMP 272  Literature of the Americas: Transnational Dialogues on Race, Violence and Nation-Building (Same as American Studies 256, Latina/o Studies 272 and Spanish 272) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)
This course will present some of the methodologies and issues involved in studying the literature of the American hemisphere, with particular emphasis on the dialogue between US and Spanish American writers in the 19th century. Then as now, some of Latin America's most important intellectuals were profoundly affected by the experience of living in the US, and their influential formulations of Latin American identity reflect their ambivalence towards the northern neighbor that was both enervously successful and alarmingly imperialistic with regard to the rest of the hemisphere. Reading Domingo F. Sarmento, José Martí, and other Spanish American authors in dialogue with Emerson, Whitman and the like, we will examine the various and intertwined ways in which American writers from both North and South of the Río Grande addressed questions of fundamental importance to the new nations of the Americas, including the legacies of slavery and colonial violence, the scope of democracy and women's participation in it, the link between geography and national identity, and the nature of inter-American relations. This course fulfills the EDI requirement by challenging students to engage in a comparative study of the US and Latin American societies, focusing on the ways that political events and decisions in the US have affected Latin American lives and the ways that Latin American writers (and their audiences) have viewed the US. Conducted in English.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: regular class attendance and participation, three 5- to 7-pages papers and shorter writing assignments.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). (Cultural Studies) FRENCH

COMP 275  Russian and Soviet Cinema (Same as Russian 275) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
(See under RUSS 275 for full description.) CASSIDAY

COMP 278  Premodern Japanese Literature and Performance (Same as Japanese 276) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
(See under JAPN 276 for full description.) KAGAYA

COMP 283(S)  Great Big Books (Same as English 233) (Gateway) (W)
(See under ENGL 233 for full description.) TIFFT

COMP 294(T)  Philosophy and Narrative Fiction (Same as Philosophy 294) (W)
(See under PHIL 294 for full description.) MLADENOVIC

COMP 300(S)  Shakespeare and Freud (Same as English 302)
(See under ENGL 302 for full description.) BUNDTZEN
COMP 301  Word Virus: Cultural Theory after the Linguistic Turn (Same as Religion 301) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under REL 301 for full description.)

COMP 302T(S)  Latino Writing: Literature by U.S. Hispanics (Same as Spanish 306T) (W) (See under RSLP 306 for full description.)

COMP 303(S)  Cities of the Anglophone Chinese Imagination (Same as American Studies 305, Asian Studies 305 and English 374) (D) (See under AMST 305 for full description.)

COMP 306  Dostoevsky: The Development of his Literature and Ideas (Same as Russian 305) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under RUSS 305 for full description.)

COMP 307  Tolstoy and His Age (Same as Russian 306) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under RUSS 306 for full description.)

COMP 308  Everyday Life in Literature and Film (Not offered 2011-2012) To bring the all too familiar everyday to our attention, artists and writers have made it strange. What happens when we view everyday life from elsewhere? While everyday culture has often been experienced as repressive and alienating in modern Western societies, a new importance assigned to everyday life made it the frontier upon which the avant-garde of the twenties and in contemporary China. The contours of the everyday are deftly vague, and it always exceeds theorizing. For instance, is its privileged place the street or the home? Is it lived largely in institutions that regulate our daily lives, or is it lived between and outside them? Everyday objects and commodities like the potato, the postcard, the car, clothes, housing, etc., will be analyzed. Fiction by Leo Tolstoy, Franz Kafka, Georges Perec, Manil Sari, Ha Jin, and Banana Yoshimoto. Films by Chantal Akerman, Pedro Almodovar, Benoit Jaquot, and Pierre Jeunet. Art projects that transform the everyday will also be discussed, including those of Sophie Calle, Mary Kelley, Mieke Lademann Uckes, and Christine Hill. Short theoretical excerpts from Freud, Knacauer, Goffman, Leebrevy, de Beauvoir, Friedan, Debord, Foucault, and Bourdieu. All works not originally in English will be read in English translation.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on two short oral reports on everyday objects and their history, two 3- to 5-page papers, and a 10- to 12-page final paper or creative project.

Prerequisites: one 200-level literature course. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 10). Preference will be given to students majoring in Comparative Literature and Literary Studies.

DRUXES

COMP 309T  Exile, Homecoming and the Promised Land (Same as Jewish Studies 491T and Religion 289T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D) (See under REL 289 for full description.)

COMP 310T(S)  Storm and Stress and More (Same as German 310) (W) (See under GERM 310 for full description.)

COMP 311(F)  New Soviet Man and His Discontents (Same as Russian 309 and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 309) (D) (See under RUSS 309 for full description.)

COMP 312(F)  Francographic Islands (Same as Africana Studies 312 and French 312) (D) (See under RLFR 312 for full description.)

COMP 313  Gender, Race, Beauty, and Power in the Age of Transnational Media (Same as American Studies 313, Latina/o Studies 313 and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 313) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (See under LATS 313 for full description.)

COMP 315(F)  Medieval East and West: Travel, Holy War, Storytelling (Same as Arabic 303 and English 303) (D) (See under ENGL 303 for full description.)

COMP 316(S)  Inscrutable Evil, or the Transformative Horror Film (Same as English 318) (W) (See under ENGL 318 for full description.)

COMP 317(S)  Dante (Same as English 304) (See under ENGL 304 for full description.)

COMP 318  Twentieth-Century Novel: From Adversity to Modernity (Same as French 318) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under RLFR 318 for full description.)

COMP 319(S)  Black Migrations: African American Performance at Home and Abroad (Same as Africana Studies 317, Dance 317, English 317 and Theatre 317) (See under AFR 317 for full description.)

COMP 320T  Enchantment and the Origins of Poetry (Same as CLGR 410T and Classics 320T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (See under CLAS 320T for full description.)

COMP 321(F)  Groovin' the Written Word: The Role of Music in African American Literature (Same as Africana Studies 314, American Studies 314, English 314 and Music 214) (See under AFR 314 for full description.)

COMP 333T(F)  Narrative Strategies (Same as ArtS 333) (See under ARTS 333 for full description.)

COMP 335(S)  Manners, Modernity, and the Novel (Same as English 335) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D) (See under ENGL 335 for full description.)

COMP 338  Popular Culture and the Dynamics of the Everyday (Same as American Studies 339 and Latina/o Studies 338) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D) (See under LATS 338 for full description.)

COMP 340(F)  Literature and Psychoanalysis (Same as English 363) (W) The British psychoanalyst D. W. Winnicott once wrote: "It is a joy to be hidden, and a disaster not to be found." This course will explore the many ways in which writing enacts this paradox, examining in the process several main strands of psychoanalytic thought in relation to literature that precedes, accompanies, and follows it in history. Approximately the first three-fourths of the course will involve close readings of theoretical and literary texts, which will be shared in a seminar format. In the latter portion of the course, students will work with each other and with the instructor on analyzing the processes of reading and writing as they produce original psychoanalytic readings of texts of their choice. All readings in English.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: active engagement with the material and with each other; reading journal; two shorter papers, and one final paper that will first be presented orally in a conference format, then expanded and revised into a longer paper.

Prerequisites: one previous course in either Comparative Literature or English, or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to Comparative Literature students.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR
COMP 343(S)  Modern Critical Theory (Same as English 373)  (See under ENGL 373 for full description)  SOKOLSKY

COMP 344  From Hermeneutics to Post-coloniality and Beyond (Same as English 386 and Religion 304)  (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)  (See under REL 304 for full description.)  (Literature and Theory)  DREYFUS

COMP 346  Questioning the Cultural Self in Literature  (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Cultural encounters entail a questioning of identity, values and worldview. As the familiar gives way to the unknown, issues of knowledge and power can begin to influence the interaction between different groups. In this course we will examine texts dealing with differences in language, religion, race, class, gender and citizenship that lead to the formation of allegiances and rivalries. What constitutes a cultural group? How is difference determined? What is the nature of the tension characteristic of many a cross-cultural encounter? How do cultural hybridity and conflicting solidarities influence multi-cultural dialogues? Readings for this course include Jhumpa Lahiri’s The Namesake, Nelida Pinon’s The Republic of Dreams, Joseph Conrad’s Heart of Darkness, Jamaica Kincaid’s A Small Place, Ghassan Kanafani’s Return to Haifa and Victor Martínez’s Parrot in the Oven: Mi Vida.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: active class participation, two 3- to 5-page papers and a final 7- to 10-page paper.

No prerequisites.  
Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to majors in Comparative Literature or Literary Studies.

VARGAS

COMP 352  Writing after the Disaster: The Literature of Exile (Same as Jewish Studies 352)  (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course will consider different kinds of works (poetry, memoirs, fiction, essay) written by authors forced to live in exile as a consequence of political and/or religious persecution. Our point of departure will be the paradigmatic expulsion and subsequent diaspora of the Jews of Spain and Portugal. Most assignments, however, will be drawn from twentieth century texts written during, or in the wake of, the massive destruction and displacements brought about by the Spanish Civil War and World War II. How is the life lost portrayed? How are the concepts of home and the past intertwined? What kind of life or literature are possible for the deracinated survivor? We will discuss the role of writing and remembrance in relation to political history, as well as in the context of individual survival. Readings might include works by Ñuñez de Reinoso, León, Cermada, Semprín, Benjamín, Nancy, and Blanchot.

Format: seminar. Requirements: active participation in class discussions, an oral presentation, several short writing assignments, a midterm paper and a final paper.

Prerequisite: Comparative Literature 111 or an equivalent English course.  

S. FOX

COMP 353  Writing the City: Beirut and Cairo in Contemporary Arab Literature (Same as Arabic 353)  (Not offered 2011-2012)  
(See under ARAB 353 for full description.)  NAAMAN

COMP 355  Contemporary Drama and Performance (Same as English 349 and Theatre 345)  (Not offered 2011-2012)  
(See under THEA 345 for full description.)  HOLZAPFEL

COMP 356(T)  Feeling Queer: Theories of Emotion and Affect in Literary and Cultural Studies  (Same as American Studies 356 and English 356, and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 355) (W) (D)  
(See under ENGL 356 for full description.)  KENT

COMP 359(S)  Latinos/as and the Media: From Production to Consumption  (Same as American Studies 346 and Latina/o Studies 346) (D) (W)  
(See under LATS 346 for full description.)  CEPEDA

COMP 370(S)  Displaying, Collecting and Preserving the Other: Museums and French Imperialism  (Same as African Studies 370 and French 370)  
(See under RLFR 370 for full description.)  PIEPRZAK

COMP 375  New Asian American, African American, Native American, and Latina/o Writing  (Same as American Studies 403, American Studies 403, English 375 and Latina/o Studies 403)  (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)  
(See under AMST 403 for full description.)  WANG

COMP 392(F)  Wonder  (Same as English 392)  
(See under ENGL 392 for full description.)  PYE

COMP 397(F), 398(S)  Independent Study

COMP 401(F)  Senior Seminar. Sublime Confusion: A Survey of Critical Theory  (Same as English 409)

What does it mean to have a theory of literature? Can something as vital, as varied, and as vague as art or fiction ever be reduced to anything like a science? We will investigate these questions with a survey of art and literary theory that takes up a cross section of texts from classical times to the present. We will focus particular attention on the aesthetic quality called “the sublime”—a category that has often been constituted in opposition to “beauty” to express the power and the attraction of art that is not beautiful, but whose frightening, confusing, even threatening aspect is somehow thrilling or appealing. This idea interested early critics (like Thomas Hume, Adam Smith, David Hume, Edmund Burke). Burke in turn was the mentor of the famous aesthetician, Alexander Pope, who explained the sublime as a feeling of both intense pleasure and intense terror. The sublime may also be associated with the “awe” that we feel in the presence of nature, or even the fear that we feel in the presence of a sublime terror like a horror film. 

Readings might include works by the British Romantics, the Poets of the American Renaissance, William Wordsworth, Samuel Taylor Coleridge, Edgar Allan Poe, Henry David Thoreau, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Henry James, and many others. We will discuss the role of the sublime in art and literature from the eighteenth to the twentieth century. Readings will be drawn from works by Voltaire, Burke, Schiller, Kant, Schopenhauer, Nietzsche, and others.

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Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: active class participation, two 3- to 5-page papers and a final 7- to 10-page paper.

Prerequisites: a course in critical (art or literary) theory or permission of the instructor.  
Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). Preference given to seniors majoring in Comparative Literature, Literary Studies, or a related discipline, and those with a demonstrated interest in critical theory.

Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR  
C. BOLTON

COMP 406(F)  Twentieth Century Struggle Theatre (Same as Theatre 406)  
(See under THEA 406 for full description.)  EPPEL

COMP 493(F)-W31-494(S)  Senior Thesis—Comparative Literature

COMP 497(F), 498(S)  Independent Study

LIT 493(F)-W31-494(S)  Senior Thesis—Literary Studies

COMPUTER SCIENCE (Div. III)

Chair, Associate Professor STEPHEN N. FREUND

Professors: BAILEY, DANILUK, LENHART, MURTAGH. Associate Professor: FREUND. Assistant Professors: ALBRECHT*, HEERINGA, MCGUIRE.

Computers and computation are pervasive in our society. They play enormously important roles in areas as diverse as education, science, business, and the arts. Understanding the nature of computation and exploring the great potential of computers are the goals of the discipline of computer science. A sample of the areas of research investigated by the Williams Department of Computer Science alone illustrates the vast range of topics that are of interest to computer scientists and
computing professionals today. This includes: the use of computer-generated graphic images in the arts and as a tool for visualization in the sciences and other areas; the protocols that make transmission of information over the Internet possible; the design of revolutionary new computer languages that simplify the process of constructing complex programs for computers; the development of machine learning algorithms that can extract useful and even novel information from data that is too complex for humans to analyze; algorithms that can solve problems that were previously too hard to solve in a reasonable amount of time, just by giving up a bit of optimality in the solution; the investigation of machine architectures and specific hardware aimed at making computing fast.

The department recognizes that students’ interests in computer science will vary widely. The department attempts to meet these varying interests through: (1) the major; (2) a selection of courses intended for those who are interested primarily in an introduction to computer science; (3) recommended course sequences for the non-major who wants a more extensive introduction to computer science in general or who seeks to develop some specific expertise in computing for application in some other discipline.

MAJOR

The goal of the major is to provide an understanding of algorithmic problem solving as well as the conceptual organization of computers and complex programs running on them. Emphasis is placed on the fundamental principles of computer science, building upon the mathematical and theoretical ideas underlying these principles. The introductory and core courses build a broad and solid base for understanding computer science. The more advanced courses allow students to sample a variety of specialized areas including graphics, artificial intelligence, computer architecture, networks, compiler design, and operating systems. Independent study and honors work provide opportunities for students to study and conduct research on topics of special interest.

The major in Computer Science equips students to pursue a wide variety of career opportunities. It can be used as preparation for a career in computing, for graduate school, or to provide important background and techniques for the student whose future career will extend outside of computer science.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Required Courses in Computer Science
A minimum of 8 courses is required in Computer Science, including the following:

**Introductory Courses**

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**Electives**

Two or more electives (bringing the total number of Computer Science courses to at least 8) chosen from 300- or 400-level courses in Computer Science. At least one of these must be a course designated as a PROJECT COURSE. Computer Science courses with 9 as the middle digit (reading, research, and thesis courses) will normally not be used to satisfy the elective requirements. Students may petition the department to waive this restriction with good reason.

**Required Courses in Mathematics**

- Mathematics 251 Discrete Mathematics
- and any other Mathematics or Statistics course at the 200-level or higher

Students considering pursuing a major in Computer Science are urged to take Computer Science 134 and to begin satisfying their mathematics requirements early. It is important that Discrete Mathematics covers material complementing that in the introductory courses (Computer Science 134 and 136) and is a prerequisite for many advanced courses.

Students who take Computer Science 107, 108 or 109 may use that course as one of the two electives required for the major in Computer Science. Those who count Computer Science 109 toward the major must select an elective different from Computer Science 371 (Computer Graphics) for their project course. Similarly, students who take Computer Science 256 cannot select Computer Science 371 as their project course.

Students considering honors work should obtain permission from the department before registering in the fall of the senior year. Formal admission to candidacy occurs at the beginning of the spring semester of the senior year and is based on promising performance in the fall semester and winter study units of honors work. Students who display high quality participation in these honors courses will be recommended by the department for admission to graduate school, or to provide important background and techniques for the student whose future career will extend outside of computer science.

**STUDY ABROAD**

Students with an extensive background in computer science are urged to take the Advanced Placement Examination in Computer Science. A score of 4 or better on the exam is normally required for advanced placement in Computer Science 136.
Students who wish to be placed in Computer Science 136 but who have not taken the Advanced Placement Examination should consult with the department. Such students should have had a good course in computer science using a structured language such as Java.

PLANS OF STUDY FOR NON-MAJORS

The faculty in Computer Science believes that students can substantially enrich their academic experience by completing a coherent plan of study in one or more disciplines, in addition to their majors. In most cases, students majoring in other departments with options in our department’s curriculum ranging from two-course sequences to collections of courses equivalent to what would constitute a minor at institutions that recognize such a concentration. Students interested in designing such a plan of study are invited to discuss their plans in detail with a member of the faculty. To assist students making such plans, we include some suggestions below.

Students seeking to develop an extensive knowledge of computer science without majoring in the department are encouraged to use the major requirements as a guide. In particular, the four core courses required of majors are intended to provide a broad knowledge of topics underlying all of computer science. Students seeking a concentration in Computer Science are urged to complete at least two of these courses followed by one of our upper-level electives. Such a program would typically require the completion of a total of five Computer Science courses and one course in discrete mathematics.

There are several sequences of courses appropriate for those primarily interested in developing skills in programming for use in other areas. For general programming, Computer Science 134 followed by 136 and 237 will provide students with a strong background in algorithm and data structure design together with an understanding of issues of correctness and efficiency. Students of the Bioinformatics program are encouraged to take Computer Science 134 at a minimum, and should consider Computer Science 136 and 256. The sequence of courses Computer Science 109 and 134 would provide sufficient competence in computer graphics for many students interested in applying such knowledge either in the arts or sciences. For students requiring more expertise in the techniques of computer graphics, Computer Science 136 and 371 could be added to form a four-course sequence.

There are, of course, many other alternatives. We encourage interested students to consult with the department chair or other members of the department’s faculty.

GENERAL REMARKS

Divisional Requirements

All Computer Science courses may be used to satisfy the Division III distribution requirement.

Alternate Year Courses

Computer Science 107, 108, 109, 315, 336T, 337T, 339, 356T, 371, 373, 374T, 432, and 434T are each normally offered every other year. All other Computer Science courses are normally offered every year.

Course Numbering

The increase from 100, through 200 and 300, to 400 indicates in most instances an increasing level of maturity in the subject that is expected of students. Within a series, numeric order does not indicate the relative level of difficulty of courses. Rather, the middle digit of the course number (particularly in upper-level courses) generally indicates the area of computer science covered by the course.

Course Descriptions

Brief descriptions of the courses in Computer Science can be found below. More detailed information on the offerings in the department is available in the Informal Guide to Computer Science.

Courses Open on a Pass-Fail Basis

Students taking a Computer Science course on a pass-fail basis must meet all the requirements set for students taking the course on a graded basis. With the permission of the department, any course offered by the department may be taken pass-fail, though courses graded with the pass-fail option may not be used to satisfy any of the major or honors requirements. However, with the permission of the department, courses taken in the department beyond those requirements may be taken on a pass-fail basis.

CSCI 107(S) Creating Games (Same as Arts 107)

The game is unique as the only broadly-successful interactive art form. Games communicate the experience of embodying a role by manipulating the player’s own decisions, abstraction, and discrete planning. Those three elements are the essence of computation, which makes computer science theory integral to game design. Video games also co-opt programming and computer graphics as new tools for the modern artist. As a result, games are collaborative interdisciplinary constructs that use computation as a medium for creative expression.

Students analyze and extend contemporary video and board games using the methodology of science and the language of the arts. They explore how computational concepts like recursion, state, and complexity apply to interactive experiences. They then synthesize new game elements using mathematics, programming and both digital and traditional art tools. Emphasis is on the theory of design in modern European board games. Topics covered include experiment design, gameplay balance, minimax, color theory, pathfinding, game theory, composition, and computability.

Format: lecture and studio. Requirements: participation, studio work, quizzes.

No prerequisites; not open to students who completed a Computer Science course numbered 136 or above; this course does not count toward the Art Major. Enrollment limit: 24 (expected: 24).

Preference given to first-year students.

Lab fee of $25 will be added to the student’s term bill.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR

Lab: 1-4 R

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CSCI 108 Artificial Intelligence: Image and Reality (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)

Over 50 years ago, scientists began to envision a world where computers and humans could converse. In 1956 the field of “Artificial Intelligence” was officially born, and the work on “AI” began in earnest. Walking and talking robots are still mostly the stuff of science fiction, but AI is close to making them reality. In this course, we will explore the field of Artificial Intelligence. We will try to answer the question “what makes a machine intelligent?” Among the systems we will explore are high-level game-playing systems, systems that learn from their environments, and systems that can perform complex tasks. Underlying all of the topics addressed in this course will be two fundamental issues: How can information be represented in a computer so that the machine is able to make use of it? How can the machine manipulate that information so that it is able to perform a task that requires intelligence? This course will emphasize hands-on laboratory experience. Laboratory projects will focus on the building and programming of simple robots.

Format: lecture/laboratory. Evaluation will be based on weekly laboratory assignments, four problem sets, two to 3-page papers, and a final examination having similar format to the problem sets.

This course does not assume any programming experience. This course is not open to students who have successfully completed a Computer Science course numbered 136 or above. Enrollment limit: 18 (expected: 18). Preference given to first-year students and sophomores.

DANYUK

CSCI 109(F) The Art and Science of Computer Graphics (Q)

This course provides an opportunity to develop an understanding of the theoretical and practical concepts underlying 2- and 3-dimensional computer graphics. The course will emphasize hands-on studio/laboratory experience, with student work focused around completing a series of projects. Students will experiment with modeling, color, lighting, perspective, and simple animation. As the course progresses, computer programming will be used to control the complexity of the models and their interactions. Lectures, augmented by guided viewings of state-of-the-art computer generated and enhanced images and animations, will be used to deepen understanding of the studio experience.

Format: lecture/laboratory. Evaluation will be based on project work.

This course is not open to students who have successfully completed a Computer Science course numbered 136 or above. No enrollment limit (expected: 35-40).

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR

Lab: 1-230 R; F: 2:30-4 R

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COURSES INTENDED FOR BOTH NON-MAJORS AND MAJORS

CSCI 134(FS) Introduction to Computer Science (Q)

This course introduces fundamental ideas in computer science and builds skills in the design, implementation, and testing of computer programs. Students implement algorithms in the Java programming language with a strong focus on constructing correct, understandable, and efficient programs. Students explore the mathematics and techniques underlying specific application areas. Topics covered include object-oriented programming, control structures, arrays, recursion, and event-driven programming. This course is appropriate for all students who want to create software and have little or no prior computing experience. More details are available on the department website, http://www.cs.williams.edu.

Format: lecture/laboratory. Evaluation will be based on weekly programming assignments, written problem sets, a final programming project, and midterm and final examinations.
No prerequisites, except for the standard prerequisites for a (Q) course. Note that previous programming experience is not required. Students with prior experience with object-oriented programming should discuss appropriate course placement with members of the department. No enrollment limit (expected: 18 per section).

**Hour:** 10:00-10:50 MWF, 11:00-11:50 MWF  
**Lab:** 1-1 M,T

**Course Description:**

**CSCI 136(FS) Data Structures and Advanced Programming (Q)**

This course builds on the programming skills acquired in Computer Science 134. It couples work on program design, analysis, and verification with an introduction to the study of data structures. Data structures capture common ways in which to store and manipulate data, and they are important in the construction of sophisticated computer programs. Students are introduced to some of the most important and frequently used data structures: lists, stacks, queues, trees, hash tables, graphs, and files. Students will be expected to write several programs, ranging from very short programs to more elaborate systems. Emphasis will be placed on the development of clear, modular programs that are easy to read, debug, verify, analyze, and modify.

Format: lecture/laboratory. Evaluation will be based on programming assignments and examinations.

Prerequisites: Computer Science 134 or equivalent. Discrete Mathematics is recommended, but not required.  

Enrollment limit: 36 (expected: 20).

**Hour:** 9:00-9:50 MWF  
**Lab:** 1-4 W, 7-10 p.m. M

**10:00-10:50 MWF**  
**Lab:** 1-4 W

**CSCI 237(F) Computer Organization (Q)**

This course studies the basic instruction set architecture and organization of a modern computer. Over the semester the student learns the fundamentals of translating higher level languages into assembly language, and the interpretation of machine languages by hardware. At the same time, a model of computer hardware organization is developed from the gate level upward. Final projects focus on the design of a complex control system in hardware or firmware.

Format: lecture and laboratory. Evaluation will be based primarily on weekly labs, final design project, two exams.

Prerequisites: Computer Science 134, or both experience in programming and permission of instructor.  

Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 25).

**Hour:** 10:00-10:50 MWF  
**Lab:** 1-2:30 T, 2:30-4 T

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**CSCI 256(S) Algorithm Design and Analysis (Q)**

This course investigates methods for designing efficient and reliable algorithms. By carefully analyzing the structure of a problem within a mathematical framework, it is often possible to dramatically decrease the computational resources needed to find a solution. In addition, analysis provides a method for verifying the correctness of an algorithm and accurately estimating its running time and space requirements. We will study several algorithm design strategies that build on data structures and programming techniques introduced in Computer Science 136. These include induction, divide-and-conquer, dynamic programming, and greedy algorithms. Particular topics of study include graphs, random search trees, and hashing.

Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based on problem sets and programming assignments, midterm and final examinations.

Prerequisites: Computer Science 136 and Discrete Mathematics.  

Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 25).

**Hour:** 11:00-11:50 MWF

**HEERINGA**

**CSCI 315 Computational Biology (Same as INTR 315 and Physics 315) (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)**

(See under PHYS 315 for full description.)

**ALBERTS**

**CSCI 318T Numerical Problem Solving (Same as Mathematics 318T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)**

(See under MATH 318 for full description.)

**STOELIU**

**CSCI 319(F) Integrative Bioinformatics, Genomics, and Proteomics Lab (Same as Biology 319, Chemistry 319, Mathematics 319 and Physics 319) (Q)**

(See under BIOL 319 for full description.)

**BANTA**

**CSCI 334(S) Principles of Programming Languages (Q)**

This course examines the concepts and structures governing the design and implementation of programming languages. It presents an introduction to the concepts behind compilers and run-time representations of programming languages; features of programming languages supporting abstraction and polymorphism; and the procedural, functional, object-oriented, and concurrent programming paradigms. Programs will be required in languages illustrating each of these paradigms.

Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based on weekly problem sets including programming, one or more midterm examinations and a final examination.

Prerequisites: Computer Science 136.  

Enrollment limit: 50 (expected: 25).

**Hour:** 9:55-11:10 TR

**FREUND**

**CSCI 336T Computer Networks (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)**

This course explores the principles underlying the design of computer networks. We will examine techniques for transmitting information efficiently and reliably over a variety of communication media. We will look at the addressing and routing problems that must be solved to ensure that transmitted data gets to the desired destination. We will come to understand the impact that the distributed nature of all network problems has on their difficulty. We will examine the ways in which these issues are addressed by current networking protocols such as TCP/IP and Ethernet. Students will meet weekly with the instructor in pairs to present solutions to problem sets and reports evaluating the technical merit of current solutions to various networking problems.

Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on problem sets, programming assignments, midterm and final examinations.

Prerequisites: Computer Science 136 and Computer Science 237.  

Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to seniors, followed by juniors.

**MURTAGH**

**CSCI 337(S) Digital Design and Modern Architecture (Q)**

This tutorial course considers topics in the low-level design of modern architectures. Course meetings will review problems of designing effective architectures including instruction-level parallelism, branch-prediction, caching strategies, and advanced ALU design. Readings will be taken from recent technical literature. Labs will focus on the development of custom CMOS circuits to implement projects from gates to bit-sliced ALU’s. Final group projects will develop custom logic demonstrating concepts learned in course meetings.

Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on microprocessor design projects, participation in tutorial meetings, and examinations.

Prerequisite: Computer Science 237.  

Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to current or expected Computer Science majors.  

Tutorial meetings to be arranged.

**BAILEY**

**CSCI 339(S) Distributed Systems (Q)**

This course studies the key design principles of distributed systems, which are collections of independent networked computers that function as single coherent systems. Covered topics include communication protocols, processes and threads, naming, synchronization, consistency and replication, fault tolerance, and security. Students also examine some specific real-world distributed systems case studies, ranging from the Internet to file systems. Class discussion is based on readings from the textbook and research papers. The goals of this course are to understand how large-scale computational systems are built, and to provide students with the tools necessary to evaluate new technologies after the course ends.

Format: lecture/laboratory. Evaluation will be based on homework assignments, programming projects, and exams.

Prerequisites: Computer Science 136 (Data Structures) or equivalent programming experience, and Computer Science 237 (Computer Organization), or permission of the instructor.  

Enrollment limit: 36 (expected: 20).

**PROJECT COURSE**

**Hour:** 11:20-12:35 TR

**ALBRECHT**

**CSCI 356(F) Advanced Algorithms (Q)**

This course explores advanced in algorithm design, algorithm analysis and data structures. The primary focus is on randomized and approximation algorithms, randomized and advanced data structures, and algorithmic complexity. Topics include combinatorial algorithms for cut, packing, and covering problems, linear programming, many algorithms, approximation algorithms, hardness of approximation, and hashing.

Format: tutorial. Evaluation is based on weekly problem sets, several small programming projects, weekly paper summaries, and a small, final project.

Prerequisites: Computer Science 256. Computer Science 361 is recommended but not required.  

Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to Computer Science majors.  

Tutorial meetings to be arranged.

**HEERINGA**
CSCI 361(F) Theory of Computation (Same as Mathematics 361) (Q)

This course introduces a formal framework for investigating both the computability and complexity of problems. We study several models of computation including finite-state machines, regular languages, context-free grammars, and Turing machines. These models provide a mathematical basis for the study of computability theory—the examination of what problems can be solved and what problems cannot be solved—and the study of complexity theory—the examination of how efficiently problems can be solved. Topics include the halting problem and the P versus NP problem.

Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based on problem sets, a midterm examination, and a final examination.
Prerequisites: Computer Science 256 or both a 300-level Mathematics course and permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 20).
Hour: 12:00-12:50 MWF

MURTAGH

CSCI 371 Computer Graphics (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)

Photoshop, 3D Studio, Maya, and other computer-aided design and animation tools allow users to create digital objects and scenes and simulate light, materials, and motion by using mathematical models. This course introduces fundamental methods for computer graphics, with an emphasis on the computer implementation of algorithms for rendering 3D objects and scenes.

Format: lecture, with optics laboratory exercises. Evaluation based on assignments, projects, and exams.
Prerequisites: Computer Science 136 and Computer Science 237 OR permission of the instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 18).

PROJECT COURSE

MCQUIRGE

CSCI 373(F) Artificial Intelligence (Q)

This course introduces fundamental techniques in the field of Artificial Intelligence, which is concerned with the ability to create machines that perform tasks requiring "intelligence." The course covers methods for knowledge representation, search, planning, and reasoning. It then explores those further by surveying current applications in areas selected from machine learning, game playing, robotics, and natural language processing.

Format: lecture/laboratory. Four programming projects in the first half of the semester and a larger project spanning most of the second half account for 70% of the student’s final grade. A midterm examination and a six-page survey paper account for the remainder of the student’s grade.
Prerequisites: Computer Science 136 and Discrete Mathematics. No enrollment limit (expected: 20).
Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF

DANYLUK

CSCI 374T Machine Learning (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)

This tutorial examines the design, implementation, and evaluation of machine learning algorithms. Machine Learning is a branch of Artificial Intelligence that has as its aim the development of algorithms that will improve a system’s performance. Improvement might involve acquiring new factual knowledge from data, learning to perform a new task, or learning to perform an old task more efficiently or effectively. This tutorial will cover instances selected from three general categories of algorithms: supervised learning algorithms (including decision tree learning, support vector machines, and neural networks), unsupervised learning algorithms (including k-means and expectation maximization), and reinforcement learning algorithms (such as Q learning and temporal difference learning). It will also introduce methods for the evaluation of learning algorithms, as well as topics in computational learning theory.

Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on presentations, problem sets, short programming exercises, empirical analyses of algorithms, and a final exam.
Prerequisites: Computer Science 136 and Mathematics 251. Computer Science 256 is recommended but not required. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10).
Preference given to Computer Science majors.

DANYLUK

CSCI 397(F), 398(S), 497(F), 498(S) Reading

Directed independent reading in Computer Science.
Prerequisites: permission of the department.
Hour: TBA

Members of the Department

CSCI 432 Operating Systems (Same as Mathematics 432) (Q)

This course explores the design and implementation of computer operating systems. Topics include historical aspects of operating systems development, system programming, process scheduling, synchronization of concurrent processes, virtual machines, memory management and virtual memory, I/O and file systems, system security, os/architecture interaction, and distributed operating systems.

Format: lecture/laboratory. Evaluation will be based on several programming projects, exams, and written assessments of selected research papers.
Prerequisites: Computer Science 237 and Computer Science 361 (concurrent enrollment is acceptable). Computer Science 334 is recommended, but not required. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 20).

PROJECT COURSE

BAILEY

CSCI 434(F) Compiler Design (Q)

This tutorial covers the principles and practices for the design and implementation of compilers and interpreters. Topics include all stages of the compilation and execution process: lexical analysis; parsing; symbol tables; type systems; scope; semantic analysis; intermediate representations; run-time environments and interpreters; code generation; program analysis and optimization; and garbage collection. The course covers both the theoretical and practical implications of these topics. As a project course, students will construct a full compiler for a simple object-oriented language.

Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on presentations, problem sets, a substantial implementation project, and two exams.
Prerequisites: Computer Science 237 and Computer Science 361 (concurrent enrollment is acceptable). Computer Science 334 is recommended, but not required. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10).
Preference given to current or expected Computer Science majors.

PROJECT COURSE

Tutorial meetings to be arranged.

FREUND

CSCI 493(F) Research in Computer Science

This course provides highly-motivated students an opportunity to work independently with faculty on research topics chosen by individual faculty. Students are generally expected to perform a literature review, identify areas of potential contribution, and explore extensions to existing results. The course culminates in a concise, well-written report describing a problem, its background history, any independent results achieved, and directions for future research.

This course (along with Computer Science W31 and Computer Science 494) is required for students pursuing honors, but enrollment is not limited to students pursuing honors.
Evaluation will be based on class participation, presentations, and the final written report.
Enrollment is limited. Open to senior Computer Science majors with permission of instructor.

Hour: TBA

Members of the Department

CSCI W31-494(S) Senior Thesis

Prerequisites: Computer Science 493.

CSCI 499(F,S) Computer Science Colloquium

Required of senior Computer Science majors, and highly recommended for junior Computer Science majors. Meets most weeks for one hour, both fall and spring.
Hour: 2:35-3:50 F

Chair

CONTRACT MAJOR

Contract Major Advisor: CHARLES R. TOOMAJIAN, Jr.

Students with the talent and energy for working independently and with the strong support of two faculty advisors may undertake a Contract Major: a coherent study of an interdisciplinary subject not covered by a regularly offered major. Such a major must be in an area suitable to the talents of the faculty in residence and cannot consist of minor modifications to an existing major. A Contract Major also must conform to the structure and have the coherence of a departmental or
program major—i.e., it must embody a disciplined cumulative study that moves from an elementary to an advanced level and culminates in a synthesis similar to a senior major course. Hence, a Contract Major usually consists of a program of existing courses, sometimes supplemented by courses of independent study and the senior course.

The process of constructing a proposal for a Contract Major is both interesting and demanding. As part of that process, students should consider carefully the advantage of working within existing majors or programs, taking note of the considerable intellectual pleasures involved in sharing similar educational experiences with students working within the same field. Students might also consider whether their interests could be met by completing a regular major and coordinate program, or two majors, or simply by working outside a major field in courses of special interest. Because the Contract Major represents an exceptional opportunity provided for students whose interests cannot be met through existing departmental and interdepartmental majors and programs, it cannot be pursued in conjunction with another major.

Students who wish to explore or propose a Contract Major should consult with the Contract Major Advisor and with potential faculty sponsors as early as possible in the fall semester of the sophomore year, and then—during the sophomore year—follow these procedures:

1) The student must initiate discussion with at least two members of the faculty from differing departments who expect to be in residence during the student’s senior year and who are willing to endorse the Contract Major and undertake a central role in supervising its implementation, criticism, evaluation, and ultimate validation. Since in essence faculty sponsors substitute for the student’s major department, they are expected to play an important role in the Contract Major.

The student must develop, in conjunction with the faculty sponsors, a written proposal (forms and guidelines are available in the Registrar’s Office) which should contain:

a) a description of the proposed major area of study and an explanation of the reasons for proposing the Contract Major. A sound and persuasive rationale for the major is crucial for obtaining approval from the Committee on Educational Policy (C.E.P.),

b) a list of all courses in the proposed major and an explanation for each course choice. A minimum of nine semester courses, one of which must be designated the senior major course (and taken during the senior year), must be completed for a Contract Major. Normal rules governing course grades and grade point average apply for entry into and continuation in a Contract Major,

c) a list of other courses taken or anticipated to meet College distribution requirements, including grades received in courses already completed.

2) By mid-January, the student must meet with the Contract Major Advisor to discuss and further develop the proposal.

3) By the first day of spring semester classes, the student must submit a complete draft of the proposal to the Contract Major Advisor for feedback.

4) By the end of the fourth week of the spring semester, the student must submit the final proposal to the Contract Major Advisor. By this date also, the faculty sponsors must submit their endorsement forms to the Contract Major Advisor. If the student is essentially proposing to transform an existing coordinate program (e.g., Africana Studies, area studies programs, Environmental Studies), into a Contract Major, the chair of that program should also submit to the Contract Major Advisor a statement attesting to the validity of the proposal by the end of the fourth week of the spring semester.

5) The Contract Major Advisor then conveys the proposal, a copy of the student’s most recent academic progress report, the faculty sponsors’ endorsement forms, and recommendations regarding the feasibility and substance of the proposal, for approval by the Committee on Educational Policy. The C.E.P., after consultation with departments and programs substantially affected by a proposal, will vote on each proposal individually and will notify students and sponsors before the spring registration deadline. If the Advisor may permit them to register late without penalty. In making its decisions, the C.E.P. considers the student’s academic record, the coherence and feasibility of the plan of study, and the degree of support expressed by the faculty sponsors and, if appropriate, program chairs.

Subsequent changes in a Contract Major must be requested in writing by the student and approved by the faculty sponsors as well as by the Contract Major Advisor. Where there has been substantial alteration of the original program, the Contract Major Advisor will forward the student’s written request to the C.E.P. for reconsideration.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN THE CONTRACT MAJOR

The route to the degree in honors in the Contract Major will normally be a senior thesis requiring two semesters and a winter study of work. In special circumstances, a student may propose to substitute a one-semester course or a winter study course for one of his or her thesis courses and write a mini-thesis. The Contract Major Advisor shall determine the nature of the honors, in consultation with the student, the faculty sponsors, and the Committee on Educational Policy. The honors shall comprise a minimum of eleven semester courses plus one winter study course. One semester of independent study undertaken for the thesis may be allowed to fulfill the requirement for a senior major course.

The faculty sponsors shall determine by the end of winter study whether the student is to be admitted to honors candidacy. If not admitted to honors candidacy, the student shall submit a written thesis or mini-thesis to three faculty readers, at least one of whom shall be a faculty sponsor and at least one of whom shall not be a faculty sponsor. The outside reader or readers shall be selected by the Contract Major Advisor in consultation with the faculty sponsors. There will be a one-hour oral exam by the readers, and they shall make a final decision regarding honors.

CMAJ 493(F)-W31, W31-494(S) Senior Thesis

CMAJ 497(F), 498(S) Independent Study

CRITICAL LANGUAGES (Div. I)

Coordinator, JANE CANOVA

The Critical Languages Program enables students to study important foreign languages relevant to their academic interests but not taught in regular courses at Williams. The program can field a limited number of courses per year, and it has offered one–year of elementary Hebrew, Hindi, Korean and Swahili thus far. Students work independently with standard language textbooks and audio materials for roughly ten hours per week and attend biweekly group review sessions with tutors who are native speakers. Language faculty from other institutions provide the course syllabus, conduct the exams, and determine the final grades. An organizational meeting for enrolled students is held the first week of each semester.

Interested students must present an application and have it approved before registering for a course. Applications are available during the first two weeks of April and can be obtained from the Coordinator at the Center for Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Cultures, Hollander 230.

To be eligible for this 200-level Critical Languages course, the student must:

- have attained sophomore standing or higher;
- demonstrate proven capability for independent work and previous success in foreign language study;
- explain how the study of the language integrates with his/her major or other academic interests;
- present a letter of support from a Williams faculty member;
- have at least a 3.0 GPA in some cases, take a placement test.

Note that like other elementary language courses, the Critical Languages courses are hyphenated, meaning no credit is given for the first semester until the second semester is successfully completed. Students must normally begin a course in the fall semester. It cannot be taken Pass/Fail. An organizational meeting will be held the first week of each semester.

A consecutive year of intermediate language study will be considered only upon petition of those students completing a full year of elementary study with the Critical Languages Program and as long as a minimum of two students are enrolled to continue their language study.

*A Critical Languages course will be scheduled only if and when at least two students are accepted for study and provided a native tutor and outside examiner have been contracted.

CRHE 201(F)-202(S) Hebrew (This course is part of the Jewish Studies concentration.)

CRHI 201(F)-202(S) Hindi

CRKO 201(F)-202(S) Korean

CRSW 201(F)-202(S) Swahili

All courses adhere to the guidelines of the National Association of Self-Instructional Language Programs (NASILP).
The purpose of the Dance Department is to educate students in the physical disciplines, cultural traditions and expressive possibilities of dance. We provide the opportunity to study and experience dance as technique, composition, history, theory and performance. We do not offer a major or a concentration, yet our courses can offer complementary study in the disciplines of Theater, Visual Art, Africana Studies, Performance Studies and Music. Technique courses currently offered include African ballet, modern, Afro-Caribbean and Pilates. At the beginning of the fall semester, prior to the beginning of classes, the department will offer a placement workshop to evaluate student accomplishment and determine which course level is appropriate. Notification of placement will be sent to the student within 24 hours. If a student wishes to pre-register before the placement workshop, he/she is advised to contact the instructor of the course for advice.

All students are welcome to audition for membership in the Department’s performing companies (CoDa, Kusika, Sankofa, and INISH). Membership is also possible through enrollment by the company directors. Kusika and INISH also accept members as dancers, musicians, singers and storytellers. Members study with faculty, guest artists and peers. Student choreographers are also supported. Students may receive PE credit for dance in the following ways: enrolling in a class that is for PE credit only, choosing the PE option in courses offered for academic credit or PE, successful participation in CoDa, Kusika, Sankofa, or INISH. The Department belongs to and attends the American College Dance Festival Association New England Regional where students are able to perform, attend master classes and audition for scholarships for summer study. Our students also participate in area cultural events and provide workshops, lecture demonstrations and performances for local schools.

DANC 100(F) Foundations for Dance
This course is a primer of basic dance technique and an introduction to the history of dance in several cultures and serves as the foundation for all other courses taught in the Dance Department. Students will study the fundamentals of ballet, modern, Irish and African dance and the relation between music and movement. Pilates will be introduced as a technique to develop the strength and stamina necessary for all dance activities. The class will also address the fundamental relationship between music and dance. Regular studio work will be supplemented with readings, recordings of dance, discussion and visiting artist presentations.

Format: studio/lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on physical understanding of the techniques, participation in discussions and the quality of movement and research assignments.

No prerequisites. Experienced dancers who wish to enroll in upper level courses may waive the DANC 100 prerequisite by taking the advanced placement class or by permission of the faculty. Enrollment limit: 50 (expected: 50). Preference given to beginning dancers and students with no prior experience.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 TF

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DANC 201(F) African Dance and Percussion (Same as Africana Studies 201)
Students will learn Lamban, a traditional form of dance and music from Guinea, Senegal, Mali and The Gambia in West Africa. To more fully understand the art form, students and also study the culture and history of the African regions in which Lamban evolved. This course can be taken for academic and/or PE credit.

Prerequisites. DANC 100 or advanced placement or permission of the instructor.

Instructors: Burton and Shakur

Format: studio/lecture/discussion. Requirements: Students enrolled for academic credit must attend weekly lectures, submit a journal response and write a final 5 page paper that is related to his/her final performance. Students enrolled for PE credit have no final paper requirement and do not have to attend the weekly lectures. All students are evaluated on the quality of their participation and must participate in a midterm and final demonstration of dance and music as performance and research.

Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 30). Preference given to students who have taken DANC 100 or advanced placement.

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR and 12:00-12:50 W

BURTON and Kusika Musical Director

DANC 204(S) Perceptual Intelligence (Same as ArtS 204)
The course explores the multiple sensory and perceptual faculties the student has the potential to ignite, inform and/or complicate one’s aesthetic interests and creative practice. As such, the class will offer a toolbox of techniques collected from dance, yoga, meditation, therapy and art that are designed to cultivate mindfulness, bodily presence, and perceptual awareness. Along with these experiential exercises, the class will study art works/performances and read texts on awareness and perception by scientists and social scientists as well as artists. Topics of engagement include the following: Contact Improvisation, Authentic Movement, repetitive tasks, acts of physical and mental endurance, blind walks, Situationist derives, free writing, Anne Bogart’s Viewpoints, heightening and interacting with one’s sense of hearing, observing everyday actions, and composing still and moving bodies in a variety of environments. We will work in dance studios, rooms, hallways and other in-between spaces, and natural and constructed outdoor settings. Students will have the opportunity to develop individual and collaborative works, and in the second half of the semester will participate in the development of and rehearsal for an original, movement-based performance work.

Format: studio/lecture/discussion. Requirements: weekly reading, short papers, creation of participatory events, and final projects.

No prerequisites. no performance or dance experience is necessary. Enrollment limit: 18 (expected: 18). Preference given to first-year students, sophomores, juniors and then seniors.

This course may be taken as a 200-level elective in studio art.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 MR

VAN DER KOLK

DANC 207(S) Anatomy for Movers
This course examines the methods used to study the musculoskeletal system through exploration of the body in motion. Anatomical identification, terminology and physiological understanding will be approached through the use of conditioning exercises, strengthening and stretching movement vocabulary. Various dance styles and Pilates movement concepts are discussed and experimentally explored. Course work will include reading, physical reviews, tests, final exam and final project.

Format: studio/lecture. Evaluation will be based on quality of participation, quizzes, written and physical reviews and a final exam.

No prerequisites. This course is appropriate for dancers, athletes and others interested in understanding the body as a moving structure. Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 16).

Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF

SILVA

DANC 301(S) Creative Process in Dance
This course examines and experiments with different movement sources and contexts for dance. It is intended for the experienced mover who is ready to focus on theory, methods and the history of composing dance in various traditions. Students will be asked to identify their own methods and engage in research and regular presentations of their compositions for critical feedback. The class will also study innovative professional choreographers such as Pina Bausch, Ping Chong, George Balanchine, Icko and Korna, Rennie Harris, Alvin Ailey, Martha Graham, Ronald K. Brown, Lucinda Childs and Merce Cunningham. To more fully understand the context in which these works were created, the class will read essays by dance scholars such as Elizabeth Horst, Liz Lerman, Deborah Jowitt, Sally Banes, and Susan Leigh Foster. Format: studio/lecture. Evaluation will be based on the quality of participation, assigned projects and presentations.

Prerequisites: admission into the Dance Department or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Preference given to students who have prior experience in dance or choreography or take the course for credit towards dance major.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 TF

BURTON

DANC 302(F) "New" Choreography (Same as ArtS 205)
Historical and contemporary movement artists have often exchanged technique and aesthetics with artists in dance and theater. Today there is a renewed interest in the body and performance in gallery and museum contexts while at the same time the contemporary dance world is re-visiting interdisciplinary sensibilities and techniques, newly challenging how "dance" can be defined. In this course we will revisit and redefine choreography, calling on compositional techniques from dance as well as styles not traditionally applied to choreography. Students with an existing practice in any or multiple artistic disciplines are invited to examine and propose projects that approach to body-based art making. Weekly compositional assignments and experiential exercises will be complemented with readings and video documentation of professional performances. Topics for discussion will include the following: interdisciplinary ways of inventing and organizing movement, how a maker transmits choreography to a performer, and how and for what purpose an artist frames his/her work in a context. We will look at a number of works categorized within the field of dance, while also considering examples from live/performative art, conceptual practice, music/sound, installation and sculpture.
Format: studio/lecture/discussion. Requirements: completion of weekly compositional assignments, full participation in all in–class exercises and discussions, completion of weekly readings and viewings related to that week’s topic, 2–3 page reflection essays about at least four compositional studies as they relate to the projects we viewed and read about, and a final presentation of works.

Prerequisites: at least one 200 or 300 level course in Dance, Studio Art, Music, Theater or Creative Writing. Or, 2 years of participation in a Williams College dance company. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Preferences given to seniors, juniors with experience in creative arts.

This course may be taken as a 200-level elective in studio art.

Hour: 7:00-9:40 p.m. M and 1:10-3:50 T

DANC 317(S)  Black Migrations: African American Performance at Home and Abroad (Same as Africana Studies 317, Comparative Literature 319, English 317 and Theatre 317)

(See under AFR 317 for full description.)

BRAGGS

DANC 397(F), 398(S)  Independent Study

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COURSES WHICH MAY BE TAKEN FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION CREDIT ONLY

Intermediate Ballet (Fall)

This course focuses on traditional ballet technique. Students will learn to warm–up at the barre and proceed to center work such as adage, pirouettes, jumps and traveling steps.

Format: studio. Requirements: 2–3 years of training in ballet or permission of the instructor.

Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Students may seek permission of the instructor or take the placement class.

This course may only be taken for PE credit.

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR JANINE PARKER

Beginning Ballet (Spring)

This course will build on the fundamentals of classical ballet technique using the barre and center floor work. Students will learn to work safely and correctly with their individual abilities. Emphasis is placed on the following: proper alignment of the body, understanding music in relationship to dance and the development of expression through movement.

Format: studio. Evaluation will be based on quality of participation, understanding and use of technique as well as progress with movement concepts Prerequisites: DANC 100 or permission of the instructor.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 12). Preferences given to students who have completed DANC 100.

This course may only be taken for PE credit.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 TR JANINE PARKER

Intermediate /Advanced Ballet (Spring)

This course will continue to build upon the technique of the classical ballet technique and will focus on continued barre and center floor work. Students will continue to learn to work correctly based on individual abilities. The vocabulary will also include jumps, adage and traveling steps and etudes from the classical ballet canon.

Format: studio. Requirements: Evaluation will be based on quality of participation, progress in understanding and use of technique and etudes.

Prerequisites: a minimum of 2–3 years of training in ballet, placement class or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12).

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR JANINE PARKER

ECONOMICS (Div. II)

Chair, Professor PETER MONTIEL


Visiting Professor: TRUMAN. Visiting Associate Professor: HONDERICH®.

The primary objectives of the economics major are to develop an understanding of how the economy works and how individuals, organizations and societies meet their economic needs. The major will equip students to understand and analyze economic issues and related social policies. The introductory courses stress the use of the basic elements of economic analysis for understanding and resolving such issues. The two required intermediate theory courses then provide a more thorough grounding in economics as a discipline by examining the strengths and weaknesses of the market in allocating economic resources and by examining the aggregate processes that determine employment, inflation, and growth. A course in statistical methods equips the major to understand and apply the tools of quantitative empirical analysis in measuring and testing economic theory. In elective courses students apply theoretical tools and empirical techniques to develop a richer understanding of economic behavior and public policy.

Graduate training in economics requires more mathematical sophistication than does undergraduate economics. We encourage students who are considering pursuing a Ph.D. in Economics to take Mathematics 105 or Mathematics 211 and Mathematics 301. We also advise students to consider electives such as Economics 454 and 475 that present an advanced perspective on contemporary economic theory. As graduate schools also look for evidence of work in the subject that most engages their interest, rather than attempt to acquire extensive pre-professional training while undergraduates.

Should I Major in Economics to Prepare for a Career in Business?

Economics is a social science that deals with how individuals and organizations make choices, and with the allocation of scarce resources among competing ends. An economics major is excellent preparation for a wide variety of careers: public policy, law, teaching, economics research in government or in the private sector, as well as more general careers in business. Training in economics is similar to training in other sciences. You will learn about economic systems and the relationships between economic agents and the constraints that determine these relationships. You will learn about economic data and how to test economic theories and measure economic outcomes. Training in economics is not the same as training in business management. Success in business is achieved by students from all fields, not economics. Students who are interested in economics are thus strongly encouraged to take Statistics 101 or 201 early in their college careers. Students may take the combination of Statistics 201 and 346 instead of Economics 253. Economics 253 cannot be substituted for Economics 255, or count as an elective towards the economics major. A score of 5 on the Statistics AP satisfies the prerequisite for Economics 255.

Note that Economics 251, 252, and the Empirical Methods course can be taken in any order. In most cases all three of these courses are prerequisites for Economics Senior Seminars, at least one of which is required for the major. Senior seminars are typically taken during senior year or during the spring of junior year. Students are thus strongly encouraged to complete these three core courses by the end of junior year at the latest.

Prospective majors please note that instructors in all sections of Economics 251, 252, and 255 and courses numbered 350 and above feel free to use elementary calculus in assigned readings, lectures, problem sets, and examinations; therefore, Economics 110 and 120 and Mathematics 105 or its equivalent are required as
prerequisites for these courses, with the exception of 251 which has only Economics 110 and Mathematics 103 as prerequisites. By elementary calculus is meant differentiation of single variable polynomial functions and conditions for a maximum or minimum; it does not include integration. Students are also reminded that some courses now have specific mathematics requirements; see course descriptions.

Elective Requirements:
Students must complete four Economics electives, of which at least two must be selected from advanced electives numbered 350 to 394 (or from the CDE courses offered), and one of which must be selected from electives numbered 450-475. (Note: students may substitute an extra 450+ elective for a 350-394 elective. However, in admitting students to these courses, the department will give preference to students who have not yet taken a course numbered 450-475.)

Credit for Coursework Done Elsewhere
The normal requirement that nine Economics courses be taken at Williams will usually be waived only on the basis of transferred credit deemed acceptable by the department. Credit is granted based on grades consistent with college policy on various examinations:
- Students who receive a 5 on the Microeconomics AP or Macroeconomics AP exam, or a 5 on each, may place into Economics 110 or 120, or both, respectively, but major credit will be given for only one course.
- The department will grant major credit for both Economics 110 and 120 to a student who receives a 6 or 7 on the higher-level Economics IB examination, and that student can place into any 200-level course or intermediate-level micro or macro course.
- For a level, the Department will grant major credit for both Economics 110 and 120 to a student who receives a grade of A or higher, or the numeric equivalent.

STUDY ABROAD
Students who are considering study abroad should consult with the Department’s Coordinator for Transfers/Study Abroad Credits early in the process of planning a year or semester abroad. (See the Department website to determine which professor is the Coordinator for this academic year.) Economics majors or prospective majors who are considering spending all or part of their junior year abroad are strongly advised to choose sophomore courses such that they can complete their intermediate theory requirements (Economics 251, 252, and 255) prior to the start of their senior year. We recommend as well that students complete at least part of the major’s advanced elective requirement prior to the beginning of the senior year. Students who hope to pursue Honors in economics but who plan to be away for all or part of the junior year are strongly advised to meet with the Department’s Director of Research prior to going abroad to discuss options for pursuing honors. (See the Department website to determine the Director of Research for this academic year.)

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN ECONOMICS
We encourage all majors who have at least a 3.5 GPA in economics courses to consider honors. To be admitted to candidacy for honors in economics a student must complete a substantial piece of independent research. Two routes to honors are open: the Specialization Route and the Thesis Route.

1) Specialization Route, consisting of these three units:
   a. Development of a thesis proposal;
   b. An honors winter study project (W30) in January of the senior year;
   c. Economics 491 or 492 Honors Seminar. Students may pursue the Specialization Route to honors in their senior year, either in the fall semester plus WSP or WSP plus the spring semester. After selecting an advisor and discussing the topic with the advisor, the student should submit a thesis proposal to the department for approval. (A description of what should be included in proposals is listed on the department’s website.) Such proposals frequently build on research papers completed for advanced electives, but this is not a requirement. Students should submit proposals at the end of the spring semester if they wish to pursue a fall-WSP thesis and by one week after the last day of classes in December if they wish to pursue a WSP-spring thesis. The Department provides a bursary to majors with more details every spring and fall.

2) Thesis Route (Economics 493-W31-494):
   a. A few students each year will be accepted for year-long thesis research on a subject closely related to the scholarly interests of a faculty member. A student who hopes to do such independent and advanced research in close association with a faculty member should begin to work out a mutually satisfactory topic early in the second semester of his or her junior year. Application to the department must be made before the end of the junior year by submitting a detailed proposal for work under the supervision of the faculty member. The WSP of the senior year is also spent on the thesis.
   b. An honors winter study project (W30) in January of the senior year;
   c. Either an Economics 493 or 494 major thesis course. Students who pursue the Specialization Route to Honors may not substitute Economics 491 or 492 for an upper-(or lower-) level elective requirement.

Because economics honors theses frequently make use of empirical economic methods, students considering writing an honors thesis in economics are strongly advised to complete Economics 255 or Statistics 346 before the end of junior year.

AFRICAN STUDIES AND AREA STUDIES
A major in economics who concentrates in Africana Studies or Area Studies may substitute the non-economics courses in the concentration for one lower-level elective in the Economics major, but not for an advanced elective (350-394).

Note on course numbers: Courses between 201 and 299 are lower-level electives and are open to students who have taken 110 or 120. Courses 350 and above are advanced electives, have intermediate theory prerequisites, and are primarily designed for Economics and Political Economy majors. Courses numbered 450-475 are only open to students who have completed Economics 251, Economics 252, and who have satisfied the statistical methods requirement unless the course prerequisite explicitly indicates otherwise.

ECON 110FS Principles of Microeconomics (Q)
This course is an introduction to the study of the forces of supply and demand that determine prices and the allocation of resources in markets for goods and services, markets for labor, and markets for natural resources. The focus is on how and why markets work, why they may fail to work, and the policy implications of both their successes and failures. The course focuses on developing the basic tools of microeconomic analysis and then applying those tools to topics of popular or policy interest such as minimum wage legislation, pollution control, competition policy, international trade policy, discrimination, tax policy, and the role of government in a market economy. This course is required of Economics and Political Economy majors and highly recommended for those non-majors interested in Environmental Studies and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies. The department recommends that students follow this course with Principles of Macroeconomics as a lower-level elective that has Economics 110 as its prerequisite. Students may alternatively proceed directly to Intermediate Microeconomics after taking this introductory course.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: problem sets, quizzes, short essays, midterm, final exam. (Rolleigh’s section in the fall will have two midterm exams.) No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 40).
Hour: 8:30-9:45 MWF, 11:00-12:15 MWF, 8:30-9:45 TR, 8:30-9:45 MWF, 1:10-2:25 MR, 2:35-3:50 MR First Semester: NAIFZIGER, GOLLIN, GAZZALE, ROLLEIGH
8:30-9:45 TR, 9:55-11:10 TR Second Semester: GAZZALE

ECON 111 Introduction to Economics and Its Applications (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
This course is intended for students who do not wish to major in economics but who would like to learn something about the discipline and to develop a greater understanding of the ways in which economics can be used to explain behavior and to inform policy. Our focus will be on providing some very basic tools of economic analysis and important institutional background regarding the US and international economies, and then using those tools and institutional knowledge to analyze current policy issues.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: problem sets, several short papers, at least one quiz, and midterm and final exam. Prerequisites: open only to juniors and seniors who have not taken an economics course. (Note: Economics 111 cannot substitute for Economics 110 or Economics 120 as a prerequisite for admission to Economics 251 or Economics 252, respectively.) Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 30).
BRADBURD

ECON 120FS Principles of Macroeconomics (Q)
This course provides an introduction to the study of the aggregate national economy. Develops the basic theories of macroeconomics and applies them to topics of current interest. Explores issues such as: the causes of inflation, unemployment, recessions, and depressions; the role of government fiscal and monetary policy in stabilizing the economy; the determinants of long-run economic growth; the long- and short-run effects of taxes, budget deficits, and other government policies on the national economy; and the workings of exchange rates and international finance.
ECON 204  Economics of Developing Countries (Same as Environmental Studies 234) (Not offered 2011-2012)  
This course is an introduction to the microeconomics of development. The central question is: why are some people and nations poor? And what can governments (or donors) do to reduce poverty? Topics include agricultural productivity, health, education, microfinance, child labor, corruption, and intellectual property rights. We will also discuss the extent to which market-friendly reforms (such as trade liberalization) can reduce poverty.  
Prerequisites: Economics 110. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected 35). If overenrolled, preference to sophomores.  
NAFZIGER

ECON 205  Public Economics (Not offered 2011-2012)  
This course examines the role of the government in a market economy. Three broad issues are considered: when is government intervention in the economy appropriate? What is the most effective form of intervention? What effects do government policies have on individual incentives? The course will cover issues in both taxation and spending. Specific programs will be considered such as Social Security, Medicare, education, and public assistance for the poor. We will also discuss rationales and strategies for reforming the U.S. tax system.  
Prerequisites: Economics 110. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected 30).  
LALUMIA

ECON 211(F)  Gender in the Global Economy (Same as Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 211)  
(See under WGST 211 for full description.)  
HONDERICH

ECON 213(S)  Introduction to Environmental and Natural Resources Economics (Same as Environmental Studies 213) (Q)  
Standard economic theory predicts the people and firms, left to their own devices, will often tend to pollute too much, conserve too little, overfish common waters, and cut down too many trees. These predictions seem to be borne out by the world's environmental problems. Fortunately, economics offers tools to address these issues, and these tools are increasingly gaining attention in the policy world. In this course, we will survey the fields of environmental and natural resource economics. We will focus on real-world problems, mostly from a microeconomic perspective. About half of the course will cover environmental economics, valuation of environmental amenities and of environmental damage, and market-based pollution control policies (like “cap and trade”). The other half of the course will cover natural resource economics, and here we'll study the harvesting of renewable resources (like trees and fish) and the extraction of nonrenewable resources (like oil).  
Format: lecture. Requirements: problem sets, short papers or essays, one midterm, and a final exam.  
Prerequisites: Economics 110. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected 30). Preference to sophomores if course is overenrolled.  
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF  
JACOBSON

ECON 215  International Trade, Globalization and Its Effects (Not offered 2011-2012)  
This course is an introduction to international trade and finance with an emphasis on issues of current interest. Topics to be discussed may include: the gains from trade; why nations trade; different theories of the pattern of trade; the effects of tariffs and other trade barriers on national welfare and income distribution; the balance of payments, the determination of foreign exchange rates, and alternative exchange rate regimes.  
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements will include problem sets, a midterm, and a final exam.  
Prerequisites: Economics 110. Students who have completed Economics 251 must have permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 35 (expected 35).  
SAVASER

ECON 219(T)  Global Economic History (W)  
Why did Western Europe—and not China, India, or the Middle East—first experience the Industrial Revolution? Why did Latin America fall behind in the 20th century? Why have the countries of East Asia recently experienced such high rates of economic growth? And why has Africa remained so poor for so long? These and other questions will guide our exploration of world economic development over the past several millennia. We will draw on micro and macroeconomic theory to help explain and interpret the historical roots of the modern global economy. Our focus will be broadly comparative across space and time, with an emphasis on how institutions, resource endowments, cultural and technological revolutions, and market developments have driven economic changes.  
Format: tutorial. Requirements: will meet weekly for one hour in groups of two. Evaluation will be based on five 5- to 7-page papers, critiques of fellow students’ papers, a longer revision of a paper, and engagement in discussion.  
Prerequisites: Economics 110 and 120 or equivalent. Preference will be given to first-year students and sophomores intending to major in economics. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected 10).  
Tutorial meetings to be arranged.  
NAFZIGER

ECON 220  American Economic History (Not offered 2011-2012)  
This course will treat the growth and development of the American economy from the colonial era to the modern period. The emphasis will be on the use of economic theory and quantitative evidence to address key questions in U.S. history. Topics may include some or all of the following: the development of colonial markets, the economic origins of the U.S. Constitution, immigration, agricultural innovation, industrialization, slavery, government regulation and policymaking, the Great Depression, the changing roles of women in the U.S. economy, post-World War II growth, and the place of the United States in the modern global economy. Comparisons will be made to European and non-European experiences when appropriate.  
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: midterm, short problem sets, final, and a research paper.  
Prerequisites: Economics 110 and Economics 120. Enrollment limit: 35 (expected 35).  
NAFZIGER

ECON 222  Economics of the Arts and Culture (Not offered 2011-2012)  
What economic forces influence the creation, presentation, preservation and ownership of art and culture? Should support for the arts be provided through private patronage, private philanthropy, or public sector support? How does the mechanism of support for art affect the productivity and creativity of the artist? Does art make a good investment for an individual? How do art markets function and what determines the price of art? Why do some art museums and portions of industries require donations and public support and operate as non-profit enterprises and others as for-profit enterprises? What are the impacts on economic vitality and local economic development of cultural and arts organizations? When these impacts arise, how can (or should) they be used for public policy? This course will use the tools of economic analysis to present a framework for discussion and analysis of these and related questions.  
Format: lecture, discussion. Requirements: midterm, short problem sets, final, and a research paper.  
Prerequisite: Economics 110. Enrollment limit: 35 (expected 30). Preference given to sophomores and juniors.  
S. SHEPPARD

ECON 225T  Global Financial Crisis and African Economic Development (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)  
Will the global financial crunch create a development crisis for Africa? Just two years ago the International Monetary Fund published the most optimistic growth projections for Africa in decades, predicting rapid growth driven by higher commodity prices, stronger agricultural output and the dividends of years of difficult economic reforms. Today, economic analysts are downgrading African growth forecasts in the face of growing poverty and macroeconomic challenges. Food prices have more than doubled in some countries—increasing hunger for the most vulnerable groups. Fuel costs—and subsidy policies in some countries—are creating macroeconomic imbalances, and the global financial crisis is depressing demand for Africa’s exports. Private capital flows, which reached record levels until 2007, are expected to decline by $300-400 billion over the next two years, with bank lending falling, portfolio investment declining, and foreign direct investment decreasing. This triple-F crisis—food, fuel and financial—is posing renewed challenges to African leaders trying to tackle the imperatives of economic development and pro-poor and inclusive economic growth. This crisis is raising the costs of reforms in countries reliant on exports and international capital for growth. Successful strategies must combine policies more efficiently than ever—to balance the necessary reforms with initiatives that
offset the costs for the most vulnerable. This tutorial will analyze critical questions posed by the emerging crisis: Which countries will be hit the hardest, and how deeply and for how long? Through which channels does the contagion affect national economies? And perhaps most importantly, what coordinated strategies can African nations develop in order to foster effective responses? This tutorial will explore how policy-makers in Africa are working to build successful inclusive growth strategies, with fiscal, monetary, industrial, trade and labor market policies reinforcing each other rather than working at cross purposes.

Format: tutorial, will meet weekly for one hour in groups of two. Evaluation will be based on five short papers and on the quality of the student's oral presentations and commentary on the work of his/her colleagues.

Prerequisites: Economics 252 (or concurrently) or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10).

SAMSON

ECON 228F(S) Water as a Scarce Resource (Same as Environmental Studies 228) (W)

This course satisfies the “Environmental Policy” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.

For a variety of reasons including environmental pollution, urbanization, changing agricultural techniques, resource mismanagement, and the consequences of climate change, water is becoming a scarce resource even in places where it was relatively plentiful in the past, and it is likely to become an increasingly scarce resource over the coming decades. In this course we will use basic economic models to consider policy issues relating to water: Is access to water a basic human right? What will the role of non-market mechanisms should play a role in water allocation? Does public ownership of water improve the way it is provided and used? Why do societies differ in their approaches to allocating water and are some systems better than others? What does it mean to have a property right to water? Could private property rights to water help address the water pollution problem? How can societies change their water-related property rights, regulations and policies? How should individuals have explicit or implicit property rights to the institutional status quo? Who has the right to water that crosses international boundaries? How should societies allocate water across generations?

Format: tutorial. Students will meet with the instructor in pairs for an hour each week. Requirements: write a 5- to 7-page paper every other week (five in all), prepare and present a written critique of their partners' papers in alternate weeks, and revise and rewrite one of their five papers. Evaluation will be based on the quality of the papers and on the quality of the student's oral presentations and commentary on the work of his/her colleagues.

Prerequisites: Economics 110 or equivalent. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference will be given to first year students and sophomores intending to major in economics and/or to concentrate in Environmental Studies.

Tutorial meetings to be arranged.

BRADBURD

ECON 229S Law and Economics (Q)

This course applies the tools of macroeconomic analysis to both private (i.e., civil) and criminal law. This analysis has both positive and normative aspects. The positive aspects deal with how individuals respond to the incentives created by the legal system. Examples include: how intellectual property law encourages the creation of new ideas while simultaneously restricting the dissemination of intellectual property; how tort law motivates doctors to avoid malpractice suits; and how criminal law deters criminal activity. The normative aspects of the analysis ask whether legal rules enhance economic efficiency (or, more broadly, social welfare). Examples include: what legal rules are most appropriate for mitigating pollution, ensuring safe driving, and guaranteeing workplace safety? The course will also cover the economics of legal systems; for example, what are the incentives for plaintiffs to initiate lawsuits and what role do lawyers play in determining outcomes? The course will also consider the potential reforms of the legal system.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, problem sets, short papers based on actual court cases and possible legal reforms, a midterm exam, and a final exam.

Prerequisite: Economics 110. Enrollment limit: 35 (expected: 25). Preference given to majors and sophomores if overenrolled.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

GENTRY

ECON 230 The Economics of Health and Health Care (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

In recent years, the intersection between health and economics has increased in importance. The costs of health care have been rising, seemingly inexorably. A substantial fraction of the United States population lacks health insurance, while the rising number of elderly is putting increasing pressure on health spending. Globally, the HIV/AIDS pandemic is causing severe economic hardship, and many people lack access to basic health care. More positively, advances in health care have widened the scope of possible treatments. Given the importance of good health for individual well-being, it is not surprising that health care and how to pay for it are of concern to individuals and policymakers worldwide. In this course we will analyze the economic principles of health care economics. We will develop standard microeconomic techniques to the problems of health and health care markets. The course focuses on three broad issues: the inputs to health and the demand for health care, the structure and consequences of public and private health insurance, and the supply of health care. Special attention will be devoted to topics of current public policy, including the problems of rising costs and cost containment, health insurance reform, the changing nature of health care provision, changing health care, the structure and consequences of public and private health insurance, and the supply of health care. Special attention will be devoted to topics of current public policy, including the problems of rising costs and cost containment, health insurance reform, the changing nature of health care provision, changing health care, the structure and consequences of public and private health insurance, and the supply of health care.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: several short papers and a final research paper and presentation.

Prerequisite: Economics 110. Enrollment limited to 19 (expected: 19).

SHORE-SHEPPARD

ECON 235 Urban Centers and Urban Systems (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)

Cities, systems of cities, and the interactions between cities are the outcome of human decisions and reflect their social structure and desire for interaction. The form of these urban areas is determined by the choices made by the people who reside in, work in, and travel between cities. Economic forces influence and are influenced by the structure of cities and by the uses of land. This course will introduce you to the economic analysis of urban centers and urban systems. We will address the determinants of land use, location of firms, choice of transportation mode, flows of capital investment into real estate, housing prices and housing availability and regulation of housing markets, movement of population from one city to another, and public policies designed to address urban problems.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: two “policy memoranda” on assigned topics, midterm, and final exam.

Prerequisites: Economics 110. Enrollment limit: 40.

S. SHEPPARD

ECON 240T Colonialism and Underdevelopment in South Asia (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

How did colonialism shape the evolution of the economies of South Asia? There is much controversy on this issue, beginning with whether the colonial economy really represented a radical break from the past. With this as our starting point, we will discuss major themes in this literature including the theory of “drain” (of economic surplus from the colonies), “deindustrialization” due to competition from cheap British manufactured goods, the impact of colonial legal institutions and land tenure arrangements, and colonial policies with respect to education, infrastructure, trade, and financial markets. The course will conclude with an assessment of the extent to which the economies of India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh reflect their colonial past, and the consequences thereof.


Prerequisites: Economics 110. Enrollment limit: 10.

SWAMY

ECON 251(FS) Price and Allocation Theory (Q)

A study of the determination of relative prices and their importance in shaping the allocation of resources and the distribution of income. Subjects include: behavior of households in a variety of settings, such as buying goods and services, saving, and labor supply; behavior of firms in various kinds of markets; results of competitive and noncompetitive markets in goods, labor, land, and capital; market failure; government policies as sources of and responses to market failure; welfare. Examples include: what legal rules are most appropriate for mitigating pollution, ensuring safe driving, and guaranteeing workplace safety? The course will also cover the economics of legal systems; for example, what are the incentives for plaintiffs to initiate lawsuits and what role do lawyers play in determining outcomes? The course will also consider the potential reforms of the legal system.

Format: lecture. Requirements: problem sets, a midterm, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Economics 110 and 120 and Mathematics 103 or its equivalent. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25).

First Semester: JACOBSON, GENTRY

Second Semester: S. SHEPPARD, BRADBURD

ECON 252(FS) Macroeconomics (Q)

A study of macroeconomics and policy: the determinants of aggregate output, employment, and prices, and the tools of monetary and fiscal policy used by the government in attempts to promote growth and limit inflation. The purpose is both to explain macroeconomics theory and to use it as a framework for discussing the current state of the U.S. economy and for analyzing recent economic policy. Instructors may use elementary calculus in assigned readings, exams, and lectures.

Format: lecture. Requirements: problem sets, two midterms, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Economics 110 and 120 and Mathematics 103 or its equivalent. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 25).

First Semester: SAVASER

Second Semester: SAVASER, KUTTNER, P. PEDRONI
ECON 253(F)  Empirical Methods in Political Economy (Same as Political Economy 253) (Q)
(See under POEC 253 for full description.)
SWAMY
Not open to students who have taken Economics 255, Economics 253 cannot be substituted for Economics 255, or count as an elective towards the Economics major.

ECON 255(ES)  Econometrics (Q)
An introduction to the theory and practice of applied quantitative economic analysis. This course familiarizes students with the strengths and weaknesses of the basic empirical methods used by economists to evaluate economic theory against economic data. Emphasizes both the statistical foundations of regression techniques and the practical application of those techniques in empirical research. Computer exercises will provide experience in using the empirical methods, but no previous computer experience is expected. Highly recommended for students considering graduate training in economics or public policy. Students may substitute the combination of Statistics 201 and 346 for Economics 253 or 255.
Format: lecture. Requirements: problem sets, two midterms, and group presentations and possible additional assignments.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 103 and Statistics 101 or Statistics 201 or equivalent plus one course in Economics. (A score of 5 on the Statistics AP satisfies the prerequisite for Economics 255.) Enrollment limit: 35 (expected: 35).
Second Semester: WATSON, ZIMMERMAN

ECON 299(F)  Economic Liberalism and Its Critics (Same as Political Economy 250 and Political Science 238)
(See under POEC 250 for full description.)
BAKIIA and MAHON

ADVANCED ELECTIVES

ECON 351  Tax Policy (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q) (W)
The tax system is a major element of public policy. In addition to raising revenue for government expenditure programs, policymakers use the tax system to redistribute resources and to promote a variety of economic policies. For example, the United States tax system has specific rules to encourage savings, education, and investment. Inherently, many tax policy choices involve trade-offs between equity and efficiency. The purpose of this course is to clarify the goals and possibilities of tax policy, mainly through an examination of U.S. federal tax policy (though the search for possible reforms may lead us to examine policies from other countries). The course will examine the choice of the tax base (income or consumption), notations of fairness in taxation (e.g., the rate structure), the choice to tax corporate income separately from personal income, and a variety of specific tax policy issues (e.g., retirement saving, child care, the “marriage” tax, capital gains taxation, and the taxation of housing).
Format: seminar/discussion. Requirements: several shorter papers, a research paper, and final exam.
Prerequisites: Economics 251 and preferably some familiarity with statistical analysis. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to senior Economics majors.

ECON 353  Decision Theory (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
Studies of decision-making suggest that most people substantially violate even undemanding models of rationality. Are people truly irrational, and, if so, can anything be done about it? This course focuses on normative decision-making (how we should make decisions under general conditions), descriptive decision-making (how we do make decisions under actual conditions), and the contrast between the two. We proceed to a view of prescriptive decision-making, or how we might combine normative and descriptive insights to improve decision-making and judgment. Topics include decision-analytic methods for improving decision-making rigor (e.g., decision trees); microeconomic concepts and tools for optimization problems; game theory as appropriate; insights from cognitive psychology on heuristics (short cuts) that sometimes help, but often distort, decision-making; integrated models of judgment that call for both analysis and intuition; insights from the newly-emerging studies of judgment and wisdom. Until a few years ago, this topic was given normative treatment in departments of engineering, statistics and economics, and was separately taught as a descriptive science in departments of psychology. The apparent value of combining the two into a single, prescriptive analysis of decision-making and judgment has led to a recent wave of interdisciplinary approaches such as the one adopted in this course.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: multiple problems and case analyses, one project, final exam.
Prerequisites: Economics 251 and Mathematics 104 or higher or permission of instructor. Statistics 101 or 201 helpful but not required. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25).
FORTUNATO

ECON 357T  The Economics of Higher Education (Not offered 2011-2012)
This tutorial will utilize economic theory and econometric methods to understand a variety of issues pertaining to the economics of colleges and universities. In particular, we’ll discuss the logic of non-profit enterprises, the financial structure of a college or university, competition in the market for higher education, policies impacting tuition and financial aid, the individual and societal returns from investments in higher education, and the distinctive features of academic labor markets. Particular attention will be paid to selective liberal arts colleges.
Format: tutorial; will meet weekly for one hour in groups of two. Evaluation will be based on six 5- to 7-page papers and on the quality of the student’s oral presentations and commentary on the work of his/her colleagues.
Prerequisites: Economics 251 and 253 or 255 or Statistics 346 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected 10). Preference will be given to majors if overenrolled.
ZIMMERMAN

ECON 358(S)  International Trade and Economic Policy
Advances in transportation and communication have led to an increasingly integrated global economy where goods, services, people, capital, and ideas flow across borders. In this course we will examine the causes and consequences of globalization, using theoretical models and empirical evidence. Topics discussed in class will include: models of international trade; immigration; multinational corporations; offshoring; trade policies such as tariffs, quotas, and export subsidies; international trade agreements and organizations; and the implications of trade for the environment.
Prerequisites: Economics 251, 252, and preferably one course in Economics. (A score of 5 on the Statistics AP satisfies the prerequisite for Economics 250.) Enrollment limit: 35 (expected: 35).

ECON 360  International Monetary Economics (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course studies the macroeconomic behavior of economies that trade both goods and assets with other economies: international financial transactions, especially the buying and selling of foreign money, the role of central banks and private speculators in determining exchange rates and interest rates, and the effects of international transactions on the overall performance of an open economy. Additional topics may include the “asset market approach” to exchange rate determination, the nature and purpose of certain international institutions, and important current events.
Format: lecture. Requirements for first semester: two hour tests and a choice between a 10-page paper or a comprehensive final; requirements for second semester: two exams and a term paper.
Prerequisites: Economics 251 and 252. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25).

ECON 362(S)  Global Competitive Strategies
This course examines the ways in which a country’s factor endowments, domestic market characteristics, and government policies promote or impede the global expansion of its industries and corporations. First, actual trade and investment decisions of multinational corporations are analyzed and compared to the predictions of international trade theory. Second, competitive strategies of indigenous and foreign rivals in U.S., Pacific rim, and European markets are explored. Third, the efficacy of government policies in promoting the competitiveness of industries in global markets is discussed. Case studies of firms, industries, and countries will be utilized.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: a research paper and exam(s).
Hour: 7:00-9:40 p.m. M
FORTUNATO
ECON 363(F) Money and Banking

This course first explores the role of the financial system and financial markets, and how they interact with the economy. What does finance do? How are asset prices determined, and how are these prices related to interest rates? Are financial markets efficient, and what are the implications of their efficiency or lack thereof? Second, it analyzes the role of the central bank and the conduct of monetary policy. Special attention will be given to the organization and the operation of the Federal Reserve System, but other monetary policy regimes will also be considered. Students will simulate a meeting of the Federal Reserve Open Market Committee, either to decide on monetary policy or to debate a current policy issue. Third, it studies the complexities associated with managing and regulating modern financial instruments. Throughout the course, attention is paid to the shape and evolution of the financial system will be stressed.

Format: lecture and discussion. Requirements: problem sets, midterm, a group project culminating in a paper and a presentation, and a final exam.


Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF

CAPRIO

ECON 371T Economic Justice (Not offered 2011-2012)

This tutorial will examine normative and empirical aspects of economic justice, with a special emphasis on concerns related to income distribution. The course is loosely structured around three questions. a) How ought income be distributed? b) How is income distributed? c) What policies should be considered when a) and b) differ? Each question moves us into the area of ethics. We will spend several classes discussing the connections between economic analysis and ethical theory. The second question moves us into the area of facts and theories surrounding income distribution. The third question moves us to consider policy responses to any perceived problems. In considering question c) we will focus on issues related to the distribution of income and status in the United States.

Format: tutorial; will meet weekly for one hour in groups of 2. Evaluation will be based on six 5- to 7-page papers and on the quality of the student’s oral presentations and commentary on the work of his/her colleagues.

Prerequisites: Economics 251 and 253 or 255 or Statistics 346 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference will be given to Economics majors.

ZIMMERMAN

ECON 374T Poverty and Public Policy (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Since 1965, the annual poverty rate in the United States has hovered between 10 and 15 percent, though far more than 15 percent of Americans experience poverty at some point in their lives. In this course, we will study public policies that, explicitly or implicitly, have as a goal improving the well-being of the poor in this country. These policies include safety net programs (Aid to Families with Dependent Children/Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, Food Stamps, Medicaid, and housing assistance), education programs (Head Start and public primary and secondary education), and parts of the tax code (the Earned Income Tax Credit). We will explore the design and functioning of these programs, focusing on questions economists typically ask when evaluating public policy: Does the policy achieve its goals? Does the design of the policy lead to unintended effects (either good or bad)? Could it be redesigned to achieve its goals in a more cost-effective manner? Through in-depth study of these programs, students will learn how economists bring theoretical models and empirical evidence to bear on important questions of public policy.

Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on six 5- to 7-page papers and on the quality of the student’s oral presentations and commentary on the work of his/her colleagues.

Prerequisites: Economics 253 or 255 or Statistics 346 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to majors if over-enrolled.

SHORE-SHEPPARD

ECON 375T Speculative Attacks and Currency Crises (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

This course will review the causes and consequences of currency crises in industrial countries and emerging economies. Topics to be covered include analytical models of speculative attacks, identification of crises, empirical evidence on the relationship between currency and banking crises, and the channels of “contagion” of crises across countries. The evolution of a series of important recent crises with systemic implications will be examined, including the European crisis of 1992, the Mexican crisis of 1994, the Asian crisis in 1997, and the Russian crisis of 1998. Several more recent currency crises with effects more restricted to the crisis countries themselves will also be studied.

Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on a paper every other week.

Prerequisites: Economics 252. Enrollment limit: 10.

MONTIEL

ECON 378(F) Long-Run Perspectives on Economic Growth (Q)

The world today is marred by vast inequities, with about a 30-fold difference in per capita incomes between the poorest country and the most affluent. What explanations do long-run economic historians have to offer for these differences in levels of prosperity? Are the explanations to be found in underlying differences between countries during the past few decades? The past few centuries? Or the past few millennia? If contemporary differences in living standards have origins that are deep, how do we know about these origins? Can we expect these inequalities to be reduced gradually over time through natural economic processes, or are they likely to persist unless action is taken to reduce them? This course will present a unified theory of economic growth for thinking about these and related questions. Examples of issues to be covered include, amongst other topics, Malthusian stagnation in pre-industrial societies, the importance of the demographic transition and human capital formation in the process of industrialization, the role of colonialism, slavery and ethnic fragmentation in shaping modern institutions, and the long-lasting effect of geography through its impact on the emergence of agriculture in early human societies.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements will include at least one exam, a research paper and a class presentation.

Prerequisites: Economics 251 and 252 or permission of the instructor, familiarity with econometrics (ECON 255) will be helpful but not essential. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25). Preference given to junior and senior Economics majors.

Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF

ASHRAF

ECON 381T Health in Poor Countries (Same as Economics 508) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)(Q)

Poor health is one of the biggest problems facing poor people in poor countries. Diarrhea, HIV/AIDS, iodine deficiency, intestinal helminthes, malaria, sleeping sickness, tuberculosis, vitamin A deficiency, and yellow fever are common problems in much of the developing world. These health problems reduce happiness directly, as well as indirectly through decreased cognitive and physical ability in productive activities. This course uses microeconomic and econometric tools to examine the causes and consequences of a few of these sources of poor health. Unlike a medical or public health approach to these topics, we will focus on behavioral aspects of these problems. Some of the questions we will explore include: How responsive is demand for health inputs to changes in the price of health inputs? How does economic activity affect health behavior? How does information affect health behavior? How does health behavior affect health inputs? How do we evaluate the impact of policies designed to improve health?

Format: tutorial. Requirements: students will write and present five papers, revise and resubmit one of these papers, and deliver formal comments on five papers written by other students.

Prerequisites: Economics 251 and Economics 253/255. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to senior Economics majors and CDE students. Not available for the Goulding option.

WILSON

ECON 382 Industrial Organization (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course examines the interaction of firms and consumers in monopoly and imperfectly competitive markets. We begin with an investigation of how firms acquire market power. Using game theoretic models, we then analyze the strategic interaction between firms to study their ability to protect and exploit market power. Aspects of strategic decision-making that we shall study include: price discrimination, product selection, firm reputation, bundling and collusion. We conclude with a discussion of the role of anti-trust policy. Theoretical models will be supplemented with case studies and empirical papers.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: There will be several problem sets as well as a midterm and final examination. A group paper and presentation will also be required.

Prerequisites: Economics 251 and preferably some familiarity with statistical analysis. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25). Preference given to senior majors.

GAZZALE

ECON 383(F) Cities, Regions and the Economy

Cities and urbanization can have significant impacts on the economy. In many developed economies, a process of regional decline is associated with older, industrial cities. In developing countries, the process of economic growth is generally associated with increasing urbanization. Urbanization, with its increasing concentration of population and production, puts particular pressure on markets to allocate resources for provision of land, housing, transportation, labor and public goods. Urbanization can alter the productivity of land, labor, and capital in ways that can improve the welfare of residents and the performance of the...
broaden economy. In this course, we will examine these conflicting economic forces and examine some recent research that contributes to our understanding of the difference between regional growth and decline, and the role that the urban structure plays in these processes. We will examine the function of land, housing, transportation, and labor markets in the urban context, and the scope for public policies to improve the performance of the regional economy.

Format: Lecture/discussion. Requirements: Two midterms and a research paper.


Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF

S. SHEPPARD

ECON 384 Corporate Finance (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)

This course analyzes the major financial decisions facing firms. The course takes the perspective of a manager making decisions about both what investments to undertake and how to finance these projects. Topics include capital budgeting, links between real and financial investments, capital structure choices, dividend policy, and corporate governance. Additional topics may include issues in corporate governance and corporate restructuring, such as mergers and acquisitions. The course will emphasize the underlying economic models that are relevant for these decisions.

Format: Lecture/discussion. Requirements: Class participation, problem sets, short quizzes, short projects such as case write ups, a midterm exam, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Economics 251, 252, and some familiarity with statistics (e.g., Economics 253 or 255).


GENTRY

ECON 385 Games and Information (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)

This course is a mathematical introduction to strategic thinking and its applications. Ideas such as Nash equilibrium, commitment, credibility, repeated games, incentives and signaling are discussed. Examples are drawn from economics, politics, history and everyday campus life. Applications include auctions, labor contracts, debt relief, and corruption.

Format: Lecture/discussion. Requirements: Exams, problem sets and a substantial final project that involves modeling a real world situation as a game.

Prerequisites: Economics 251, Mathematics 105 (or permission of the instructor).

Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25).

RAI

ECON 386(S) Environmental Policy and Natural Resource Management (Same as Economics 515 and Environmental Studies 386) (Q)

Economics has a rich body of advice for policymakers struggling to manage and preserve environmental assets in developed and developing countries. In this class, we will survey the microeconomic (and, to a lesser extent, macroeconomic) perspective on environmental policy and natural resource management. Throughout the class, we will emphasize issues of efficiency and equity, and we will be reminded again and again that the issues at hand are both technical and ethical. We'll also be careful to distinguish cases in which private actors make efficient choices without any guidance from government from cases in which it is argued that government has an important role. As another theme, we will look at actual policies in the US and worldwide to learn about policy implementation and pitfalls. We will start by building a foundation of the concepts undergirding policy, including ideas of welfare within and across generations, sustainability, the relationship between market failures and property rights, and the meaning and measurement of society's value for environmental assets. We will explore the idea of efficient pollution, with the understanding that reducing pollution is costly in terms of consumption, jobs, and ultimately growth. There are many policies (including taxes and "cap and trade") that may be useful in cost-effectively fighting pollution, and we'll study them. We will study both localized air and water pollution and larger global problems, with a focus on climate change. We will explore the management of both nonrenewable and renewable resources, including global energy issues. We will also study the relationship between trade and the environment, touching on controversial topics such as the "natural resources curse" and the relationship between economic growth and the demand for environmental quality. Student interest will drive some of the selection of specific topics.

Format: Lecture/discussion. Requirements: Problem sets, short papers, brief presentation, a midterm, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Economics 251, familiarity with statistics.

Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 20). Preference given to senior majors and CDE mesters.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 MWF

JACOBSON

ECON 388 Urbanization and Development (Same as Economics 521 and Environmental Studies 388) (Not offered 2010-2011)

(See under ECON 521 for full description.)

(See under ECON 517 for full description.)

ECON 389(S) Tax Policy in Emerging Markets (Same as Economics 517) (Q)

(Not offered 2010-2011)

BAKJIA

ECON 390T Financial Crises: Causes and Cures (Same as Economics 523T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Financial crises have been with us for as long as banking has existed. Why are crises such a regular fixture of societies, and what can be done to prevent them, or at least reduce their cost? Topics examined include bubbles and swindles, especially when these spillover to the broader macroeconomy; the role of information in banking in normal times and in bank runs; boom-bust cycles in asset markets; international contagion; crisis resolution techniques; and the extensive history of attempts to improve regulation so as to reduce the frequency and cost of crises. Cycles in developing and developed economies in the 19th, 20th and 21st centuries will be examined, and the role of political economy factors in their run-up and resolution will be featured.

Format: Tutorial. Students will write 5-6 papers during the term, and will prepare and deliver formal comments on 5-6 papers written by other students.

Prerequisites: Economics 251, 252, and 253/255. Permission of the Instructor required.

Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Not available for the Gaulino option.

CAPRO

ECON 391T(F) Economic Analysis of Housing Markets (W)

Housing is one of the most basic of human needs and the housing market is one of the largest, most important and most heavily regulated markets in national economies around the world. At various times economists, policy makers and the general public have regarded the housing market as irrational and malfunctioning in a variety of ways. Why? In this tutorial we will explore and analyze the workings of the housing market. In what ways do housing markets differ from other markets? Why (and how often) do house price "bubbles" occur? How do mortgage markets function and influence housing markets in countries around the world? In what ways can housing and housing conditions serve as an indicator of quality of life? How do housing markets affect the sustainability of cities? These and other important questions will be the focus of reading and discussion for the course.

Format: Tutorial. Each student will write a paper every other week, and comment on his/her partner's work in the other weeks.

Prerequisites: Economics 251 and 255 or permission of the Instructor.

Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to senior majors.

Tutorial meetings to be arranged.

S. SHEPPARD

ECON 392(S) Finance and Capital Markets (Q)

This course gives a survey of financial markets and currency trading. We begin by exploring the role of capital markets in the flow-of-funds between savers and investors, their role in risk redistribution and continue with the analysis of exchange-rate markets. Topics include: risk and return tradeoffs, models of stock and bond prices, the capital asset pricing model, financial derivatives (options, futures, currency swaps), hedging, "efficient markets" theories of financial markets and order flow analysis in currency markets.

Format: Lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on problem sets, midterms, final, a project and class participation.

Prerequisites: Economics 251 and either Statistics 101 or 201 or Economics 253 or Economics 255. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25). Preference to Economics majors.

Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF

SAVASER

ECON 393 International Macroeconomics (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course examines the workings and interactions among national economies in the global arena and the implications for macroeconomic policy analysis. Topics include analysis of international financial asset markets, international capital flows and the transmission of business cycles internationally. A series of both factual and counterfactual case studies are developed in class and used to study the implications for central bank exchange rate policies, monetary policies, trade policies, currency and trade unions such as the EEC and NAFTA, and international policy coordination issues among the G7 and members of the International Monetary Fund more broadly.

Format: Lecture/discussion. Requirements: two midterms exams and one final term paper focused on an international macro policy topic of the student's choice.

Prerequisites: Economics 252 (Intermediate Macro). Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 15). Preference given to Economics majors; and particularly to those wishing to write an honors thesis in related area of interest.

P. PEDRONI

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ECON 394 European Economic History (Not offered 2011-2012)
Why did modern economic growth first occur in Europe, and not in China or the Middle East? Why did the Industrial Revolution occur in Britain and not France? Why did the economy of the Soviet Union collapse in the 1980s? Why did European economic integration? This course will explore these and other questions related to the economic development of Europe from the early modern period until today. We will investigate how institutional change, technology, industrialization, social welfare policies, trade and globalization, and government intervention have affected the process of economic growth. Drawing on a wide variety of empirical and theoretical readings, the perspective of the course will be comparative, both across Europe and to the experiences of developing countries today.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: midterm, short problem sets, final, and a research paper.
Prerequisites: Economics 251 or 252 AND either 253, 255, or equivalent. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25).
NAFZIGER

ECON 395T Growth and Sustainability (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
The question to be addressed in this class is whether material living standards can continue to rise indefinitely: is "sustainable growth" possible, or is the world doomed to stagnation—or eventual collapse—by limited resources, population pressures and pollution? The readings will include the views of pessimists, such as Malthus and Diamond, as well as those of optimists, such as Simon and Nordhaus. Because growth and the allocation of resources are central to the study of economics, we will confront the question of sustainability with the tools of macroeconomics and growth theory, extending standard economic models to address the challenges posed by population growth, resource use, and pollution.
Format: tutorial; will meet weekly for one hour in groups of two. The requirements are five 5- to 7-page papers, written commentary on fellow students' papers, an expanded version of one of the short papers and consistent contributions to tutorial discussions.
Prerequisites: Economics 251 and 252. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference will be given to Economics majors.
KUJTNER

ECON 397(F), 398(S) Independent Study
Students are invited to undertake independent study on subjects of their own choosing. Interested students should consult with a faculty member about developing a plan to appropriate project well in advance of spring registration.
With permission of the department, an approved project may count as one of the two advanced electives required for the major.
Prerequisites: consent of an instructor and of the department chair.
Hour: TBA
Members of the Department

ECON 451(F) Topics in Macroeconomics
This seminar explores some of the central topics in macroeconomics, including economic growth, saving and investment, business cycle fluctuations, monetary policy, and financial crises. The first part of the course focuses on long-run economic growth. Using economic theory and evidence, we will attempt to answer some of the most important questions in all of economics: Why are some countries poor and other countries rich? What can governments do to achieve faster and environmentally sustainable rates of growth? What are the growth consequences of sustained budget deficits? Understanding the behavior of the economy in the long run is one of the key tasks of macroeconomics. But as we have seen during the 2008–2009 financial crisis, the short run matters as well. In the second part of the class, we will turn our attention to economic downturns and financial crises. Using historical work on past crises and the accumulating evidence on the current one, we will study a host of short-run topics, including financial markets, the effectiveness of fiscal and monetary policies, consumer expectations, asset prices, employment, and productivity. Because this is an advanced class in macroeconomics, we will approach these issues as practicing economists working with the best possible models and empirical techniques. Students will have an opportunity to apply these methods in a required end-of-term research paper.
Format: seminar. Requirements: midterm, final, class participation and research paper.
Prerequisites: Economics 251, 252, and 255.
Hour: 2:35-5:30 MR
LOVE

ECON 452T Economics of Community Development (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
This course focuses on the economic issues that arise in understanding community development. Students will address such questions as: why do some cities grow, while others lose population? Why are some communities successful in attracting new firms and getting existing ones to expand? Why are the some communities regarded as offering better ‘quality of life’ than others? Why do employees of local governments join unions in higher proportions than any other sector of the economy? How do decisions made in local governments affect the overall economy, and how does the economy and competition between communities affect local decisions? Thinking about such questions helps to develop skills in economic analysis and understanding of communities, the challenges they confront, and how to improve them. Students will be expected to read, discuss, and synthesize a variety of analytic approaches into their own analysis of particular community development questions. Students will be expected to work with and analyze data and to present the results of their analysis.
Format: tutorial. Requirements: students will meet with the instructor in pairs for an hour each week; they will write a paper every other week, and comment on their partner’s papers every other week.
Prerequisites: Economics 251 and Economics 253 or 255 or the equivalent. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected:10). Preference will be given to senior Economics majors.
S. SHEPPARD

ECON 454 Topics in Macroeconomics (Not offered 2011-2012)
This seminar explores some of the central topics in macroeconomics, including economic growth, saving and investment, business cycle fluctuations, monetary policy, and financial crises. The first part of the course focuses on long-run economic growth. Using economic theory and evidence, we will attempt to answer some of the most important questions in all of economics: Why are some countries poor and other countries rich? What can governments do to achieve faster and environmentally sustainable rates of growth? What are the growth consequences of sustained budget deficits? Understanding the behavior of the economy in the long run is one of the key tasks of macroeconomics. But as we have seen during the 2008–2009 financial crisis, the short run matters as well. In the second part of the class, we will turn our attention to economic downturns and financial crises. Using historical work on past crises and the accumulating evidence on the current one, we will study a host of short-run topics, including financial markets, the effectiveness of fiscal and monetary policies, consumer expectations, asset prices, employment, and productivity. Because this is an advanced class in macroeconomics, we will approach these issues as practicing economists working with the best possible models and empirical techniques. Students will have an opportunity to apply these methods in a required end-of-term research paper.
Format: seminar. Requirements: midterm, final, class participation and research paper.
Prerequisites: Economics 251, 252, and 255. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference will be given to senior Economics majors.
SHEPPARD

ECON 456 Income Distribution (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course examines the distribution of income in the U.S., with particular emphasis on how it is affected by taxes, transfers, and other government programs. Most of the course will focus on the bottom of the income distribution, where the role for policy is greatest. Questions to be addressed may include the following: What are the causes and consequences of poverty? How do welfare, the minimum wage, and the EITC affect those in poverty? How does discrimination affect the outcomes of various demographic groups? What are the effects of affirmative action? How much mobility is there across the income distribution? What explains the recent growth in income at the top of the distribution, and the resulting increase in inequality?
Format: seminar/discussion. Requirements: short writing assignments, computer lab exercises, oral presentations, and a final research paper.
Prerequisites: Economics 251 and 253 or 255 or equivalent. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference: senior Economics majors.
LALUMIA

ECON 457 Public Economics Research Seminar (Not offered 2011-2012)
In this class, students will learn how to read, critically evaluate, and begin to produce empirical research on important and interesting public policy questions. Topics will be selected from across the spectrum of public economics issues and may vary from year to year. Examples of specific topics that may be covered include education, environmental policy, taxation, income inequality, and poverty policy, health care policy, the economics of crime and punishment, and the implications of behavioral economics and psychology for public policy (we will typically only cover a subset of these topics). Applications will be drawn mostly from the United States but we will also consider some issues and evidence from other industrialized and developing countries. The course will especially emphasize the critical analysis of empirical evidence on public policy questions.
Format: mix of lecture, seminar discussion, and time in a computer lab learning to work with data and estimate econometric models. Requirements will
include a 15- to 20-page research paper (written in stages) that is a combination of a research proposal and an original empirical analysis of data, a series of short papers and empirical exercises, and regular constructive contributions to class discussion.

Prerequisites: Economics 255, Economics 251, and Economics 120. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference will be given to senior Economics majors.

BAKIA

ECON 458T Economics of Risk (Not offered 2011-2012)

Risk and uncertainty are pervasive features of economic decisions and outcomes. Individuals face risk about health status and future job prospects. For a firm, developing new products is risky; furthermore, once a product has been developed, the firm faces product liability risk if it turns out to be unsafe. Investment decisions—from managing a portfolio to starting a business—are also fraught with uncertainty. Some risks are environmental—both manmade problems and natural disasters; other risks include the possibility of terrorist attack and, more locally, issues of campus safety. This tutorial explores both the private market responses to risk (e.g., financial markets, insurance markets, private contracting, and precautionary investments and saving) and government policies towards risk (e.g., education, and the legal system). From a theoretical standpoint, the course will build on expected utility theory, diversification, options valuation, principal-agent models, contract theory, and cost-benefit analysis. We will apply these tools to a wide variety of economic issues such as the ones listed above. One goal of the course is to discover common themes across the disparate topics. Students will be expected to read and synthesize a variety of approaches to risk and uncertainty and apply them to various issues.

Format: tutorial; will meet with the instructor in pairs each week. Requirements: each student will write a paper (or do a short project) every other week, and comment on his or her partner’s work in the other weeks. The final two weeks will be reserved for applied projects of the student’s choice. One of the papers during the term will be revised to reflect feedback from the instructor and the student’s partner.

Prerequisites: Economics 251, 252, and Economics 253 or 255. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference to senior majors.

GENTRY

ECON 459 Economics of Institutions (Not offered 2011-2012)

Why are some countries rich and others poor? There are numerous candidate explanations emphasizing factors ranging from demography to technological innovation to unequal international relations. However, some economists like Douglass North and Mancur Olson have argued that beneath the profusion of proximate causes the quality of a country’s “institutions” fundamentally determines its economic prospects. The word “institutions” is used broadly; it can refer to micro-structures like households or macro-structures like the state. The course will survey the literature on institutions and economic development, discussing both developed and developing countries. Readings will largely consist of published journal articles and unpublished work of similar quality. Students should expect to use macroeconomic theory and econometrics learned in previous courses.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on four short papers of 7-10 pages each.

Prerequisites: Economics 251, Economics 253 or 255 or the equivalent; students who have already taken Economics 502 will not be admitted. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference will be given to senior Economics majors.

SWAMY

ECON 461(S) Computable General Equilibrium (CGE) Modeling (Same as Economics 504)

(See under ECON 504 for full description.)

ROLLEIGH

ECON 463(F) Financial History

This course opens with a brief survey of some of the major characteristics, issues, and challenges of financial systems today, and then examines earlier experience with these phenomena. Topics to be examined include: the role of finance in economic development historically; the relationship between finance and government, and the extent to which it has changed over time; the lessons from early asset bubbles for modern financial systems; the effect of institutions (laws, norms, and culture) and political systems in shaping the impact of finance, as illustrated by comparisons between Mexico and the U.S., among other cases; and lessons from U.S. financial history for policies today. The course also examines the tools that were developed in earlier epochs to deal with different risks, evaluate their efficacy, and consider lessons for modern financial regulation.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will consist of either of 6 short papers or 3 short papers and one longer research paper (student choice), at least one oral presentation, and contributions to class discussions.

Prerequisites: Economics 363, 384, 390, 392, or 505 (that is, any one of those courses), or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference will be given to senior Economics majors.

Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF GAZZALE

Prerequisites: Economics 252, Economics 255 or equivalent, and Economics 393 (360 may substitute for Economics 393). Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference will be given to senior Economics majors.

Time: 7:00-9:40 p.m. M

P. PEDRONI

ECON 465(S) Behavioral and Experimental Economics

Ample empirical and experimental evidence suggests significant departures from classical assumptions of economics such as perfect rationality and self-interested behavior. In this course, we will review this evidence with an eye towards identifying systematic ways in which behavior deviates from our classical assumptions and generating new, and hopefully more realistic, assumptions of behavior. We explore the empirical, theoretical and policy implications of these findings.


Prerequisites: Economics 251 and 253 or 255 or the equivalent. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference will be given to senior Economics majors. (Students who have not taken econometrics may apply to be admitted to the course after meeting with Prof. Gazzaile.

Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF GAZZALE

ECON 466 Economic Growth: Theories and Evidence (Not offered 2011-2012)

This seminar will examine recent advances in the study of economic growth. Why are some countries richer than others? What accounts for differences in growth rates across countries and over time? What are the respective roles of factor accumulation and productivity growth? The answers to these questions have important implications for policy, both in rich and poor countries, and for development from rich to poor. We will review literature, including both technical papers and more popular writing, that offer explanations linked to capital investment, human capital accumulation, policy distortions and poor institutions, geography, agricultural technology, and other sources. Not only will we seek to learn the main policy messages of these papers, but also we will try to understand why different models lead to different conclusions and how economic research progresses over time.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on either five 5- to 6-page papers or one long paper and a series of critiques, as well as class participation.

Prerequisites: Economics 251, 252, 253 or 255 or the equivalent. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference will be given to senior Economics majors. Admission requires permission of the Instructor.

D. GOLLIN

ECON 467T(S) Development Successes (Same as Economics 518T) (W)

Although living standards in most of the world's poor countries have increasingly fallen behind those of the rich industrial countries, a relatively small number of countries that were quite poor in the middle of the last century have achieved dramatic improvements in their incomes since then. These development successes include countries such as Japan, the four dragons (Hong Kong, Korea, Singapore, and Taiwan), the MIT economies (Malaysia, Indonesia, and Thailand), the Asian giants of China and India, as well as non-Asian economies as diverse as Botswana, Chile, and Turkey. This tutorial will explore why these countries have apparently succeeded while many other poor countries have failed. A particular focus of the course will be on extracting insights from the experiences of these success cases about the broad development strategies that have been advocated over the past 50 years by scholars as well as by the international financial institutions.
ECON 468(F) Your Money or Your Life: Health Disparities in the United States
A 25-year-old man living in a high-income household can expect to live 10 years longer than his low-income counterpart. There are also stark differences in mortality and health by education, employment status, race, immigrant status, region, and gender. This course will explore many of the potential explanations for health disparities, including access to insurance and health care, health behaviors, stress, environmental exposure, and intergenerational transmission of health. We will emphasize causal inference and focus on assessing the quality of evidence. We will also investigate how government policies contribute to or ameliorate health disparities in the U.S.

Format: seminar. Course will include frequent small group meetings, a computer lab, and a poverty simulation. Evaluation includes class discussion, oral presentations, 4 short response papers, two 5-page critiques of published articles, and one 15-page original empirical research paper.

Prerequisites: Econ 251 and Econ 255 or equivalent, or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to senior Economics majors.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF

WATSON

ECON 470(S) The Indian Economy: Development and Social Justice (D)
The Indian economy today is described in two competing narratives. India is, on the one hand, a fast-growing "emerging economy:" it is producing a range of information technology services, threatening white-collar jobs in the United States; its growing consumption of fossil fuels is stressing world energy supplies and contributing to global warming; along with China, it is changing the balance of international economic and political relations. In another narrative Indian economic growth is topsided and unsustainable; poverty and malnutrition remain widespread; Maoist insurgencies threaten a swath of eastern districts; and conflicts rage over threatened ecological resources. In one prominent academic work India has been described as an "Emerging Giant," in another, it is a "Republic of Hunger." This course will introduce the student to these narratives in the words of participants, ranging from books by CEO's of major corporations to pamphlets produced by left-wing critics of present economic policies.

We will then use the traditional theoretical and quantitative methods of an economist to evaluate these perspectives, and, consistent with the goals of the Exploring Diversity Initiative, consider how they are shaped by power, privilege, and the social location of the narrator.

Format: seminar. Requirements: five short response papers (5 pages), and longer final paper (15 pages).

Prerequisites: Economics 253, Economics 255, or equivalent, or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15). Preference: to junior and senior Economics majors.

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR

SWAMY

ECON 475 Advanced Microeconomic Theory (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)

This course examines the mathematical underpinnings of advanced economics. This includes proofs of the following: existence and uniqueness of competitive equilibrium for public goods of environments, first and second fundamental welfare theorems, existence of Nash equilibrium, and others. The focus of this class is primarily on the mathematical proofs. These proofs are essential components of any graduate program in economics. Students who wish to see pure math theorems applied to other fields may also be interested.

Format: lecture. Requirements: problem sets, a midterm, class participation, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Mathematics 105 or equivalent, Economics 251. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to senior Economics majors.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF

ROLLEIGH

ECON 491(F)-W30 or ECON W30-492(S) Honors Seminar
This course is a research seminar for candidates for honors in economics. Each candidate prepares an honors thesis. Candidates will meet as a group to discuss problems of common concern to them (such as empirical methods, data sources, and theoretical approaches) and each one will report on his/her work at various stages for criticism by the group as a whole. Some work is required during the preceding semester.

Prerequisites: admission by the department. Required for honors in Economics unless a student writes a year-long thesis.

ECON 493(F)-W31-494(S) Honors Thesis
A year-long research project for those honors candidates admitted to this route to honors. Prerequisites: admission by the department in the spring of the junior year.

GRADUATE COURSES IN DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS

ECON 501(F) Development Economics I
This course examines concepts, tools, and models in contemporary economic theory that have proved relevant to developing countries, and their application in economic policymaking. Topics include growth processes and structural change; investment and sources of saving; capital, labor, and technological progress; political stability; and foreign economic relations; policymaking and negotiation in governments; and policies for reducing poverty and inequality.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: short papers, two midterms, and a final exam.

Economics 251 and 252. Undergraduate enrollment limited and requires instructor's permission.

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR

ASHRAF

ECON 502(S) Institutions and Governance
Over the last two decades economists have become increasingly aware of the importance of the "social infrastructure" at various levels of economic activity: capable and honest government officials must be available to formulate and implement policies, markets must be supported by suitable institutional frameworks, property rights must be secure, and contracts reliably enforced. Even the structure of the household, the smallest institution analyzed by economists, has been shown to have an important influence on economic development. This course will survey the growing literature on institutions and governance.

Format: lecture and discussion. Evaluation will be based on several short assignments, and a longer final paper.

Prerequisites: at least one among Economics 253, Economics 255, Economics 510, Economics 511, Statistics 346; requires permission of instructor; students who have previously taken Economics 459 will not be enrolled. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19).

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR

SWAMY

ECON 503(F) Public Economics

This course is about microeconomic and empirical analysis of government expenditure programs in developing and transitional countries. It provides tools for understanding the effects of government policies, as well as a useful conceptual framework for analyzing normative questions such as “what role should government play in the economy” and “what is a good policy?” The course begins by considering the efficiency of market economies, and rationales for government intervention in the market, such as public goods, externalities, information-based market failures, imperfect competition, and equity. We also consider ways that human behavior might deviate from perfect rationality, and what that might imply for policy.

Along the way, we apply these concepts to various examples of public policies, including the following, among other things, the environment, education, health, infrastructure, security, social insurance, microfinance, and aid to the poor. We then turn to the general question of how to make the government work better, addressing questions such as the following. When is it better to have the government own and produce things, and when is it better to privatize? What are the incentives of politicians and government employees, and how does the design of political and budgetary institutions affect the degree to which they serve the public interest? How should responsibilities be divided up between the central government and local units? If the answer is that some things are better handled "decentralized," what are the advantages and disadvantages of "decentralization?" Finally, what can be done to improve the delivery of basic services? For example, how might one address problems of corruption and absenteeism? Throughout the course, we consider examples of empirical research, and to facilitate this, we will occasionally introduce econometric tools that are particularly useful for microeconomic policy evaluation.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: problem sets, one 3- to 5-page paper, one 8- to 10-page paper, midterm, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Economics 110; in addition, an empirical methods course (Economics 253, 255, 510 or 511, or Statistics 346) must be taken before or concurrently with this class; undergraduate enrollment limited and requires instructor's permission. Students who have previously taken Econ 205 will not be enrolled. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 25-30). Undergraduate enrollment limited and requires instructor's permission.

Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF

BAKJA
ECON 504(S)  Computable General Equilibrium (CGE) Modeling (Same as Economics 461)
The Computable General Equilibrium (CGE) model is an important tool for applied policy work. CGE models are the primary tool for many government organi-
zations when evaluating policy alternatives and are also used extensively by various NGO’s when deciding aid and policy recommendations. The great advantage
of these models is that they capture the general equilibrium feedback effects of policy proposals on various sectors of the economy. This is of great importance to
applied work, as this allows the identification of the winners and losers from potential policies. The class will begin with a general overview of CGE models. This
overview will be rigorous and mathematical. This course will use the free programming packages GAMS and MPSGE to implement various CGE models using
real world data. While no previous computer experience is required, some familiarity with Excel is recommended. During the latter part of the course, students
will create a CGE model for a country of their choice and conduct policy experiments using their model. Interested students could continue this project as a
potential thesis topic.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on problem sets, two midterms, final project and presentation.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 105, Economics 251. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference will be given to senior Economics majors.
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR ROLLEIGH

ECON 505(S)  Finance and Development
This course focuses on the financial system and its role in economic development. The first part explores the functions of finance, how it contributes to growth,
and reviews different models of financial sector development and their influence on how governments viewed the sector. It will examine experiences with finan-
cial sector repression and subsequent liberalization, and investigate the causes and impact of financial crises. Then it will study how to make finance effective and
how to prevent or minimize crises, analyzing government’s role as regulator, supervisor, standard setter, contract enforcer, and owner. In this final part, attention
will be devoted to the role of institutions (laws, norms, culture) and incentives in financial sector development.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: midterm, group presentation, policy paper, and a final exam.
Prerequisites: Economics 251 and 252. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 25-30). Undergraduate enrollment limited and requires instructor's permission.
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF CAPRIO

ECON 507(S)  International Trade and Development
This course will examine the causes and consequences of international trade and its implications for less developed countries. We will discuss various models of
international trade and the empirical relevance of these theories. The course will provide analytic tools that will be useful in answering important questions such as:
Prerequisites: Economics 251, 252, and familiarity with econometrics.
Undergraduate enrollment limited and requires instructor's permission.
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR O'LEARY

ECON 508T  Health in Poor Countries (Same as Economics 381 (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)(Q)
(See under ECON 381 for full description.) P. PEDRONI

ECON 509(F)  Developing Country Macroeconomics
This course focuses on the relationship between macroeconomic policies and economic growth in developing countries. After examining the links between
macroeconomic stability and long-run growth, the rest of the course is divided into three parts. The first part is devoted to the construction of an analytical model
that is suitable for analyzing a wide variety of macroeconomic issues in developing countries. This model provides the general framework for a more specific
analysis of fiscal and monetary policies in the two remaining parts. In analyzing fiscal policy, the course will consider in particular the requirements of fiscal
soundness and the contribution that fiscal policy can make to macroeconomic stability. It will also examine alternative methods for achieving fiscal credibility,
including the design of fiscal institutions. The final part of the course will turn to an analysis of central banking, focusing on central bank independence, time
consistency of monetary policy, and the design of monetary policy rules in small open economies.
Format: lecture. Requirements: two hour tests and a comprehensive final exam.
Prerequisites: Economics 251 and 252. Expected enrollment: 25-30. Undergraduate enrollment limited and requires instructor's permission.
Hour: 8:30-9:45 MWF MONTIEL

ECON 510(F)  Statistics/Econometrics
This course focuses on basic methods of bringing economic theory and data together to provide empirical guidance for policy formulation, including use of
computers in econometric analysis. This course covers techniques of econometric analysis using a moderate level of mathematical exposition.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: problem sets, two hour exams, and a final. Admission to 510 depends on previous background in statistics and mathematics. Enrollment limited to CDE students.
Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR WATSON

ECON 511(F)  Statistics/Econometrics: Advanced Section
This course focuses on basic methods of bringing economic theory and data together to provide empirical guidance for policy formulation, including use of
computers in econometric analysis. This course covers techniques of econometric analysis using a more mathematical exposition.
Prerequisites: Economics 251 and 252; admission to 511 depends on previous background in statistics and mathematics. Expected enrollment: 30. Undergradu-
ate enrollment limited and requires instructor's permission.
Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR KUTTNER

ECON 513(S)  Developing Country Macroeconomics II
This lecture course is a continuation of Economics 509. The first part of the course extends the analysis of the first semester to several open-economy issues that
arise in developing countries, especially with respect to the interactions among exchange rate regimes, monetary policy regimes, and policies directed at the
financial account of the balance of payments. The second part of the course will apply these analytical tools, as well as those developed in Economics 509, to an
examination of the various types of crises that have afflicted developing countries over the past three decades, considering in particular the implications of such
crises for growth and development.
Format: lecture. Requirements: two hour tests and a comprehensive final exam.
Prerequisites: Economics 509. Expected enrollment: 25-30. Undergraduate enrollment limited and requires instructor's permission.
Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR KUTTNER

ECON 514(S)  Empirical Methods in Macroeconomics (Same as Economics 464) (Q)
(See under ECON 464 for full description.)
P. PEDRONI

ECON 515(S)  Environmental Policy and Natural Resource Management (Same as Economics 386 and Environmental Studies 386) (Q)
(See under ECON 386 for full description.)
JACOBSON

ECON 516(S)  International Financial Institutions
This tutorial will explore issues in economic development and finance with a focus on writing short papers that lay out the critical dimensions of these issues and
the appropriate policy measures to deal with them. Topics will include: the lessons of the 1990s for developing economies; speeding up growth in slow-growing
economies; handling capital inflows, foreign investment and foreign portfolio investment; successes and failures in developing countries in dealing with the
recent international economic crisis; dealing with financial and banking crises; the growth and risks of domestic government debt; and country interactions with
the IMF and the World Bank.
Format: tutorial. Requirements: students will write five papers and deliver formal comments on 5 papers written by other students. Open to CDE students and, with
the permission of the instructor, undergraduates. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10).
Tutorial meetings to be arranged.

ECON 517(S)  Tax Policy in Emerging Markets (Same as Economics 389) (Q)
Taxes are half of what government does. So if you are interested in what government policy can do to promote efficiency, equity, and economic development, you
should be interested in tax policy. Governments must raise tax revenue to finance critical public goods, address other market failures and distributional issues, and
to avoid problems with debt and inflation. Taxes typically take up anywhere from ten to fifty percent of a country’s income; they profoundly affect the incentives

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to undertake all varieties of economic activity, and the government expenditures that they finance have potentially large consequences for human welfare. So the stakes involved in improving tax policy are quite large. All of these issues are of great importance in developing and transitional countries (also known as "emerging markets"), but in these nations taxation is especially challenging because of serious problems with tax evasion and administration, among other things. This class provides an in-depth exploration of tax policy, with an emphasis on the challenges and issues most relevant in emerging markets. Topics addressed in this class include: how basic economic principles can be applied to help one think about the efficiency and equity consequences of tax policies; how personal income taxes, corporate income taxes, and value-added taxes are designed and administered and how they influence the economy; ideas for fundamental reforms of these taxes; the introductory evidence in the debate over progressive taxes versus "flat" taxes; how various elements of tax design affect incentives to save and invest; how market failures may influence the optimality of different tax policies; the implications of global capital flows and corporate tax avoidance for the design of tax policy; tax holidays and other special tax incentives for investment; empirical evidence on the influence of taxes on economic growth, foreign direct investment, labor supply, and tax evasion; case studies of efforts to reform tax administration and reduce tax evasion and corruption; taxes on land and property; presumptive taxation and "official" economy and its implications for tax policy; tax policy towards natural resources such as minerals and oil; taxes on imports and exports; non-tax methods of raising revenue; and political economy considerations in tax policy.

Format; seminar. Requirements: midterm exam, problem set, two short essays and a final 10- to 15-page research paper.
Prerequisites: one public economics course or macroeconomics course (ECON 503 or ECON 110), and one empirical methods course (ECON 253, 255, 510, or 511); students who have previously taken Economics 351 will not be enrolled.) Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15-19). Preference given to CDE students, but undergraduates with the prerequisites are welcome.
Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR
GENTRY

ECON 518T(S) Development Successes (Same as Economics 467T) (W)
(See under ECON 467 for full description.)
MONTIEL

ECON 520T(S) Inclusive Growth: The Role of Social Safety Nets
Designing and implementing effective national strategies to promote inclusive economic growth can require difficult policy reforms, sometimes with adverse short-term impacts for vulnerable groups within society. Social safety nets provide a pro-poor policy instrument that can balance trade and labor market reform, fiscal adjustments (such as reduced general subsidies) and other economic policies aimed at enabling better market performance. In addition, social safety nets help the poor to cope with shocks to their livelihoods, promoting resilience, human capital development and sometimes high-return risk-taking. This tutorial will offer students the opportunity to explore the role of social safety nets in promoting inclusive economic growth, drawing on case studies from Africa, Asia, Latin America and Eastern Europe. The first part of the tutorial will define social safety nets within the broader context of social protection, examining the diversity of instruments and their linkages to economic growth. The second part will delve more deeply into the design and implementation of effective interventions, assessing program choice, affordability, targeting, incentives and other issues. The third part will analyze the role of social safety nets in supporting economic growth strategies, drawing on international lessons of experience.
Format: tutorial. Methods of evaluation: students will write five papers during the term, and will prepare and deliver formal comments on five papers written by other students.
Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10).
Tutorial meetings to be arranged.
SAMSON

ECON 521 Urbanization and Development (Same as Economics 388 and Environmental Studies 388) (Not offered 2011-2012)
At current rates of growth, the combined population of urban areas in developing countries will double in the next 30 years. The land area devoted to urban use is expected to double even more quickly. The costs of providing housing and infrastructure to accommodate this growth are enormous, but the costs of failing to accommodate urban development may be even larger. The decisions made in response to these challenges will affect the economic performance of these countries and the health and welfare of the urban residents. By affecting global patterns of energy use, these decisions will have broader impacts on the entire planet. This course will focus on these challenges. What are the economic forces that drive the process of urbanization, and how does the level of urbanization affect urban economic development? How are policies towards housing, transportation, public finance and development affected by urbanization? What policy choices are available, and which are most likely to succeed in dealing with the challenges of urban growth?
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: a midterm and a final exam, plus a paper that evaluates specific problems, policy alternatives, and provides some analysis of relevant data.
Prerequisites: Economics 251 plus 253, 255, 510 or 511. Expected enrollment: 20. Undergraduate enrollment limited and requires instructor's permission.
S. SHÉPARD

ECON 523T Financial Crises: Causes and Cures (Same as Economics 390T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
(See under ECON 390T for full description.)
CAPRIO

ECON 530(S) Research Studies
In this course, each Fellow carries out an individual research study on a topic in which he or she has particular interest, usually related to one of the three substantive areas of the tutorial. The research papers are an important major paper. Research studies are analytical rather than descriptive and in many cases include quantitative analyses. Often the topic is a specific policy problem in a Fellow's own country.
ENGLISH (Div. I)
Chair, Professor JOHN K. LIMON

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The study of English allows students to explore the critical role language and literature play in the shaping of human culture and social experience. Department courses cover a variety of national, regional, and diasporic literary traditions; acquaint students with a range of genres and cultural practices, including poetry, prose, drama, film, and mixed or emerging media; and employ a range of critical and methodological approaches. All foster skills of critical analysis, interpretation, and expression. By cultivating a sophisticated awareness of linguistic and literary representation, and by encouraging the ability to read critically and write persuasively, the English major provides students with an intellectual foundation and analytical skills that they can draw upon to follow a wide range of paths.

COURSES AND COURSE-NUMBERING

100-LEVEL COURSES
At the introductory level, the department offers a range of writing-intensive 100-level courses which focus on interpretive skills as well as skills in writing and argumentation. The department also offers English 150, Expository Writing, a course focusing on analytic writing skills. All 100-level courses are designed primarily for first-year students, although they are open to interested sophomores, juniors, and seniors. A 100-level course is required for admission to most upper-level English courses, except in the case of students who have placed out of the introductory courses by receiving a score of 5 on the Advanced Placement examination in English Literature or of 6 or 7 on the International Baccalaureate.

200-LEVEL COURSES
Most 200-level courses are designed primarily for qualified first-year students, sophomores, and junior and senior non-majors, but they are open to junior and senior majors and count as major courses. Several 200-level courses have no prerequisites; see individual descriptions for details. 200-level Gateway courses are designed for first- and second-year students who are considering becoming English Majors, or who are interested in pursuing upper-level course work in the department. All Gateway courses are writing-intensive. First-year students who have placed out of the 100-level courses are encouraged to take a Gateway course as their introduction to the department.

300-LEVEL COURSES
The majority of English Department courses are designed primarily for students who have some experience with textual analysis, and are open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors. First-year students who wish to enroll in a 300-level course are advised to consult the instructor.

400-LEVEL COURSES
400-level courses are intensive, discussion-oriented classes that place a premium on independent, student-initiated work. Limited to 15 students, 400-level courses are open to students who have completed at least one 300-level English course; they should be attractive to any student interested in a course that
emphasizes intensive discussion and independent work. Majors considering Honors work and who wish to prepare for it are urged to take a 400-level course before senior year.

ADVISING
All students who wish to discuss English Department offerings are invited to see any faculty member or the department chair.

Prospective majors are particularly encouraged to discuss their interest with faculty as early as possible. In the spring of the sophomore year, newly declared majors must meet with a faculty member to discuss the Major Plan (see under Requirements for the Class of 2013 and after). Declared majors will be assigned a permanent advisor shortly after they declare the major.

MAJOR
Requirements for the Class of 2012
The nine courses required for the major must include the following:

1) Any 100-level English class. Students exempted by the department from 100-level courses will substitute an elective course.

2) At least one 200-level Gateway course (grouped at the end of the 200-level course descriptions). Gateway courses are designed for first- and second-year students contemplating the major or intending to pursue more advanced work in the department; these courses focus on analytical writing skills while introducing students to critical methods and historical approaches that will prove fruitful as they pursue the major. (Note: a Gateway course can fulfill a Period or Criticism requirement as well as a Gateway requirement.)

3) At least one “criticism” course (identified in parentheses at the end of the course description). A course fulfilling the criticism requirement entails a sustained and explicit reflection on problems of critical method, whether by engaging a range of critical approaches and their implications or by exploring a particular method, theorist, or critic in depth. Please note that when a criticism course also deals with literature satisfying a historical distribution requirement (pre-1700, 1700-1900, etc.), the course may be used to satisfy either the criticism or the chronological requirement, but not both.

4) At least two courses dealing primarily with literature written before 1700 (identified in parentheses at the end of the course description). 5) At least two courses dealing primarily with literature written between 1700 and 1900 (identified in parentheses at the end of the course description). 6) At least one course dealing primarily with literature written after 1900 (identified in parentheses at the end of the course description).

The department will give one elective course credit toward the major for a course taken in literature of a foreign language, whether the course is taught in the original language or in translation. Such a course may not be used to satisfy the department’s historical distribution, criticism, or Gateway requirements.

Requirements for the Class of 2013 and after
1) Major Plan. Shortly after declaring the major, all English majors must complete a short written plan for how they intend to complete the major. In this plan, students should actively consider how they can most fruitfully explore the broad range of genres, historical periods, and national and cultural traditions that literature in English encompasses, and how they wish to focus upon a particular intellectual interest within English. Students are encouraged to begin discussing the Major Plan with a faculty member as soon as they become interested in the major; junior majors must meet with faculty advisors to revisit Major Plans as they register for courses. There will also be informational meetings and web resources available to assist new majors in developing the Major Plan.

Each major must consist of at least nine courses, including the following:

2) Any 100-level English class. Students exempted by the department from 100-level courses will substitute an elective course.

3) At least one 200-level Gateway course (grouped at the end of the 200-level course descriptions). Gateway courses are designed for first- and second-year students contemplating the major or intending to pursue more advanced work in the department; these courses focus on analytical writing skills while introducing students to critical methods and historical approaches that will prove fruitful as they pursue the major. (Note: a Gateway course can fulfill a Literary Histories or Criticism requirement as well as a Gateway requirement.)

4) At least one Criticism course (identified in parentheses at the end of the course description). A course fulfilling the criticism requirement entails a sustained and explicit reflection on problems of critical method, whether by engaging a range of critical approaches and their implications or by exploring a particular method, theorist, or critic in depth. Please note that when a Criticism course is also listed as satisfying the Literary Histories requirement, the course may be used to satisfy either requirement, but not both.

5) At least three courses at the 300-level or above.

6) At least three courses designated as Literary Histories. Literary Histories courses concern the emergence or development of a specific literary tradition or problem and/or its transformation across multiple historical periods. Literary Histories are identified by LH-A, LH-B, or LH-C in parentheses at the end of the course description.

LH-A: courses dealing primarily with literature written before 1800.
LH-B: courses dealing primarily with literature written before 1900 but not included in LH-A (courses on literature from 1800-1900 and some surveys).
LH-C: courses dealing primarily with literature written after 1900.

Of the three Literary History courses required for the major, at least two must focus on literature before 1900 (LH-A or LH-B), with at least one of these focusing primarily on literature before 1800 (LH-A).

For further clarification, please see the English Department webpage at http://web.williams.edu/English/.

Courses outside the department
The department will give one elective course credit toward the major for a course taken in literature of a foreign language, whether the course is taught in the original language or in translation. Such a course may not be used to satisfy the department’s Literary Histories, criticism, or Gateway requirements.

STUDY AWAY
Majors who plan to study abroad should be proactive in understanding how this will affect their plans for completing major requirements. Such plans should be discussed in advance with the student’s advisor as well as the department’s administrative assistant. Approval of departmental credit for courses taken off-campus must be obtained in advance from the department chair.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN ENGLISH
The English Department offers three routes toward honors: a creative writing thesis, a critical thesis, and a critical specialization. Candidates for the program should have at least a 3.5 average in courses taken within English, but admission will depend solely on course grades. Formal application to pursue honors must be made to the director of honors (Chris Pye) by April of the junior year.

All routes require students to take a minimum of ten regular-semester courses (rather than the nine otherwise required for the major), and to devote their senior year winter study course to their honors projects. All students writing a critical thesis or pursuing a critical specialization will be required to take the Honors Colloquium in the fall semester. Students doing a creative writing thesis must, by graduation, take at least eight regular-semester courses, and, in addition, take English 493 and English 494 (full Honors Colloquium and spring Honors Independent Study) and English W31 (Senior Thesis, winter study) during senior year. Students pursuing a critical specialization must, by graduation, take at least eight
regular-semester courses, and in addition, take English 493 and English 494 (fall Honors Colloquium and spring Honors Independent Study) and English W30 (Senior Thesis: Specialization Route, winter study) during senior year.

Creative Writing Thesis

The creative writing thesis is a significant body of fiction or poetry completed during the fall semester and winter study of the senior year, and usually including revised writing done in earlier semesters. (With permission of the honors committee, the thesis may be undertaken during the winter study period and the spring semester of the senior year.) Requirements for admission include outstanding work in an introductory and an advanced workshop, a recommendation from one of the creative writing teachers (who will then act as thesis advisor), and the approval of the departmental honors committee. A creative thesis begun in the fall is due on the last day of winter study; one begun in winter study is due the third Monday after spring break. The methods of evaluation are identical to those for critical projects (but their page limits do not apply).

Critical Thesis

The critical thesis is a substantial critical essay written during both semesters as well as the winter study period of the senior year. It must consider critical and/or theoretical as well as literary texts. The thesis should be 15,000 words (45 pages); in no case should it be longer than 25,000 words. The proposal, a 3-page description of the thesis project, should indicate the subject to be investigated and the arguments to be considered, along with a bibliography. The finished thesis is due on the third Monday following spring break. After the critical thesis has been completed, the student publicly presents his or her work.

Critical Specialization

The critical specialization route is a series of forays into a broad area of interest related to work undertaken in at least two courses. At least one of these courses must be in the English Department, and both need to have been taken by the end of fall term in senior year. The specialization route entails: (1) a set of three 10-page essays which together advance a flexibly related set of arguments; (2) an annotated bibliography (5 pages) of secondary sources, explaining their importance and range of specialization; (3) a meeting with the three faculty evaluators (one of whom is the advisor) during the last two weeks in February to discuss the trio of essays and the annotated bibliography; (4) a fourth essay of 12 pages, considering matters that arose during the faculty-student meeting and reflecting on the outcome of the specialization. The 3-page proposal for the specialization should specify the area and range of the study, the issues likely to be explored, and the methods to be used for their investigation. It should also describe the relationship between previous course work and the specialization, and include a brief bibliography of secondary works. The first two papers are due by the end of fall semester; the third paper is due at the end of winter study; the bibliography is due mid-February; and the final paper is due the third Monday after spring break.

Applying to the Honors Program

All students who wish to apply to the honors program are required to consult with a prospective faculty advisor and the director of honors before April of the junior year. Prior to preregistration in April, candidates for critical theses and specializations submit a 3-page proposal that includes an account of the proposed project and a bibliography. Students applying to creative writing honors submit a brief proposal describing the project they wish to pursue. Decisions regarding admission to the honors program will be made by the end of May. Admission to the honors program depends on the department's assessment of the qualifications of the student, the feasibility of the project, and the availability of an appropriate advisor.

When preregistering for Fall 2011, students who are applying to critical honors should register for the Honors Colloquium as one of their four courses.

Progress and Evaluation of Honors

While grades for the fall and winter study terms are deferred until both the honors project and review process are completed, students must do satisfactory work to continue in the program. Should the student's work in the fall semester not meet this standard, the course will convert to a standard independent study (English 397), and the student will register for a regular winter study project. A student engaged in a year-long project must likewise perform satisfactorily in winter study (English W30 or W31) to enroll in English 494 in the spring semester. When such is not the case, the winter study course will be converted to an independent study ("99").

Students are required to submit three final copies of their written work to the department on the dates applicable to the type of project pursued (see the above descriptions of each type of project for the due dates). All honors projects are evaluated by the advisor and two other faculty members. The advisor determines the student's semester grades in honors, while the two external readers recommend to the department that the project receive Highest Honors, Honors, or no Honors. Honors of any kind are contingent upon satisfactory completion of courses in the major during the senior year. Highest Honors are normally awarded only to students whose performance in both the honors program and regular courses in the major has been exceptional.

COURSES

100-LEVEL COURSES

At the introductory level, the department offers a range of writing-intensive 100-level courses which focus on interpretive skills—techniques of reading—as well as skills in writing and argumentation. English 150 and 152 will focus more directly on basic expository writing skills than the other 100-level classes. All 100-level courses are designed primarily for first-year students, although they are open to interested sophomores, juniors, and seniors. A 100-level course is required for admission to most upper-level English courses, except in the case of students who have placed out of the introductory courses by receiving a score of 5 on the Advanced Placement examination in English Literature.

ENGL 103(FS) Imagining Hell (W)

Poets and artists have had an inordinate interest in Hell. It is darkly intriguing in a way that Heaven is not. In fact, Hell is the largest shared construction project in imaginative history, and can count among its chief architects many of western culture's major figures—Horner, Virgil, Plato, Augustine, Dante, Bosch, Michelangelo, Blake, among others. We will explore this fantastic underground kingdom of cruelty both as a place and as a state of mind; also, we will examine how visions of Hell have influenced our understanding of actual history and informed visions of a dystopian future. We may also consider our own perverse pleasure in contemplating the damned.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based upon class participation; three 5- to 10-page essays, plus shorter writing assignments.

No prerequisites. Enroll limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students who have not taken or placed out of a 100-level English course.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 MWF

First Semester: DE GOOYER

Second Semester: DE GOOYER

ENGL 104(S) Happiness (Same as Comparative Literature 106) (W)

The Declaration of Independence grants Americans liberty and the pursuit of happiness. How worthy a pursuit is happiness? What is happiness, a moment of ecstasy or a life well lived, a feeling of pleasure or a sense of accomplishment? How can we predict what will or won't make us happy? What do philosophy, psychology, neuroscience, and journalism teach us about happiness? How can models of happiness inform our literary understanding and appreciation?

This course will examine the special attractions of reading and writing. Along with commentaries on happiness from Aristotle to Daniel Gilbert, we will study such works as: William Shakespeare's As You Like It; Michel de Montaigne's Essays; Voltaire's Candide and Leonard Bernstein's musical; Jane Austen's Pride and Prejudice; Ian McEwan's Saturday; Mike Leigh's film Happy Go Lucky and Solondz's Happiness; short stories and novellas by Leo Tolstoy, James Joyce, Flannery O'Connor, Eudora Welty, Alice Munro, and Woody Allen; poems by John Donne, George Herbert, Alexander Pope, John Keats; William Wordsworth, Emily Dickinson, Robert Frost, Elizabeth Bishop, Li-Young Lee.

Format: seminar. Requirements: four short formal essays, informal journal entries, oral presentations, and active contributions to class discussion.

No prerequisites. Enroll limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students who have not taken or placed out of a 100-level English course.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

I. BELL
ENGL 111(S) Poetry and Politics (W)

"Poets are the unacknowledged legislators of the world" wrote Shelley in his 1821 "Defense of Poetry," countering the widely held view of poetry's airy irrelevance to the material progress of humanity. His claims are echoed a century and a half later in Audre Lorde's "Poetry is Not a Luxury," in which she argues that poetry is a vital and essential part of her own political struggle as a Black lesbian feminist. But when W.B. Yeats—himself a very politically involved poet—writes in 1917 that "from the quarrel with others comes rhetoric; from the quarrel with ourselves comes poetry," he implies that poetry would suffer from too much involvement with the "quarrel with others" that is politics, becoming, perhaps, something more like advertising jingles for political dogma. And when W. H. Auden writes, "poetry makes nothing happen" he appears to locate poetry's value precisely in its irrelevance to politics as such. This course will focus on the vexed relationship between poetry and political struggle, reading predominantly poetry and poems (writings about poetry) of the last two centuries in an effort to answer the questions: what can poetry do for politics? what does politics do for (or to) poetry? Is poetry essential to political struggle, or do poetry and politics mix only to the detriment of both, producing, on the one hand, bad poetry, and on the other, mere distractions from the "real" work of politics? The purpose of the course is to make status quo poetry, and better readers and writers of argumentative prose.

Format: discussion/seminar. Requirements: active class participation and 20 pages of writing in the form of frequent short papers. No prerequisites; no prior experience with poetry (or politics!) is expected. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students who have not taken or placed out of a 100-level English course.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR CASE

ENGL 113(F) Modernist British Fiction (W)

In the first three decades of the twentieth century, writers in Britain, Europe, and America—participating in the creative explosion of revolutionary aesthetic movements conceived of themselves as modernists and as defectors from the norms and conventions of classical realist fiction, in an array of exciting, if sometimes bewildering, formal innovations. They upended the stability of realistic narration through the use of shifting, unorthodox points of view, unreliable narrators, disorienting time-shifts, and ostentatious authorial self-consciousness, and through the scrutiny of problems of memory and representation; they re-defined what counts as an "event"; and they made fiction operate more like poetry, by shifting the reader's attention from a linear, character-oriented unfolding of plot to what has been called a "spatial" organization of metaphorical and conceptual patterns. In this course we will explore this sweeping revision of the nature of fiction by studying several great, often challenging modernist works of short fiction: stories, novellas, and short novels by such British writers as Joseph Conrad, James Joyce, E. M. Forster, Virginia Woolf, and Ford Madox Ford, and perhaps by one or two Continental writers such as Marcel Proust and Franz Kafka. Our principal aim will be to develop students' skills as readers and interpreters of fiction. A secondary benefit of the course will be to introduce students to literary modernism through a survey of some of its greatest exponents.

Format: discussion/seminar. Requirements: active participation in class discussions, and frequent, rigorous writing in the form of short papers and brief written exercises (totaling about 20 pages). No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students who have not taken or placed out of a 100-level English course.

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR TIFFET

ENGL 114(F) Literary Speakers (W)

The general purpose of this course is to develop students' skills as interpreters of poetry and short fiction. Its particular focus is on— and with what effects—poets' and writers' speeches, and how they create their narrators. We will consider the ways in which literary speakers inform and entice, persuade and sometimes deceive, their audiences. Readings will include texts from various historical periods, with particular emphasis on the twentieth century (including works by James Joyce, Henry James, Vladimir Nabokov, Robert Frost, Toni Cade Bambara, Raymond Carver, and Seamus Heaney).

Format: seminar. Requirements: six papers, ranging from 1-2 pages to 4-5 pages. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students who have not taken or placed out of a 100-level English course.

Hour: 10:00-10:50 MFW FIX

ENGL 116(F) The Ethics of Fiction (W)

Can truth claims actually be bad for you? (Plato seems to have thought so.) Conversely, can they do you any good, even transform your vision of what it means to be good? Can reading fiction, that is, shape your moral character? Or is literature really just entertainment, however sophisticated and intellectually challenging? In this course, we will explore questions like these about the ethics of fiction, questions that have inspired some practitioners of the art to make claims such as: "Surely one of the novel's habitual aims is to articulate morality, to sharpen the reader's sense of vice and virtue" (John Updike); "You write in order to change the world, and if you alter, even by a millimeter, the way a person looks at reality, then you can change it" (James Baldwin); "...a writer [is] as an architect of the soul" (Doris Lessing); "Naturally you're aware that bad art can finally cripple a man" (Saul Bellow). If you are curious about the subject of ethics, enjoy reading narrative fictions, and are interested in thinking about the connection between the two, this may be the class for you. We will read a varied selection of fiction along with a fair amount of scholarship on the links between moral philosophy and narrative forms in order to refine the critical language we have at our disposal. Texts will include: Elizabeth Anscombe, J.M. Coetzee, Cora Diamond, Richard Eldridge, Kazuo Ishiguro, Henry James, Immanuel Kant, Toni Morrison, Iris Murdoch, Tim O'Brien, Robert Pippin, and Jean-Paul Sartre.

Format: discussion/seminar. Requirements: active class participation and five papers totaling about 20 pages. No prerequisites; open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students who have not taken or placed out of a 100-level English course.

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR 2:35-3:50 TF RHIE

ENGL 117(F) Introduction to Cultural Theory (Same as Comparative Literature 117) (W)

This course has two purposes. If you had signed up for a course in biology, you would know that you were about to embark on the systematic study of living organisms. If you were registered for a course on the American Civil War, you would know that there had been an armed conflict between the Northern and Southern states in the 1860s. But if you decide you want to study "culture," what exactly is it that you are studying? The aim of this course is not to come up with handy and reassuring definitions of their poems, and how modern writers create their narrators. We'll consider not only the words and ideas, but also the contexts and sometimes deceiving, their audiences. Readings will include texts from various historical periods, with particular emphasis on the twentieth century (including works by James Joyce, Henry James, Vladimir Nabokov, Robert Frost, Toni Cade Bambara, Raymond Carver, and Seamus Heaney).

Format: seminar. Requirements: six papers, ranging from 1-2 pages to 4-5 pages. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students who have not taken or placed out of a 100-level English course.

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR 2:35-3:50 TF CASSIDAY

ENGL 120(F) The Nature of Narrative (Same as Comparative Literature 111) (W)

(See under COMP 111 for full description.)

ENGL 121(S) Precocity (W)

Precocity—knowing too much too early and without understanding the implications of what you know—is often the subject of literary texts, perhaps because it dramatizes the stakes of interpreting. Precocity can emerge in a character, as a narrative posture or in the very texture of the writing. It can produce highly charged and sometimes deceptive, their audiences. Readings will include texts from various historical periods, with particular emphasis on the twentieth century (including works by James Joyce, Henry James, Vladimir Nabokov, Robert Frost, Toni Cade Bambara, Raymond Carver, and Seamus Heaney).

Format: seminar. Requirements: six papers, ranging from 1-2 pages to 4-5 pages. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students who have not taken or placed out of a 100-level English course.

Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF THORNE

ENGL 123(F) Borrowing and Stealing: Originality in Literature and Culture (W)

Someone once said that bad poets borrow and good poets steal, suggesting that acts of theft, as well as their subsequent cover-ups, may lie behind some of the best and seemingly most original works of art in history. And it's not just the poets. More recently, an exhibition of artworks using copyrighted material, called "Illegal Art," was shown, illustrating how the careful use of borrowed ideas is not only acceptable, but even desirable. This course will investigate ideas about artistic and intellectual influence, inspiration, borrowing, revision, appropriation, and outright stealing. We will ask a series of questions as we look at a variety of material, mostly literary, but also visual and musical, that troubles ideas about novel and derivative art. Where does influence stop and plagiarism begin? What must be forgotten, or remembered, about earlier works of art for a new one to appear to be just that—new? Do aesthetic techniques of reframing and recontextualization have a history? The course will

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consider these questions mostly by engaging artworks that raise such questions, but also will work in critical theory about authorship and copyright. We’ll frame time thinking about uncreative art and boring art, and consider what aesthetic categories are mobilized in conceptual art by visiting Sol Lewitt’s installation at the Whitworth Art Gallery. Throughout, we will reflect on the history of the recent past. Readings: Roland Barthes, T.S. Eliot, Wordsworth and Coleridge, Borges, Oscar Wilde (lots), Sigmund Freud, Vladimir Nabokov, Andy Warhol, Christian Bök.

Format: discussion/seminar. Requirements: intense reading; 20 pages of writing in the form of frequent short papers; active, substantial class participation; weekly online reading responses.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students who have not taken or placed out of a 100-level English course. Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR MCGEENY

ENGL 129(F) Twentieth-Century Black Poets (Same as Africana Studies 129) (W)

From Langston Hughes to contemporary poets such as Amiri Baraka and Angela Jackson, African American poets have been preoccupied with the relations of poetry to other traditions. Vernacular speech, English poetry, jazz and other musical forms, folk humor and African mythology have all been seen as essential sources for black poetry. This course will survey major poets such as Hughes, James Weldon Johnson, Countee Cullen, Robert Hayden, Gwendolyn Brooks, Baraka, Jackson, and Yusuf Komunyakaa, reading their poems and their essays and interviews about poetic craft. We will ask how black poetry has been defined and whether there is a single black poetic tradition or several.

Format: discussion/seminar. Requirements: 20 pages of writing in the form of a journal on the readings and several short papers.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students who have not taken or placed out of a 100-level English course. Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF D. L. SMITH

ENGL 132(F) “Femininance”: Contemporary Poetry by Women (W)

VIDA, a non-profit organization for women in the literary arts, recently released a statistical analysis of the number of men and women writing for, reviewed in, and editing major publications in the United States in 2010. The report revealed that male writers and editors appear significantly more often than female writers in journals, such as Atlantic, Granta, Poetry, The New Yorker, and Tin House, among others. The discrepancy between the number of men and women appearing in contemporary mainstream publications raises provocative questions about the role of women’s work in contemporary culture. This introductory class engages experimental collections of poetry by a diverse set of women currently writing in English: Mei-mei Bessrenbrugge, Andrea Brady, Laynie Brown, Bhanu Kapil, Myung Mi Kim, Harryette Mullen, Alice Notley, Vanessa Place, Sina Queras, Claudia Rankine, and Lisa Robertson. Their works challenge accepted notions of poetry through formal innovations that press the limits of thought. These writers’ collections thus startle, confound, delight, bore, outrage, and engage readers, and we will discuss how their poems complicate our notions of what poetry is or can do. We will also address how these works are in dialogue with questions facing women writers today: how does the group identification “women writers” offer a position to embrace, refuse, accept, rebel against, and/or open out? And how do experimental forms conceived by women reach an audience when women are underrepresented in publications? Each student’s work will culminate in a review of a collection of poems by a woman to be submitted to a publication.

Format: seminar/discussion. Requirements: class participation, email responses to readings, 4-5 essays totaling 20 pages.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR JOOSTEN

ENGL 136(F) Shakespeare—Again (W)

In this course, we will consider several plays by Shakespeare, along with responses—some cinematic, some theatrical—that they have provoked. Pairings will include: The Tempest and Forbidden Planet, Romeo and Juliet and Shakespeare in Love, and The Skinhead Hamlet.

Format: seminar. Requirements: active class participation, and five papers totaling 20 pages.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students. Hour: 8:30-9:45 MWF KLEINER

ENGL 139(S) Metafiction (Same as Comparative Literature 139) (W)

This course will examine some of the ways in which literary works reflect on their status as texts. We’ll look at the formal pleasures and puzzles generated by techniques including frame narratives, recursion, self-reference and readerly address, in texts ranging from the Book of Genesis to films by Spike Jonze, to novels by Vladimir Nabokov. Ultimately, we will use our study of metafiction to focus a larger inquiry into the socializing force of language in human development. Note that the format of this class will be required to use, as well as interpret, metafictional techniques in much of their assigned writing.

Format: discussion/seminar. Requirements: five papers of increasingly complexity, totaling 24 pages; consistent attendance and participation; a willingness to reread.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students who have not taken or placed out of a 100-level English course. Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF ROSENHEIM

ENGL 144(S) American Ethnic Detective Fictions and Variations (Same as American Studies 144) (W)

The many variations of the detective novel—from the British “cozy” to American “hardboiled” thrillers—have long been staples of popular culture. While the intricate plot may play a large role in attracting readers, other formal elements of detective fiction have attracted many writers, some who would transgress the genre itself. In this class, we will read and discuss various American ethnic writers and their use of the forms and conventions of the mystery novel to ask: how do we understand the relationship between racial/ethnic identities, histories, experiences and the genres, conventions, and other elements of detective fiction? How do the relationship of form, genre, narrative to cultural politics and history? How do the different writers use conventions of detective fictions, and to what effects and purposes? To this end, we will be readings works that are recognizable “detective fictions” as well as works that complicate and push the boundaries of the genre, to the extent that they become nearly unrecognizable. This is not to suggest that these boundaries are strict or stable. As we will see, the question of what does or does not constitute “detective fiction” will become less central as we investigate multiple ways in which the novels/authors stretch, disrupt, and play with the forms and elements of detective fictions.

Format: discussion/seminar. Requirements: active in-class participation (including short presentations), short response assignments, and a final paper (6-8 pages) on a detective novel of your choice (can be chosen from or beyond the course readings).

No prerequisites; open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students who have not taken or placed out of a 100-level English course. Hour: 11:00-2:25 TF P. PARK

ENGL 150(S) Expository Writing (W)

This course is for students who want to learn how to write a clear, well-argued, intelligible paper based on close, critical analysis of texts. Readings will include political essays, works of creative nonfiction, short stories and the occasional poem.

Format: workshop. Requirements: evaluation will be based on substantial, weekly writing assignments of graduated length and active participation in classroom discussions and the peer-editing process. No regular class meetings will be supplemented by individual conferences.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Preference given to first-year students who have not taken or placed out of a 100-level English course. Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF UM

ENGL 152(F) Other People's Lives: Contemporary American Memoir (W)

The goal of this course is to teach you how to write a clear, well-argued, intelligible and interesting analytical paper. We will spend most of our class time actively engaged in a variety of techniques to improve your critical reasoning and analytical skills, both written and oral. Though the skills you learn will be applicable to other disciplines, and the central purpose of the course is to improve your upper level courses in the English Department, so we will, therefore, spend equal time on the interpretation of literature, in this case, contemporary American memoir, examining the ways in which recent American memoirists represent themselves through prose and the choices they make in shaping their life stories. Given the techniques shared by novelists and memoirists, how firm is the line between fiction and non-fiction? What are the sources of a memoirist’s authority? What are the ethics of memoir-writing? What kind of relationships do memoirists seek with their readers, and how do they go about achieving them?

Format: seminar. Requirements: several short essays, with drafts and revisions, in-class presentations, written comments on published and student work, active participation in discussions. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Preference given to first-year students who have not taken or placed out of a 100-level English course. To students with a history of difficulty with written expression. Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR K. SHEPARD

200-LEVEL COURSES

ENGL 210(F) What Shakespeare’s Heroes Learn

We’ve come to expect that the heroes of Shakespeare’s tragedies learn something. Othello, Lear, Hamlet, Macbeth, and all the others, are supposed to achieve some kind of clarifying self-knowledge as a reward for their terrible suffering. After all, the heroes’ flaws are revealed and their deceptions are exposed so that they can eventually understand what has happened to them and why. They are meant to learn from their suffering. So we’d like to think. But the plays don’t always
cooperate with our desire for some compensating enlightenment. We don’t always come away with a clear sense that Shakespeare’s tragic heroes have arrived at a true self-recognition; in other words, they don’t always fully grasp how their fate is implicated in their character. Nor can we say that we are granted an obvious, edifying moral to compensate for the misery we witness. What, then, do we discover at the end of a Shakespeare tragedy?

Format: lecture. Requirements: class participation, two 5- to 7-page papers, several short writing assignments, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: a 100-level English course or advanced standing in English. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 35). No preference.  
(Pre-1700, LH-A)  
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MW  
DE GOOYER

ENGL 202(S) Modern Drama (Same as Comparative Literature 202 and Theatre 229) 
An introduction to some of the major plays written between 1885 and 2000, and to key movements and developments in drama of the period. We will chart the rise of late-nineteenth century Realism and Naturalism; the sometimes revolutionary shifts in theatrical practice which occurred with the advent of Modernism, and how the theatre has evolved more recently to assert its continuing artistic, social and political relevance. We will attend closely throughout both to historical and literary contexts, and to the changing conceptions of artistic function operative for the writers we consider. Readings will include plays by Ibsen, Wilde, Chekhov, Shaw, Pirandello, Brecht, Beckett, Miller, Pinter, Churchill, Stoppard and McDonagh.

Format: lecture. Requirements: two 5-page papers, regular journal entries or postings, a final exam, and active participation in class discussions.

(Post-1900, LH-C)  
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR  
PETHICA

ENGL 214 Playwriting (Same as Theatre 214) (Not offered 2010-2011) (W) 
(See under THEA 214 for full description.)  
HOLZAPFEL

ENGL 216(S) Introduction to the Novel 
A team-taught lecture course on the development of the novel as a literary form. Texts include: Henry Fielding’s Tom Jones; Jane Austen’s Emma; Charles Dickens’ Great Expectations; James Joyce’s A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man; William Faulkner’s The Sound and the Fury; Vladimir Nabokov’s Lolita; and Toni Morrison’s Beloved. Occasional sessions will be scheduled during the term for informal discussions and questions.

Format: lecture with smaller discussion sections. Readings will be assigned.

Requirements: one or two short written exercises; one six-page paper, a midterm and a final exam.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 70 (expected: 70). Preference given as follows: (1) English and Comparative Literature majors; (2) sophomores; (3) junior non-majors; (4) senior non-majors; (5) first-year students.  
(Pre-1700, LH-A)  
Hour: 10:00-10:50 MW  
ROSENHEIM and KLEINER

ENGL 217(F) Experimental Asian American Writing (Same as American Studies 215 and Comparative Literature 215) 
(See under AMST 215 for full description.)  
WANG

ENGL 231(FS) Literature of the Sea (Same as Maritime Studies 231) (W) (Offered only at Mystic Seaport.) 
(See under MAST 231 for full description.)  
First Semester: BERCAW-EDWARDS  
Second Semester: KING

ENGL 234(S) The Modern Theatre: Plays and Performance (Same as Comparative Literature 248 and Theatre 248) 
(See under THEA 248 for full description.)  
BAKER-WHITE and ERICKSON

ENGL 236 Visible Culture: Documentary and Nonfiction (Same as Anthropology 225) (Not offered 2011-2012) 
(See under ANTH 225 for full description.)  
D. EDWARDS

ENGL 238(S) Racial Formations and Transformations in America: 1945-Present (Same as American Studies 238) (D) 
(See under AMST 238 for full description.)  
UM

ENGL 241(S) Introduction to Comparative Literature (Same as Comparative Literature 110) 
(See under COMP 110 for full description.)  
C. BOLTON

ENGL 244 First-Hand America (Same as American Studies 108) (Not offered 2011-2012) 
(See under AMST 108 for full description.)  
CLEGHORN

ENGL 252(S) Gender, Sexuality and the Modern Stage (Same as Theatre 250 and Women and Gender Studies 250) (W) (D)  
(See under THEA 250 for full description.)  
HOLZAPFEL

ENGL 255(F) Racing(ing) Sports: Issues, Themes and Representations of Black Athletes (Same as Africana Studies 217) (D)  
(See under AFR 217 for full description.)  
BRAGGS

ENGL 261T Adultery in the Nineteenth-Century Novel (Same as Comparative Literature 259T and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 259T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)  
(See under COMP 259 for full description.)  
(1700-1900)  
CASSIDAY

ENGL 266T Postmodernism (Same as Comparative Literature 231T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)  
(See under COMP 231 for full description.)  
(Criticism)  
C. BOLTON
ENGL 260(F) Introduction to African Literature: Witness Literature (Same as Africana Studies 205) (See under AFR 205 for full description.)

ENGL 271 Religion and the Modern Literary Imagination (Same as Comparative Literature 271 and Religion 271) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (See under REL 271 for full description.)

ENGL 286(S) After Nature (Same as Environmental Studies 285) (W) (See under ENVI 285 for full description.)

ENGL 287 Topics in Asian American Literature (Same as American Studies 283) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (See under AMST 283 for full description.)

GATEWAY COURSES

200-level “Gateway” courses are designed for first- and second-year students contemplating the major or intending to pursue more advanced work in the department; these courses focus on analytical writing skills while introducing students to critical and historical approaches that will prove fruitful in later courses. (Note: a Gateway course can fulfill a Period or Criticism requirement as well as a Gateway requirement. Students contemplating the English major are strongly urged to take a Gateway course by the end of Sophomore year.)

ENGL 215(F) Imagining Immigrants (Gateway) (D) (W)
The goal of this course is two—fold: to become more responsive readers of literature and more empathetic readers of cultural differences. As Othello and Antony and Cleopatra demonstrate, the conflicts, anxieties, and vulnerabilities faced by today’s immigrants have a long history. Moving physically from one culture to another but remaining imaginatively torn between their adopted country and their country of origin, feeling at times like a stranger to both, immigrants face questions that concern us all in our increasingly global society, questions of identity, liminality, alienation, empathy, and language. Bombarded by a language that is extensive, requiring six analytic papers, to be discussed and critiqued in weekly tutorial sessions. Students will also memorize passages and read aloud, to hear as well as see what is happening. The goals are to encourage subler, richer responses to poetry, to expand appreciation and enjoyment, and to develop analytic and interpretive capacity. Format: tutorial. Requirements: six short essays and weekly tutorial meetings.

Prerequisites: a 100-level English course. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students who have taken a prior English course, or who have a 5 on the AP exam, sophomores, and English majors who have yet to take a Gateway; open to first-year students.

(Post-1900)
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

I. BELL

ENGL 222(F) Lyric Poetry (Gateway) (W)

What do poems do? How do poems work and play? How do poems challenge and reward attentive scrutiny? What does close, sustained reading enable us to think, feel, and say about a poem? This tutorial considers works by Frost, Yeats, Keats, Bishop, Tennyson, Donne, Milton, and Shakespeare. The course is writing intensive, requiring six analytic papers, to be discussed and critiqued in weekly tutorial sessions. Students will also memorize passages and read aloud, to hear as well as see what is happening. The goals are to encourage subler, richer responses to poetry, to expand appreciation and enjoyment, and to develop analytic and interpretive capacity. Format: tutorial. Requirements: six short essays and weekly tutorial meetings.

Prerequisites: a 100-level English course or advanced standing in English. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). No preference given.

Tutorial meetings to be arranged.

R. BELL

ENGL 226(F) Irish Revivals (W) (Gateway)

This course will focus on Irish literature between about 1800 and 1940 as a case study in the way history, culture and politics interact in the formation of a distinctive literary tradition. We will begin with an overview of the literature of the Gaelic and early colonial periods, and briefly consider texts from the Irish Revival of c.1800-1830, during which the problems of Irish cultural self-definition in a colonial context-the effort to assert “Irishness” as an identity distinct from Englishness—became sharply outlined. Our principal focus, though, will be on the Irish Renaissance of c.1890-1925, during which Irish writing in the English language became firmly established as a canon clearly separate from the English tradition, and writers such as Yeats and Joyce achieved international renown. Readings will include drama, poetry, fiction and non-fiction prose by Yeats, Synge, Joyce, George Moore, George Bernard Shaw, Lady Gregory, Sean O’Casey and others. We will foreground key fault-lines of the period—competing visions of “authentic” Irish identity; debate over the propriety of writing in English, drawing on English literary traditions, or seeking a non-Irish audience; the work of “self-’exils” such as Shaw and Joyce, versus that of writers who stayed in Ireland. As we investigate the ideological and political tensions between Catholics and Protestants, and landlord-owners and tenants—all the while considering the functions and efficacy of literature itself in promoting culture and/or political change. The course will conclude by considering the extraordinary vitality of current Irish literary culture, with readings from Seamus Heaney and discussion of Neil Jordan’s film The Crying Game. Key considerations here will be the ways traditional notions of Irish Nationalism and national identity have been revised or abandoned under the impact of independence, economic prosperity, contemporary sexual politics and other forms of recent cultural change.

Format: seminar. Requirements: four papers (3-4 pages for the first, rising to 6-8 pages for the last), several short journal-style writing assignments; active participation in discussions.

Prerequisites: a 100-level English course. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students, sophomores, and English majors who have not yet taken a Gateway course.

(Pop-1900, LH-C)
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

PETHICA

ENGL 230(S) Introduction to Literary Theory (Same as Comparative Literature 240) (Gateway) (W)

In this course we will debate the nature of literary meaning and explore the engagement of literature, theory, and culture. In the first half of the course we will read Paul De Man, Stanley Fish, and other critics as we ask questions such as, What determines the meaning of a text? Can an interpretation of a literary work be deemed true or false? In the second half of the course, we will read major books of criticism and theory by authors including Frantz Fanon, Michel Foucault, and Judith Butler. We will investigate the changing nature of art in the construction and transformation of political subjectivities. The emphasis will be on exploring and defending arguments on the issues in productive discussion and frequent short papers.

Format: discussion/seminar. Requirements: several short papers amounting to 20 pages of writing and an in-class presentation.

Prerequisite: a 100-level English course; open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students, sophomores, English majors who have yet to take a Gateway, and potential Comparative Literature majors.

(Criticism) CRAAS

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR

DAVIS

ENGL 233(S) Great Big Books (Same as Comparative Literature 283) (Gateway) (W)

Some of the greatest novels are really, really long—so long that they are too seldom read and taught. This course takes time to enjoy the special pleasures of novels of epic scope: the opportunity to immerse oneself in a wide and teeming fictional world; to focus sustained attention on the changeable fortunes of characters and society over a long span of time; to appreciate the detailed grounding of lives in their social environment and historical moment; to experience the leisurely and urgent rhythms, with their elaborate patterning of build-ups and climaxes, that are possible in such works. We will read but two novels, both preoccupied with the disruption and evolution of lives and love at moments of historic upheaval: War and Peace (1869), Leo Tolstoy’s epic of the Napoleonic Wars, and Parade’s End (1924-28), Ford Madox Ford’s modernist masterpiece about World War I and its traumatic impact on English social life. Set a century apart, the novels are distinguished by vivid and scrupulous representation of their respective wars; by their shrewd accounts of political and social pressures informing the crises, and by their insight into the struggles of those whose lives are engulfed in global crisis. Tolstoy’s and Ford’s approaches to fictional representation, however, provide intriguing contrasts: one favors the lucidity of classic realism, the other the challenges of modernist innovation; one adopts a single multiplot novel, the other a tetralogy of shorter novels developing a single plot. We will discuss the differing strategies and effects of these two approaches, as well as the more general difficulties of reading and interpreting long fiction.
ENGL 253(S) Tragedy/Crimey (Same as Comparative Literature 238) (Gateway) (W)

"Tragedy is when I cut my finger. Comedy is when you fall down an open manhole cover and die." Critics have long sought to define comedy and tragedy against each other, yet, as Mel Brooks' joke suggests, the relationship between the two forms is complicated, often interfering. In this course we will read tragedies by Sophocles and Racine, comedies by Shakespeare and Molière, and works that do not easily fit either classification by Chélovž, Beckett and Stoppard. We will consider how in different periods and historical contexts the theatrical effects and ideological implications of tragic and comic forms have been understood and accommodated. We will discuss the potential if also problematic link between suffering and pleasure, and ask why it is that comedy persists while tragedy, at least in its classical expression, no longer seems possible. Critical readings will include Aristotle's Poetics, Nietzsche's The Birth of Tragedy, and Bergson's Laughter.

Format: seminar.
Requirements: four or five short essays, including at least one revision; there will also be periodic film screenings.
Prerequisites: a 100-level English course.
Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students, sophomores, and English majors who have yet to take a Gateway.
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MF
Location: PSC 123
Instructor: Posey

ENGL 265(S) Topics in American Literature: Reason and Feeling in the American Eighteenth Century (Gateway) (W)

Of the eighteenth century was the Age of Reason, dominated by careful and abstract thinking. But it's also an era riven by the untrammeled energy of the emotions, from the romantic passions and violent rages represented in the era's fiction to the religious ecstasies of the Great Awakening. What do we mean by reason and feeling? How can their mutual intersections, even collisions, be reckoned with? How are commitments to the universal lived out in the way of daily practice? In this course, we will consider such questions through a range of enrichment, from the ontological status of reason to the lives of the passions. Our readings include such writers as Wordsworth, Blake, and Scott.

Format: discussion/seminar.
Requirements: four or five essays, as well as a revision and extension of one of these.
Prerequisite: a 100-level English course, except 150. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference to first- and second-year students and majors who have yet to take a Gateway.
Hour: 1700-1900 or Post-1900, L-H-B
Location: 11:00-12:15 MF
Instructor: BUNDTZEN
life’s emotions? We will examine such concerns through considerations of how eighteenth century Americans negotiated (with varying success) their commitment to a public sphere of civic debate and the instability of personal life in a time marked by increasing geographic mobility, sexual permissiveness, and the recognition of agrarian republicanism. Among our readings will be consideration of the intertwining of theology and religious feeling in Jonathan Edwards; the republicanism and also the cunning of Benjamin Franklin; the tormented ratiocinations in Charles Brockden Brown’s psychologically lurid novels; Susannah Rowson’s landmark novel of seduction; and the disintegration of agrarian republicanism into violence and fear in John Hector St. John de Crévecoeur.

Format: seminar/discussion. Requirements: 4 papers.
Prerequisites: a 100-level English course. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to sophomores considering the English major.
Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR

ENGL 267(S) The Art of Satire (W) Gateway
Thursdays 8-10pm

Satie became especially prominent as an art form in the late seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, in the writings of John Dryden, Alexander Pope, Jonathan Swift, Henry Fielding, and Jane Austen. In our own time, there has been a resurgence of satire, in films such as “Monty Python and the Holy Grail,” “Dr. Strange-love,” and recent practitioners of the art, such as Stephen Colbert, Jon Stewart, Sasha Baron Cohen as “Borat,” Ricky Gervais, The Onion.

This Gateway course will cover satirical works, with emphasis on language and style, values and attitudes, humor and offensiveness.
Format: seminar. Requirements: six short essays and participation in discussions.
Prerequisites: a 100-level English course or Advanced Placement in English. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to potential English majors who have not yet had a Gateway.
Hour: 8:30-9:45 MWF Conference: R. BELL

300-LEVEL COURSES

ENGL 302(S) Shakespeare and Freud (Same as Comparative Literature 300)

Although Freud’s commentary on Shakespeare takes the form of scattered insights rather than systematic analysis, his influence on both critics and performers of Shakespeare has been wide-reaching. Freud’s most controversial theory, the Oedipus complex, was based first on Sophocles’ play and then extended to illuminate the character of Hamlet. We will use several readings from Freud—not only his comments on Shakespeare—to explore characters, plots, and their psychological impact on the spectator. Readings will include such topics as fetishes, jealousy, incestuous desire, dream interpretation, sadism and masochism, the suppergo and guilt, the repetition compulsion, mourning and melancholia, and the Madonna-whore complex. This seminar is intended for upperclass students who are already familiar with the plays and the critics. No prior knowledge of Freud is necessary. We will be reading each play and its context in several essays and in class discussions.
Prerequisites: a 100-level English course, or Advanced Placement in English. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to English majors.
Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR

ENGL 303(F) Four American Poets (Same as American Studies 303) (W)

This course offers an in-depth study of four poets: 19th century poet Walt Whitman; modernist William Carlos Williams; and Robert Creeley (b. 1926), a poet often associated with the Black Mountain poets; and Amiri Baraka (b. 1934), one of the founders of the Black Arts movement of the 1960s. Insofar as these poets share an absorption with the challenge of poetically presenting real people, everyday speech, physical place and political imperative, we will consider the questions of influence and inheritance, especially in respect to formal innovation. Our inquiry into the work of these poets will grow out of the consideration of two problems: first, what Whitman called the problem of “contact” with the world and, second, what poet Charles Olson described as the privacy of the ear and the breath. For example: How do Whitman’s long-unexpected lines anticipate and give rise to the stair-stepping units of Williams, the fragmented phrases of Creeley, and the staccato fire of Baraka? While our primary focus will be poetry, the course will also consider representative, extra-poetical work of each writer: Whitman’s prose in Specimen Days, Williams’s multi-volume prose/poetry collage, Paterson; Creeley’s letters and his collaborative work with visual artists; and Baraka’s plays. If students are interested and time allows we may explore the life and influences of these poets in contemporary spoken word poetry and hip hop.
Format: discussion/seminar. Requirements: active participation in class with occasional responsibility for leading discussion; three papers varying in length from 3-10 pages.
Prerequisites: a 100-level English class; not open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 15-20). Preference given to none.
Hour: 2:55-3:50 MR

ENGL 304(S) Medieval East and West: Travel, Holy War, Storytelling (Same as Arabic 303 and Comparative Literature 315) (D)

It is frequently noted that the contemporary divide between the European West and the Arab East began as far back as the Crusades. At the same time, however, the intellectual traditions of the European West are unimaginable without the influences of Arab learning. While the largest Christian library in the 10th century contained a mere 400 volumes, the largest library (of 70) in Cordoba contained 600,000 volumes, and the library in Cairo contained 2 million. European scholars traveled not only to Sicily and al-Andalus, but to Baghdad and Cairo as well, to study science, medicine, philosophy, and literature. This course will explore the ways in which medieval Muslims, Christians, and Jews depicted one another—sometimes in images of tractable others and sometimes in surprising negotiations of otherness. Readings will include contemporary theoretical and critical texts by Edward Said and others; travel narratives by Marco Polo, John Mandeville, and Ibn Battuta; European epics about Christian-Muslim conflict (the Chanson de Roland and the Cantar de Mio Cid), Arab Crusade accounts by Ibn Munajjih and the biographers of Saladin; and of course especially storytelling traditions as exemplified in Nizami’s Haft Pakayr, the Thousand and One Nights, the Canterbury Tales, and the Decameron.

As part of the Exploring Diversity Initiative, this course involves sustained critical and theoretical explorations of the ways medieval Arabs, Christians, and Jews imagined the cultural “other” and in the course of doing so invented their own terms in identities that still linger powerfully today.
Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, three short position papers, one long research paper of 12-15 pages.
Prerequisites: a 100-level English course; not open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 15). Preference given to junior and senior English and Comparative Literature majors, and Middle East Studies concentrators.
Hour: 2:55-3:50 MR

ENGL 305(S) Dante (Same as Comparative Literature 317)

In the spring of 1300, Dante Alighieri entered Hell. The Divine Comedy is the record of the journey that followed. It is organized around series of encounters with figures from the poet’s past—for example, a former teacher damned for violating nature—the bodies split open, the Popes turned upside down and lit on fire—it is also, as Dante claims, a love story and a work of imaginative daring. Among its final images is a vision of paradise rendered through the precise if also mind-bending language of non-Euclidean geometry. In this course we will read the three books of the Comedy (Inferno, Purgatorio, Paradiso), the Vita Nuova, and a few brief selections from Dante’s other works. All readings will be in translation.
Format: seminar. Requirements: six short essays and participation in discussions.
Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

ENGL 314(F) Groovin’ the Written Word: The Role of Music in African American Literature (Same as Africana Studies 314, American Studies 314, Comparative Literature 321, and Music 214)

(See under AFR 314 for full description.)

ENGL 315(S) Milton

The premise of this course is that Milton is the greatest of the English poets and Paradise Lost the greatest of English poems. The purpose of the course is to persuade you that the premise is correct, by immersing students in his densely organized language, his imagined worlds of an earthly paradise, heaven, hell, and the dark world after the fall, and the philosophical and theological problems that challenge the best readers. To prepare for our 6 weeks on Paradise Lost, we will...
read some of Milton’s early poems and prose, including Areopagitica, his ringing defense of freedom of expression, some of his political writings (to situate him in the strenuous politics of church and state during the English Civil War), and his tract defending divorce (which reflects not only on his own life, but also on the “marriage” of Adam and Eve). And we will conclude the course with three weeks on his other two great long poems, the magnificent and austere Paradise Regained and Samson Agonistes, which continue Milton’s radical redefinition of the classical ideas of heroism and constitute his parting words on the apparent failure of the Puritan Revolution.

Format: discussion. Requirements: several 1-page assignments, a shorter paper and a longer paper; regular attendance and class participation. Prerequisites: an English 100-level course; not open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 15).

ENGL 317(S) Black Migrations: African American Performance at Home and Abroad (Same as Africana Studies 317, Comparative Literature 319, Dance 317 and Theatre 317)

(See under AFR 317 for full description.)

BRAGGS

ENGL 318(S) Insecutable Evil, or the Transformative Horror Film (Same as Comparative Literature 316) (W)

“Monsters are meaning machines,” the critic Judith Halberstam has pointed out, and any number of scholars have noted the etymological connection between the noun monster and the verb demonstrate: to show, to reveal. Horror has been the most durable of film genres partially because it has continually pushed the limits of what’s permissible in commercial filmmaking, and its transgressive nature has insured its impact on such cultural conversations as the nature of evil or the measure of normality.

This course will consider a common type of horror film, in which the unspeakable is seen as at least temporarily invisible beneath the quotidian, as a way of conceptualizing an instability of increasing social interest: how the rational gives way to—and perhaps might always have masked—the monstrous; how, as Freud famously noted, the familiar and the shockingly unfamiliar may be seen to somehow coincide; and how a monster’s inscputability might speak to a culture’s deep-seated anxieties concerning its own blind spots. To a secondary extent, the course will also be a consideration of the features and formal properties of the genre itself.

Films to be studied will include John Robertson’s Doctor Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, Alfred Hitchcock’s Psycho, David Lynch’s Eraserhead, David Cronenberg’s The Fly, George Sluizer’s The Vanishing, Juan Carlos Fresnadillo’s 28 Weeks Later, David Fincher’s Zodiac, Jee-Woon Kim’s A Tale of Two Sisters, and Tomas Alfredson’s Let the Right One In.

Format: seminar. Requirements: four short papers totaling more than twenty pages and in-class presentations. Prerequisites: English 203 or 204 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to seniors and juniors. (Post-1900)

Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF

J. SHEPARD

ENGL 319(S) Sensational Poetry

“If I feel physically as if the top of my head were taken off, I know that is poetry,” writes Emily Dickinson. Lyric poems turn the most evanescent sensory experiences into words, giving them a seductive materiality that we can hear, see, touch, taste, and smell. Lyric poems are personal and communal, immediate and eternal, conversational and incantatory. “A poem begins with a lump in the throat,” Robert Frost remarks, “for a complete poem is one where an emotion has found its thought, and the thought has found the words.” This course explores shifts in poetic conventions and material culture from Neoplatonic idealization to sexual seduction, from manuscript transmission to print and internet. We will re-read reflections on poetry and the senses from Plato and Aristotle to Julia Kristeva and Susan Stewart, and lots of sensational poetry by Renaissance, modern, and contemporary poets such as Philip Sidney, William Shakespeare, John Donne, Ben Jonson, George Herbert, T. S. Eliot, Robert Frost, William Yeats, Richard Wilbur, Mark Strand, Louise Glück, Billy Collins, and Li-Young Lee.

Format: seminar. Requirements: final 10- to 12-page paper, journal entries, oral presentations, and active contributions to class discussion.

Prerequisites: 100-level English course or 5 on the AP exam. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 19). Preference given to English majors (and aspiring poets). (Post-1900, LH-C)

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

I. BELL

ENGL 321(S) Samuel Johnson and the Literary Tradition

Johnson has been exceptionally influential not only because he was a distinguished writer of poems, essays, criticism, and biographies, but also because he was the first true historian of English literature, the first who sought to define its “tradition.” We will read Johnson’s own works and Boswell’s Life of Johnson to discover Johnson’s talents, tastes, and standards as an artist, as a moral and literary critic, and as a man. We next will use Johnson’s Preface to Shakespeare and Lives of the Poets to examine how this great intelligence assessed writers from the Renaissance through the eighteenth century. While reading his commentary on Shakespeare and his critical biographies of Milton, Dryden, Pope, Swift, and Gray, we will analyze selected works by these writers so as to evaluate Johnson’s views and to sharpen our understanding of the relationships between his standards and our own.

Format: seminar. Requirements: midterms and final papers, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: any 100-level English course. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 22). Preference given to English majors. (Pre-1700-1900, LH-A)

Hour: 2:55-3:50 TF

FIX

ENGL 328(F) Jane Austen and George Eliot (Same as Women’s and Gender Studies 328)

Austen and Eliot profoundly influenced the course of the novel by making internal consciousness crucial to narrative form. In this course we will explore Austen’s innovative aesthetic strategies and the ways in which Eliot assimilated and transformed them. By placing each writer’s work in its political and philosophical context, re-audience, reactions to the aftermath of the French Revolution, in Eliot’s, to the failed mid-century European revolutions and the pressures of British imperialism— we will consider how each writer conceives social and historical exigencies to shape dramas of consciousness. Readings will include Austen’s Pride and Prejudice, Emma, Mansfield Park, and Persuasion; Eliot’s The Mill on the Floss, The Lifted Veil, and Daniel Deronda; selected letters and prose; essays by Burke and Marx; and recent criticism.

Format: discussion/seminar. Requirements: two 6- to 10-page papers.

Prerequisite: a 100-level English course. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25).

(1700-1900, LH-B)

Hour: 1:10-3:50 W

SOKOLSKY

ENGL 329(F) Cultures of War: U.S. Wars in Asia and American Culture (Same as American Studies 329)

(See under AMST 329 for full description.)

UM

ENGL 333(S) The Nineteenth-Century British Novel (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 333)

Imagine this: a form of art and entertainment that purports to be able to represent everything—intimate, even inaccessible human thoughts and feelings, love, class, the city, shopping, sexuality, bureaucracy, social bonds, industrialization, nationalism, even modernity itself. In this course we will try to understand the scope of the nineteenth-century British novel’s jaw-dropping representational aspirations: its claim to comprehend in its pages both the dizzying complexity of new social, political, and economic structures as well as delineate in finest detail the texture of individual minds and lives. We will pay attention to the fictional modes by which apparently intractable social problems are resolved, through a sleight of hand act we seem never to tire of, in the realm of romantic love. And while we might think of the novel as an Empire of the Little, endlessly occupied with giving significance to the smallest acts of ordinary human life, we will think about the broader historical and social conditions the novel both represents in its pages, and is a crucial not-so-silent partner in promoting and contesting. We will also interrogate ourselves on the kind of under-the-counter work the Victorian novel does on behalf of British empire, as well as empire’s own behind-the-scenes work for the novel. Since so many of these stories of everyday life seem as familiar to us as everyday life, we will work hard to maintain what is strange and specific about the nineteenth century even as we recognize within these works the birth of so much that is modern in our own culture. Likely authors include: Austen, Scott, Bronte, Dickens, Eliot, Braddon, and Forster.

Format: discussion. Requirements: heavy reading load, flexible writing requirements with options for journal, short papers, exam, and final long paper.

Prerequisite: 100-level English course or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 20). Preference given to English majors. (1700-1900, LH-B)

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

CASE
uncouth as to use a fish fork to eat our salad. What’s more, manners are at the heart of many of the novel’s own central concern, and those concerns are some of the most pressing ones of modernity: the nature of social authority amid variously fluid notions of class, the role of taste in the discourse of aesthetics, and the drive to possess the discourses of pretentiousness (as Faulkner famously put it). This drive to possess the discourses of pretentiousness (as Faulkner famously put it). This drive to possess the discourses of pretentiousness (as Faulkner famously put it). This drive to possess the discourses of pretentiousness (as Faulkner famously put it). This drive to possess the discourses of pretentiousness (as Faulkner famously put it). This drive to possess the discourses of pretentiousness (as Faulkner famously put it).
ENGL 356T(S) Feeling Queer: Theories of Emotion and Affect in Literary and Cultural Studies (Same as American Studies 356, Comparative Literature 356 and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 355) (W) (D)
Shame, pride, hope, rage, lust, depression: all of these feelings and others are proving to be exciting sites for rich readings of literary and cultural texts, analyses of political movements and claims, and theories of subjectivity, temporality and affiliation. This tutorial will explore affect theories and its relation to queer theory; for example, we may consider the historical emergence of the discourse of “gay pride” in the U.S. since the late sixties and its representations in literary and cultural writings, or explore whether shared affects can create transhistorical connections between those who “feel queerly” (the feeling of gendered abjection, say, that marks both Woolf’s Orlando and Victorian auto-da-fé). We will also investigate the degree to which affect theory challenges prominent accounts of the formation of raced, gendered, sexualized selves and how emotions influence or even produce political movements and aesthetic creation. We will read key theoretical works in the field by such authors as Silvia Federici, Eve Kosofsky Sedgwick, David Eng, Robert Reid-Pharr, Heather Love, Ann Cvetkovich, José E. Muñoz, Sara Ahmed and Lee Edelman, and put them in dialogue with literary and cultural works, in order to explore such issues as affect as affiliation; the distinction between public and private feeling; affective, temporal states of being such as (queer) childhood; what it means to feel black and queer; and more in order to investigate how one might apply queer theories of affect to a set of aesthetic, political and inter- and intra-subjective concerns.
Format: tutorial. Requirements: active participation, 5 tutorial papers, 5 responses, final project.
Prerequisites: English 100-level course. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to senior English and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies majors.
Hour: TBA
KENT

ENGL 360(F) James Joyce’s “Ulysses”
This course will explore in depth the demanding and exhilarating work widely regarded as the most important novel of the twentieth century, James Joyce’s Ulysses, which both dismantled the traditional novel and revitalized the genre by opening up new possibilities for fiction. We will discuss the ways in which characters and plot are encoded in the narrative, character and theme (e.g., questions of heroism and betrayal, oedipal dynamics and truth and the politics of gender, civic engagement and artistic isolation, British imperialism and Irish nationalism) are placed in counterpoint with patterns drawn from myth, theology, philosophy, and other literature, and will consider the convergence of such themes in an unorthodox form of comedy. In assessing Ulysses as the outstanding paradigm of modernist fiction, we will be equally attentive to its radical and often funny innovations of structure, style, and narrative perspective. In addition to Joyce’s novel, readings will include its epic precursor, Homer’s Odyssey, as well as biographical and critical essays. Students unfamiliar with Joyce’s novel A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man, which introduces characters later followed in Ulysses, are urged to read it in advance of the course.
Format: discussion/seminar. Requirements: active participation in class discussions, a midterm exam, two papers, and a final exam.
(Hour-1900) R. BELL

ENGL 361(F) Nabokov and Pynchon
After a brief comparative study of their short stories, the course will focus on selected novels by each author. Texts include: Pnin, Lolita, and Pale Fire by Nabokov; and, by Pynchon, The Crying of Lot 49, and Gravity’s Rainbow (to which a substantial portion of the latter part of the course will be devoted).
Format: seminar. Requirements: midterm and final papers, and a take-home final exam.
(Hour-1900) TF R. BELL

ENGL 362(S) From “The Quiet Man” to “The Cripple of Inishmaan”: Irish literature after Yeats and Joyce
In the sixty years since Ireland officially became a republic, the country has undergone extraordinary transformations: from a poor rural economy to the wealth of the “Celtic Tiger”; from an ethnically and culturally insular Catholic state (in which censorship was routine), to an assertively outward-looking and increasingly multicultural nation. This course will begin by considering the effects of decolonization and political independence, and the continuing influence of earlier cultural and political shifts (such as the work of Irish writers in the 1940s through the 1960s, including texts by Kavanagh, Behan, Beckett and others). We will then turn to the remarkably fertile literary and creative environment of recent years, in which Irish writers and filmmakers have renewed and extended the traditional concerns of the Irish literary canon with an increasingly jokey embrace of influences from other traditions and of the hybridizing impacts of postmodernism. Our readings will include poetry by Seamus Heaney, Eavan Boland, Michael Longley, Derek Mahon, Medbh McCue, Paul Muldoon; plays by Brian Friel, Frank McGuinness, Martin McDonagh, Marina Carr; fiction by Samuel Beckett, James Plunkett, William Trevor, Edna O’Brien, Neil Jordan; the films The Quiet Man and Six Shooter; and episodes of the scrumilous, iconoclastic T.V. comedy Father Ted.
Format: seminar. Requirements: two papers totaling about 14 pages, several short responses, active participation in discussion.
(Criticism) (Hour-1900) TF R. BELL

ENGL 363(F) Literature and Psychoanalysis (Same as Comparative Literature 340) (W)
(See under COMP 340 for full description.)
Newman

ENGL 372T(S) American Modernist Fiction (Same as American Studies 372T) (W)
Modernism among writers began in the second half of the nineteenth century and continued through perhaps World War II; we shall concentrate on fiction from around the 1920s, by such writers as Faulkner, Hemingway, Fitzgerald, Toomer, Cather, and Stein. Modernism tends to be difficult and elitist, though such writers as Fitzgerald and Hemingway tried to make popular careers out of its methods. Its reception has always been controversial and paradoxic: modernism either represses non-Anglo-Saxon thinking or displaces it (and either alternative may be its repressus); it either allows expression to repressed forms of sexuality or represses them; it either registers new racial realities or is specifically designed to keep racial structures in place. In this tutorial we shall address both American modernist fiction and its reception, and thus will conduct a continuing investigation of the relation of obscure meaning and imputed historical significance. Format: tutorial. Requirements: five meetings of one hour every week; students will write papers every other week (five in all) of 5-7 pages, and will critique papers in their off-weeks.
Prerequisites: 100-level English course; not open to first-year student. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to English majors.
(Criticism or Post-1900, LH-C)
Not available for the Graduate option.
Tutorial meetings to be arranged.

ENGL 373(S) Modern Critical Theory (Same as Comparative Literature 343)
In this course, we will explore the work of a range of contemporary theorists who have transformed our sense of what we do when we interpret texts. What sorts of contributions does our critic(s) make to our critical acts? What expectations—of pleasure, of ethical insight—can he or she fulfill? By prompting such questions, these theorists have transformed the critical landscape, leading us to re-think what is at stake in the act of reading, in the relation between aesthetics and political thinking, and in our sense of what constitutes private, sexual, cultural and political experience. Our critical readings will be drawn from works by such theorists as Jacques Derrida, Walter Benjamin, Theodore Adorno, Michel Foucault, Luce Irigaray, Frederic Jameson, Julia Kristeva, Alain Badiou, Giorgio Agamben, Aamir Mufti, Eve Kosofsky Sedgwick, and Judith Butler. We will pair these texts with literary ones by Marguerite Duras, George Eliot, Charles Baudelaire, Thomas Mann, Franz Kafka, Jorge Luis Borges and Tony Kushner, and with films by William Wyler, Alfred Hitchcock, and Andre Tartovsky.
Format: discussion/seminar. Requirements: two 5-page, and a final 10-page paper.
Prerequisite: a 100-level English course. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25).
(Criticism)
Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR
Limon

ENGL 374(S) Cities of the Anglophone Chinese Imagination (Same as American Studies 305, Asian Studies 305 and Comparative Literature 303) (D)
(See under AMST 305 for full description.)
Wang

ENGL 375 New Asian American, African American, Native American, Latino/a Writing (Same as Africana Studies 304, American Studies 304, Comparative Literature 375 and Latino/a Studies 403) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
(See under AMST 403 for full description.)
Wang

(See under COMP 340 for full description.)
ENGL 380(S)  The Art of Modern Crisis
The first half of the twentieth century was marked by extraordinary social and political upheaval. The same era witnessed a feverishly creative revolution in the nature and the strategies of artistic representation. In this course we will examine what these two kinds of crisis have to do with one another: how a wide range of startling innovations in literary and cinematic art may be seen as responses to the particular pressures of the historical crises they represent. Focusing mainly on British and American instances, but also on works from France and Russia, we will study such diverse historical crises as the spread of anarchism around the turn of the century; the Bolshevik revolution; the woman’s suffrage movement and the emergence of the so-called “New Woman”; World Wars I and II; and the Cold War. Novels, plays and films will be studied for their distinctive, often dazzling aesthetic strategies for representing these crises, and will include such works as Jarry’s Ubu Roi, Bely’s Petersburg, Woolf’s Mrs. Dalloway, poems of Owen and Sassoon, Ford’s Parade’s End, Eisenstein’s Potemkin, Heller’s Catch-22, and Kubrick’s Dr. Strangelove.
(Post-1900, LH-C)
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR

TIFFT

ENGL 386  From Hermeneutics to Post-coloniality and Beyond (Same as Comparative Literature 344 and Religion 304) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
(See under REL 304 for full description.) (Criticism)
DREYFUS

ENGL 389(F)  The Fiction of Virginia Woolf (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 389)
“Let us record the atoms as they fall upon the mind in the order in which they fall, let us trace the pattern, however disconnected and incoherent in appearance, with which they may incident scores upon the consciousness. Let us not take for granted that life exists more fully in what is commonly thought big than in what is commonly thought small” (“Modern Fiction”)
Virginia Woolf’s fiction represents a self-conscious and highly experimental challenge to the conventions of Victorian and Edwardian fiction. This course will explore the evolution of the innovative narrative techniques by which she tried to bridge the gap between the experience of consciousness and its representation in language. Accompanying concerns will be Woolf’s challenges to stable gender roles, her conception of the relationship of gender to creativity, and the ways in which her powerful lyric impulses are reflected in her fiction. We will read most of the major novels, including The Voyage Out, Jacob’s Room, Mrs. Dalloway, To the Lighthouse, Orlando, The Waves, and Between the Acts, together with selected short fiction and critical essays. The course will be taught largely by discussion.
Format: seminar. Requirements: weekly journal entries, one 5- to 7-page paper and one 10- to 12-page paper. Prerequisites: 100 level English class; not open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 20). No preference.
(1700-1900, LH-B)
Hour: 7:00-9:00 p.m.

CASE

ENGL 392(F)  Wonder (Same as Comparative Literature 392)
We tend to imagine “wonder” as a naïve, wide-eyed response, something quite distinct from the cold and sophisticated act of critical analysis. In this discussion class, we will consider wonder as an eminently analyzable concept, but one that raises provocative questions about the nature and limits of our own, distinctly modern forms of critical engagement. The course examines three historical incarnations of “wonder,” each involving complex relations among the aesthetic, philosophical, and social domains: the Renaissance tradition on wonder and the marvelous; the eighteenth-century analysis of the sublime; and twentieth-century accounts of the culture of spectacle. We will consider writers such as Shakespeare, Sir Thomas Browne, Wordsworth, Borges, and W.G. Sebald (all wonderful); painters such as Leonardo and Vermeer, the photography of Andreas Gursky and Thomas Struth; films including Lang’s Metropolis and Scott’s Blade Runner; and critical philosophical writers, including Aristotel, Descartes, Kant, and Walter Benjamin.
(Pre-1700 or Crit 170-H)
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR

PYE

ENGL 393(F)  “The feel of not to feel it”: Romanticism and Senselessness
This course engages what Keats calls “The feel of not to feel it” in British Romanticism. This class has two aims: to read fundamental Romantic texts carefully and thoughtfully and to think about those texts’ essential engagement with the feeling of not feeling. Keats’ surprising phrase suggests that a lack of feeling can be experienced as a feeling itself—that the absence of feeling is a perceptible sense. Understanding “sense” as both feeling and meaning, we will work to imagine a mode of sense that opens up new possibilities for perception: it allows us to inhabit and feel senselessness. This class will explore the feeling of senselessness in poetry and prose by Wordsworth, Blake, Shelley, Keats, Shelley, De Quincy, Blake, and Austen. These writers make the feeling of not feeling a sustained linguistic investigation, and their work encourages us to ask: What does a lack of feeling feel like? What happens when the traditional markers of sense become numb? What experiences become possible through the feeling of senselessness? In our work with Romantic texts, we will consider senseless feeling in literary form to examine forms of thought that are themselves senseless, such as particular styles of narration and poetic figuration. Contemporary affect theories that address how emotionality, sensation, and embodiment influence the status of the feeling subject are important to our enquiry, and throughout the semester we will read influential works of theory as part of our engagement with Romantic senselessness.
Format: seminar/discussion. Requirements: class participation, email responses to readings, two essays, one 5-8 pages, one 10-12 pages. Prerequisite: a 100-level English course. Open to first-year students with permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 25.
(1700-1900, LH-B)
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

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ENGL 398(S)  Transatlantic Entrancement
In Adventures on Salisbury Plain, Wordsworth writes of a traveler: “He fell and without sense or motion lay, / And when the trance was gone, feebly pursued his way.” This course considers nineteenth century British and American writing’s preoccupation with trance states. Through an astute, lively engagement with poetry and prose by Wordsworth, Blake, Coleridge, Shelley, Keats, Dickinson, Melville, Poe, Martinau, and Fuller and criticism that addresses conditions of consciousness—how consciousness emerges, falters, recurs, imagines, and dreams—this class will work toward mapping the psychological, physiological, and cultural implications of trance. We will explore lapses in consciousness, from sleep-walking and amnesia to reveries and improvisation to trace the effects of trances on psychic and social development during the nineteenth century. Addressing the evolving politics of trance states as they move from Britain to America and back again, this class will ask: What is one’s relation to oneself and to others while entranced? What possibilities emerge in the suspension of autonomy and agency? How do knowledge and power operate in trances? We will consider how trances influence feeling and thought, body and mind. And we will address the implications of the different names trances are known by, such as animal magnetism, artificial somnambulism, automatic writing, and improvisational poetics, in specific social and historical contexts.
Format: seminar/discussion. Requirements: class participation, email responses to readings, two essays, one 5-8 pages, one 10-12 pages. Prerequisite: a 100-level English course. Open to first-year students with permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 25.
(1700-1900, LH-B)
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

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400-LEVEL COURSES

On the aims of these courses, please see description at beginning of the English Department section of the catalog.

ENGL 404(S)  History and Drama in Shakespeare's Henriad
Shakespeare’s “Henriad” is the quartet of history plays: Richard II, Henry the Fourth, parts one and two, and Henry the Fifth. In this advanced course we will consider each play in detail from several perspectives: as history, as theater, as literature. We’ll learn about Shakespeare’s sources and his uses of history in staging extraordinary drama. We will view Osen Welles’s film Falstaff: Chimera of the Mind and compare two rousing versions of Henry V by Laurence Olivier and Kenneth Branagh. In the second half of the semester, each student will develop in individual consultations with the instructor a substantial critical essay. This class is for highly-motivated students seeking the experience of intense and sustained research and writing.
Format: seminar. Requirements: active participation and a substantial term paper. Prerequisites: a course in Shakespeare or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 7). Preference given to the strongest students and the most motivated students.
(Pre-1700, LH-A)
Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR
Conference: R. BELL
ENGL 409(F) Sublime Confusion: A Survey of Critical Theory (Same as Comparative Literature 401)
(See under COMP 401 for full description.)
C. BOLTON

ENGL 410(S) American Avant Garde Poetry Since 1950 (Same as American Studies 410)
(See under AMST 410 for full description.)

ENGL 414(F) Poetry and Prose of John Donne (W)
“With!—Wonder-excitings vigour, intenseness and peculiarities of thought,” Samuel Coleridge wrote, “this is the wit of Donnet!” There is no greater, more daring or more witty writer of love poems, divine poems, or religious prose in the English language. Donne wrote in a wide variety of classical genres: elegy, epigram, satire, love lyric, epitaphiam or marriage sonnet, verse epistle, holy sonnet, hymn, familiar letter, meditation, sermon. Yet he constantly reinvented conventional language with “new-made idiom,” turning traditional forms to unpredictable ends. This intensive, discussion-oriented seminar will explore the following questions: What are the characteristic of Donne’s style; and how does his writing evolve over his career? What was the impact of his coteries audience? How does Donne woo his earthly lovers and God in and through verse? To what extent are his ideas related to the formal and parodic permits or helpful in understanding Donne’s writing? What made Donne so appealing to T. S. Eliot and the modernists, and more recently, the post-modernists? What are the compelling issues in contemporary Donne criticism?
Prerequisites: a 300-level English course or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). Preference given to junior and senior English majors.
Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR
I. BELL

ENGL 424(F) Documentary Fictions (W)
Documentary Fictions investigates the various ways in which electronic and electronic media have affected our sense of what’s real, and the kinds of stories we tell about the world and ourselves. Topics to be considered will include cinema and radio; digital photography; medical imaging; home video; and the radical personalization of media via the internet and other mobile devices. We’ll explore the transformation of reference, the collapse of space, and changing notions of evidence, in different gender contexts.
Format: seminar. Requirements: one long research paper; several exercises in different media.
Prerequisites: at least one 300-level English course, or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). Preference given to senior majors; junior majors; Studio Art majors; sophomores with permission of the instructor.
Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR
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ENGL 430T(F) Hitchcock and Psychoanalytic Theory (W)
While Alfred Hitchcock is best known as the creator of many of Hollywood’s most entertaining and enduringly popular movies, his films have also inspired a large and varied body of impressively searching theoretical and critical work, particularly in the field of psychoanalytic film criticism. In this tutorial, intended primarily for upperclassmen who have already taken an introductory course in cinema as well as at least one upper-level English course, we will use several of Hitchcock’s films as the staging ground for explorations of psychoanalytic theory and its applicability to popular culture. We will not be concerned with applying psychoanalytic ideas to Hitchcock’s life. Rather, we will explore the ways in which psychoanalytic models might illuminate the psychology and behavior of his characters, the narrative structures of his films, and the nature and dynamics of a spectator’s engagement with the films. Topics will include understanding of modern cinema, voyeurism, the uncanny, fetishism, incest and oedipal conflict, repression, and the strange itineraries of desire. No prior knowledge of psychoanalytic theory is necessary; this course is meant to serve in part as an introduction to Freudian theory. After a basic theoretical foundation has been laid, readings will focus on particular psychoanalytic concepts and phenomena which have special relevance to a given film. A week’s assignment will normally comprise one screening and a couple of essays, for the most part theoretical write and film theory and criticism by such authors as Jacques Lacan, Eve Kosofsky Sedgwick, Laura Mulvey, Tania Modleski, and Stephen Heath. Films to be studied will include Rebecca, Strangers on a Train, Notorious, Spellbound, Shadow of a Doubt, Rear Window, Vertigo, Psycho.
We will meet for two weeks as a group, then students will meet with the instructor in pairs for one hour each week, writing a paper every other week and a short critique of their partner’s paper in alternate weeks. Emphasis will be placed on developing skills not only in reading, viewing, and interpretation, but also in constructing critical arguments and responding to them in written and oral critiques.
Format: tutorial. Requirements: five 5- to 6-page papers and five 1- to 2-page critiques.
Prerequisites: a 300-level English course, as well as English 203 (“Reading Films”) or 204 (“The Feature Film”), or equivalent basic training in film analysis; or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to English majors.
(Criticism or Post-1900)
Tutorial meetings to be arranged.

ENGL 450(S) Melville, Mark Twain, and Ellison (Same as Africana Studies 450) (D)
As an epitaph to his novel, Invisible Man, Ralph Ellison Selects a quotation from Herman Melville’s story, “Benito Cereno.” In the prologue to Invisible Man, Ellison invokes a sermon that appears briefly in the opening chapter of Moby Dick. In his essays on comedy and American culture, Ellison comments trenchantly on Adventures of Huckleberry Finn. Melville and Mark Twain were, in many obvious ways, as different as two writers can be. Nonetheless, they also have many surprising similarities, and it is not difficult to understand why both are so important to Ellison. This course will examine the novels, stories, and essays of these three writers, with particular attention to the themes that they have in common and to the traits that make each of them distinctive. Race, slavery, epistemology, and the nature of American democracy are among those themes.
Prerequisites: a 100-level English course. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 12). No preference.
(1700-1900, LH-B)
Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF
D. L. SMITH

CREATIVE WRITING COURSES

Students interested in taking a creative writing course should preregister and be sure to attend the first class meeting. Class size is limited; final selections will be made by the instructor shortly after the first meeting. Preregistration does not guarantee a place in the class. Students with questions should consult the appropriate instructor.

ENGL 227(F) A Science Fiction and Fantasy-Writing Seminar
In this class the students will attempt to produce a genre short-story, or else a chunk of a longer narrative, every two weeks. It will be writing-intensive rather than reading-intensive, though from time to time we might look at the odd piece of professional work, by way of example or inspiration, or as a source of stolen goods. Mostly, though, we will be discussing our own stuff—original stories, or sketches for stories, or the occasional plot, character, or setting exercise. Passing the course, which will be grading at least three ten- to twenty-page stories, as well as numerous shorter assignments. A fair amount of work, in other words, although to save time I’m hoping we can keep any analysis or interpretation to a strict minimum.
Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, and regular assessment of written work. Prerequisites: any 100-level English class. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). No preference.
Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR
P. PARK

ENGL 257(S) The Personal Essay: Writing Workshop (W)
The personal essay as a literary form encompasses a wide range of genres including literary journalism, creative nonfiction and the lyric essay. Note the exclusion of “memoir” or “autobiography” in this list. This course is NOT a course in memoir or autobiography. As we become more mindful of our particular points of view, we will turn the focus outside of ourselves. We will experiment with writing that is extra—rather than introspective. While this is primarily a course in creative writing, we will give each of our time to literary analysis and imitation of exemplary essayists including Montaigne, Thoreau, Woolf, Orwell, Baldwin, Agee, Didion, Dillard, McPhee, Baker, Eggers, Carson.
Format: discussion/writing workshop. Evaluation will be based upon class participation (critical engagement with assigned reading and with the work of peers) and writing (regular, written responses to assigned reading; drafts and revisions of three polished essays).
Prerequisites: 100-level English course or AP equivalent. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Interested students should preregister for the course and come to the first class meeting; selection will be based on writing samples.
Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR
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ENGL 232(F) The Art of the Long Story (W)
Long stories (over 35 pages) at their best combine a novel’s richness and depth with a story’s shapeliness and concision. In this course, intended for students with a serious interest in writing, and in examining fiction from a writer’s point of view, we’ll study a variety of long stories and examine their craft elements. In addition to Francine Prose’s Reading Like a Writer, we’ll read work by James Baldwin, Deborah Eisenberg, Mavis Gallant, Katherine Mansfield, Alice Munro, David Foster Wallace, and others.

Format: seminar. Requirements: regular attendance, active participation in class discussion, weekly 1- to 2-page response papers, and one longer (5- to 7-page) paper.
Prerequisites: a 100-level English course. Enrollment limit: 14 (expected: 14). Preference given to sophomores; first-year students who have placed out of a 100-level course; students interested in writing fiction.
Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF

ENGL 281(FS) The Writing of Poetry
A workshop in the writing of poetry. Weekly assignments and regular conferences with the instructor will be scheduled. Students will discuss each other’s poems in the class meetings.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). Preference given to students who have preregistered.
Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF 2:35-3:50 TF
Barrett

ENGL 283(FS) Introductory Workshop in Fiction
A course in basic problems that arise in the composition of short fiction. Individual conferences will be combined with workshop sessions; workshop sessions will be devoted to both published and student work. Considerable emphasis will be placed on the process of revision.
No prerequisites. For fall: enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12); for spring: enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). Interested students should preregister for the course and attend the first class; selection will be based on writing samples.
Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF 1:10-2:25 TF
First Semester: J. SHEPARD Second Semester: J. SHEPARD

ENGL 288(F) Introductory Workshop in Memoir
A course in the basic problems and possibilities that arise in the composition of memoir. Individual meetings with the instructor will be available. Class sessions will be devoted to the discussion of both published and student work. Students will receive written critiques from other students as well as the instructor.
Format: seminar. Requirements: successful completion of several writing exercises and at least 30 pages of final work; active class participation; critiques of published and student work; one student-led class.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Selection is based on writing samples. If writing samples are equal, preference will be given by seniority.
Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

ENGL 326(F) Fiction Workshop: Revision and Radical Revision (W)
An advanced workshop in the revision of short fiction, with particular focus on more radical ways of enlarging the opportunities each story presents: in other words, advanced practice in both realizing a story’s initial aesthetic design and re-envisioning it entirely.
Prerequisites: English 283 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Admission to the course will be made on the basis of writing samples.
Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF

ENGL 382(S) Advanced Workshop in Poetry
This course will combine individual conferences with workshop sessions at which students will discuss each other’s poetry. Considerable emphasis will be placed upon the problems of revision.
Prerequisites: English 281 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Candidates for admission should confer with the instructor prior to registration and be prepared to submit samples of their writing.
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR

ENGL 385(F) Advanced Fiction Workshop: Form and Technique
A course for students with experience writing fiction and an understanding of the basics of plot, character, setting, and scene. Through close study of stories in both traditional and unusual forms, we’ll examine how a story’s significant elements are chosen, ordered, and arranged; how the story is shaped; how, by whom, and to what purpose it’s told. Students will write new stories, employing the forms and techniques studied, and discuss them in workshop.
Format: seminar. Requirements: 30 pages of fiction.
Prerequisites: English 283 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Admission to the course will be based on the basis of writing samples.
Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF

HONORS AND INDEPENDENT STUDY

ENGL 397(F), 398(S) Independent Study
Prerequisites: unusually qualified and committed students who are working on a major writing or research project may confer with the English Department about possible arrangements for independent study.

ENGL 493(F) Honors Colloquium
A colloquium for students pursuing critical theses and critical specializations. Students will present and critique their work in progress, and discuss issues particular to researching and structuring a long analytical thesis. We will also discuss the work of a variety of recent critics representing a range of methods of literary study. Satisfactory completion of the course will be required for students to continue on in the honors program.
Evaluation will be based on participation and on individual progress on the thesis projects, which will be determined in consultation with each student’s honors advisor.
Prerequisite: admission to the department Honors program. No maximum enrollment.
Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF

ENGL 494(S) Honors Thesis
Required of all senior English majors pursuing critical theses and critical specialization.

ENGL 497(F) Honors Independent Study
Required of all senior English majors pursuing Honors in creative writing.

ENGL W30 Honors Thesis: Specialization Route
Required during winter study of all seniors admitted to candidacy for honors via the specialization route.

ENGL W31 Senior Thesis
Required during winter study of all seniors admitted to candidacy for honors via the thesis route.
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Environmental issues call upon citizens, organizations, and other agencies to grasp complex science, address conflicting human values, and make difficult ethical and political choices. The three curricular options in Environmental Studies—the majors in Environmental Policy and Environmental Science and the concentration in Environmental Studies—allow students to deal effectively with these issues by integrating perspectives and methodologies from the natural sciences, the social sciences, and the arts and humanities.

The program is administered by the Center for Environmental Studies (CES), located in Harper House. Founded in 1967, CES was one of the first environmental studies programs at a liberal arts college. In addition to the academic program described below, CES is the focus of a varied set of activities in which students lead and participate, often with other members of the Williams community. CES offers extensive resources including library materials and databases, GIS facilities, and funding for student-initiated activities, summer research and internships. The Center administers the Hopkins Memorial Forest, a 2600-acre natural area northwest of campus, where field-study sites, a laboratory, and passive-recreation opportunities may be found in all seasons. CES also operates the Environmental Geosciences Laboratory in Morley Science Center.

The Program in Environmental Studies offers three distinct curricular options: students may decide to pursue either a major in Environmental Policy or Environmental Science or to complement a major in a different area with a concentration in Environmental Studies. Students may not double-major in Environmental Policy and Environmental Science or combine either major with a concentration in Environmental Studies.

Students interested in pursuing a major or concentration sponsored by CES should seek advising from program faculty as early as possible. Students who decide to major in either Environmental Policy or Environmental Science are required to identify a track through the major and a faculty advisor from the list below at the time of declaration. Both the advisor’s signature and that of the Director of the Center for Environmental Studies are required on the major declaration form.

Advising in Environmental Studies

The ‘Four Places’ Goal and Study Away:
Learning about particular places is an essential part of Environmental Studies. By the time each student graduates, she or he should have developed intellectual insight into and personal experience of four places: “Home,” “Here,” “There,” and “The World.” For practical purposes, “Here” is the Berkshires and “There” is a place where the geography and socioeconomic circumstances are outside the student’s previous experience. Although this goal is not a requirement of the majors or concentration, it is a significant aspect of the program, and CES resources are aimed in part at helping all students to meet it. For example, students are encouraged to pursue summer internships in their “Home” communities, and field courses in natural science, environmental planning, and other areas can deepen familiarity with “Here.” Summer recess and Winter Study provide many excellent opportunities for research and other learning outside the New England region.

A wide variety of study away options is available to students in Environmental Studies, including the Williams Mystic program. Students in Environmental Studies are encouraged to study a foreign language and to spend all or part of their junior year abroad. Students considering either a semester or year away should consult both the CES Director and the study abroad office as early as possible to discuss their options. Up to two courses for the majors and three courses for the concentration may be taken outside of Williams. Approval for courses taken elsewhere must be granted in writing by the Director of CES.

Honors in Environmental Studies

A student earns honors in Environmental Policy, Environmental Science or Environmental Studies by successfully completing a rigorous independent research project under the supervision of a member of the CES faculty. Juniors who wish to apply for the honors program should submit a 5-page proposal to their intended advisor and the Director of CES by the end of spring break. If a student wishes to work with a faculty member not affiliated with CES, the student must also identify a co-advisor from within the program. Students will be notified by the end of the semester whether or not their proposal has been approved.

Students in the honors program are required to present their preliminary findings at a meeting of CES students, faculty and staff in November. The final research project would be reported as a written thesis and presented orally before a faculty committee convened for that purpose. Environmental Studies concentrators may undertake an honors thesis and submit it to both their major department and Environmental Studies; petitions for a joint honors project should be approved by the department chair and the Director of the program by the end of the junior year. Majors and concentrators who pursue honors in Environmental Policy, Environmental Science or Environmental Studies alone should enroll in ENV P 493-W31-494, ENV S 493-W31-494, or ENV I 493-W31-494, Senior Research and Thesis, in addition to completing the requirements of the major or concentration.
Because most research requires sustained field, laboratory or archival work that is difficult to combine with conventional coursework, students are strongly encouraged to spend the summer before senior year doing honors research. Funds to support student research are available from restricted endowments of the CES, and an open competition is held each spring to allocate funding resources. Some departments also provide limited support for summer thesis research. Students and their faculty sponsors should plan the thesis with the possibility of summer research in mind.

Honors will be awarded on the basis of the academic merit and originality demonstrated by the student and in the completed thesis.

THE MAJOR IN ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

The major in Environmental Policy brings together core courses in Environmental Studies with relevant coursework in related fields including Economics and Political Science. The goal of the Environmental Policy major is to combine scientific literacy with an understanding of the economic, political and cultural structures involved in institutional decision-making on environmental matters. Eight courses are common to all Environmental Policy majors: there are also three distinct tracks through the major, each of which entails an additional theory/methods course and two electives. The three tracks through the major are a) Political Economy, b) Political Theory and Law, and c) Society and Culture. Environmental Policy majors are also encouraged to take GEOS 214 Remote Sensing and GIS. Students majoring in Environmental Policy should investigate the courses required for their chosen track and consult their advisor to plan an appropriate schedule for completing the major, including any prerequisites not listed below. Courses cannot be double-counted within the major; for example, a course used to fulfill the theory/methods requirement cannot also be used as an elective. The availability of required courses may vary slightly from year to year, and substitutions may be authorized occasionally by the Director of CES. Environmental Policy majors will be exempt from taking Econ 110 if they received a score of 3 on the Microeconomics AP exam, a 6 or 7 on the higher-level Economics IB examination, or an A or B in economics in A-levels. Students seeking exemption from ENVI 102 on the basis of exam results should consult the Director of CES.

Requirements for the Major in Environmental Policy

ENVI 101 Nature and Society
ECON 110 Principles of Microeconomics
ENVI 102 Introduction to Environmental Science Methods
BIOL 203 Ecology

A theory/methods course:
For the Political Economy track, ECON 253 Empirical Methods in Political Economy or ECON 255 Econometrics
For the Political Theory and Law track, PSCI 203 Introduction to Political Theory
For the Society and Culture track, ANSO 205 Ways of Knowing or another ANSO course selected in consultation with the Anthropology and Sociology Department Chair and the Director of CES

For the Political Economy track, ENVI 102 on the basis of exam results should consult the Director of CES.

The Microeconomics AP exam, a 6 or 7 on the higher-level Economics IB examination, or an A or B in economics in A-levels. Students seeking exemption from ENVI 102 on the basis of exam results should consult the Director of CES.

Two electives appropriate to the track and approved by the student’s advisor and the Director of CES if not included in the lists below.

For the Political Economy track, courses dealing with policy-making and resource allocation:
ECON 213 Introduction to Environmental and Natural Resource Economics
ECON 228 Water as a Scarce Resource
ECON 229 Law and Economics
ECON 379 Economics and the Environment
ECON 386 Environmental Policy and Natural Resource Management
ECON 395 Growth and Sustainability
ECON 457 Public Economics Research Seminar
PSCI 201 Power, Politics and Democracy in America
PSCI 216 American Constitutionalism I: Structures of Power
PSCI 238 Economic Liberalism and Its Critics
PSCI 327 Global Politics of Development and Underdevelopment

For the Political Theory and Law track, courses dealing with liberalism and its critique:
ECON 229 Law and Economics
PHIL 236 Contemporary Ethical Theory
PSCI 201 Power, Politics and Democracy in America
PSCI 216 American Constitutionalism I
PSCI 223 International Law
PSCI 238 Economic Liberalism and Its Critics
PSCI 309 Environmental Policy
PSCI 311 Congress
PSCI 516 Making Public Policy
PSCI 334 Theorizing Global Justice

For the Society and Culture track, courses exploring culture and diversity as bearing on environmental issues:
ANSO 206 Social Theory
AMST 302 Public Sphere/Public Space
AMST/ENVI 221/ENVS 320 Introduction to Urban Studies
AMST/LATS 312 Chicago
AMST/LATS 408 Envisioning Urban Life
AnH/ENVI 201 American Landscape History
AnH 311 North American Suburbs
AnH/ENVI 308 North American Park Idea
AnH/ENVI 310 North American Agriculture History
AnH 318 The American Pastoral Mode
ENVI 306 Environmental Discourse
ENVI 309 Understanding Public Policy
ENVIPHIL 311 Environmental Philosophy and the Emergence of the Ecosphere
HSCI 240 Technology and Science in American Culture
MAST/ENGL 231 Literature of the Sea
MAST/HIST 352 America and the Sea, 1600-Present
PHIL 210 Philosophy of the Social Sciences
PHIL 236 Contemporary Ethical Theory
PSCI 203 Introduction to Political Theory
PSCI 238 Economic Liberalism and its Critics
PSCI 334 Theorizing Global Justice
REL 287 Society, Religions and the Environment
SCSE 401 Critical Perspectives on Science and Technology
SOC 368 Technology and Modern Society

ENVI 302 Environmental Planning Workshop
ENVI 307 Environmental Law
One course in environmental policy: ENVI 309 Environmental Policy
or MAST 351 Marine Policy
or ECON 386 Environmental Policy and Natural Resource Management
ENVI 402 Senior Seminar

THE MAJOR IN ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

The major in Environmental Science brings together core courses in Environmental Studies with relevant coursework in a specific scientific discipline. The goal of the major in Environmental Science is to provide training in one of the natural sciences as well as an understanding of the complex array of natural, social and political factors involved in environmental issues. Five courses are common to all Environmental Science majors; there is also a methods requirement and three disciplinary tracks, each comprised of five additional courses. The three disciplinary tracks are a) Environmental Biology, b) Environmental Chemistry, and c) Environmental Geosciences. Students majoring in Environmental Science should investigate the courses required for their chosen track and consult their advisor to plan an appropriate schedule for completing the major, including any prerequisites not listed below. Courses cannot be double-counted within the major; for example, a course used to fulfill the methods requirement cannot also be used as an elective. The availability of required courses may vary slightly from year to year, and substitutions may be authorized occasionally by the Director of CES. Students seeking to place out of particular courses on the basis of AP, IB or A-level exams should consult the Director.

Requirements for the Major in Environmental Science

ENVI 101 Nature and Society
ENVI 102 Introduction to Environmental Science Methods
BIOL 203 Ecology
A methods course:
GEOS 214 Remote Sensing/GIS
or CHEM 364 Instrumental Methods
or STAT 201 Statistics and Data Analysis
or STAT 231 Statistical Design of Experiments

A five-course disciplinary track:
for Environmental Biology
Three electives at the 300+ level from:
BIOL 402T/ENVI 404T Topics in Ecology
BIOL 422T Ecology of Sustainable Agriculture
BIOL 424T Conservation Biology
BIOL 425T Coevolution
BIOL 305 Evolution
BIOL 308 Integrative Plant Biology
BIOL 315 Microbiology
BIOL 302/ENVI 312 Communities and Ecosystems
CHEM 341 Toxicology and Cancer
CHEM 364 Instrumental Methods of Analysis
MAST 311 Marine Ecology

Two electives from:
BIOL 102 The Organism
CHEM 151 Concepts of Chemistry
GEOS 101 Biodiversity in Geological Time
GEOS 103 Global Warming and Natural Disasters
GEOS 104 Geology
BIOL 106 Human Evolution
BIOL 134 Tropics: Biology and Social Issues
GEOS 218T The Carbon Cycle
BIOL 220 Field Botany and Plant Natural History
BIOL 225 Natural History of the Berkshires
MATH 235T Biological Modeling with Differential Equations
MAST 211 Oceanographic Processes

for Environmental Chemistry
CHEM 151 Introductory Concepts of Chemistry
or CHEM 153 Introductory Concepts of Chemistry: Advanced Section
or CHEM 155 Principles of Modern Chemistry

CHEM 155 Principles of Modern Chemistry or CHEM 256 Foundations of Modern Chemical Sciences
CHEM 156 Organic Chemistry: Introductory Level
CHEM 251 Organic Chemistry: Intermediate Level or CHEM 255 Organic Chemistry Intermediate Level-Special Laboratory Section
CHEM 341 Toxicology and Cancer
or CHEM 364 Instrumental Methods

for Environmental Geosciences
One introductory Geosciences class:
GEOS 101 Biodiversity
or GEOS 103 Global Warming
or GEOS 104 Oceanography
or GEOS 105 Geology Outdoors
GEOS 201 Geomorphology
GEOS 215 Climate Changes
GEOS 206 Renewable Energy and the Sustainable Campus or GEOS 218T Carbon Cycle
or GEOS 205 Earth Resources or MAST 211/GEOS 212 Oceanographic Processes

One 300+-level elective in Geosciences

ENV 302 Environmental Planning Workshop
ENVI 402 Senior Seminar

CONCENTRATION IN ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

The Environmental Studies concentration provides students with an opportunity to explore how humans interact with the environment, including physical, biological, philosophical, and social elements. The concentration is designed so that students will understand the complexity of issues and perspectives and appreciate that most environmental issues lack distinct disciplinary boundaries. The goal of the concentration is to educate students to be well-informed, environ-
mentally-literate citizens of the planet who have the capacity to become active participants in the local and global community. To this end, the concentration is designed to develop the capability to think in interdisciplinary ways and to use synthetic approaches to solve problems while incorporating the knowledge and experiences gained from majoring in other departments at the College. The concentration in Environmental Studies consists of four core courses and one elective course in each of the three divisions: natural science, social science, and humanities and arts.

Requirements for the Concentration in Environmental Science

101 Nature and Society: An Introduction to Environmental Studies
203 Ecology
302 Environmental Planning and Design Workshop
402 Senior Seminar: Perspectives on Environmental Studies

Distribution Courses
In order to earn the concentration a student must take one course from each of the following three groups. Courses may be counted both toward the concentration in Environmental Studies and toward a disciplinary major.

Students can check with the department coordinator to see if other courses not listed here might count as electives.

The Natural World
BIOL/ENVI 134 The Tropics: Biology and Social Issues
BIOL/ENVI 220 Field Botany and Plant Natural History
BIOL/ENVI/INTR 225 Natural History of the Berkshires
BIOL 302/ENVI 312 Communities and Ecosystems
BIOL/ENVI 422T Ecology of Sustainable Agriculture
CHEM/ENVI 341 Toxicology and Cancer
CHEM/ENVI 364 Instrumental Methods of Analysis
ENVI 102 Introduction to Environmental Science
ENVI 219/GEOGEO 220T Evolution Of and On Volcanic Islands
ENVI/BIOL 414 Conservation Biology
GEOS 101/ENVI 10 Biodiversity in Geologic Time
GEOS 102 An Unfinished Planet
GEOS/ENVI 103 Global Warming and Natural Disasters
GEOS/ENVI/MAST 104 Oceanography
GEOS 201/ENVI 205 Geomorphology
GEOS 205/ENVI 207 Earth Resources
GEOS/ENVI 206 Renewable Energy and the Sustainable Campus
GEOS/ENVI 214 Remote Sensing and Geographic Information Systems
GEOS/ENVI 215 Climate Changes
GEOS/ENVI 218T The Carbon Cycle and Climate
GEOS/ENVI 254T Gulf of California Tectonics and Coastal Ecosystems
MAST 211/GEOS 21 Oceanographic Processes
MATH 335T/BIOL/ENVI 235T Biological Modeling with Differential Equations
PHYS/ENVI 108 Energy, Science and Technology

Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences
ANTH 102/ENV 106 Human Evolution: Down from the Trees, Out to the Stars
ANTH 214/ENV 224 The Rise and Fall of Civilizations
ANTH/WGST 272 Sex in Society: The Cultural Construction of Reproduction
ArtH/ENV 201 American Landscape History
ArtH 304/ENV 324 American Transport History
ArtH/ENV 308 Three Cities
ArtH/ENV 311 North American Suburbs
ArtH/ENV 318 The American Pastoral Mode
ArtS 329 Architectural Design II
ENGL/ENVI 378 Nature/Writing
ENV/ANTH 209 Ecologies of Place: Culture, Commodities and Everyday Life
ENV/AFR/SOC 211 Race and the Environment
ENV/LATS/REL 227 Utopias and Americas
ENV/ISOC 236 Sustainability Theory and Practice: A Critical Assessment
ENV/COMP 239 Introduction to Ecocriticism: North-South Dialogues on Nature and Culture
ENV/ENGL 263 Contemporary Fictions of the Environment, 1970 to Now
ENV/ENGL/SOC 285 Alter Nature
ENV/REL/SOC 291 God’s Green Earth: Religion and Environment in America
ENV/ENGL 300 Imagining Contamination
ENV/ISOC 303 Cultures of Climate Change
ENVI 306 Interpreting Nature and Society: The Study of Meaning, Values, and World Views
ENVI/PHIL 311 Environmental Philosophy and the Emergence of the Ecosphere
ENVI 340/ENGL 339 The Art of Looking: A Course in Creative Non-Fiction
ENV/IPSYC 346 Environmental Psychology
ENV/HIST 371 The History of U.S. Environmental Politics
LATS/AMST 220/ENV 221 Introduction to Urban Studies: Shaping and Living the City
LATS/AMST 312/ENV 313 Chicago
MAST/ENGL 231 Literature of the Sea
MAST/HIST 352 America and the Sea, 1600-Present
PSYC/ENV 346T Environment Psychology
REL/ENV 287 The Dynamics of Globalization: Society, Religion and the Environment
SOC 268 Space and Place
SOC 315 Culture, Consumption and Modernity
SOC 368 Technology and Modern Society

Environmental Policy
ECON 204/ENV 234 Economic Development in Poor Countries
ECON/ENV 213 The Economics of Natural Resource Use
ECON 215 International Trade, Globalization and Its Effects
ECON/ENV 228T Water as a Scarce Resource
ECON/ENV 379 Economics of the Environment
ECON/ENV 380/ECON 515 Environmental Policy and Natural Resource Management
ECON 521/ECON/ENV 388 Urbanization and Development
ENVI 208 The Challenge of Climate Change: Policy Responses
ENVI 307/PSCI 317 Environmental Law
ENVI 308/PSCI 316 U.S. Environmental Law and Policy
ENV/HSC/SCST 309/PSCI 301 Environmental Policy
ENV/PSCI 328 International Environmental Law
MAST/ENV 351 Marine Policy
PSCI 229 Global Political Economy
Variations from the requirements of the concentration must be approved in writing by the director of the program. Students are urged to consult with program faculty and the director as soon as they develop an interest in the concentration or if they intend to participate in study away opportunities.

In addition to courses fulfilling the concentration requirements, the following electives and related electives are offered:
- Environmental Studies 397, 398 Independent Study of Environmental Problems
- Environmental Studies 493-W31-494 Senior Research and Thesis

Winter study courses play an important role in the program, offering opportunities to experiment in fields unfamiliar to the student, and for interdisciplinary topics to be developed by faculty working alone and in teams. Students are urged to review each year’s winter study offerings bearing in mind their interests in the environment.

**ENVI 101(F) Nature and Society: An Introduction to Environmental Studies**
This course introduces environmental studies as an interdisciplinary field of learning. Concerned with the complex dynamics of nature-society relations, environmental studies is indispensable to the development of societies that promote the well-being of people, animals and their habitats. Organized around the ecological, social and ethical knowledges that dominate environmental studies, we explore the nature of this knowledge and its implications for sustainability. We also examine the evolving history and philosophy of environmental studies, and note how different conceptions of nature, society and interdisciplinarity inform the field.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation is based on tests, papers and/or projects, as well as active participation in class.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 35.
Satisfies one semester of the Division II requirement.
Required course for students wishing to complete the majors in Environmental Policy and Environmental Science and the concentration in Environmental Studies.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR, 1:10-2:25 TF
KOHLER, HOWE

**ENVI 102(S) Introduction to Environmental Science Methods**
The field of environmental science considers physical, chemical, and biological interactions in an integrated approach to complex environmental systems. This course introduces students to multidisciplinary scientific methods used to assess and interpret human impacts on the environment through hands-on study of several local sites. Examples of topics covered are: anthropogenic carbon dioxide, acid rain, toxic metals, water quality, and waste treatment. Discussions of case studies from other parts of the world illustrate the global analogues of these local studies. Following these group projects, students design and complete independent projects in subjects of particular interest to them.

Format: two 75-minute workshop/discussion sessions, and one 4-hour field/laboratory session each week. Evaluation is based on reports of field and laboratory projects, participation in discussion, and an independent research project.
Enrollment limit: 24 (expected: 24). Preference given to first-year students. This course is an introductory science seminar, designed for students who have a strong interest in Environmental Science. It is a required course for the majors in Environmental Policy and Environmental Science and satisfies one semester of the Division III requirement. This course also satisfies the “Natural World” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR Lab: 1-4 TR
BINGEMANN and COOK

**ENVI 103(F) Global Warming and Natural Disasters (Same as Geosciences 103)**
(See under GEOS 103 for full description.)
This course satisfies the “Natural World” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.
COOK and DETHIER

**ENVI 104(S) Oceanography (Same as Geosciences 104 and Maritime Studies 104)**
(See under GEOS 104 for full description.)
This course satisfies the “Natural World” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.
COX

**ENVI 105(F) Biodiversity in Geologic Time (Same as Geosciences 101)**
(See under GEOS 101 for full description.)
This course satisfies the “Natural World” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.
M. JOHNSON

**ENVI 108 Energy Science and Technology (Same as Physics 108) (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)**
(See under PHYS 108 for full description.)
This course satisfies the “Natural World” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.
STRAIT

**ENVI 134 The Tropics: Biology and Social Issues (Same as Biology 134) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)**
(See under BIOL 134 for full description.)
This course satisfies the “Natural World” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.
D. C. SMITH

**ENVI 201(F) American Landscape History (Same as ArTH 201) (W)**
(See under ARTH 201 for full description.)
This course satisfies the “Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.
SATTERTHWAITE

**ENVI 203(F) Ecology (Same as Biology 203) (Q)**
(See under BIOL 203 for full description.)
Required course for students wishing to complete the majors in Environmental Policy and Environmental Science and the Environmental Studies concentration.

**ENVI 205(F) Geomorphology (Same as Geosciences 201)**
(See under GEOS 201 for full description.)
This course satisfies the “Natural World” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.
DETHIER

**ENVI 206 Renewable Energy and the Sustainable Campus (Same as Geosciences 206) (Not offered 2011-2012)**
(See under GEOS 206 for full description.)
This course satisfies the “Natural World” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.
DETHIER

**ENVI 207 Earth Resources (Same as Geosciences 205) (Not offered 2011-2012)**
(See under GEOS 205 for full description.)
This course satisfies the “Natural World” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.
COX

**ENVI 208(F) Science and Politics in Environmental Decision Making (D)**
This course explores the relationship between science and politics in environmental decision-making. How do legislators know when a species is endangered and warrants protection? What precautions should be applied in allowing genetically modified foods onto our plates? Can we, and should we, weigh the risks of malaria against the impacts of pesticides used to control those mosquitoes that transmit the disease? How has the global community come together to understand the risks from global climate change, and how has this understanding shaped our policy responses? What are some of the limits of science in shaping policy outcomes? In addressing these and other questions, we will pay particular attention to how these real and existing institutions shape what knowledge, and whose knowledge, is taken on board in decision-making, be it at the local, national or global level. We will delve into how these dynamics shape policy outcomes and we will also examine novel approaches for incorporating the knowledge of traditionally disempowered groups, including indigenous and local communities.
Format: lecture/discussion with some role-play exercises. Requirements: several shorter writing assignments and two 5- to 7-page essays.
No prerequisites; open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15). This course fulfills the Exploring Diversity Initiative requirement; it may also be used an environmental policy elective by ENVI concentrators. Students majoring in environmental policy or environmental science should ask the Director of CES how it may be used towards the completion of the major.

Hour: 2:55-3:50 TF
KOHLER
ENVI 209(F) Ecologies of Place: Culture, Commodities and Everyday Life (Same as American Studies 209 and Anthropology 209)
This course will explore the environmental implications of everyday life in modern America. It will ask how cultural, political, economic, and ecological systems interact to produce ordinary places and vernacular landscapes, from campuses to cul-de-sacs, farms to forests, nation-states to national parks. Combining approaches from cultural geography, environmental history, and political ecology, it will focus on the hidden lives of things—the commodities and technologies that form the basic building blocks of place: food, oil, water, wood, machines. With strong emphasis on local-global relations, it will look beneath the surface of the ordinary to reveal the complex networks of power, meaning, and matter that connect "here" to "there," "now" to "then," and "us" to "them." In so doing, it will pursue parallel goals: to understand the socio-spatial processes shaping today's global environment, and to explore the cultural systems through which those processes are understood and contested. Topics will include the bottled water controversy, factory farming and local agriculture, the political economy of laws, and the cultural politics of invasive species.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: three 5- to 7-page essays and several shorter writing assignments.
No prerequisites; open to first-years. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20).
This course satisfies the "Theory-Methods" requirement for the Society & Culture track through the Environmental Policy major and the "Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences" requirement of the Environmental Studies concentration.
Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). Preference given to Environmental Studies majors and concentrators.

ENVI 211(F) Race and the Environment (Same as Africana Studies 211 and Sociology 211) (D)
(See under AFR 211 for full description.) J. MANIGAULT-BRYANT

ENVI 213(S) Introduction to Environmental and Natural Resources Economics (Same as Economics 213) (Q)
(See under ECON 213 for full description.) JACOBSON
This course satisfies the "Environmental Policy" requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.

ENVI 214(S) Remote Sensing and Geographic Information Systems (Same as Geosciences 214)
(See under GEOS 214 for full description.) DETHER and KARABINOS
This course satisfies theory/methods requirement for the major in Environmental Science and the "Natural World" requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.

ENVI 215(S) Climate Changes (Same as Geosciences 215) (Q)
(See under GEOS 215 for full description.) COOK
This course satisfies the "Natural World" requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.

ENVI 217(F) The Carbon Cycle and Climate (Same as Geosciences 218T) (W)
(See under GEOS 218 for full description.) COOK
This course satisfies the "Natural World" requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.

ENVI 219(S) Evolution Of and On Volcanic Islands (Same as Geosciences 220) (W)
(See under GEOS 220 for full description.) KARABINOS

ENVI 220(S) Field Botany and Plant Natural History (Same as Biology 220)
(See under BIOL 220 for full description.) J. EDWARDS
This course satisfies the "Natural World" requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.

ENVI 221 Introduction to Urban Studies: Shaping and Living the City (Same as American Studies 221 and Latino/a Studies 220) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under LAT/S 220 for full description.) RUA
This course satisfies the "Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences" requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.

ENVI 224(S) The Rise and Fall of Civilizations (Same as Anthropology 214)
(See under ANTH 214 for full description.) FOIAS
This course satisfies the "Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences" requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.

ENVI 227(S) Utopias and Americas (Same as Environmental Studies 227, Latino/a Studies 227 and Religion 227)
(See under REL 227 for full description.) HIDALGO

ENVI 228(F) Water as a Scarce Resource (Same as Economics 228) (W)
(See under ECON 228 for full description.) BRADBURD
This course satisfies the "Environmental Policy" requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.

ENVI 234 Economics of Developing Countries (Same as Economics 234) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under ECON 234 for full description.) RAI
This course satisfies the "Environmental Policy" requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.

ENVI 285(S) After Nature (Same as English 286) (W)
Over the last few decades, the nature of nature has changed and so, necessarily, has nature writing. In this course, we will consider some of the major texts in the tradition, as well as very recent work. Readings will include: Thoreau's "Walden," Rachel Carson's "Silent Spring," Edward Abbey's "Desert Solitaire," and John McPhee's "Encounters with the Archdruid." Student writing will be a major focus of the course. Over the semester, students will write two short essays and produce a long, non-fiction work (medium and genre negotiable). In total, students will be expected to produce the equivalent of about 25 double-spaced pages over the semester. Along with regular classes, there will be occasional conferences and small group meetings.
Format: seminar. Requirements: two short essays and one long non-fiction work.
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR KOLBERT

ENVI 287 The Dynamics of Globalization: Society, Religion and the Environment (Same as Religion 287) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
(See under REL 287 for full description.) DREYFUS
This course satisfies the "Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences" requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.

ENVI 302(F) Environmental Planning Workshop
This interdisciplinary course introduces the theories, approaches, methodologies, and legal framework of environmental planning and provides students with experience in the planning process through project work in the Berkshire region. The first part of the course introduces the students to planning literature through analysis and discussion of case studies. In the second part of the course students tackle an actual planning problem. Small teams of students, working in conjunction with a client in the community and under supervision of the instructor, conduct a planning project, using all the tools of an environmental planner. The project work draws on students' academic training, extracurricular activities, and applies interdisciplinary knowledge and methodologies. The course includes several class presentations and culminates in a public presentation of each team's planning study. This course also includes field trips, town meetings, interviews, survey work, and computer mapping labs.
Format: seminar/discussion/project lab. Requirements: short written exercises, class presentations, public presentations, final group report.
Prerequisites: Environmental Studies 101 and Biology/Environmental Studies 203, or permission of instructors; open to juniors and seniors only; preference given to senior Environmental Policy and Environmental Science majors and Environmental Studies concentrators. Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 16).
Required course for students wishing to complete the majors in Environmental Policy and Environmental Science and the Environmental Studies concentration.
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR Lab: 1-4 TR GARDNER
ENVI 303(S) Cultures of Climate Change (Same as Sociology 303) (W)
This course asks why people think and talk about climate change in such very different ways. Climate change is a physical phenomenon that can be observed, quantified, and measured. But it is also an idea, and as such it is subject to the vagaries of cultural interpretation. Despite scientific agreement about its existence and its causes, many people do not see climate change as a serious problem, or as a problem at all. Many others see it as the most serious problem our species has ever faced. What are the sources of this disparity? Why can’t we agree about climate change? How does something as complex and confusing as climate change become a “problem” in the first place? This course will explore a broad array of factors, from religion to race, class to colonialism. It will focus especially closely on the communication of scientific knowledge, risk perception, and environmental ethics, and it will bring a range of theories from the social sciences and humanities to a set of concrete case studies. In the climate change debate, culture matters. By investigating how culture shapes the politics and policy of climate change, students will develop the interpretive skills required to understand not just this most contentious of issues, but environmental issues in general. Format: lecture. Requirements: three 5- to 7-page essays and several shorter writing assignments.
Prerequisites: ENVI 101. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to ENVI majors and concentrators first; ANSO majors second.
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR
HOWE

ENVI 307(F) Environmental Law (Same as Political Science 317)
We rely on environmental laws to make human communities healthier and protect the natural world, while allowing for sustainable economic growth. Yet, despite 40 years of increasingly varied and complex legislation, balancing human needs and environmental quality has never been harder than it is today. Environmental Studies 307 analyzes the transformation of environmental law from fringe enterprise to fundamental feature of modern political, economic and social life. ENVI 307 also addresses the role of community activism in environmental law, from local battles over proposed industrial facilities to national campaigns for improved corporate citizenship. By the completion of the semester, students will understand both the successes and failures of modern environmental law and how these laws are being reinvigorated, through innovations like pollution credit trading and “green product” certification, to confront globalization, climate change and other emerging threats. Format: seminar, with guest lecturers. Student-selected midterm paper, final exam and several brief papers on individual readings.
Prerequisites: Environmental Studies 101 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 25.
Required course for students wishing to complete the major in Environmental Policy; this course satisfies the “Environmental Policy” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.
Satisfies one semester of the Division II requirement.
Hour: 7:00-9:40 p.m.
CASSUTO

ENVI 309(S) Environmental Policy (Same as History of Science 309, Political Science 301 and Science and Technology Studies 309)
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Prerequisites: Environmental Studies 101 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 20). Preference given to Environmental Policy and Environmental Science majors and Environmental Studies concentrators, but other students interested in public policy are welcome.
Satisfies one semester of the Division II requirement.
This course satisfies the “Environmental Policy” requirement for the Environmental Policy and the Environmental Studies concentration.
Hour: TBA
CASSUTO

ENVI 312 Communities and Ecosystems (Same as Biology 302) (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
(See under BIOL 302 for full description.)
This course satisfies the “Natural World” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.
MORALES

ENVI 313(S) Chicago (Same as American Studies 312 and Latina/o Studies 312)
(See under LATS 312 for full description.)
This course satisfies the “Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.
RÚA

ENVI 318(F) Global Environmental Politics (Same as Political Science 328)
This seminar examines the environmental and ecological dimensions of the international political economy. The focus is on the changing role of the state, globalization, the politics of industrial development, north–south politics, and international environmental diplomacy. Special emphasis is devoted to the controversies and debates that have emerged since the 1950s, including the tragedy of the commons, sustainable development, global environmental refugees, and evolving notions of environmental security. Format: seminar. Requirements: a research paper, to be constructed in stages over the course of the semester and presented in class, and several shorter writing assignments; active participation in class discussions.
Prerequisites: ENVI 101 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limited to 15. Priority given to Environmental Policy majors, Environmental Science majors, Environmental Studies concentrators and Political Science majors.
Hour: 1:10-3:50 W
G. WHITE

ENVI 319 The Global Politics of Development and Underdevelopment (Same as Political Science 327) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under PSCT 327 for full description.)
This course satisfies the “Environmental Policy” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.
PAUL

ENVI 341 Toxicology and Cancer (Same as Chemistry 341) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under CHEM 341 for full description.)
This course is required for the Chemistry track through the Environmental Science major and satisfies the “Natural World” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.
RICHARDSON

ENVI 346(S) Environmental Psychology (Same as Psychology 346)
(See under PSYC 346 for full description.)
This course satisfies the “Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.
SAVITSKY

ENVI 351(FS) Marine Policy (Same as Maritime Studies 351 and Political Science 319) (Offered only at Mystic Seaport.)
(See under MAST 351 for full description.)
Satisfies one semester of the Division II requirement. This course satisfies the “Environmental Policy” requirement for the Environmental Policy major and the Environmental Studies concentration.
HALL

ENVI 364(S) Instrumental Methods of Analysis (Same as Chemistry 364)
(See under CHEM 364 for full description.)
This course satisfies the theory/methods requirement for the Environmental Science major and the “Natural World” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.
GOH

ENVI 371 The History of U.S. Environmental Policies (Same as History 371) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under HIST 317 for full description.)
MERRILL

ENVI 386(S) Environmental Policy and Natural Resource Management (Same as Economics 386 and Economics 515) (Q)
(See under ECON 386 for full description.)
This course satisfies the “Environmental Policy” requirement for the Environmental Policy major and the Environmental Studies concentration.
JACOBSON

ENVI 388 Urbanization and Development (Same as Economics 388 and Economics 521) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under ECON 521 for full description.)
This course satisfies the “Environmental Policy” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.
S. SHEPPARD

ENVI 397(F), 398(S) Independent Study of Environmental Problems
Individuals or groups of students may undertake a study of a particular environmental problem. The project may involve either pure or applied research, policy analysis, laboratory or field studies, or may be a creative writing or photography project dealing with the environment. A variety of nearby sites are available for the study of natural systems. Ongoing projects in the College-owned Hopkins Forest include ecological studies, animal behavior, and acid rain effects on soils.
plants, and animals. Students may also choose to work on local, national, or international policy or planning issues, and opportunities to work with town and regional planning officials are available. Projects are unrestricted as to disciplinary focus. Students should consult with faculty well before the start of the semester in which they plan to carry out their project.

Prerequisites: approval by the director of the Center.

Hour: TBA

Members of the Center

ENV 402(S) Senior Seminar: Perspectives on Environmental Studies (Same as Maritime Studies 402)

Format: seminar. Requirements: evaluation is based on tests, papers and/or projects, as well as active participation in class.

Prerequisites: Environmental Studies 302 or MAST 351 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 15). Preference given to senior majors in Environmental Policy and Environmental Science majors. No division 1, 2 or 3 credit. Required course for students wishing to complete the Environmental Policy and Environmental Science majors and the Environmental Studies or Maritime Studies concentrations.

Hour: 9:00-9:40 p.m.

TBA

ENV 422 T Ecology of Sustainable Agriculture (Same as Biology 422T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

(See under BIOL 422T for full description.)

This course satisfies the “Natural World” requirement for the Environmental Studies concentration.

ART

ENV 424T(F) Conservation Biology (Same as Biology 424T) (W)

(See under BIOL 424 for full description.)

J. EDWARDS

ENV 478(S) Cold War Landscapes (Same as History 478)

(See under HIST 478 for full description.)

MERRILL

ENV 493(F)-W31-494(S) Senior Research and Thesis

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FIRST-YEAR RESIDENTIAL SEMINAR

Since the early 1990s, first-year students at Williams have had the opportunity to participate in an innovative program called the First-Year Residential Seminar (FRS). Students who elect to take this seminar live in the same residential entry and take the course together in the fall semester. The program is designed to foster interconnections between students’ social and academic lives, partly via its residential aspect–discussions begun in class can be readily continued beyond it, and students can test or refine their ideas about an assignment with their peers before coming to class–and through the seminar’s central engagement with the question of what intellectual life is “for” and how it impacts our daily lives.

The heightened interconnection between the social and academic experiences of FRS participants is designed to help students establish comfortable and productive relationships with classmates and professors during their first year as undergraduates, and to encourage them to integrate their intellectual interests with the rest of their pursuits at Williams. By providing students with texts and issues they negotiate collectively and collaboratively both in the classroom and beyond, the program encourages students to share with one another their ideas, passions, values, and beliefs, and to benefit from and come to terms with the differing approaches, ideas and opinions of their peers. The FRS program seeks to reduce the sense of separation between in–the–classroom life and outside–the–classroom life. This is done in order to emphasize that the process of learning is not restricted to the classroom, and to promote a fuller awareness among Williams’ students of their opportunities and responsibilities in contributing to one another’s education and intellectual life. This course will seek to exploit the unique residential aspect of FRS by posing questions of a kind that first–year students are likely to find fundamental to their experience and concerns in assimilating to college life, and which will naturally lend themselves to robust debate. The course also aims to be both a foundational introduction to comparative methodologies and to the multi–disciplinary intellectual opportunities of the liberal arts experience at Williams.

It should be stressed that FRS is not an advanced placement or honors program; its academic standards and expectations are similar to those in other first-year courses. It is expected that this opportunity will appeal to a broad cross-section of the entering class. In the past, FRS students (like all Williams students) have pursued highly diverse academic and extra–curricular interests. It should be noted that participation in FRS does not limit or interfere in any way with the pursuit of other interests and courses outside of the program.

To include FRS 101 as one of your four preregistration choices, refer to Choosing Your First Year Courses web link for instructions. In the case of over-enrollment, selection will be made primarily on a first–come, first–served basis. The preregistration deadline is June 17. Because FRS links housing with coursework, students who enroll in the course should not expect to drop it before the start of the semester without also affecting their housing situation.

FRS 101(F) Interpreting Human Experience (W)

How we make sense of the world, and of our lives, depends to a considerable degree on the intellectual methodologies we apply to the task of interpretation. Freud, for instance, saw selfhood and perception as fundamentally determined by the structures of the psyche itself: Marx, by contrast, argued that our sense of reality is conditioned primarily by our material and social circumstances; more recently, historian of science Thomas Kuhn has emphasized that the underlying assumptions which shape the very questions we pose as thinkers significantly influence and limit what data, and thus what reality, we are most likely to observe. This course aims to provide a foundational experience for the liberal arts education by engaging with key religious, political, literary, anthropological, philosophical and psychoanalytic texts with a view to complicating our sense of the purposes and possibilities of intellectual life and to confronting the challenges of epistemology. Readings will include works by Plato, John Stuart Mill, Marx, Coetzee, Freud, Rousseau, Woolf, Beckett, Maltzouf, Locke, along with the Bible and the Qur’an. In keeping with the aims of the FRS program, the course is intended to foster productive connections between what we discuss and debate in class and your broader experiences as students. The course will invite and promote interdisciplinary connections between core ways of seeing and interpreting the world, with a strong emphasis on improving your critical and writing skills.

Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Enrollment limited to FRS students. Satisfies one semester of the Division I requirement.

Format: seminar. Requirements: evaluation is based on tests, papers and/or projects, as well as active participation in class.

Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR

J. PETHICA

GEOSCIENCES (Div. III)

Chair, Professor PAUL M. KARABINOS

Professors: COX, DETHIER, M. JOHNSON, KARABINOS, WOBUS. Assistant Professors: COOK, GILBERT. Research Associates: BAARLI, BACKUS, BRANDRISS.

MAJOR

The Geosciences major is designed to (1) provide an understanding of the physical and biological evolution of our planet and its interacting global systems, (2) help us learn to live sustainably with our environment, and (3) appreciate our place within the vastness of Earth history. Forces within the Earth are responsible for the creation of mountain ranges and ocean basins. Waves, running water, and glaciers have shaped the surface of the Earth, providing the landscapes we see today. Fossils and the geochemical record preserved in sedimentary rocks supply evidence for the evolution of life and climate on Earth.

Students who graduate with a major in Geosciences from Williams can enter several different fields of geosciences or can use their background in other careers. Students who have continued in the geosciences are involved today, especially after graduate training, in environmental fields ranging from hydrology to earthquake prediction, in the petroleum and mining industries, federal and state geological surveys, geological consulting firms, and teaching and research in universities, colleges, and secondary schools. Graduates who have entered business or law have also found many applications for their geosciences background. Other graduates now in fields as diverse as art and medicine pursue their interest in the out-of-doors with a deeper appreciation for the natural world around them.

The Geosciences major includes at most two 100-level courses:

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interaction, nature conducted its own experiments on the complex relationship between evolving life and changes in the physical world. This course examines asteroids all shaped major changes in global biodiversity. Particular attention is drawn to the half dozen most extensive mass extinctions and what factors may ways in which wandering continents, shifting ocean basins, the rise and fall of mountains, the wax and wane of ice sheets, fluctuating sea level, and even crashing microbes oxygenate the atmosphere? Do the earliest multicellular animals from the late Precambrian portray an architectural experiment doomed to failure? have triggered them. Equal consideration is given to how the development of new ecosystems forever altered the physical world. How and when did the earliest

Finally, students must take enough electives to bring the total to a minimum of nine courses.

Geosciences embrace a very broad range of subjects. It is therefore possible – although not required – for students to focus on sub-disciplines within the major. Possible groupings are listed below as guidelines to assist students, but any array of courses that satisfies the requirements laid out above is acceptable for the major. Geosciences faculty are happy to discuss course choices with individual students.

I Environmental Geosciences. For students interested in surface processes, climate change, and the application of geology to environmental problems such as land use planning, resource planning, environmental impact analysis, and environmental law. Such students should also consider enrolling in the coordinate program of the Center for Environmental Studies.

GEOS 101/ENVI 105 Biodiversity in Geologic Time
GEOS/ENVI/MAST 104 Oceanography
GEOS 201 Geomorphology
GEOS 202 Mineralogy and Geochemistry
GEOS 212/BIOL 211 Invertebrate Paleobiology
GEOS 214 Remote Sensing and Geographic Information Systems
GEOS 215 Climate Changes
GEOS 218T The Carbon Cycle and Climate
GEOS 302 Sedimentology

(Students interested in Environmental Geosciences should consult with Professors Dethier or Cook.)

II Oceanography, Stratigraphy and Sedimentation. For students interested in the study of modern and ancient sedimentary environments and the marine organisms that inhabited them.

GEOS 101/ENVI 105 Biodiversity in Geologic Time
GEOS/ENVI/MAST 104 Oceanography
GEOS 201 Geomorphology
GEOS 212/BIOL 211 Invertebrate Paleobiology
GEOS/ENVI 214 Remote Sensing and Geographic Information Systems
GEOS 302 Sedimentology

(Students interested in Oceanography, Stratigraphy, and Sedimentation should consult with Professors M. Johnson or Cox.)

III The Solid Earth. For students interested in plate tectonics, the processes active within the Earth, the origin and deformation of rocks and minerals, and mineral exploration.

GEOS 102 An Unfinished Planet
GEOS 105 Geology Outdoors
GEOS 202 Mineralogy and Geochemistry
GEOS 214 Remote Sensing and Geographic Information Systems
GEOS 301 Structural Geology
GEOS 303 Igneous and Metamorphic Petrology
GEOS 360T Geology of the Appalachians

(Students interested in The Solid Earth should consult with Professors Wobus or Karabinos.)

With the consent of the department, certain courses at the 200 level or higher in biology, chemistry, mathematics and statistics, or physics may be substituted for elective courses in the major. Credit may be granted in the Geosciences major for American Maritime Studies 211/Oceanography 210 (Oceanographic Processes) or American Maritime Studies 311/Biology 231 (Marine Ecology) taken at Mystic Seaport.

Students considering graduate work in geosciences should consult with faculty to ensure that they have completed courses typically expected by graduate programs. They should also take courses in the allied sciences and mathematics in addition to the requirements of the Geosciences major. The selection of outside courses will depend on the field in which a student intends to specialize. Geosciences graduate programs commonly expect entering students to have taken courses in chemistry and mathematics. For those going into Environmental Geosciences, courses in computer science or statistics are recommended. For those considering Oceanography, Stratigraphy, and Sedimentation, Biology 102 and 203 are suggested. For students entering Solid-Earth fields, Physics 131 and 132 are recommended.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN GEO SCIENCES

In order to be recommended for the degree with honors, a student is expected to have completed at least two semesters and a winter study project (031) of independent research culminating in a thesis that demonstrates outstanding achievement of an original and innovative nature. The principal considerations in admitting a student to a program of independent research are mastery of fundamental material and skills, ability to pursue independent study successfully, and demonstrated student interest and motivation.

Further advice on the major can be obtained from the department chair.

STUDY ABROAD

Students planning on studying abroad should meet as early as possible with the Department Chair to plan study-abroad courses and to discuss how potential courses might be used in the Geosciences major. In recent years students have found that courses offered by universities in New Zealand, particularly the University of Otago, provide an excellent complement to courses offered at Williams. Courses offered at the University of Edinburgh, the University of New South Wales, and at several universities in the United Kingdom have also been accepted as part of the Geosciences major. Many other study-abroad programs, however, do not usually offer courses that are acceptable substitutes for courses required by the Williams Geosciences major.

GEOS 101(F) Biodiversity in Geologic Time (Same as Environmental Studies 105)

Is planet earth now undergoing the most severe mass extinction of species ever to have occurred during its 4.5-billion-year history? By some calculations, the expanding population of a single species is responsible for the demise of 74 species per day. This provocative question is addressed by way of the rock and fossil record as it relates to changes in biodiversity through deep geologic time before the appearance of Homo sapiens only 250,000 years ago. Long before human interaction, nature conducted its own experiments on the complex relationship between evolving life and changes in the physical world. This course examines ways in which wandering continents, shifting ocean basins, the rise and fall of mountains, the wax and wane of ice sheets, fluctuating sea level, and even crashing asteroids all shaped major changes in global biodiversity. Particular attention is drawn to the half dozen most extensive mass extinctions and what factors may have triggered them. Equal consideration is given to how the development of new ecosystems forever altered the physical world. How and when did the earliest multicellular animals from the late Precambrian portray an architectural experiment doomed to failure? What factors contributed to the explosive rise in biodiversity at the start of the Cambrian Period? What explanation is there for the sudden appearance of verte-
brutes? How and when did plants colonize the land? What caused the demise of the dinosaurs? Is the present dominance of mammals an accident of nature? The answers to these and other questions are elusive, but our wise stewardship of the planet and its present biodiversity may depend on our understanding of the past. Coastal oceanography will be investigated on an all-day field trip, hosted by the Williams-Mystic program in Connecticut.

Format: lecture, discussion, three hours per week; laboratory, three hours per week; independent study, five hours per week; oral presentation of an oceanographic topic, participation in the field trip, and a final exam.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 50 (expected: 25). May not be taken pass-fail; not available for the Gaudino option. Students who have taken GEOS 210/MAST 211 (at Williams-Mystic) may not take GEOS 104 for credit.

Hour: 11:00-11:50 MWF Lab: 1-3 M,T

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GEOS 205 Earth Resources (Same as Environmental Studies 207) *(Not offered 2011-2012)*
The metal in your soda can, the plastic in your Nalgene, the components of your computer, the glass in your window, the hydrocarbons being burned to keep you warm in the winter or to transport you in cars or aircraft, the cars and aircraft themselves: all are made of materials mined from the earth. Right now there are more people building more houses, paving more roads, making more vehicles, more electronics, and more plastic packaging—all with geologic materials. Are more people building more houses, paving more roads, making more vehicles, more electronics, and more plastic packaging—all with geologic materials? As demand soars in both established and growing economies, and as we realize the environmental damage that can result from resource extraction and processing, the importance of understanding earth’s resources increases. Finding new deposits and managing those we have requires insight into the geology that underlies the location and origin of strategic earth materials.

This class introduces the geologic processes that control formation, distribution, and extent of materials reserves: dimension stone and gravel, base and precious metal ores, gemstones, petroleum, nuclear energy sources, and specialty materials for medical, technological, and military uses.

Format: lecture/discussion, three hours per week; laboratory, three hours per week/student projects; weekend field trip to the White Mountains. Evaluation will be based on two hour exams, a project, and lab work.

Prerequisites: any 100-level Geosciences course or consent of the instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 15).

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR Lab 1-4

WOBUS

GEOS 209 Earth Resources (Same as Environmental Studies 207) *(Not offered 2011-2012)*

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Prerequisites: any 100-level Geosciences course or consent of the instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 12).

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR Lab 1-4

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GEOS 206 Renewable Energy and the Campus (Same as Environmental Studies 206) (Not offered 2011-2012) Rising oil and electricity costs disrupt the economy and help fuel global insecurity. Clearer understanding of how fossil-fuel consumption contributes to global climate change is increasing demand for renewable sources of energy and for more sustainable campus environments. What sources of energy will supply Williams College and nearby areas in the twenty-first century? How will campus buildings, old and new, continue to be attractive spaces while making far more efficient use of heat and light? This course is a practical introduction to renewable sources of energy, including conservation, and to their application to the campus environment. Topics covered include: biological sources of energy (biomass, biogas, liquid fuels), wind energy, geothermal and solar energy, energy efficiency and the environmental impacts of using renewable energy. Lectures, field trips and individual projects emphasize examples from the campus and nearby area.

Format: seminar, three hours per week. Evaluation will be based on an hour class presentation, and a research project that investigates aspects of campus energy use and greenhouse-gas emissions. 


DETHIER

GEOS 210(FS) Oceanographic Processes (Same as Maritime Studies 211) (Offered only at Mystic Seaport) (See under MAST 211 for full description.)  

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Students who have taken Geosciences 104 may not take Geosciences 210 for credit.

GEOS 212(S) Invertebrate Paleobiology (Same as Biology 211)  

This course offers an introduction to the study of prehistoric life. The fossils of marine invertebrates provide an excellent foundation for this purpose, because they are widespread and abundant, they are often well-preserved, and they have a record that reaches back in time over 600 million years. The intellectual discovery of fossils as organic relics and the ways in which fossils were used by earlier generations to support conflicting views on nature are briefly surveyed. The lecture topics that follow are organized to illustrate various directions explored by paleontologists today to solve a broad range of questions. These include: biological and paleontological views on the species concept relevant to taxonomy; ongoing debate over the timing and mechanisms of evolution; biostratigraphy as a means to correlate sedimentary rocks; functional morphology as a means to reconstruct the biomechanics of extinct species; analysis of fossil assemblages to interpret the ecology of ancient environments; paleogeography as related to patterns in biodiversity, and the possible causes of mass extinctions. Laboratory exercises utilize superb fossil collections to study the processes of fossilization and to survey the biology and taxonomy of the major invertebrate phyla.

Format: lecture/laboratory; field trip to the Lower Devonian Helderbergs of New York State. Evaluation will be based on weekly lab reports, a midterm paper, a midterm exam, a lab practicum, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: any 100-level Geosciences course or Biology 102 or 203. No enrollment limit (expected: 12).

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR Lab: 1-4 W

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GEOS 214(S) Remote Sensing and Geographic Information Systems (Same as Environmental Studies 214)  

This class provides a practical look at fast-evolving methods used to integrate information about the earth’s surface with spatial data collected by disciplines such as archaeology, ecology, the field sciences, history and political science. Remote sensing involves collection and processing of data from satellite and airborne sensors to form new information about the earth’s surface, leading to new and addi- tional remote sensing. Remote sensing encompasses both spatial and spectral data from the earth, but also includes historical and contemporary data. Remote sensing is currently being used to study a wide variety of problems, such as urban growth, land use, environmental monitoring, and more. This course will cover the basic concepts and principles of remote sensing and geographic information systems, focusing on the application of these techniques to specific problems and the integration of data from multiple sources. Weekly labs will focus on the application of remote sensing techniques using data from the region and other areas of North America.

Class format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, three hours per week. Evaluation will be based on weekly lab exercises, an hour exam, and a final project.

Prerequisites: at least one introductory course in Biology, Environmental Studies, or Geosciences. Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 16). Preference given to sophomores and juniors.

Hour: 11:00-12:15 MW Lab: 1-4 M

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GEOS 215(S) Climate Changes (Same as Environmental Studies 215) (Q)  

In recent years, there has been a growing public and scientific interest in the earth’s climate and its variability. This interest reflects both concern over future climate changes resulting from anthropogenic increases in atmospheric greenhouse gases and growing recognition of the economic impact of “natural” climate variability (for example, El Niño events), especially in the developing world. Efforts to understand the earth’s climate system and predict future climate changes require both an understanding of parameters controlling current day-climatic changes and of the mechanisms that control the earth’s climate, like insolation, the greenhouse effect, ocean circulation, configuration of continents, and positive and negative feedbacks. At the same time, we will review the geological record of climate changes in the past, examining their causes.

Laboratory exercises and problem sets will emphasize developing problem solving skills and using quantitative analyses to assess if a given explanation is possible and reasonable. These exercises will include developing and applying numerical models of the radiative balance of earth and the carbon cycle.

Format: lecture, three hours per week; one three-hour lab every other week. Evaluation will be based on lab exercises and problem sets (25%), a three-hour exam (25%), and a final exam (25%) where students will analyze, interpret, and present data.

Prerequisites: 100-level course in Geoscience, Chemistry, or Physics or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20). Preference given to Geoscience majors.

Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF Lab: 1-4 W

COOK

GEOS 217T Planetary Geology (Same as Astronomy 217T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)  

Plate tectonic theory accounts for the vast majority of volcanic islands in ocean basins. They form above mantle plume hot spots (Hawaiian and Galapagos Islands), subduction zones (Aleutian and Indonesian arcs), and mid-ocean ridges (Azores and Ascension Island). Iceland is unusual because it is located above a hot spot and the mid-Atlantic ridge. Each plate tectonic setting produces chemically distinctive magmas, and the lifespan of volcanic islands varies widely.

Prerequisites: any Geosciences course, or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to sophomores. 

COX

GEOS 218(TF) The Carbon Cycle and Climate (Same as Environmental Studies 218T) (W)  

Carbon dioxide is the most important atmospheric greenhouse gas, and human activities are adding carbon to the atmosphere at unprecedented rates. Yet only half of the carbon we put into the atmosphere grows. However, we can’t hike around and hammer rocks on Venus or Titan, so we have to infer composition, form, texture and process from remotely-captured images and sparse chemical and spectral data. This leaves plenty of room for interpretation and hypothesising about geological processes on other bodies. Through reading recent research papers we will examine a number of topics, including the possible Late Heavy Bombardment of the moon, tectonics on Venus, water on Mars, hidden oceans on Europa, and the methane weather cycle on Titan.

This course will be based on six 2,500-word papers, discussion, and critical analysis. There will be a strong focus on polished writing and argument, and papers will be thoroughly edited by the professor for style, grammar and syntax. Students will improve their writing by integrating into successive papers the editorial comments they receive, and also by editing the writing of their tutorial partners.

Prerequisites: one Geosciences course, or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to sophomores. 

COX

GEOS 220(TS) Evolution Of and On Volcanic Islands (Same as Environmental Studies 219) (W)
Islands above hot spots may be geographically remote and emergent for only several million years, but be part of a long-lived sequence of islands that persists for over a hundred million years. In contrast, island arc volcanoes belong to long geographically continuous chains of volcanoes, commonly in close proximity to continents. This tutorial explores the geologic evolution and lifespan of volcanic islands from formation to submergence, and searches for correlations between these characteristics and plate tectonic setting. We will also consider how geographic isolation, areal extent, lifespan, and climate affect biological evolution on volcanic islands. There will be weekly tutorial meetings with pairs of students, and all members are eligible to participate in a two-week field trip to Hawaii and Kauai during Spring Break at no cost to students.

Format: tutorial. Evaluation based on five written papers and an individual contribution to a field guide to Hawaiian geology. Students on the field trip will also produce a field journal.

Prerequisites: any 100-level geosciences course. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to geosciences majors and students with a demonstrated interest in geosciences.

Tutorial meetings to be arranged. KARABINOS

GEOS 301(F) Structural Geology (Q)
The structure of the earth’s crust is constantly changing and the rocks making up the crust must deform to accommodate these changes. Rock deformation occurs over many seconds from individual mineral grains to mountain belts. This course deals with the geometric description of structures, stress and strain analysis, deformation mechanisms in rocks, and the large scale forces responsible for crustal deformation. The laboratories cover geologic maps and cross sections, folds and faults, stereonet analysis, field techniques, strain, and stress.

Format: lecture/discussion, three hours per week; laboratory, three hours per week. Evaluation will be based on weekly laboratory exercises, problem sets, a midterm exam, and a final exam. Many of the laboratories and problem sets use geometry, algebra, and several projection techniques to solve common problems in structural geology.

Prerequisites: Geosciences 101, 102, 103, or 105 or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 12).

Hour: 11:00-12:15 MW
Lab: I-4 M KARABINOS

GEOS 302(S) Sedimentology (W)
The composition and architecture of sediments and sedimentary rocks preserve information about the rocks that were eroded to form them, the fluids and forces that transported them, the mechanisms by which they were deposited, and the processes by which they were lithified. This course will provide an introduction to the principles of sedimentology, including sedimentary petrology, fluid mechanics, bedform analysis, and facies architecture.

Format: lecture/discussion, three hours per week; laboratory, three hours per week; two half-day and one all-day field trip. Evaluation will be based on laboratory work, writing assignments, an hour exam, and a final exam. Ten written critiques (each 350-400 words) of specific assigned papers from the sedimentological literature are designed to teach clear writing expression and careful analytical reading. Papers will be thoroughly edited for style, grammar and syntax. Students will improve their writing by integrating editorial comments into successive papers. Each student will compile his/her papers as a growing body of work, and each new paper will be read and edited in the context of the previous submissions.

Prerequisites: Geosciences 202 (may be taken concurrently with permission of instructor). Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 12).

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR
Lab: I-4 R KARABINOS

GEOS 303(F) Igneous and Metamorphic Petrology
The origin of metamorphic, plutonic, and volcanic rocks are examined in the light of field evidence and experimental work. Rock texture and composition are used to interpret the environment of formation of individual rock types, and important assemblages are related, where possible, to theories of global tectonics. Laboratory work emphasizes the study of individual rock units and rock suites in hand specimens and by petrographic and x–ray techniques.

Format: lecture/discussion, three hours per week; laboratory, three hours per week; several field trips including one all-day trip to central New Hampshire. Evaluation will be based on lab work, an hour test, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Geosciences 202 or consent of the instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 12).

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR
Lab: I-4 W COX

GEOS 360T Geology of the Appalachians (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
The Appalachians are the eroded remnants of a mountain range that once rivaled the Alps and, perhaps, the Himalayas in elevation. They formed hundreds of millions of years ago in three distinct collisions with other continents. The Appalachians record a rich geologic history of continental rifting, formation and closing of ocean basins, continental collision, and mountain building. We will read papers that describe the history of the Appalachians beginning with the Late Precambrian opening of the Iapetus ocean, through the Paleozoic orogenies that formed the Appalachians, and ending with the formation of the Atlantic. The history of the Appalachian remains controversial, in part, because of diverse peoples that geologists bring to their work and interpretations, such as different specialties, guiding paradigms, and field areas. The readings are designed to illuminate the roots of the important controversies as well as the geologic history of this well studied mountain belt.

Format: tutorial after an initial group meeting, students will meet in pairs for one hour each week with the instructor. Each student will orally present a written paper every other week for criticism during the tutorial session. Evaluation will be based on the five papers and each student’s effectiveness as a critic.

Prerequisites: one upper-level Geosciences course. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10).

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GEOS 401(F) Stratigraphy
Study of the composition, sequence, and correlation of layered sedimentary rocks is traditionally applied to geologic mapping and the reconstruction of ancient environments. Through the use of various time scales, stratigraphy is the unifier of historical geology while also at the heart of conceptual debates over the uniformism or episodicity of geological processes. During the first half of the course, emphasis will be placed on the various methods of correlation based on physical means and the use of fossils. The second half of the course will focus on plate migrations and the relationships between climate and depositional environments as a model for the broad scale interpretation of sedimentary sequences. This part of the course will be conducted as a seminar, with students responsible for topics on the paleogeographic linkage of climate-sensitive facies and natural resources. As a final project, students working individually or in pairs will present a detailed analysis of North-American stratigraphic relationships during a specific interval of Cambrian to Cretaceous time. In sequence, these class reports will provide highlights of the geologic history of the North-American continent through Paleozoic and Mesozoic time.

Format: lecture, three hours a week; one three-hour lab per week during the first half of the course (including field problems); independent projects during the second half of the course; one major field trip. Evaluation will be based on weekly lab assignments during the first half of the semester, seminar participation, and the completion of a final project during the second half of the semester, as well as a midterm and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Geosciences 202 or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 12).

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR
Lab: I-4 R M. JOHNSON

GEOS 493(F)-W31-494(S) Senior Thesis

GEOS 497(F), 498(S) Independent Study

GERMAN (Div. I)

Chair, Professor GAIL NEWMAN

Professors: DRUXES**, B. KIEFFER, NEWMAN***. Visiting Assistant Professor: COLLENBERG. Lecturer: E. KIEFFER§.

For-proficiency language courses: EBERHAUT, GEBHARD.

LANGUAGE STUDY

The department provides language instruction to enable the student to acquire all four linguistic skills: understanding, speaking, reading, and writing. German 101-W-102 stresses communicative competence and covers German grammar in full. German 103 combines a review of grammar with extensive practice in reading and conversation. German 104 aims to develop facility in speaking, writing, and reading. German 111-112 offers an alternative introduction to German with an emphasis on communicative competence, German and writing. German 202 combines advanced language study with the examination of topics in German-speaking cultures. Students who have studied German in secondary school should take the placement test given during First Days in September to determine which course to take.

STUDY ABROAD

The department strongly encourages students who wish to attain fluency in German to spend a semester or year studying in Germany or Austria, either independently or in one of several approved foreign study programs. German 104 or the equivalent is the minimum requirement for junior-year abroad programs

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sponsored by American institutions. Students who wish to enroll directly in a German-speaking university should complete at least 201 or the equivalent. In any case, all students considering study-abroad should discuss their language preparation with a member of the department.

LITERATURE IN TRANSLATION
The department regularly offers courses on German literature in translation for students who have little or no knowledge of German, but who wish to become acquainted with the major achievements in German literary and intellectual history.

ADVANCED STUDIES
The department offers a variety of advanced courses for students who wish to investigate German literature, thought, and culture in the original. German 202 is given each year and is recommended as preparation for upper-level courses.

THE CERTIFICATE IN GERMAN
To enhance a student’s educational and professional profiles, the department offers the Certificate in German. It requires seven courses—three fewer than the major—and is especially appropriate for students who begin study of the language at Williams.

Students who enter Williams with previous training in German may substitute more advanced courses for the 100-level courses; they can also be exempted from up to two of the required courses.

The student must achieve proficiency at the level of a B in German 104 or the equivalent.

Appropriate elective courses can usually be found among the offerings of German, Art History, History, Music, Philosophy, Political Science, and Theatre.

Required Courses
German 101
German 102
German 103
German 104
German 201

Electives
- at least one course (in German or English) on German cultural history (literature, art, drama, music)
- at least one course (in German or English) on German intellectual, political, or social history

THE MAJOR
The German major offers students an interdisciplinary approach to German intellectual and cultural history by combining courses in German language and literature with courses in History, Philosophy, Music, and other appropriate fields.

For students who start German at Williams, the major requires a minimum of ten courses: German 101-102, 103, 104, 201 and 202; two 300-level German courses; and two electives from either German courses numbered above 202 or appropriate offerings in other departments.

For students who have acquired intermediate or greater proficiency in the language before coming to Williams, the minimum requirement is nine courses: German 202; two 300-level German courses; and six other courses selected from German courses numbered above 102 and appropriate offerings in other departments.

Examples of appropriate courses in other departments are:
- Art 267 Art in Germany: 1960 to the Present
- History 239 Modern German History
- History 338 The History of the Holocaust
- Music 108 The Symphony
- Music 117 Mozart
- Music 118 Bach
- Music 120 Beethoven
- Philosophy 309 Kant

Students may receive major credit for as many as four courses taken during study abroad in Germany or Austria in the junior year.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN GERMAN
Students earn honors by completing a senior thesis (German 493-W31-494) of honors quality. Students interested in honors should consult with the department chair no later than April 15 of their junior year. The usual qualifications for pursuing honors are: (1) an overall GPA of 3.33 or better, (2) a departmental GPA of 3.67 or better, (3) a strong interest in a specific topic for which an appropriate faculty advisor will be available in the senior year.

GERM 101(F)-W88-102(S) Elementary German
This course will provide a thorough grammar review at the intermediate level with plenty of reading, writing, and speaking practice and creative projects. Using materials provided by the instructor, students will watch and discuss contemporary German feature films and develop a deeper understanding of the German language and culture. Conducted in German.

Format: lecture and discussion. Principal requirements: active class participation, written homework, short compositions, oral exercises and tests.


Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF First Semester: NEWMAN
Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF Second Semester: COLLENBERG

GERM 103(F) Intermediate German I
This course will provide a thorough grammar review at the intermediate level with plenty of reading, writing, and speaking practice and creative projects. Using materials provided by the instructor, students will watch and discuss contemporary German feature films and develop a deeper understanding of the German language and culture. Conducted in German.

Format: 4-skills language course. Requirements: extremely active class participation, midterm, homework assignments, short quizzes, compositions, and a written and oral final project.

Prerequisites: German 102 or the equivalent. Enrollment limit: 18 (expected: 15).

Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF COLLENBERG

GERM 104(S) Intermediate German II
The prerequisite to all advanced courses in German. Practice in speaking and writing; reading in a variety of contemporary texts ranging from interviews to social documentary to short stories. Weekly film clips from a popular German TV series, Conducted in German.

Format: discussion, small group work. Requirements: daily short writing assignments, small group work, midterm, and final.

Prerequisites: German 103 or equivalent preparation. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 15).

Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF DRUXES

GERM 111(F)-112(S) Reading German for Beginners
German 111-112 is for students whose principal reason for acquiring German is to work with written materials. It is particularly appropriate for students majoring in fields in which the ability to read primary and secondary texts in German can be crucial, such as Art History, Classics, Comparative Literature, History, Music, Philosophy, Political Science, and Theatre. In the first semester students learn the elements of grammar and acquire a core vocabulary. In the second semester, while covering advanced grammatical topics, they practice reading in a variety of textual genres in the humanities and social sciences. They also learn how to work with dictionaries, encyclopedias, and other reference works, in both printed and online forms. By the end of the course they will have a solid foundation for building proficiency in German, whether through self-study or further course work. Credit granted only on successful completion of 112.

Format: lecture and discussion. Principle requirements: written homework, quizzes, tests, active class participation.


Students who have taken or plan to take 101 and/or 102 may not take 111-112.

Students who wish to continue their study of German after 112 should consult a member of the department.

Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF First Semester: B. KIEFFER
9:00-9:50 MWF Second Semester: B. KIEFFER
GERM 202 Vienna 1900-2000 and Beyond (Not offered 2011-2012)
Once the center of a vast empire, Austria has tended to be overlooked since the demise of that empire. In fact, though, its trajectory can usefully serve as a guide to complex developments in Europe before, during, and after the Second World War. Contemporary Austria is indeed a laboratory of post-Cold War Europe: Its population is remarkably multicultural, in spite of resistances; its language is rich and dynamic, yet increasingly dominated by its more powerful neighbor to the north; its political attitudes encompass extreme nationalism, pan-Europeanism, and much in between. Austria’s capital, Vienna, will form the lens through which we examine the origins and quirks of this fascinating, sometimes paradoxical, culture. The course will employ a variety of written, video, audio, and cyber-materials to explore some of the issues facing contemporary Austria, and to continue the development of advanced reading, writing, and speaking skills begun in German 201. Conducted in German. Format: seminar. Requirements: frequent short writing assignments, mid-term, final exam, one oral presentation.

Prerequisite: German 201 or the equivalent. Enrollment limit: (expected: 12).

Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

GERM 202 Berlin—Multicultural Metropolis Between East and West (Not offered 2011-2012)
We will examine texts and films about Berlin as a center of cultural and social transformations in the late nineteenth and twentieth centuries, with special emphasis on the post-wall period. We will move from the turn of the century (when the city’s population had recently tripled in size) to the establishing of Berlin as a world capital in the 1920s, then through Nazi-era transformations, wartime destruction and the cold war division of the city. We will conclude with the reshaping of the city after the fall of the Berlin wall. Texts and films may include: Walter Benjamin, Berliner Kindheit um 1900, excerpts from Ulrich van der Heyden and Joachim Zeller’s Kolonialmetropole Berlin, Walter Ruttmann, Symphonie einer Großstadt, Irmingard Keun’s Das kunstseidene Mädchen, Nazi architect Albert Speer’s plans for Berlin as the fascist capital “Germania,” the 1956 East German youth protest film Ecke Schönhauser, short fiction by Reiner Kunze, Aroa Oven, Peter Schneider, Bodo Morhüser, Iris Liebmann. Recent films to be included are: Sonnenallee, Goodbye, Lenin!, Berlin is in Germany, Geschwister.


Prerequisite: German 201 or equivalent. Enrollment Limit: 16 (expected: 8). Preference given to German majors.

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR COLLENBERG

GERM 203 Germany Studies, 1870-1938 (Not offered 2011-2012)/W
From Gotthold Ephraim Lessing, whose quintessentially Enlightenment Nathan der Weise centers around all too familiar religious conflicts, to E.T.A. Hoffmann, whose “Sandman” formed the centerpiece of Freud’s essay on the uncanny—and not forgetting Goethe’s Faust—German literature from 1780-1830 has informed a good deal of 20th-century thinking. This course will explore this amazing explosion of insight and creativity through the close reading of some of its most prominent literary and theoretical texts, including many of the following: Kant, Lessing, Goethe, Novalis, Kleist, Hoffmann, Eichendorff, Günterrode, Brentano, and B. von Arnim. Readings and discussion will be in German for tutorial pairs who speak German, in English for those who don’t.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: paper or commentary most weeks.

Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to students in German and Comparative literature.

NEWMAN

Hour: 11:00-11:50 MWF B. KIEFFER

GERM 301T Comparative Literature 310 (W)
This course expands on the reading, writing, and speaking skills acquired at the intermediate level, via extensive and intensive work with texts of various sorts, including web sites, newspapers, fiction, audio and video material. Conducted in German. Readings in German.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: active class participation, frequent short writing assignments, oral presentations, final project.

Prerequisites: German 104 or the equivalent. No enrollment limit (expected: 12). Preference will be given to German majors.

Hour: 11:00-11:50 MWF B. KIEFFER

GERM 201(S) Switzerland
While the tourist brochures for Switzerland tout the myth of the mountain, the Swiss writer Hugo Loetscher asserts that Swiss literature and culture defy that myth; they traditionally represent rather the flight from the mountains into the cities, the quest for education, and the desire for home and identity. Students will read and discuss texts by Swiss authors such as Gottfried Keller, Johann Spyri, Friedrich Dürrenmatt, Max Frisch, Robert Walser, Peter Bichsel, Hugo Loetscher, Hermann Hesse and Zoe Jenny. We will also examine the concept of “Swissness” and how cultural artifacts such as literature, art, films, and products contribute to, reflect, and challenge ideas about this complex, multi-lingual, multi-cultural, global country. Readings and discussions in German.

Format: seminar. Requirements: frequent short writing assignments, mid-term, final exam, one oral presentation.

Prerequisites: German 201 or the equivalent. No enrollment limit (expected: 12).

Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR COLLENBERG

GERM 201T(S) Storm and Stress and More (Same as Comparative Literature 310) (W)
The first half of the course will focus on the Sturm-und-Drang movement (1770-1785) that launched the literary careers of Goethe and Schiller; the second half will map the lasting influence of the movement’s extremist aesthetic by considering a variety of works by authors, artists and filmmakers of the 19th and 20th centuries. We’ll deal with themes like forbidden love, suicide, crime, war and revolution and with formal tendencies like poetic egotism, social realism, and radical expressionism. We’ll read plays, poems, manifestos and stories by Goethe, Klinger and Schiller, and then move on to texts by Büchner, Nietzsche, Hauptmann, Wedekind, Kafka and Benn, paintings by Marc, Schmid-Rothfuth, Lothar-Wächter and Kirchner, and films by Murnau, Lang and Herzog. All materials in German for those who take the course as GERM 310T; all materials in English for those who take it as COMP 310T.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: five 4-page presentations and five 2-page responses.

Prerequisites: for GERM 310T, German 202 or the equivalent; for COMP 310T, at least one college-level course in literature. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to German majors and serious German students.

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR COLLENBERG

GERM 493(F)-W31-494(S) Senior Thesis

NEWMAN
GERM 511(F)-512(S) Reading German for Beginners

German 511-512 is for students whose principal reason for acquiring German is to work with written materials. It is particularly appropriate for students majoring in fields in which the ability to read primary and secondary texts in German can be crucial, such as Art History, Comparative Literature, History, Music, Philosophy, Political Science, and Theatre. In the first semester students learn the elements of grammar and acquire a core vocabulary. In the second semester, while covering advanced grammatical topics, they practice reading in a variety of textual genres in the humanities and social sciences. They also learn how to work with dictionaries, encyclopedias, and other reference works, in both printed and online forms. By the end of the course they will have a solid foundation for building proficiency in German, whether through self-study or further course work. Credit granted only on successful completion of 512.

Format: Discussion. Prerequisite: written work in first semester German with instructor.
Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF

GERM 513(F) Readings in German Art History and Criticism

This is an advanced course in German reading, focused on the literature of Art History. Teaching texts are selected from fundamental works of art history and criticism and from writings related to recent seminars in the History of Art. The course includes a grammar review.

Format: Seminar. Evaluation will be based on written homework, quizzes, tests, and class participation.
Prerequisites: German 511-512 or equivalent preparation (a score of 500 or higher on the SAT II German Reading Test). Enrollment limited to Graduate Program students; others by permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 12).
Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF

HISTORY (Div. II)

Chair, Professor CHRIS WATERS


GENERAL STATEMENT OF GOALS

The History department seeks to cultivate a critical understanding and awareness of the past and the development of our students’ intellectual, analytical, and rhetorical abilities. In pursuit of the first objective, through its curricular offerings the department seeks both to expose students to the richness, diversity, and complexities of human history over long periods of time and in different geographic regions and to provide students with the opportunity to explore aspects of the past in depth. At the same time, the department endeavors to develop students’ ability to think historically and to foster in them an appreciation of the contested nature and the value of historical knowledge by confronting them with the variety of ways in which historians have approached and interpreted the past, engaging them in issues that provoke historical debate, and familiarizing them with the nature and uses of historical evidence. By engaging students in the critical study of the past, finally, the department seeks to develop their ability to formulate historically informed analyses and their analytical and rhetorical skills.

COURSE NUMBERS

The course numbering system used by the History Department reflects the different types and objectives of courses offered at each level. The different course levels are distinguished less by degree of difficulty than by the purposes that the courses at each level are intended to serve and the background knowledge they presume.

First-Year Seminars and Tutorials (102-199): These writing-intensive courses give students an opportunity to explore an exciting historical topic in-depth, learn about the discipline of history, and improve their research and writing skills. Because these courses emphasize the acquisition of skills required for the advanced study of History, they are ideal for students contemplating a major in History.

Each 100-level seminar is normally limited to nineteen students and focuses both on training in research skills (such as using the library, navigating on-line resources, formulating a research question and developing a research agenda, and learning how to use different types of evidence) and on the acquisition of reading skills (such as how to interpret different kinds of historical writing and the arguments historians make). These seminars especially emphasize the importance of writing and include varied assignments that stress the mechanics of writing and revision and focus on issues of argumentation, documentation, and style. Enrollment preference in 100-level seminars is normally given to first-year students and then to sophomores.

Each 100-level tutorial stresses the importance of interpreting historical evidence and evaluating the arguments made by historians and likewise fulfills the writing-intensive requirement. Enrollment in these courses is limited to ten students, each of whom is expected to write five or six interpretive essays and present five or six oral critiques of another student’s work. First-year students and sophomores will normally be given equal enrollment preference in 100-level tutorials.

Because first-year seminars and tutorials serve as an introduction to the study of history, only one course of each type may count toward the History major; these courses can also be used to meet the department’s group and concentration requirements.

Introductory Survey Courses (202-299): These courses are open to all students and are intended to provide a basic understanding of the history of peoples, countries, and geographic regions over relatively long time-spans. Most of all, they will provide students with the background necessary for more advanced study in history at the 300 and 400 level. They are offered in either small or large formats, depending on the individual course.

Major Seminars (301): Major seminars explore the nature and practice of history, are required for the degree in History, and are normally restricted to junior History majors. Although these seminars vary in topic and approach, each focuses on the discipline of history itself—on the debates over how to approach the past, on questions of the status of different kinds of evidence and how to use it, on the purpose of the study of history. Focusing on questions of methodology, epistemology, and historiography, these courses ask: What kind of knowledge do historians claim to produce? What does it mean to study the past? How do historians approach the project of studying the past? Each year several major seminars will be offered. Students who plan to study abroad during their junior year may take their Major Seminar in the spring semester of their sophomore year (space permitting), and those planning to be away for the whole of their junior year are encouraged to do so.

Advanced Electives (302-396): These advanced, topical courses are more specialized in focus than are the introductory survey courses (202-299) and are intended to follow such courses. Enrollment is often limited. Because these courses may presume some background knowledge, the instructors recommend that students enroll in an appropriate introductory course before registering for an advanced elective.

Advanced Seminars (402-479): These are advanced courses normally limited in enrollment to fifteen students. Each seminar will investigate a topic in depth and will require students to engage in research that leads to a substantial piece of historical writing. All History majors are required to complete either an advanced seminar (402-479) or a tutorial (480-492). Instructors may recommend prior coursework in the area of the seminar. Preference is given to senior History majors, followed by junior History majors.

Advanced Tutorials (480-492): These are advanced reading and writing courses that offer an in-depth analysis of a topic in tutorial format. Tutorials are limited in enrollment to ten students and preference is given to senior History majors. All History majors are required to complete either an advanced seminar (402-479) or tutorial (480-492). Instructors may recommend prior coursework in the area of the tutorial. The writing of five or six essays and the oral presentation of five or six critiques of another student’s essays is central to tutorials.

Within each of these levels, courses are further divided by geographical area:

Africa and the Middle East
Asia
Europe and Russia
Latin America and the Caribbean
United States
Transnational/Comparative

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ADVISING

Both majors and non-majors are encouraged to talk at any time with the department chair, the department administrative assistant, or any other member of the department about the History major.

All incoming majors will choose a faculty advisor in the spring of their sophomore year. All majors must meet with their advisor in the beginning of the fall semester, to develop their Concentration (see below), and at the time of the spring semester registration period in order to have their courses and plans for the History major approved. Students who are interested in the senior honors program or graduate school should contact the faculty director of the Honors Program. Prospective study abroad students should contact the department's administrative assistant.

THE MAJOR

The major consists of at least nine semester courses as follows:

Required Courses in the Major

One Major Seminar (History 301)
At least one Advanced Seminar (History 402-479) or Tutorial (History 480-492)

Effective Courses

Seven (or more) additional semester courses in History, at least one to be chosen from among three of the following groups:

Group A: The History of Africa
Group B: The History of Asia
Group C: The History of Europe and Russia
Group D: The History of Latin America and the Caribbean
Group E: The History of the Middle East
Group F: The History of the United States and Canada

In addition, students must take at least one course dealing with the premodern period (designated Group G in the catalog); this may be one of the courses used to fulfill the group requirement (Groups A-F).

A single course can meet the requirement for no more than one of Groups A through F.

Concentration in the Major

All students are required to adopt a concentration within the History major. Students are responsible for designing their own concentration, in consultation with a faculty advisor, in the fall semester of their Junior year. Each student's concentration will be formally approved by the Department's Curriculum Committee. A concentration will consist of at least three courses linked by common themes, geography, or time period; only one of those courses can be a 100-level seminar while at least one must be a 300- or 400-level course. Courses in the concentration may be used to fulfill the group requirements. In the Concentration Proposal, the student must list a minimum total of six courses that could satisfy the requirements of the concentration, from which they can select three to fulfill the concentration requirement (recognizing that not all courses are offered every year); courses taken abroad may be included in the concentration with the approval of the chair.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN HISTORY

The History Department offers a thesis route to the degree with honors in History. This involves a ten-course major as well as an independent WSP. Students wishing to undertake independent research or considering graduate study are encouraged to participate in the thesis program and honors seminar.

Application to enter the honors program should be made by spring registration in the junior year and should be based on a solid record of work of honors caliber, normally defined as maintaining at least a B+ average in courses taken for the major. Students who intend to write a honors thesis must submit a proposal to the History Department at this time. Students who will be away during the spring semester of their junior year should make arrangements to apply before leaving. Normally, it is the responsibility of the individual student to procure the agreement of a member of the department to act as his or her thesis advisor, and the student must therefore consult with a member of the department about a thesis topic and a possible thesis advisor prior to submitting a proposal to the department. A student who is uncertain of which member of the department might be an appropriate advisor, or who otherwise is unable to find an advisor, should contact the chair of the honors committee. A student's thesis proposal must be signed by a member of the History Department. Normally, the thesis topic should be related to course work which the student has previously done. Students should be aware, however, that while the department will try to accommodate all students who qualify to pursue honors, particular topics may be deemed unfeasible and students may have to revise their topics accordingly. Final admission to the honors program is determined by the department's assessment of the qualifications of the student and the feasibility of the project.

Once the student has been notified of admission to the honors program, he or she should register for History 493, Senior Honors Thesis Research Seminar, in the fall semester, for History 494, Senior Honors Thesis Writing Seminar, in the spring. In addition to doing the research for and writing a thesis of approximately 75-100 pages, students will attend special presentations under the History Department's Class of 1960 Scholars Program.

During the fall, students should work regularly on their research and consult frequently with their advisors. Throughout the semester, honors candidates will also present written progress reports for group discussion to the seminar (History 493). Performance in the seminar will be evaluated on the basis of class participation, submission of written work and will determine if a student will continue in the thesis program. For students proceeding to History 493 and History 494, performance in the fall semester will figure into the thesis grade calculated at the end of the year.

Students who are deemed to be making satisfactory progress on their research and writing at this point will be allowed to continue with the thesis. They will defend their thesis study period to thesis work. They should conclude their research during winter study and complete at least one chapter of their thesis for submission to their advisor before the end of winter study. At the end of winter study, the honors committee will formally consult with advisors and make recommendations to the department concerning which students should be allowed to proceed with the thesis. During the early weeks of the second semester, students will present a draft chapter of their thesis to the honors seminar.

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Completed theses will be due in mid-April, after which each student will prepare and make a short oral presentation of his or her thesis for delivery at the departmental Honors Colloquium. Another student who has read the thesis will then offer a critique of it, after which the two faculty readers of the thesis will offer their own comments and questions. Finally, there will be a general discussion of the thesis by students and other members of the department.

LANGUAGE

Study of a foreign language is basic to the understanding of other cultures. Particularly those students who might wish to do graduate work in History are encouraged to learn one or several languages at Williams.

STUDY ABROAD

The History Department considers immersion in and familiarity with a foreign culture not only to be valuable in themselves, but also to provide an important way of understanding the past. Students who major in History therefore are encouraged to study a foreign language and to consider studying abroad during their junior year. History courses taken as part of a study abroad program that is recognized by the college normally can be used to satisfy departmental distribution and general education requirements, up to a maximum of six courses (this limit does not apply to tutorials taken as part of the Williams-Exeter Program; no courses taken abroad, even at Oxford, can be used to satisfy the major seminar and advanced seminar/tutorial requirements). Students who plan to study abroad during their junior year may take their Major Seminar in the spring semester of their sophomore year, and those planning to be away the whole of their junior year are strongly encouraged to do so.

Students interested in studying abroad during their junior year should discuss their plans with a member of the department as well as with the department’s administrative assistant. Approval of departmental credit for courses taken abroad normally must be obtained from the chair or from the administrative assistant prior to the commencement of the study abroad program.

COURSES

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**FIRST-YEAR SEMINARS AND TUTORIALS: Africa and the Middle East (102-111)**

**HIST 103 The City in Africa: Nairobi and Johannesburg (Same as Africana Studies 103) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)**

Accra, Nairobi, and Johannesburg are three major African cities with very different origins. In each of these cities African, Asian, Arabic, and European cultures have overlapped and intertwined in complicated ways that give rise to hybrid cultures, economies, and politics. This seminar will trace the development of these cities from the 19th century to the present. The experience of various groups of city dwellers will be our main focus, as well as the development of the cities’ physical infrastructure like transportation, housing, trade, and labor networks. More importantly, though, we will explore the undercurrents of these cities and will, with the inquisitiveness of a voyeur, the zeal of a private investigator, and the sensibility of a historian, examine ways in which class, race ethnicity, nationality, politics, and gender have influenced the urban growth of these cities and the lives of their inhabitants. Students will also get a chance to read about the various artistic movements in these cities over the last century, focusing especially on music, theater, and street performances. Students should emerge from this course with a greater awareness of African urban life and with a deeper understanding of colonial and postcolonial societies in Africa and elsewhere in the so-called Third World.

**Format:** seminar. Evaluation will be based on class attendance and participation, five short papers, and a final research paper.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference will be given to first-year students, and then sophomores who have not previously taken a 100-level seminar.

Group A

MUTONGI

**HIST 104 Travel Narratives and African History (Same as Africana Studies 104) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)**

In a way, all historical thinking and writing deals with travel accounts given that, as many scholars have noted, the past can be likened to a foreign country and the historian can be viewed as a traveler in foreign places. Nevertheless, actual travel narratives-narratives about the physical visits of writers to distant lands-call for careful and critical analysis because they can be seductive, and they can shape the ways we think about the present-and the past-of distant lands and cultures.

This course discusses Arab, Indian, European, African, and African American travel narratives about various regions of Africa since the fourteenth century. We will mine the travel accounts for descriptions of local contexts. We will also explore what travel writing says about the author’s perceptions of self, home, and “other.” Ultimately, we will investigate the author’s biases and how the narratives influence our perception of Africa and the writing of African history. This course is highly interdisciplinary and draws heavily on literary, anthropological, geographical, and historical methodologies.

**Format:** seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, oral reports, 1-2 short papers, and a research paper.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Enrollment preference will be given to first-year students, then to second-year students who have not previously taken a 100-level seminar.

Group A

MUTONGI

**HIST 111 Movers and Shakers in the Middle East (Same as Leadership Studies 150) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)**

This course examines the careers, ideas, and impact of leading politicians, religious leaders, intellectuals, and artists in the Middle East in the twentieth century. Utilizing biographical studies and the general literature on the political and cultural history of the period, this course will analyze how these individuals achieved prominence in Middle Eastern society and how they addressed the pertinent problems of their day, such as war and peace, relations with Western powers, the role of religion in society, and the status of women. A range of significant individuals will be studied, including Garnal Abd al-Nasser, Mustafa Kemaal Ataturk, Ayatollah Khomeini, Muhammad Musaadig, Umrm Khuththum, Sayyid Quth, Anwar Sadat, Naghfu Mahfouz, and Huda Sharaawi.

**Format:** seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, short essays, and a final paper.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15-19). Preference will be given to first-year students, and then sophomores who have not previously taken a 100-level seminar.

Group E

BERNHARDSSON

**FIRST-YEAR SEMINARS AND TUTORIALS: Asia (112-121)**

**HIST 115 The World of the Mongol Empire (Same as Asian Studies 115) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)**

By the middle of the thirteenth century, Mongol armies led by Genghis Khan had conquered an enormous swath of territory, extending from China westward to Eastern Europe. Further expanded by Genghis’s descendants, the Mongol Empire incorporated a vast range of different peoples and cultures, enhancing communications, trade, and exchange among them. In this course we will examine the “world order” of the Mongol Empire from its origins on the Asian steppe through its expansion, consolidation, disintegration, and legacies for later periods. From a wide range of primary and secondary sources, including travelers’ accounts, chronicles, art, and literature, we will investigate the diverse experiences of the Mongol world in different places, such as China, Russia, Persia, and Central Asia.

**Format:** seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, several short papers, and a final research paper.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15-19). Preference will be given to first-year students and then to sophomores who have not previously taken a 100-level seminar.

Groups B and G

A. REINHARDT

**HIST 117 Clash of Empires: China and the West, 1800-1900 (Same as Asian Studies 117T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)**

As greater numbers of Western traders sought access to China’s products and markets in the early nineteenth century, their ideas of free trade, hopes for national development in the twentieth century, and continues to inform contemporary China’s view of itself and its international position.

This tutorial course will examine a series of significant points of contention between the Qing Dynasty and expanding Western powers during this period. These will include the opium trade, Christian missionaries, extraterritorial privilege, Western technology, the looting of Chinese artworks and antiquities, and contests for careful and critical analysis because they can be seductive, and they can shape the ways we think about the present-and the past-of distant lands and cultures.

This course discusses Arab, Indian, European, African, and African American travel narratives about various regions of Africa since the fourteenth century. We will mine the travel accounts for descriptions of local contexts. We will also explore what travel writing says about the author’s perceptions of self, home, and “other.” Ultimately, we will investigate the author’s biases and how the narratives influence our perception of Africa and the writing of African history. This course is highly interdisciplinary and draws heavily on literary, anthropological, geographical, and historical methodologies.

**Format:** seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, oral reports, 1-2 short papers, and a research paper.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15-19). Preference will be given to first-year students, and then sophomores who have not previously taken a 100-level seminar.

Group E

BERNHARDSSON

**HIST 118 “Ten Years of Madness”: The Chinese Cultural Revolution (Same as Asian Studies 118) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)**

In 1966 Mao Zedong launched the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution in an attempt to restore revolutionary purity to the Chinese Communist Party and society. The Cultural Revolution decade (1966-1976) is remembered most often as a period of political violence and intense struggle, over which Mao reigned as supreme leader. In this course, we will complicate this standard interpretation by examining the Cultural Revolution in a variety of ways: as an elite political struggle, an attempt to proletarianize culture and the arts, a social movement, and a youth movement. The course will address themes of participation and complicity, new gender roles, impact on different social groups, and differences between rural and urban experience. In addition to relevant historiographical works, the course will use memoirs, fiction, films, and ethnographies.
Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, several short papers, and a final research paper.
No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students.

Group A
A. REINHARDT

HIST 119 The Japanese Empire (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
The largest non-Western empire of modern times, Japan extended its reach to Taiwan, Korea, China, Sakhalin, Southeast Asia, and the South Pacific. This course explores the many complex political, economic, social, and cultural questions that arise from Japan’s imperial project. We will ask what drove imperial expansion; how the Japanese ruled; who won and lost in economic relations; what various aspects of life were like in the empire; how to understand the dynamics between Japanese settlers and the colonized; what effects empire building had at home in Japan; how to explain the nature of wartime conquests; and what legacies Japanese imperialism and empire left in their wake. Throughout the semester, we will make a point of examining these issues from various standpoints, and we will also read theoretical works that place the Japanese empire in a comparative context. Course materials will include political documents, intellectual treatises, films, memoirs, and literature.
Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, response papers, short essays, and a final research paper.
No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19-15). Preference will be given to first-year students, and then to sophomores who have not previously taken a 100-level seminar.

Group B
SINGHAM

HIST 121T The Two Koreas (Same as Asian Studies 121T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
The two Koreas—North and South—were born in the aftermath of World War II, when the United States and the Soviet Union arbitrarily divided the peninsula into two zones of occupation at the 38th parallel. Today, over six decades later, the split endures as what has been called “the Cold War’s last divide.” This tutorial examines the history of the two Koreas from their creation in 1945 to the present. We will explore the historical and ideological origins of the division; how tensions between North and South led to the outbreak of the Korean War; why the paths of the two Koreas have differed so markedly; how each country has been shaped by its political leaders and their ideologies; and what recent developments in North Korea, including its nuclear program, have meant for relations on the peninsula and beyond. Course material will include primary and secondary sources of various kinds, including political documents, intellectual treatises, films, and short stories.
Format: tutorial. Requirements: students will meet with the instructor in pairs for an hour each week. Each student will write and present orally a 5- to 7-page essay every other week on the readings assigned for that week. In alternate weeks, students will be responsible for offering an oral critique of the work of their partner. Attention will also be given to revising written work. Students will be evaluated on their essays and their analyses of their partner’s work.
No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to first-year students and sophomores. Not available for the Gaudio option.

Group B
SINGHAM

FIRST YEAR SEMINARS AND TUTORIALS: EUROPE AND RUSSIA (122-141)

HIST 127 The Expansion of Europe (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
This course investigates the expansion of European power and influence over much of the rest of the world from the late Middle Ages to the mid-nineteenth century—the early period of European Imperialism. Specific topics will vary, but include the development and initial expansion of medieval and Renaissance Europe, the discovery and conquest of the New World, the struggle with Islam for command of the seas, the establishment of European influence in the East and Far East, the slave trade, the invasion of North America, and the initial steps toward hegemony in the Middle East and Africa. Students will investigate the ways in which individual personality, religiosity, greed, critical first contacts, and cultural misunderstandings and prejudices combined with important aspects of the Military, Scientific, and early Industrial Revolutions to establish European hegemony on a world-wide scale during this early period of European Imperialism.
Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on five short written exercises and one research paper.
No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15-19). Preference will be given to first-year students, and then sophomores who have not previously taken a 100-level seminar:
Groups C and G
WOOD

HIST 128T Conquistadors in the New World (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
The Spanish conquest of the Americas happened with astonishing rapidity. Christopher Columbus entered the Caribbean in 1492; Hernando Cortes completed the conquest of the Aztecs of central Mexico in 1519; Francisco Pizarro triumphantly entered the Inca capital Cuzco, in Peru, in 1545. Other conquistadors pushed north to the Carolinas and California, south to the Tierra del Fuego and the River Plate, and across the Amazonian basin to the Atlantic. “We came,” wrote the conquistador Bernal Diaz del Castillo, “to serve God, and our King, and to get rich.” Their deeds were legendary, their courage, daring, and endurance remarkable. They were also notoriously quarrelsome, greedy, and cruel. Before their onslaught the major civilizations of the new world crumbled—destroyed or changed beyond recognition. Rarely in history have so few conquered so many so quickly. The conquest of the New World has both excited and appalled the human imagination for more than five centuries. Many questions about the event remain to be answered or are still capable of provoking controversy, questions that will be addressed in this tutorial: Who exactly were the conquistadors? What motivated them? How did their self-perpetuating conquistador system originate and operate? What meaning did they themselves assign to their actions? How could they justify their many, massed deaths? How did they develop their sense of the Other? Why did often inspired resistance by indigenous peoples and regimes ultimately fail? Was conquest somehow preordained? Could it have failed? What mixture of human agency, culture, technology, religion, nature, and biology can best explain the results of this encounter between the conquistador and the Other? Why did often inspired resistance by indigenous peoples and regimes ultimately fail? Was conquest somehow preordained? Could it have failed?
Format: tutorial. Students will meet in weekly one-hour sessions with a student tutorial partner and the instructor, one presenting a paper, the other offering a critique.
No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference will be given to sophomores and to second-semester first-year students who have not already taken a 100-level seminar:
Groups D and G
WOOD

HIST 129 Blacks, Jews, and Women in the Age of the French Revolution (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
The French Revolution was an important turning point in world history. Besides ushering in an age of liberté (liberty) and égalité (equality), it also postulated the coexistence of former enemies—women, African slaves, and Jews in the new democratic polity? French men and women debated these questions in ways that have had a direct impact on our contemporary discussions of race, gender, religious freedom and ethnicity. In this course, we will explore these debates, their Enlightenment roots, and the legacy of these debates for France’s minorities today, especially those of Arabic and Islamic origin. Students will be introduced to various types of historical sources (rare books, art, opera, plays), as well as to the lively historiographical debates between historians of France concerning methodology, politics, and the goal of historical research. Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, oral reports, 1-2 short papers, a 15- to 20-page research paper, and a final examination (may be an oral and/or take-home exam). The class will also be expected to go on a couple of field trips.
No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15-19). Preference will be given to first-year students, and then sophomores, who have not previously taken a 100-level seminar:
Groups C and G
SINGHAM

HIST 135F The Great War, 1914-1918 (Same as Leadership Studies 135T) (W)
During the nineteenth and early twentieth century Europeans and their immediate offspring created the modern world. European industry, science, trade, weapons, and culture dominated the globe. After a century of general peace the continual “progress” of Western Civilization seemed assured. Then, in August, 1914, the major European powers went to war with one another. After four years of unprecedented carnage, violence, and destruction, Europe was left exhausted and bitter, its previous optimism replaced by pessimism, its world position undermined, and its future clouded by a deeply flawed peace settlement.
What were the fundamental causes of the Great War? How and why did it break out when it did and who was responsible? Why was it so long, ferocious, wasteful, and, until the very end, indecisive? Why did the Allies, rather than the Central Powers, emerge victorious? What did the peace settlement settle? How was Europe changed? What is the historical significance of the conflict?

Format: tutorial.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference will be given to first-year students, and then sophomores, who have not previously taken a tutorial-level course. Not available for the Gaudino option.

Group C

Tutorial meetings to be arranged.

WOOD

HIST 136 Before the Deluge: Paris and Berlin in the Interwar Years (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Paris and Berlin were the two poles of Europe in the 1920s, rival capital cities of two historically hostile nations that had only just put an end to the carnage of World War I. Paris was the grande dame: Berlin the upstart. In the 1920s, these two pulsating metropolises became the sites of political and cultural movements that would leave a lasting imprint on European society until the present day. This course focuses on the politics, society, and culture of these two cities in their heyday in the 1920s. We will also consider their fate in the 1930s, first as depression set in, and then as the Nazis came to power. Devoting half the semester to Paris and the other half to Berlin, we will examine a range of parallel topics in both cities, including the impact of World War I, the growing popularity of right-wing political movements and the increase in political violence, shifting gender norms and sexual mores, and new developments in the realms of art, film, theatre, cabaret, and literature.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class attendance and participation, several short papers, and a final research paper.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference will be given to first-year students, and then sophomores who have not previously taken a 100-level seminar.

Group C

GARBARINI

HIST 141(S) Adventures and Pleasures in the Russian Metropolis, 1880-1917 (W)

This course introduces students to the artistic movements, everyday life, and socio-cultural upheavals of urban Russia in the fin-de-siècle (1880 to 1917). The fast-paced, consumer-oriented modern city, with its celebrities, fashions, and technological wonders, gripped the imagination of imperial Russia’s urban denizens. The inhabitants of St. Petersburg and Moscow, conscious of living in a new era, embraced and grappled with the Modern Age as journalists, impresarios, and artists narrated and interpreted it. We will explore the ways revolution and war, industrialization, the commercialization of culture, and new sensibilities about the self and identity were reflected in modernist art and thought, literature, and autobiographical writings. We also will look closely at the realms of elite entertainment and popular amusement in an attempt to relate consumer culture to notions of gender and sexuality, the redefinition of status and privilege, and concepts of leisure. Historians have offered competing explanations of how and why the rapid social, economic and cultural changes of this period contributed to the fall of the Russian monarchy and the Bolshevik Revolution of 1917. Our primary goal will be to use sources to assess their arguments and, hopefully, make our own. Texts include: historical scholarship, literary works, philosophical and sociological writings, music, visual art, and film.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, several short essays, and a final research paper.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference will be given to first-year students, and then sophomores who have not previously taken a 100-level seminar.

Group C

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

FISHZON

FIST-YEAR SEMINARS AND TUTORIALS: LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN (142-151)

HIST 143(S) Soccer and History in Latin America: Making the Beautiful Game (W) (D)

This course examines the rise of soccer (fútbol/futebol) in modern Latin America, from a fringe game to the most popular sport in the region. Focusing especially on Brazil, Argentina, Peru, and Mexico, we will analyze the central role that soccer played as these countries faced profound questions about race, masculinity, and regional and national identities. Using autobiographies, video, and scholarly works from several disciplines, we will consider topics including: the role of race and gender construction in the initial adoption of soccer; the commodification of this foreign game into a key marker of national identity; the relationship between soccer and political and economic “modernization”; the production of strong, at times violent identities at club, national, and regional levels; and the changes that mass consumerism and globalization have affected on the game and its meanings for Latin Americans. As an Exploring Diversity Initiative course, the class uses primary sources as well as recent scholarship to explore these issues comparatively between regions and nations. Throughout the semester, we will look at how the world of soccer reflects, produces, and at times apparently resolves cultural difference.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, a series of short papers, and an 8- to 10-page research paper.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference will be given to first-year students and then to sophomores who have not previously taken a 100-level seminar. If oversubscribed an application process may be developed to determine admission to the course.

Group D

Hour: 11:00-12:15 MW

KITTLESON

HIST 148 The Mexican Revolutions: 1910 to NAFTA (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

The first great revolution in the twentieth century, the Mexican Revolution was as dramatic and compelling as later episodes in Russia, China and Cuba. Using a wide variety of sources—from films, murals, and comic books to classic works of political and social history—this seminar will examine the forces that exploded in over a decade of violence and produced the peculiar “institutional revolutionary” government that ruled Mexico from the 1920s to the crises of the late 1990s. Was the Revolution a true social revolution or just a “palace coup”? Did workers, women, peasants, or indigenous peoples make real gains in social or political power during the after the Revolution? How democratic or authoritarian is the Mexico that emerged from the brutal decade of the 1910s? Finally, in light of globalization, the political scandals of the 1990s, the defeat of the long-ruling (and oxymoronically titled) Institutional Revolutionary Party, and the Zapatista rebellion in Chiapas, is the Revolution dead or is its promise only now to be fulfilled?

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, a series of short written assignments, and a research paper.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference will be given to first-year students, and then sophomores who have not previously taken a 100-level seminar.

Group D

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR

BENSON

FIST-YEAR SEMINARS AND TUTORIALS: UNITED STATES (152-191)

HIST 152(F) The Fourteenth Amendment and the Meanings of Equality (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 152) (W)

For more than a century, the 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution has served as the principal touchstone for legal debates over the meaning of equality and freedom in the United States. This course explores the origins of the 14th Amendment in the years immediately following the Civil War, and examines the evolution of that amendment’s meaning in the century that followed. Central themes in this course include the contested interpretations of “due process,” “privileges and immunities,” “equal protection,” and “life, liberty or property”; the rise, fall, and rebirth of substantive due process; and the battles over incorporating...
the Bill of Rights into the 14th Amendment. We will pay particular attention to how debates over the 14th Amendment have shaped and been shaped by the changing meanings of racial and gender equality, and how the 14th Amendment has transformed the promise and experience of American citizenship.

Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on class discussion, three short analytical papers, and a final research paper.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15-19). Priority given to first-year students, and then to sophomores who have not previously taken a 100-level seminar.

Group F
Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR

DUBOW

HIST 154T The American Way of War: The First Three Centuries (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Is there an historically distinct American way of war? How have Americans experienced warfare? From the earliest days of European settlement through the final campaigns against American Indians west of the Mississippi, Americans have often been at war. Long before the United States became a world power through colonization and conquest, Americans determined many of the basic contours of American society, culture, and nationhood. This tutorial will investigate the nature and development of American wars over the period 1600 to 1900. Though some attention will be paid to the American Revolution and the Civil War, the tutorial will concentrate primarily on lesser known but historically significant wars, including King Philip’s War, the Seven Years War, the War of 1812, Jackson’s Indian Wars, the Mexican-American War, the Plains Indian Wars, and the Spanish American War. All but the last were fought to conclusion in North America itself. How did Americans fight these wars? How did American militaries establish control over such a huge and varied continent? What role did military institutions play in the development of a distinctive American society? Did war abet social mobility, or lend itself to social control? What role did race play in the creation and sustaining of martial goals? What was the relationship between local military institutions and centralist attempts to create a national and/or professional army? What was the impact of warfare on American culture, on concepts of masculinity, and national or community images? Despite the fact that America is one of the world’s great “wars-against-races” societies, the ways people have defined themselves as a peace-loving people from the beginning has played a key role in shaping their society and nation. It is exactly the nature, meaning, and paradoxes of American wars that this tutorial will attempt to unravel.

Format: tutorial. Students will meet with the instructor in pairs for an hour each week. Each student will write and present orally a 7-page essay every other week on the readings assigned for that week. In alternate weeks, students will be responsible for offering an oral critique of the work of their partner.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference will be given to first-year students, and then to sophomores who have not previously taken a 100-level tutorial.

Group F

WOOD

HIST 157(F) From Powhatan to Lincoln: Discovering Leadership in a New World (Same as Leadership Studies 157) (W)

The collision of cultures and peoples in colonial North America created a New World that demanded new forms of political leadership. This course explores the history of leadership from the colonial era to the Civil War through the study of consequential individuals whose actions shaped seminal moments in American history. The course opens with Powhatan, whose Native American empire spanned the East Coast of North America, and John Smith, who confronted this Indian empire as he tried to establish England’s first foothold in the New World. It ends with Abraham Lincoln, who tried to keep together a nation that Jefferson Davis and his Confederates, in between, the course will explore colonial leaders like John Winthrop, African American leaders like Gabriel Prosser and James Forten, presidents like George Washington and Andrew Jackson, advocates for women’s rights like Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony, and others. Through the study of these individuals, students will have a deeper appreciation of how historical processes shaped leaders—and how leaders have shaped history. Groups F and G

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation (15%), weekly writing assignment (5%), class presentation (5%), three 5-page essay assignments (each 15%), and a final project (30%).

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15-19). Preference given to Enrollment preference will be given to first-year students and then to sophomores who have not previously taken a 100-level seminar.

Groups F and G
Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

SPERO

HIST 158(S) Thicker than Water: American Political Dynasties (W)

In a nation long committed to democratic principles, dynasties of any sort are bound to seem anomalous. Yet in six different instances members of the same family have held or aspired to hold the highest office in the land, the Presidency of the United States. Our purpose will be to analyze three of those families: the Adamses, the Roosevelts, and the Kennedys. In particular, we will focus on the paths they took to power, their performance as political leaders, and the legacies they left behind. Throughout the semester we will also be exploring what differences family ties—the dynastic element—made in the three histories in question.

Format: seminar. Readings will consist of primary as well as secondary sources, with frequent short papers developing major points in the reading, and a longer exercise involving in-depth research.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15-19). Preference will be given to first-year students, and then to sophomores who have not previously taken a 100-level seminar.

Group F

Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF

DALZELL

HIST 164 Slavery in the United States (Same as Africana Studies 164) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Slavery and freedom rose as concomitant ideologies—simultaneously and interrelated—critical to the development of the American colonies and United States. The course will trace the development of the “peculiar institution” to its demise with the Civil War. Format: seminar. In addition to reading key books in the field, students will engage in primary source research using the College library’s extensive holdings of microfilm and local records dealing with slavery in the North and the South. Building on several preliminary essays, each student will complete a research project which leads to a final research paper.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15-19). Preference will be given to first-year students, and then to sophomores who have not previously taken a 100-level seminar.

Group F

L. BROWN

HIST 165 Going Nuclear: American Culture in the Atomic Age (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Ever since the Manhattan Project produced atomic weapons for Harry Truman to use against Japan at the end of World War II, atomic science has fueled public fascination and fear. In the early 1950s, these feelings of anxiety about the nuclear age fueled writers, filmmakers, and popular culture to produce a number of dystopian and utopian works. This seminar will trace the role of the nuclear arms race in the cold war and the development of civil defense and bomb shelter culture in the United States. Using scholarly books and articles, primary sources, novels, and films, we will explore the interactions between science, diplomacy, and culture in the nuclear age. As this is a writing-intensive course, we will focus on analyzing sources, writing clearly and effectively, and making persuasive arguments. Students will not only learn about history, but they will learn to think and write as historians.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, several short essays, and a final 8- to 10-page research paper.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15-19). Preference will be given to first-year students, and then to sophomores who have not previously taken a 100-level seminar.

Group F

CHAPMAN

HIST 168(S) 1968-1969: Two Years in America (W)

These two years were tumultuous ones worldwide. The escalation of the war in Vietnam, the Soviet invasion of Prague, the student uprisings in Paris and Japan, and the Watts Riots in Los Angeles all had their counterparts that reverberated in the streets, college campuses, the halls of Congress, movie theaters, and concert halls and rock festivals in the United States. This first-year seminar will examine some of the major events of this time period in America: the assassinations of Martin Luther King, Jr. and Robert Kennedy, the Democratic Convention in Chicago, as well as cultural trends such as the development of the anti-war movement, the push for curricular reforms on college campuses, and the rise of the “counter culture.”

Format: seminar. Requirements: evaluation will be based on a number of writing assignments and library exercises; writing assignments will include conducting...
HIST 178T(S) Marriage and the American Nation (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 178T) (W)
This tutorial explores the transformation of marriage as an institution, idea, and experience from colonial times through the beginning of the twenty-first century. Is marriage? Is it a private agreement or a public contract? A legal bond or a religious sacrament? A right or a privilege? Who can enter it? Who determines when it is over, and on what grounds? Examining the long history of American debates about these questions, we will consider the complex ways that beliefs and policies regarding marriage have affected national understandings of gender roles, of racial difference, and of the function and reach of government. We will explore many of the controversies associated with marriage over the last 400 years, including interracial marriage, polygamy, divorce, domestic violence, property rights, custody, cohabitation, working mothers, and same-sex marriage.
Format: tutorial; Requirements: students will meet in weekly one-hour sessions with the instructor and a classmate; each week, students will alternate between writing a 5- to 7-page paper on the assigned readings (to be presented orally in class) and writing and presenting a 2-page critique of his/her classmate’s paper; the course will conclude with a final paper that examines one of the issues raised in class in greater depth.
No prerequisites; open to first-year students and sophomores only. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to sophomores, and then to first-year students who have not previously taken a 100-level tutorial. Not available for the Gouldino option.
Group F
Tutorial meetings to be arranged.

DUBOW

INTRODUCTORY SURVEY COURSES: ASIA (212-221)

HIST 203 A Survey of Modern African History (Same as Africana Studies 203) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
This course surveys the history of 19th and 20th century Africa. The first section of the course focuses on the European conquest of Africa and the dynamics of colonial rule—especially its socio-economic and cultural consequences. The second section looks at how the rising tide of African nationalism, in the form of labor strikes and guerrilla wars, ushered out colonialism. The third section examines the postcolonial states, focusing on the politics of development, recent civil wars in countries like Rwanda and Liberia, and the growing AIDS epidemics. The last section surveys the history of Apartheid in South Africa up to 1994. Course materials include fiction, poetry, memoirs, videos, newspaper articles, and outstanding recent scholarship. The course is structured around discussions. History 203 is an introductory course, and requires no prior knowledge of African History. This EDI course explores the experiences and expressions of the culturally diverse peoples of African descent in the New World (and the Old), as well as the myriad ways in which they confront, negotiate, and at times embrace American identities. Students will be encouraged to become more critical readers of the media and thus better assess when and how history is used and abused in the public sphere. Throughout the semester, members of the History Department will visit the class and address how their field (e.g. East Asian, Latin American, African-American History) is represented in the media and political discourse. The theme for 2009-10 will be citizenship. Because of its commitment to explore how people in different societies respond to the pressing issues of the day and how people in various corners of the world are redefining and rethinking notions of citizenship, this course is part of the Exploring Diversity Initiative (EDI).
Format: lecture/discussion. Students will be required to keep a media journal and follow the news in various media outlets around the world. Evaluation will be based on participation, short papers, the media journal, and a final project.
No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 40). Preference given to first-year students and sophomores.

BERNHARDSSON

HIST 207(F) The Modern Middle East (Same as Jewish Studies 217 and Religion 239) (D)
This survey course addresses the main economic, religious, political and cultural trends in the modern Middle East. Topics to be covered include the cultural diversity of the Middle East, relations with Great Powers, the impact of imperialism, the challenge of modernity, the creation of nation states and nationalist ideologies, the discovery of oil, radical religious groups, and war and peace. Throughout the course these significant changes will be evaluated in light of their implications not only for a variety of individuals in the region and especially how they have responded to the challenge of modernity and economic domination. This course is part of the Exploring Diversity Initiative because it compares the differences and similarities between different cultures and societies in the Middle East and the various ways they have responded to one another in the past.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on participation, short papers, quizzes, group project and final exam.
Prerequisites: none; open to all. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 30-40).
Group E and G

BERNHARDSSON

HIST 209(S) The Origins of Islam: God, Empire and Apocalypse (Same as Religion 231) (S)
(See under REL 231 for full description.)

DARROW

INTRODUCTORY SURVEY COURSES: ASIA (212-221)

HIST 212(S) Transforming the “Middle Kingdom”: China, 2000 BCE-1600 (Same as Asian Studies 212) (D)
China expanded from scattered Neolithic settlements to become one of the world’s most complex and sophisticated civilizations. During this process, it experienced dramatic transformation as well as remarkable institutional and cultural continuities. This course will examine Chinese history from prehistoric times to the “early modern” seventeenth century. It will address topics such as the creation and transformation of dynastic authority, the reinterpretation of Confucian thought,
Greek culture, and will conclude with the spread of Greek influence into Asia through the conquests of Alexander the Great. We will explore topics such as the real connections between ancient Greek and modern Western civilization. The course will begin with Bronze Age-Greece and the earliest developments in democracy, work, gender, family, youth and consumerism will be addressed. Reading materials will include anthropological studies, fiction, films, political documents, and oral histories.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, response papers, two short papers (5 pages), and a self-scheduled final exam. Prerequisites: none; open to all. No enrollment limit (expected: 20).

Group B

HIST 213 Modern China, 1600-Present (Same as Asian Studies 213) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

Observers may be struck by the apparent contradictions of contemporary China: market reforms undertaken by a nominally Communist government, extremes of urban wealth and rural poverty, increasing participation in the international community and intensifying nationalistic rhetoric. This course will examine China's historical engagement with the modern world in order to gain perspective on our current views. It will cover the Qing (1644-1911) dynastic order, encounters with Western and Japanese imperialism, the rise of Chinese nationalism, Republican and Communist revolutions, the "other Chinas" of Taiwan and Hong Kong, and the economic liberalization, and globalization. This course is part of the Exploring University Initiative in globalization and the environment, and will engage with questions of difference through studying the development of the modern Chinese nation-state from the multi-ethnic empire of the Qing and China's particular experiences of imperialism in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, two short papers, a midterm, and a self-scheduled final exam. Prerequisites: none; open to all. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 35-40).

Group B

HIST 214 Japanese Religions and the State (Same as Religion 259) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

(See under REL 259 for full description.)

JOSEPHSON

HIST 215 Crises and Critiques: The Literature and Intellectual History of Early 20th Century China (Same as Chinese 251T and Comparative Literature 256T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)

(See under CHIN 251 for full description.)

NUGENT

Group B

HIST 216 The Greater Game? Central Asia and its Neighbors Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow (Same as Asian Studies 236 and Religion 236) (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under REL 236 for full description.)

DARROW

Groups B and G

HIST 217 Early Modern Japan (Same as Asian Studies 217 and Japanese 217) (Not offered 2011-2012)

The ascension of powerful warlords in the late 1500s brought to an end a century of constant warfare and laid the foundation for the Tokugawa bakufu, the military government headed by the Tokugawa shogun that would rule Japan for almost three hundred years. This course will introduce students to the extraordinary changes of the years between the establishment of the Tokugawa bakufu in 1603 and its collapse in 1868, an era characterized by relative peace and stability, periods of economic growth as well as stagnation, the growth of cities and towns, the flourishing of urban culture, and the decline of the samurai. We will focus on the political and social history of early modern Japan, including topics such as the establishment of the Tokugawa order, the nature of the political system,urbanization, popular culture, rural life, gender and sexuality, class and status, religion, and the fall of the Tokugawa bakufu. Assigned materials will include government documents, literature, and films.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, response papers, two short papers (5 pages), and a self-scheduled final exam. Prerequisites: none; open to all. No enrollment limit (expected: 20).

Groups B and G

SINIAWER

HIST 218 Modern Japan (Same as Asian Studies 218 and Japanese 218) (Not offered 2011-2012)

A modernizing revolution, the construction and collapse of an empire, devastating defeat in a world war, occupation by a foreign power, and postwar economic rollercoaster have marked Japan's modern experience. This course will examine the main themes of modern Japanese history with a focus on how various "ordinary people" have lived through the extraordinary changes of the past century and a half. Through the perspectives of ordinary people, be it a young girl working in a cotton textile factory in the 1920s, a wartime soldier, or a teenager of the early twenty-first century, issues of national identity and nationalism, democracy, work, gender, family, youth and consumerism will be addressed. Reading materials will include anthropological studies, fiction, films, political documents, and oral histories.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, response papers, two short papers (5 pages), and a self-scheduled final exam or research paper. No prerequisites; open to all. No enrollment limit (expected: 30).

Group B

SINIAWER

HIST 220(F) Cultures of China: Conflicts and Continuities (Same as Chinese 210) (D)

(See under CHIN 210 for full description.)

NUGENT

Groups B and G

HIST 221(S) The Making of Modern South Asia (Same as Asian Studies 221)

Bounded by the Himalayas and the Indian Ocean, the vast South Asian subcontinent is home to one fifth of humanity. Boasting one of the world's oldest civilizations, it has had a tumultuous modern history. A common heritage and environment notwithstanding, South Asia presents a picture of social complexity, economic diversity, and political heterogeneity. The course will explore the history of Modern South Asia between the eighteenth century and the present. Beginning with a brief introduction to the pre-modern period, and a discussion of the Mogul empire, we will use a combined chronological and thematic approach against a historical canvas that engages such diverse issues as gender, political economy, conquest, resistance, state formation, economic exploitation, national liberation, and identity politics. The aim is to interrogate the impact of British colonialism and South Asian nationalisms on the state, society, and the people of the subcontinent. Using primary and secondary sources, we will address both the most significant moments of modern South Asian history and the historiographical debates that surround them. Students will be able to take away from this course an understanding of the successes, failures, and challenges faced by the people and states of Modern South Asia today from a historical perspective.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, a map quiz, weekly response papers, 2 short essays (4–6 pages), and a take home final exam (7–10 pages).

Prerequisites: none; open to all. Enrollment limit: 40; expected 25-35. If oversubscribed, preference will be given to History majors.

Group B

Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

PARWANI

INTRODUCTORY SURVEY COURSES: EUROPE AND RUSSIA (222-241)

HIST 222 Greek History (Same as Classics 222) (Not offered 2011-2012)

Ancient Greece has been thought to embody the origins of Western civilization in its institutions, values, and thought; it has been seen as the infancy of modern society, with the attributes of innocence, purity, and the infant's staggering capacity for exploration and learning; it has been interpreted as an essentially primitive, violent culture with a thin veneer of rationality, and it has been celebrated as the national culture par excellence. The study of ancient Greece indeed requires an interpretive framework, yet Greek culture and history have defied most attempts to articulate one. We will make our attempt in this course by investigating ancient Greece as a set of cultures surprisingly foreign to us, as it so often was to its own intellectual elite. But we will also come to appreciate the rich and very different through studying the development of the modern Chinese nation-state from the multi-ethnic empire of the Qing and China's particular experiences of imperialism in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries.
East, the relationship of intellectual culture to Greek culture as a whole, Greek dependence on slavery, and the diversity of political and social forms in the Greek world. The readings will concentrate on original sources, including historical writings, philosophy, poetry, and oratory. The class will meet once a week for a lecture and two discussion sections for the second meeting of the week.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on contributions to class discussions, a midterm, a final exam, and a medium-length paper.

Prerequisites: none; open to all. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 40).

Group C and G

CHRISTENSEN

HIST 223(F) Roman History (Same as Classics 223)

The study of Roman history involves questions central to the development of Western institutions, religion, and modes of thought. Scholars have looked to Rome both for actual antecedents of European cultural development and for paradigmatic scenes illustrating what they felt were cultural universals. Yet Roman history also encompasses the most far-reaching experience of diverse cultures, beliefs, and practices known in the Western tradition until perhaps contemporary times. A close analysis of Roman history on its own terms shows the complex and fascinating results of an ambitious, self-confident nation’s encounter both with unexpected events and crises at home, and with other peoples. As this course addresses the history of Rome from its mythologized beginnings through the reign of the emperor Constantine, it will place special emphasis on the impressive Roman ability to turn the unexpected into a rich source of cultural development, as well as the tendency later to interpret such ad hoc responses as predestined and inevitable. The Romans also provide a vivid portrait of the relationship between power and self-confidence on the one hand, and violence and ultimate disregard for dissent and difference on the other. Readings for this course will concentrate on a wide variety of original sources, and there will be a strong emphasis on the problems of historical interpretation.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on weekly brief in-class response papers, one 8- to 10-page paper, a midterm, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: none; open to all. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 40).

Groups C and G

Christensen

HIST 224(S) Contemporary Archaeology and Material Culture (Same as Anthropology 235, ArtH 235 and Classics 224)

(See under CLAS 224 for full description.)

Rubin

Groups C and G

HIST 226(F) Europe From Reformation to Revolution: 1500-1815 (Same as Religion 222)

This course introduces students to the major historical developments in Western Europe during the early modern period—such pan-European phenomena as the Reformation, the Witch Craze, the Military Revolution, the rise of absolutist states, the seventeenth-century crisis in government and society, the Enlightenment, the French Revolution and Napoleon, and the establishment of European influence around the world.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on two short papers, a midterm and a final exam.

Prerequisites: none; open to all. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 25-30).

Groups C and G

Wood

HIST 227 A Century of Revolution: Europe, 1789-1917 (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course introduces students to the era of the European domination of the world, a time of revolutionary excitement and fervor, of war and travesty, of profound social and economic change, and of great intellectual ferment. Topics include the French and Russian Revolutions, the Revolutions of 1830 and 1848, the Industrial Revolution, German and Italian Unification, European imperialist expansion, processes of secularization and religious revival, and the origins of World War I. With an eye toward exploring the origins of today’s complex attitudes toward race, ethnicity, and gender, the course will also investigate racial thought, anti-Semitism, and feminism in the nineteenth century.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, a midterm and final exam, and a 10- to 12-page research paper.

Prerequisites: none; open to all. No enrollment limit (expected: 25).

Group C

Singham

HIST 228(S) Europe in the Twentieth Century

This course will offer a survey of some of the important themes of the twentieth century: European history, from the eve of World War One to the end of the century. Organized topically and thematically, the course will consider European society in the fin-de-siècle period; imperialism, racism, and mass politics; the impact of the Great War on European thought, culture and society; the Russian Revolution and Stalinist Russia; economic and political stabilization in the 1920s; the Depression; the rise of Fascism and National Socialism; World War II and the Holocaust; the establishment of postwar social democratic welfare states; decolonization; the “economic miracle” of the 1950s; the developments of the European Union; and the 1989 revolutions in Eastern Europe. Through a combination of lecture and discussion, the course seeks to introduce students to the major ideologies and institutions that shaped the lives of Europeans in the twentieth century, and to reflect on the role of ordinary people who devised, adapted, embraced, and sometimes resisted the dominant ideas and practices of their time.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, several quizzes, an interpretive exam, and two papers.

Prerequisites: none; open to all. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 35-40).

Group C

Garbarini

HIST 229(S) European Imperialism and Decolonization (Same as Africana Studies 229) (D)

This course surveys European imperialism in the nineteenth and early-twentieth centuries, paying special attention to important case studies such as British India, the Scramble for Africa, and the break-up of the Ottoman Empire following World War I. The class will both compare European societies, especially insofar as their rival imperial policies contributed to World War I, and European and non-European states as they confronted one another for the first time. Issues to be explored include imperialism and its relationship to Christianity, gender, racism, and economic profit. In the second half of the course, we will examine two of the most dramatic cases of decolonization, Gandhi and Nehru’s independence movement in India and Patrice Lumumba’s torturous struggle for independence in a postcolonial central Africa. As a transatlantic and transpacific course focusing on race relations, power and privilege, this course fulfills the EDI requirement.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, a midterm and final examination, and a 10- to 12-page research paper.

Prerequisites: none; open to all. No enrollment limit (expected: 25).

Groups A, B, and C

Garbarini

HIST 230 Modern European Jewish History, 1789-1948 (Same as Jewish Studies 230) (Not offered 2011-2012)

What does it mean to be a Jew? The vexed question of Jewish identity emerged at the end of the eighteenth century and has dominated Jewish history throughout the modern period. Although Jewish emancipation and citizenship followed different paths in France and the German states, in both cases Jews were confronted by unprecedented opportunities for integration into non-Jewish society and unprecedented challenges to Jewish communal life. This course will introduce students to the major social, cultural, religious, and political transformations that shaped the lives of Europe’s Jews from the outbreak of the French Revolution to the aftermath of World War II. We will explore such topics as emancipation, Jewish diversity, the rise of religious denominations within Judaism, competing political ideologies, Jewish-gentile relations, the role of Jewish women, Jewish responses to Nazism, and the situation of Jews in the immediate postwar period. In addition to broad historical treatments, course materials will include memoirs and diaries.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, two papers, and a final exam.

No prerequisites. No enrollment limit (expected: 20-25).

Group C

Garbarini

HIST 239(F) Germany in the Twentieth Century

Written documents, literature, film, and the writings of historians will be used in surveying the history of Germany since 1890. Topics to be considered include: the role played by domestic and foreign policy in the decision of the imperial government to opt for war in 1914; the impact of war and defeat on German society; the cultural flowering that occurred in Germany during the 1920s to the political and social instability of the Weimar Republic; Hitler and the collapse of democratic Germany; the Third Reich; World War II and the Holocaust; the reconstruction of Germany after 1945; Germany...
in the context of the Cold War (the Federal Republic of Germany and the German Democratic Republic); and united—Germany after the wall. A central theme of
the course will be the attempt of Germans during the twentieth century to decide what Germany is and how it fits into the rest of Europe, and to determine the
nature of their state and society.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: active and effective participation in class discussion, three interpretive essays, and a number of pop quizzes.
No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 25-30).
Group C
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

HIST 240 Muscovy and the Russian Empire (Not offered 2011-2012)
Between the fourteenth and the seventeenth centuries the princes and political elite of Muscovy created a vast multi-national empire in Eastern Europe and Asia. Over
the next 150 years their imperial heirs transformed and extended this empire, to the point that on the eve of the Crimean War (1853-1855) many believed it to
be the most powerful state in Europe. But defeat in the war exposed the weakness of the imperial regime and helped to provoke a process of state-led reform
that failed to avert, and may well have contributed to, the collapse of the regime in the February Revolution of 1917. Using a combination of primary and
secondary sources, this course will explore the character of the Muscovite and the Russian empires and the forces, processes, and personalities that shaped their
formation, expansion, and, in the latter case, decline.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, a map quiz, several short essays based on class readings, and a final self-scheduled
exam.
Prerequisites: none; open to all. No enrollment limit (expected: 15-25).
Group C and G
FISHIZON

HIST 241 The Rise and Fall of the Soviet Union (Not offered 2011-2012)
The October Revolution of 1917 brought to power in the debris of the Russian Empire a political party committed to the socialist transformation of society,
culture, the economy, and individual human consciousness. Less than seventy-five years later, the experiment appeared to end in failure, with the stunning
collapse of the Soviet Union in December 1991. Using a combination of primary and secondary sources, this course will explore the nature and historical
significance of the Soviet experiment, the controversies to which it has given rise, and the forces, processes, and personalities that shaped the formation, trans-
formation, and ultimate collapse of the Soviet Union.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, a map quiz, several short papers based on class readings, and a final self-scheduled
exam.
Prerequisites: none; open to all. No enrollment limit (expected: 25).
Group C
FISHIZON

INTRODUCTORY SURVEY COURSES: LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN (242-251)

HIST 242(F) Latin America From Conquest to Independence
This course will examine the processes commonplace referred to as the creation of “Latin America” and will do so from numerous perspectives. Starting with
the construction of indigenous societies, from small and decentralized groupings to huge imperial polities, before 1492 to the invasion of Europeans from that date
forward, we will take up the question of the Iberian conquest, looking at the often violent encounters that made up that event and analyzing its success, limits, and
results. We will then study the imposition of Iberian rule from the point of view of would-be colonizers and the peoples they treated as objects of colonization,
 stressing the multiple and conflicting character of European, indigenous, and African perspectives. Thus looking at the Americas from both the outside—in and
inside—out, we will focus on the unequal relations of power that came to define cultural, political, and economic life in the colonies, always with an eye on the
gendered and racialized nature of those relations. We will also not only compare very different regions of the Iberian Americas but also see how the grand shifts of
history intervened in—and perhaps consisted of—the most normal elements of daily life in northern Mexico, the central Andes, coastal Brazil, and other parts of
colonial Latin America. Visual as well as more traditional written primary materials, along with secondary texts and films, will serve as the basis for our discus-
sions throughout the semester.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, two short papers (4-5 pages), and a take-home final exam.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 25).
Groups D and G
Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF

KITTLESON

HIST 243 Modern Latin America, 1822 to the Present (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course will examine salient issues in the history of the independent nations of Latin America. The first two sections of the course will focus on the turbulent
formation of nation-states over the course of the “long nineteenth century,” from the crises of the Spanish and Portuguese colonial empires in the late eighteenth
century to the heyday of liberal political economies at the turn of the twentieth century. In this regard the course will analyze the social and economic changes of
the period up to World War I and the possibilities they offered for both political order and disorder. Key topics addressed will include caudillismo, the role of the
Church in politics, economic dependency and development, and the place of indigenous and African Latin-American peoples in new nations, and industrialization
and urbanization. The latter two sections will examine the trend toward state-led national development in the twentieth century, considering the diverse
forms it took and conflicts it generated in different nations and periods. Here we will take up questions of the emergence of workers’ and women’s movements
and the rise of mass politics; militarism, democracy, and authoritarian governments; the influence of the U.S. in the region; and the life and possibly death of
colonial options. Within this chronology of national and regional political economy, we will consider the ways that various Latin American social actors shaped their
own lives and collective histories, sometimes challenging and sometimes accommodating the ideals of national elites. General regional
trends will be illustrated by selected national cases, including Mexico, Brazil, Argentina, Cuba, Chile, Venezuela, Nicaragua, and Guatemala.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, two short papers (3-5 pages), and a take-home final exam.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit 40 (expected: 35-45).
Group D
KITTLESON

HIST 248 History of the Caribbean: Race, Nation, and Politics (Same as Africana Studies 248) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
(See under AFR 248 for full description.)
BENSON
Groups D and G

INTRODUCTORY SURVEY COURSES: UNITED STATES (252-291)

HIST 252(F) North American History to 1865
A topical analysis of the history of what became the United States of America, beginning with the early years of European conquest and ending with the crisis of
the Civil War. Particular attention will be paid to the relationships between major political events and changing patterns of economic, social, and cultural life that
influenced the lives of all Americans. We will be especially attentive to the many ways that the history of the United States and of modern American societies are
shaped by the experiences of African Americans, Native Americans, and women. For example, the experiences of African Americans and Native Americans
are central to understanding the various histories of the American West. We will also attend to the extent to which American history is often written from the
perspectives of those in power, and to the extent to which those perspectives shape our understanding of the past. As we examine these relationships over the course
of American history, we will also consider the ways in which American history has been written and interpreted. The course will also pay attention to how
American history has been written and interpreted.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: students will write a series of short analytical papers and will have a choice of either writing a longer, final essay or
taking a final exam.
Prerequisites: none; open to all. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 20-30).
Groups F and G
Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF
LONG

HIST 253(ES) History of the United States, 1865-Present
This course surveys the important themes and issues that inform the historical landscape of the United States since the Civil War nineteenth century. With special
attention to how Americans defined themselves as citizens and as a nation, the class examines the settlement of the west, the nuances of progressivism, the
expanding role of the United States in the world, desegregation and the rights revolution, and the emergence of conservatism. The course also touches on
connections between current affairs and the American past. Reading assignments include a range of primary sources and historical interpretations.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on participation, short papers, a midterm, and a final take-home exam.
Prerequisites: none; open to all. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 30-40).
Group F
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR
2:35-3:50 TF
First Semester: DUBOW
Second Semester: MERRILL
HIST 262 The United States and the World, 1776 to 1914 (Not offered 2011-2012)
From its foundation in 1776 to the beginning of World War I in 1914, the United States developed a complex of ideas for understanding—and methods for conducting its diplomacy, to an expansionist power in the first half of the nineteenth century, to an emerging world power in the aftermath of the Civil War, and then to an imperialist power after the Spanish-American War. Amidst these events, U.S. statesmen and citizens constantly debated the country’s proper diplomatic role and struggled to construct and propagate a unique American ideology, as well as an advantageous geo-strategic position, on the global stage. The debates about foreign relations were imbued with questions of race, nation, independence, democracy, gender, and geographic expansion; indeed, defining U.S. foreign relations was a means of defining the nation itself. Through a variety of primary sources and scholarly books and articles, this course will examine U.S. relations with external powers as well as the interactions that occurred between U.S. domestic and foreign policy during this period. Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, two 5- to 7-page papers, quizzes, and a midterm exam. Prerequisites: none; open to all. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 15-25).
Group F
CHAPMAN

HIST 263 The United States and the World, 1914 to the Present (Not offered 2011-2012)
World War I altered the world’s geostrategic balance and ushered in a new era for U.S. foreign relations. The self-identified isolationist power would emerge as a hegemon, no longer able or content to rely upon its geographic position to protect it from global entanglement. Some have called this the “Wilsonian Century,” as Woodrow Wilson led the charge to involve the United States in a new international order. This new order did not materialize immediately after the Treaty of Versailles in 1919, especially as the world descended into economic depression. During and after World War II, though, the U.S. adopted activist methods of spreading democracy, national capitalism, and economic development and free trade around the world. This became all the more critical as European empires disintegrated and decolonizing countries looked to the adversarial superpowers, the United States and the Soviet Union, for competing models of development and modern forms of government. Through a variety of primary sources and scholarly books and articles, this course will explore U.S. relations with the world from World War I to the current war in Iraq. In addition to official U.S. policy, it will consider how international events have shaped American society and culture and, in turn, how domestic factors have influenced American foreign policy. Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, a midterm exam, several short papers, a 4- to 5-page paper, and a 6- to 8-page paper. Prerequisites: none; open to all. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 25-30).
Group F
CHAPMAN

HIST 280(S) African American History: An Introduction (Same as Africana Studies 280) (D)
This course provides a survey of African American History from the earliest importation and migration of Africans to North American through the present day. Our readings and discussions will take up the development, expansion, and organization of slavery, the coming and meaning of freedom, and the political and cultural landscapes of African Americans over time. We will discuss slavery, freedom, civil rights, and racial ideologies. Finally, we will examine the post Civil Rights era, the changing meaning of the designation “African American” in light of global migrations, and African American political power in the 21st century. Our readings, which will include both primary and secondary sources, will help us to interrogate African American history and gain an understanding and overview of African American history. The course will be primarily discussion based. Given its focus on the workings of racial ideology and the development of slavery and other forms of unfree labor in the U.S. economic system, this course fulfills the criteria of the Exploring Diversity Initiative. Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on three short papers, a take-home final exam, and performance in-in-class discussions and assignments. No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 20-30).
Group F
Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR LANG

HIST 281 African-American History, 1619-1865 (Same as Africana Studies 281) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
This course provides an introduction to the history of African-Americans in United States during the colonial, early republic, and antebellum eras. The course describes the formation of a predominantly economically, culturally, and racially diverse peoples. This experiences of enslavement and the development of black culture and identity. The course will examine issues of racism and resistance, accommodation, and the process of “becoming American.”
Groups F and G
L BROWN

HIST 282 African-American History From Reconstruction to the Present (Same as Africana Studies 282) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
This course introduces students to the significant themes and events that have shaped African-Americans’ historical experiences from Reconstruction to the end of the twentieth century. Course themes will include: the changing meanings of freedom, equality, and rights; the intersection of ideology and activism; the disconnection between local and national perspectives. Additionally, the course explores the political nature and development of African-American protest traditions, from the era of Jim Crow, the franchise, black institutional and organizational life, black migration and urbanization, the black freedom movement and its legacy, and the demise of the liberal coalition. Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, two short papers, and a take-home exam. This EDI course explores the experiences and expressions of the culturally diverse peoples of African descent in the New World (and the Old), as well as the myriad ways in which they confront, negotiate, and at times challenge dominant U.S. and/or European hierarchies of race, culture, gender and class. Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on the quality of three papers, performance in quizzes, and participation in class discussion. No prerequisites. No enrollment limit (expected: 20-25).
Group F
Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR LANG

HIST 284(F) Topics in Asian American History (Same as Africana Studies 284 and Asian Studies 284) (D)
This course serves as the introduction to Asian American history, roughly covering the years 1850 to the present. It examines the lives of Chinese, Japanese, Koreans, Filipinos, Indians, and Southeast Asians in America, and the historical reasons why they came to the U.S. and their subsequent interactions with other ethno-racial groups. The United States. Topics include the anti-Asian race movements, the warrier-class, the development of an Asian American, the impact of the 1965 Immigration Act and the war in Viet Nam, and the impact of the events of September 11, 2001 on Asian American communities. These themes and others will include the use of historical texts, primary documents, novels, memoirs, and films. This is an EDI course because it examines how people from different Asian countries and cultures interact with each other and those already here in the US. Theories is a story of immigration, exclusion, resistance, accommodation, and the process of “becoming American.” Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on six response papers, two short critical essay (5-7 pages) and a final oral history/family history of an Asian American (10-15 pages). Prerequisites: none; open to all. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 30).
Group F
Hour: 8:30-9:45 MWF WONG

HIST 286 Latina/o History From 1846 to the Present (Same as Latina/o Studies 286) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
This course examines the formation of Latina/o communities in the United States from 1846 to the present. Formed through conquest, immigration, and migration, these communities reflect the political, economic, social, and cultural histories of the Americas, U.S. foreign attention to the political connections between the United States and the countries of origin, and economic conditions in the United States. People’s migration to the United States has been mediated through labor recruitment, immigration and refugee policies, and social networks. Mexicans, Puerto Ricans, Cubans, and Dominicans, as well as more recent immigrants from Central and South American countries, then become racialized populations in the United States. This EDI course examines the racial dynamics at play in the formation of Latina/o communities, as well as the impact of dominant U.S. hierarchies of race, gender and class on the economic incorporation of Latinas and Latinos.
Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15-19). Restricted to History majors.

and a take-home final exam. Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, a 250-word position statement ("What is History?") , two 9- to 11-page interpretive essays, historians modernism. We will conclude with an assessment of the state of the discipline today. In general, we will be less concerned with "the past" than with what of sources, and uses of theory will be discussed. Next, we will address the ways in which historians write about the past, considering the influence of postmodernism on historical narratives, and historical film. Finally, we will examine the uses of history, including public history, history education, and the construction of historical memory. The class will meet once a week, and each session will focus on some theoretical material as well as readings that concretely illustrate the methodological issues at stake. These readings will be drawn from a broad range of topics, such as the Great Depression, the Nanking Massacre, and the assassination of JFK. Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, response papers, short essays, and a final paper. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15-19). Restricted to History majors. SINGHAM

HIST 301D Approaching the Past: Is History Eurocentric? (Not offered 2011-2012)
The modern historical profession is very much a European creation, originating in the Age of Enlightenment. Championing reason and challenging religious views, the Philosophes linked the new secular study of man and his society to a view of historical progress. Some have argued that the very nature of the historical discipline is Eurocentric, based as it is on Western concepts of reason, science, and historical evolution which privilege European history at the expense of its non-Western counterparts. In this course, we will study some of the important spokesmen for historical progress (Voltaire, Condorcet, Marx, von Ranke) as well as some of their important critics. The first half of the course will survey the history of the historical profession from the Enlightenment to the present. In the second half of the course, we will read some of the great works of history which have attempted to explain the rise of the west, grappling with how and to what extent these interpretations are Eurocentric.

Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, two 10- to 12-page papers, and a final paper. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15-19). Restricted to History majors. SINGHAM

HIST 301F(S) Approaching the Past: Remembering American History
Much of what we know and understand about American history is rooted in the received narrative of our national history, a history that is constructed of individual, collective, and a national memory of the past and its meanings. This course will examine some forms through which American historical memory is presented and (re)presented, such as monuments, museums, novels, film, photographs, and scholarly historical writing, by considering a number of riveting events, institutions, or eras in American history. Potential topics are slavery, race, and the Civil War; westward expansion; the Great Depression; World War II; the Sixties; the war in Viet Nam; and the events and aftermath of September 11. 2001. Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on weekly response papers, a book review, an exercise with the Williams College Museum of Art, and a final project to be completed in consultation with the professor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15-19). Restricted to History majors. Not available for the Gouldino option. Hour: 1:00-3:50 WONG

HIST 301G Approaching the Past: Writing the Past (Not offered 2011-2012)
"History" refers to the aggregate of past events as well as to the branch of knowledge that seeks to understand those past events. Whereas history courses often take as their content the first of these two meanings of history, focusing on the politics, society, and culture of a particular place in a particular historical era, this course will examine history's often concealed "other" meaning: the practices of historians, their methods and assumptions. In so doing, this course aims to
unsettle history majors' own assumptions about what history "is" and what historians "do." How do historians reconstruct the past, and how and why have their approaches to sources, theories, and narrative strategies changed over time? And on a deeper level, how have historians' suppositions changed—if they have changed—about the nature of historical truth, knowledge, and the value of history to the societies in which they write? Taking history-writing itself as our object of study, over the course of the semester we will read the work of twelve, quite different historians from the classical to the modern era. Each week in our seminar meetings, we will subject these to a careful reading in order to understand and assess these historians' theories and practices.

Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, weekly critical response papers to the assigned reading, and a final paper. **Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15-19). Restricted to History majors.**

**GARBARNI**

**HIST 301K(S) Approaching the Past: Varieties of Historical Thinking**

This course is designed to acquaint students with some of the ways historians have thought about the past. Beginning with Thucydides' *The Peloponnesian War* and ending with Simon Schama's exercise in historical imagination, *Dead Certainties*, the work of eleven historians will be studied closely and critically over the course of the semester. In the process, students not only will become familiar with various important historical approaches but will also be encouraged to examine their own assumptions about the past and about how and why—or even if—we know it. We will meet weekly to define, understand, and assess the different ways historians considered in the course have thought about the past.

Format: discussion. Requirements: in preparation for class discussion, students are required to produce a 1-page critical response to the assigned reading each week, which will form the basis for class discussion; in addition to writing ten critical responses, students are also required to make an oral presentation of approximately twenty minutes on a professor they have had in a history course at Williams College.

Prerequisites: course enrollment is restricted to History majors; not open to first-year students. **Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15-19).**

**KOHUT**

**HIST 301M(F) Approaching the Past: Westward Expansion in American History**

How does historical knowledge evolve? How do historians build on but also repudiate the work of historians that came before them? In this course, we will explore the historiography that has developed over the last 150 years about the Anglo-American settlement of the West, using it as a lens to explore larger questions about shifting perspectives of the historian's construction. This historiography will also illuminate critical conflicts about the meaning of American history. Did the frontier build American character, as Frederick Jackson Turner argued in 1893? Did it establish patterns of conquest that have shaped American policy toward other parts of the world, as later historians would argue? Has the West been a "secular" or "exceptional" or representative of the nation at large? The class will meet once a week, and each session's discussion will focus intensively on one book, examining the theoretical and historical assumptions of the author; how these assumptions shaped the historian's search for evidence and his or her claims; and the impact they have had on our understanding of the American West.

Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, weekly critical writing, a midterm paper, and a final, book review essay.

Prerequisites: course enrollment is restricted to History majors; not open to first-year students. **Not available for the Gaudioino option.**

Hour: 1:10-3:50 W

**MERRILL**

**ADVANCED ELECTIVES (302-396)**

These advanced, topical courses are more specialized in focus than are the introductory survey courses (202-299) and are intended to follow such courses. Enrollment is often limited. Because these courses may presume some background knowledge, the instructor may recommend that students enroll in an appropriate introductory course before registering for an advanced elective.

**ADVANCED ELECTIVES: AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST (302-311)**

**HIST 304(F) South Africa and Apartheid (Same as Africana Studies 304) (D)**

This course introduces students to the spatial, legal, economic, social and political structures that created Apartheid in South Africa, and to the factors that led to the fall of this racist order. We will examine the many forms of black oppression and, also, the various forms of resistance to Apartheid. Some of the themes we will explore include industrialization and the formation of the black working classes, the constructions of race, ethnicities and sexualities, land alienation and rural struggles, township poverty and violence, Black education, and the Black Consciousness Movement. This EDI course explores the experiences and expressions of the culturally diverse peoples of African descent in the New World (and the Old), as well as the myriad ways in which they confront, negotiate, and at times challenge dominant U.S. and/or European hierarchies of race, culture, gender and class.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation and three short papers.

No prerequisites; open to all. **Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 20).**

Group A

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

**MUTONGI**

**HIST 305 Nation Building: The Making of the Modern Middle East (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)**

In 1932, or twelve years into his rule and twelve years after the establishment of Iraq, King Faysal I lamented that there were "no Iraqi people but only unimagined associations of different ethnic beings, devoid of any common tie." This course will consider how true the King's statement still holds by evaluating the various attempts at nation state building in the modern Middle East and the challenges of statecraft. After assessing some of the more influential theories of nationalism, we will explore the historical experience of nationalism and national identity in Iraq, Iran, Turkey, Palestine, India, and Egypt. What has been at the basis of nationhood? How did European concepts of nation translate into the Middle Eastern context? What was the role of religion in these modern societies? How did traditional notions of gender affect concepts of citizenship? We will also explore some of the unresolved issues facing the various nations of the Middle East, such as unfilled nationalist aspirations, disputes over land and borders, and challenges to sovereignty. Finally, we will evaluate the role of foreign powers in nation building in the Middle East and consider whether the modern concept of the nation has any validity in the Middle Eastern context.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: evaluation will be based on several short papers and a "Magna" Opus (a.k.a. final research paper).

No prerequisites. **Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 20-25). Preference given to History majors and students with a background in Middle Eastern studies.**

Group E

**BERNHARDSSON**

**HIST 307 Islam and Modernity (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (W)**

Is Islam compatible with modernity? And if so, how? This course in intellectual history will systematically address the vast corpus of writings by Muslim activists and scholars on the role of Islam in today's world. Through this examination some of the central questions related to Islam's encounter with modernity will be explored in detail, such as those related to post-colonialism, political authority, violence, and the status of women, democracy, and war. Geographically, this course will focus on Egypt and Iran as well as the ideas being developed by Muslim scholars in Europe and North America. Students will discuss these pertinent issues via videoconferencing with other university students in the Middle East on a regular basis.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: weekly online journal and commentaries and a final research paper (15-20 pages).

No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor's permission. **Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to History and Religion majors.**

Group E

**BERNHARDSSON**

**HIST 308 Gender and Society in Modern Africa (Same as Africana Studies 308 and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 308) (Not offered 2011-2012)**

This course explores the constructions of feminine and masculine categories in modern Africa. We will concentrate on the particular history of women's experiences during the colonial and postcolonial periods. In addition, we will examine how the story of history and gender offers perspectives on contemporary women's issues such as female-circumcision, teen pregnancy, wife-beating, and "AIDS."

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation and three short papers.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor's permission. **Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 15-20).**

Group A

**MUTONGI**

**HIST 310(S) Iraq and Iran in the Twentieth Century (D)**

Despite being neighbors, the historical experience of Iran and Iraq has been drastically different. In this course we will begin by exploring the creation of Iraq in 1921 and the Palhavi government in Iran. We will evaluate the revolutions of 1958 and 1978-9 and compare the lives and careers of Saddam Hussein and Ayatollah Khomeini. The tragic Iran-Iraq war of 1980-88 will also be discussed. Finally, the political future of these countries will be assessed.

Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 20-25). Preference given to History majors and students with a background in Middle Eastern studies. **Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15-19). Restricted to History majors.**
HIST 315 Cultural Foundations: The Literature and History of Early China (Same as Chinese 224 and Comparative Literature 220) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
(See under CHIN 224 for full description.)
NUGENT

HIST 316(S) Japan since 1945 (Same as Asian Studies 316)
Japan’s path since 1945 has been jagged and unpredictable, sometimes exhilarating, sometimes full of anxiety. This course will examine that path in an effort to understand the main themes in recent Japanese history and the forces that have propelled the nation across the last 65 years. The focus will be on reading primary materials and secondary sources, watching films, and discussing what we have read and seen. Although the course will proceed in a chronological fashion, several themes will be seen to thread their way across the decades: the lingering questions of militarism and World War II, the struggle between capitalism and democracy, Japan’s complicated relationships with both Asia and the United States, and the vicissitudes of economic growth and decline. We also will look at the impact of popular culture in Japan and on the world.
Format: discussion and lecture. Students will be expected to write a combination of response papers and a longer (15- to 20-page) research-based interpretive paper. There will also be a final test or project.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit 25 (expected: 15–20). If oversubscribed, preference will be given to History and Asian Studies majors.
Group B
Hour: 2:55–3:50 MR
HUFFMAN

HIST 317(S) Urban Spaces of Modern South Asia (Same as Arabic 320, Asian Studies 320, International Studies 320 and Sociology 320)
(See under SOC 320 for full description.)
VALIANI

HIST 318(S) Nationalism in East Asia (Same as Asian Studies 245 and Political Science 354)
(See under PSCI 245 for full description.)
CRANE

HIST 319 Gender and the Family in Chinese History (Same as Asian Studies 319 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 319) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
Although sometimes claimed as part of a set of immutable “Asian values,” the Chinese family has not remained fixed or stable over time. In this course, we will use the framework of “family” to gain insight into gender, generational, and sexual roles in different historical periods. Beginning in the late imperial period (16th-18th Centuries), we will examine the religious, marital, sexual, and childrearing practices associated with the “orthodox” Confucian family. We will then explore the wide variety of “heterodox” practices in imperial China, debates over and critiques of the family system in the twentieth century, and configurations of gender and family in contemporary China. As an EDI course, this class makes use of anthropological and gender studies methods to analyze both the specificities of Chinese ideas and practices regarding family, gender and sexuality as well as the considerable variety among these ideas and practices at different points in time.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, several short papers, and a final paper.
No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 20).
Group B and G
A. REINHARDT

HIST 320(F) Cultures of Protest in Modern South Asia (Same as Arabic 337, Asian Studies 337 and Sociology 337)
(See under SOC 337 for full description.)
VALIANI

HIST 321 History of U.S.-Japan Relations (Same as Asian Studies 321 and Japanese 321) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
An unabating tension between conflict and cooperation has been an undercurrent of U.S.-Japan relations in the past 150 years, at times erupting into clashes reaching the scale of world war and at times allowing for measured collaboration. We will explore the U.S.-Japan relationship from the perspectives of both countries with a focus on how culture, domestic concerns, economic and political aims, international contexts, and race have helped shape its course and nature. This course will fulfill the requirements of the Exploring Diversity Initiative by examining not just the diplomatic relationship between the U.S. and Japan, but also how various types of interactions have influenced the dynamics of power between these two countries and have shaped the ways in which each country has understood and portrayed the other. Topics will include early U.S.-Japan encounters, the road to World War II, the politics and social history of the Occupation, trade relations, and the U.S.-Japan security alliance. Contemporary topics will also be discussed and due attention will be given to the larger context of U.S.-East Asia relations.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, response papers, two short papers (5 pages), and a self-scheduled final exam or research paper.
No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission. No enrollment limit (expected: 30).
Groups B and F
SINIAWER

HIST 322 The Construction of Gender in Ancient Greece and Rome (Same as Classics 239 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 239) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under CLAS 239 for full description.)
CHRISTENSEN

HIST 323(S) Leadership, Government, and the Governed in Ancient Greece (Same as Classics 323 and Leadership Studies 323) (W)
Visionary, opportunist, reformer, tyrant, demagogue, popular champion: concise characterization of influential leaders is often irresistible. But placing leaders in their much less easily encapsulated political, social, and religious contexts reveals them to be far more complicated and challenging subjects. Among the questions that will guide our study of Greek leadership was the transformative leader in a Greek city always an unexpected one, arising outside of the prevailing political and/or social systems? To what extent did the prevailing systems determine the nature of transformative as well as of normative leadership? How did various political and social norms contribute to legitimating particular kinds of leader? After studying such leaders as the “tyrants” who prevailed in many Greek cities of both the archaic and classical eras, then Athenian leaders like Solon, Cleisthenes, Cimon, Pericles, Cleon, and Demosthenes, and Spartans like Cleomenes, Leonidas, Brasidas, and Lysander, we will focus on Alexander the Great, whose unique accomplishments transformed every aspect of Greek belief about leadership, national boundaries, effective government, the role of the governed, and the legitimacy of power. Readings will include accounts of leadership and government by ancient Greek authors (e.g. Herodotus, Thucydides, Plato, Aristotle, Demosthenes, all in translation) and contemporary historians and political theorists.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on contributions to class discussions, three short papers (4-6 pages each), a midterm exam, and an oral presentation leading to a significant final paper (15-20 pages).
No prerequisites; but a background and/or interest in the ancient world, political systems, and/or Leadership Studies is preferred; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 12).
Group C and G
Hour: 2:55-3:50 MR
CHRISTENSEN

HIST 324(F) The Development of Christianity: 30-600 C.E. (Same as Religion 212) (W)
(See under REL 212 for full description.)
BUELL

Group G
HIST 326(S) War in European History
From the ancient world to the twentieth century, war has always played an important part in European history. Europeans have not only constantly been at war with other Europeans, but also with neighboring cultures and, indeed, most peoples around the globe. This course will introduce students to the history of European warfare from its origins in the classical and medieval periods to its maturation in the early modern period (1450-1815), and its disastrous culmination in the nationalist struggles of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Has there been a distinctively “European Way of War” from the beginning? How do we explain failure and success in European wars? What exactly happened at the strategic, operational, and tactical levels of war? And what caused changes in the organization and waging of European war from one period to the next? Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, one short research paper, and midterm and final exams. No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission. **Enrollment limit (expected: 30-40).**

Groups C and G
Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR

WOOD

HIST 330(S) The Reformations in Early Modern Europe (Same as Religion 220)
(See under REL 220 for full description.)

Groups C and G

SHUCK

HIST 331(S) Gnosis, Gnosticism (Same as Classics 218, Comparative Literature 218 and Religion 218) (W)
(See under REL 218 for full description.)

BUELL

HIST 332(F) Gender and Intellectual Life in Seventeenth Century Europe (Same as Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 332)
The roots of our contemporary reflections on the human being, society, nature, knowledge, and religion derive in many respects from the intellectual life of the seventeenth century. This was a time when phenomena like the notion of body and soul, the legitimacy of power, and the uses of knowledge were intensely debated, reformulated, and reshaped in order to fit a changing world. The intellectual history of this period was turbulent and has often been debated. This course will both broaden and deepen our understanding of these years through the prism of gender. It will introduce students to the major intellectual, political, and ethical debates in seventeenth-century Europe through the work of women philosophers, scientists, artists, and rulers—women like Marie de Gournay, Margaret Cavendish, Anne Conway, Princess Elisabeth, Queen Christina, Maria Sibylla Merian, and others. Canonical figures of the period, such as Francis Bacon, René Descartes, Thomas Hobbes, Baruch Spinoza, and Isaac Newton, will be studied in relation to the questions put forward by these women in their own intellectual work. Sources will include primary philosophical, scientific, artistic, and literary works, as well as secondary historical texts.

Format: mostly discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, an oral presentation, two short critical essays based on class readings, and a final research paper (6-8 pages). No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission. **Enrollment limit: 25; expected enrollment: 15-20. Preference given to History majors and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies concentrators.**

Groups C and G
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR

ROSENGREN

HIST 334(S) Sex and Psyche: A Cultural History of Fin-de-Siècle Europe (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 334)
This course will introduce students to some of the most significant and exciting social, artistic, intellectual, and political developments in fin-de-siècle Europe (1870 to 1914). “Fin-de-siècle” is a concept that denotes not only a historical period—the end of a century—but refers to a consciousness of living in a time of accelerated change and crisis. Intellectuals and artists of the decades we will be examining were preoccupied with “degeneration,” loss of innocence, meaning, morality, and the inner self. They were simultaneously fascinated and horrified by technological innovation, emergent political and ideological currents, and the challenges to traditional values and identities posed by them. After a survey of political upheavals during the European fin-de-siècle, the course will focus on three metropoles consecutively: Vienna, Paris, and St. Petersburg. Through analyses of historical literature, novels, music, visual art, and the seminal texts of psychoanalysis we will explore how the self, public life, gender relations, sexuality, and aesthetics were conceived and re-imagined in each city, and bring to light the sensibilities and culture they shared.

Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, an oral presentation, two short critical essays based on class readings, and a final research paper (6-8 pages). No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission. **Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 20-25). Preference determined by instructor.**

Groups C
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR

FISHZON

HIST 336(S) National-Socialist Germany (D)
This course is a history of National-Socialist Germany based to a considerable extent on primary documents. Students will use the documents to reconstruct the history of the Third Reich and to articulate and assess some of the principal historiographical debates relating to National-Socialist Germany. The course will consider the following topics: the failure of the Weimar Republic and the rise of National Socialism; the consolidation of Nazi rule; the experiential reality of the Volksgemeinschaft; the popularity of National Socialism; youth and women in the Third Reich; Nazi culture; Nazi racism and image of the Jew; Gestapo terror; the post-war persecution of Jews; popular German anti-Semitism; the regime’s euthanasia program; the Nazi Empire; the experience of war in Russia; the implementation of the “Final Solution to the Jewish Problem”; German knowledge of and complicity in the “Final Solution”; the experience of “total war” on the home front; resistance to National Socialism; and the collapse of the Third Reich. The course will focus especially on how ordinary Germans experienced and participated in the history through which they lived. We will take an empathic approach to National-Socialist Germany and to the Germans who lived through this period, attempting to understand why they felt, thought, and acted as they did. We will also consider the epistemological and ethical problems involved in attempting to empathize with Nazis.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: evaluation will be based on participation in class discussion, a research paper of between ten and fifteen pages and a final examination. No prerequisites; open to all. **Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 20-25).**

Groups C
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

KOHUT

HIST 338(F) The History of the Holocaust (Same as Jewish Studies 338 and Religion 296)
In twenty-first century United States, the murder of approximately six million European Jews by Nazi Germany remains a central event in our political, moral, and cultural universe. Nevertheless, the Holocaust still confounds historians’ efforts to understand both the motivations of the perpetrators and the suffering of the victims. In this course, we will study the origins and unfolding of Nazi Germany’s genocidal policies, taking into consideration the perspectives of those who carried out mass murder as well as the experiences and responses of Jews and other victim groups to persecution. We will also examine the Holocaust within the larger context of the history of World War II in Europe and historians’ debates about Germany’s exterminatory war aims. Course materials will include diaries, speeches, bureaucratic documents, memoirs, films, and historical scholarship.

Format: mostly discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, a map quiz, four papers (4 pages) based on class readings, and a final research paper (6-8 pages).

No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission. **Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 20-25). Preference given to History majors and Jewish Studies concentrators.**

Groups C
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

GARBARINI

HIST 340 Roman Cities in the Near East (Same as Anthropology 240 and Classics 340) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
(See under CLAS 340 for full description.)

Groups C and G

RUBIN

HIST 341 Envisioning Empire: Geography in the Graeco-Roman World (Same as ArtH 239 and Classics 341) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
(See under CLAS 341 for full description.)

Groups C and G

RUBIN
ADVANCED ELECTIVES: LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN (342-351)

HIST 345(F) “In Our Own Backyard?” U.S. and Latin American Relations (Same as Africana Studies 345)
This course examines the relations between the United States and Latin America during the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. We will explore a variety of U.S. military interventions in the region, including U.S. participation in the Spanish-Cuban-American War, the occupation of Haiti, and the CIA’s role in the overthrow of President Salvador Allende in Chile. We will look for consistencies and changes over time, weighing the role of ideology, national security, economic interests, and cultural factors in the creation and outcomes of U.S. policy. Readings will consist of a variety of primary source materials, including letters and memoirs by U.S. policy-makers. All of the course documents are in English, but students with a reading knowledge of Spanish will be encouraged to investigate sources in Spanish. In addition to the actions and motivations of officials in Washington, the course will investigate how ordinary Americans like young soldiers, African Americans, and women saw their roles as occupiers, allies, and the vehicle of modern civilization in the region. History 345 will also consider Latin American initiatives and responses to U.S. intervention, from attempts by nationalist regimes in Chile, Cuba, Guatemala, and Nicaragua to find an alternative to dependence on the United States. Through the critiques by Latin American intellectuals concerning U.S. cultural influences.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, short (2-3 page) weekly writing assignments, and a final research paper (15-20 pages in length). The final paper will be based on primary source research about a particular U.S. intervention in Latin America.
No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25). Preference determined by instructor.
Group D and E
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR

HIST 346(F) History of Modern Brazil (Same as Africana Studies 346) (D)
Brazil has been “the country of the future” for longer than it has been an independent nation. Soon after Europeans descended on its shores, Brazil was hailed as a land of resources that would diversify and diversify its wealth and power for its inhabitants. Although this has often lent a boosterish quality to its descriptions of the country, it has also brought ambiguity—for if the label suggests Brazil’s potential, it also underlies the country’s failure to live up to that promise. Being an eternal “country of the future” must be as much a troubling as a cheering designation. This course will examine the modern history of that country of the future by taking up major themes from independence to the present. Beginning with what was by Latin American standards an easy transition from colony to independent empire, we will analyze the hierarchies that have characterized Brazilian society and their relation to the political and economic evolution of the Brazilian nation-state. The course will give particular attention to the themes of race, gender, and citizenship; national culture and modernity; and democracy and authoritarianism in social and political relations. Combining cultural, political, and social analyses, this course fulfills the Exploring Diversity Initiative requirement by examining a range of written texts and other sources to understand these and other themes in the lives of Brazilians of different social identities and political standings since Independence. Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, two short papers, and a longer (10-12 page) final essay.
No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 15-20).
Group D
Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF

Advanced Electives: United States (352-387)

HIST 352(FS) America and the Sea, 1600-Present (Same as Maritime Studies 352) (Offered only at Mystic Seaport) (W)
(See under MAST 352 for full description.)
Groups F and G

HIST 354(F) The Revolutionary Generation: Galaxy of Leaders as Leadership Studies 285 and Political Science 285
(See under LEAD 285 for full description.)
Groups F and G

HIST 355(F) Perspectives on the American Revolution (Same as Leadership Studies 255)
The American Revolution remains one of the most-studied events in American history. Yet, agreement about its main causes, significance, and purpose remains as distant as ever. Some historians argue that it was an extraordinary event in which the colonists managed to create a new nation, while others argue that it was simply one of many revolutions that took place in the eighteenth century. Others emphasize the economic motives behind revolutionary fervor. Still others argue that British political institutions failed to adapt to the needs of a growing empire, leading colonists to replace British imperial rule with a form of government suited to their local exigencies. Some have told the story through the eyes of the Founding Fathers, while others have explored what the American Revolution meant for the lived experience of average citizens, of women, of free and enslaved African Americans, of Native Americans, and of the living beyond North America. Collectively, such a range of studies speaks to the significance of the American Revolution. Individually, however, these varying perspectives provide a fragmented picture of the era and its people. Through readings, lectures, and primary sources, this course will explore these different views of the Revolution and try to create some synthetic unity out of this historical kaleidoscope.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, two short papers, and a final (10-12 page) final essay.
Group B

Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR

HIST 356 Race, Gender, and Sexuality in U.S. History (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 356) (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course explores the shifting, contested, and intersecting meanings of race, gender, and sexuality in the United States. We will begin with three units designed to introduce the theoretical and methodological literature (one each on gender, sexuality, and race), and then devote the rest of our sessions to analyzing a series of specific historical topics examining the ways that race, sexuality, and gender have been imagined, policed, legislated, experienced, and performed in modern U.S. history. Topics to be explored include the development of and categories of race, gender, and class; race and class as social constructs; the construction of the modern family; and the construction of the modern nation. We will also consider the question of how race, gender, and sexuality have been represented in popular culture.
Groups F and G

Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR

HIST 358(S) The Roosevelt Style of Leadership (Same as Leadership Studies 325)
(See under LEAD 325 for full description.)
Group F

HIST 359(S) The Politics of Presidential Leadership, 1776-1860 (Same as Leadership Studies 259)
This course will trace the development of the presidency from George Washington to Abraham Lincoln. By focusing on the most consequential presidents of the period, this class will explore presidential successes and failures during times of peace and prosperity and during times of war and depression. As often as possible, the class will also examine the tactics of these presidents’ political rivals to understand how competing politicians tried to navigate the social and political terrain of their day. Through the study of biography and primary sources, students will offer critical appraisals of presidents and leave the course with a historical understanding of the types of challenges that those who have held the office have often faced. The course will also provide an in-depth survey of United States political history during the tumultuous early years of the nation.
HIST 364(F) History of the Old South (Same as Africana Studies 364)  
During the course of the semester, we shall investigate two broad, interrelated topics: slavery in the antebellum South, and the impact of slavery on Southern civilization. Our approach will be primarily topical. In the first half of the course, we shall look at subjects like the foreign and domestic slave trade, patterns of work and treatment, the nature of the master-slave relationship, resistance and rebellion, and slave cultural, social, and family life. The second half of the course will concentrate on the influence of the institution of slavery on the mind, social structure, and economy of the Old South, and slavery’s impact on Southern politics and the decision for secession in 1860-61.  
Format: discussion. Evaluation based on class participation, two papers of moderate length, and a final examination.  
No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission.  
Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25).  
Preference determined by instructor.  
Groups F and G  
Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR  
MERRILL

HIST 365 History of the New South (Same as Africana Studies 365) (Not offered 2011-2012)  
A study of the history of the American South from 1877 to the present. Social, political and economic trends will be examined in some detail: the rule of the “Redeemers” following the end of Reconstruction; tenancy, sharecropping, and the rise of agrarian radicalism; Southern Progressivism; the coming of racial segregation and the destruction of the Jim Crow system during the years of the Civil Rights movement; Southern politics during the depression and post-World War II years.  
Format: discussion. Evaluation based on class participation, two papers of moderate length, and a final examination.  
No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission.  
Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25).  
Groups F and G  
Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF  
DEW

HIST 371 The History of U.S. Environmental Politics (Same as Environmental Studies 371) (Not offered 2011-2012)  
The politics surrounding the environment today are a super-heated source of conflict, at the same time that most opinion polls show that Americans widely embrace many environmental protections. While environmental concerns have long been a part of local politics in America, this course will “largely explore the emergence and prominence of environmental issues in national politics” from the first organized conservation efforts in the late nineteenth century to the present day concerns with the global environment. Throughout the course, we will investigate how changes in the environment have shaped American politics and how political decisions have altered the American, as well as the global, environment, with particular attention to which groups of people have had, or have not had, access to political processes and institutions.  
Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, weekly critical writing, an analytical essay, and a final exam.  
No prerequisites; open to all.  
Preference will be given to History majors, Environmental Policy, and Environmental Science majors or prospective majors if the course is overenrolled.  
Groups F  
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR  
MERRILL

HIST 372(S) The Rise of American Business (Same as Leadership Studies 372)  
An examination of the complex process that led to the business enterprise as we know it from its marginal position in the agrarian society of the early colonial period to become, by the twentieth century, one of the principal forces shaping American culture. Subjects to be considered: the business and political activities of colonial merchants, early-American attempts at industrialization, the business careers of John D. Rockefeller and Andrew Carnegie, and the growth, since 1900, of multi-divisional corporations like DuPont and General Motors. Readings will include historical studies, biography, autobiography, and fiction.  
Format: discussion. Requirements: a series of short analytical papers and the choice of either writing a longer, final essay or taking a final exam.  
No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission.  
Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 20-25). Open to sophomores and also to first-year students with Advanced Placement Credit in American History.  
Groups F  
Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR  
DALZELL
HIST 374 American Medical History (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
This course will cover major themes in American medical history and historiography from the colonial period through the twentieth century. Every aspect of American medical history underwent tremendous transition during the period we will study. Medical education, the medical profession, and notions about cures and care changed fundamentally, as did ideas about the nature of illness itself. Our course of study, in addition to charting ways in which the practice of medicine in America has developed, will make an equal effort to understand how medicine has changed and affected American society. Topics that we will investigate include cholera, TB, and childbirth in American society, as well as other medical phenomena.
Format: lecture/discussion, Evaluation will be based on class participation, two short papers, reading quiz, and a final research paper.
No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission. No enrollment limit (expected: 15-25).
Groups F and G
LONG

HIST 375 History of American Childhood (Same as Africana Studies 375) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
Over the course of American history both the experience of childhood and our understandings of childhood have changed radically. Children have been bought and sold as slaves, hanged as convicted witches, and purchased slaves themselves. A century ago many children were sent “out to work” at ages that our society now defines as too young even to be left alone in the house. Common experiences of modern middle-class American childhood—summer camp, secondary school, and organized youth sports teams—are recent additions to American life. Through reading works of history and autobiography we will explore American childhood and what attitudes toward specific groups of children reveals about American society. This course is an EDI course; as such, we will consistently study groups of children that differ by race and class. In addition, we will interrogate the category of childhood and debate its universality and usefulness. Does the experience of childhood help to “unify” diverse groups of people?
Format: lecture/discussion. Students will be required to write three papers and be expected to contribute actively to class discussion.
No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 20-30). Preference determined by instructor.
Group F
LONG

HIST 378 The History of Sexuality in America (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 378) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
Sex is often thought of as an unchanging need, behavior, or instinct—a form of experience without history. And yet even in the recent past, sexual desires, acts, identities, attitudes, and technologies have undergone profound transformations. This course explores those transformations, tracing the shifting and contested meanings and experiences of sex and sexuality from the pre-colonial period to the present, and examining how and why sexuality has become so central to identities, culture, politics, and history. To understand how sexuality has been regulated by the state and what sexuality has meant to ordinary Americans in the past, we will use a wide range of primary sources, including as private letters, law cases, photographs, films, and music. Many of the topics are relevant to contemporary public debates, including controversies over censorship, sexual violence, gay and lesbian sexualities, transgender identities and politics, abortion, and sexually transmitted diseases.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: evaluation will be based on class participation, a midterm examination, several short papers, and a 10- to 12-page research paper.
Group F
LONG

HIST 379(S) Black American History in the United States (Same as Africana Studies 379 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 379) (D)
As slaves and free women, activists, domestics, artists and writers, African Americans have played exciting and often unexpected roles in U.S. political, social, and cultural history. In this course we will examine black women’s lives from the earliest importation of slaves from Africa and the Caribbean through the expansion of slavery, the Civil War, freedom, Jim Crow, the Civil Rights movements, and up to the present day. Consistent themes we will explore are the significance of gender in African American history and the changing roles and public perceptions of black women both inside and outside the black community. We will read and discuss a combination of primary and secondary sources; we will also consider music, art, and literature, as well as more standard “historical” texts. This course meets the requirements of the Exploring Diversity Initiative in that it focuses on empathetic understanding, power and privilege, especially in relation to class, gender, and race within a U.S. context.
Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on student participation, three papers, and a brief oral presentation.
Group F
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

HIST 380 Comparative American Immigration History (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
This course examines the underhanging tension between the notion of American pluralism and the desire for homogeneity through the study of the history of immigration to the United States from Europe, Latin America, the Caribbean, Asia, the Middle East, and Africa. Special attention will be paid to the condition in the sending countries and the historical ties of those countries to the United States, immigration and labor recruitment, anti-immigrant sentiments, and the development of American immigration policy. This is an EDI course because it examines how people from different countries and cultures interacted with each other, shaped these developments, and how these changes in immigration to the United States reflect the experiences of people from the sending countries and the historical ties of those countries to the United States. In this course we will explore the interaction of immigration, exclusion, resistance, accommodation, labor and the creation of an American image of pluralism, coupled with the desire for assimilated immigrants.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on six response papers, two short critical essay (5-7 pages) and a final oral history/family history 15-20 pages).
No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25).
Group F
LONG

HIST 381 From Civil Rights to Black Power (Same as Africana Studies 381) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
The Supreme Court decision Brown v. Board of Education (1954) ended an era of black activism that used the courts to overturn exclusionary practices of American civil education, opening a new civil rights era that introduced new strategies and tactics of protest. This course introduces students to the themes and issues of the black freedom movement as it transpired after 1954 and continued into the 1980s in the United States. Focusing on African Americans’ demands for the rights and responsibilities of citizenship, and placing their perspectives at the center, the course will follow the development of American immigration policy. This is an EDI course because it examines how people from different countries and cultures interacted with each other, shaped these developments, and how these changes in immigration to the United States reflect the experiences of people from the sending countries and the historical ties of those countries to the United States. In this course we will explore the interaction of immigration, exclusion, resistance, accommodation, labor and the creation of an American image of pluralism, coupled with the desire for assimilated immigrants.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on six response papers, two short critical essay (5-7 pages) and a final oral history/family history 15-20 pages).
No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25).
Group F
LONG

HIST 382 Latino/a Politics (Same as Latino/a Studies 382 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 382) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
(See under LATS 382 for full description.)
WHALEN

HIST 383 History of Whiteness in the United States (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 383) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
If race is a social construct, then any historical study of race and race relations in the United States extends to the topic of American whiteness. Using the work of the newest historians, the course follows a chronology that begins with colonial Virginia and ends with the presidency of Barack Obama, framed by several questions: What is whiteness, and what has it meant in the history of the United States? Who is (and is not) white? What about other analytical categories, like gender and class or region or ethnicity or sexuality); how have these experiences shaped and been shaped by the racial category of whiteness; What is white culture and how has it developed over time? Because historically whiteness has carried overtones of power, privilege, and wealth in the United States, the course necessarily reveals, examines, and critiques the historical roots of racial disparities. This class is not for the faint-hearted; informed participation is neces-
sary to its success. The reading can be described as intense. The course fulfills the requirements of the Exploring Diversity Initiative because it examines the differences and similarities between white Americans and other American cultures and because it explores whiteness as a prism for understanding the operation of power and privilege in American society.

Format: discussion. Requirements: evaluation will be based on class participation, the leading of two class discussions related to the writing of two 3- to 5-page review/response papers, and a final bibliographical research project.
No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 15-20).

Group F
L. BROWN

HIST 384 Comparative Asian-American History, 1850-1965 (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
This course explores the early history of Chinese and Japanese immigrants and their descendants in the United States. We will first look at the immigration patterns of these two Asian groups to the United States, how they made a living here, and how other Americans reacted to their presence. From there, the course will take an in-depth look at the anti-Asian movement in this country which culminated in the prohibition of most Chinese immigrants from entering the country and later, the incarceration of Japanese Americans during World War II. This course fulfills the Exploring Diversity Initiative requirement because it examines the history of the two Asian immigrant groups of this time period and their relationship to each other and to other ethnic-racial groups, all within the context of American history from the Antebellum period through World War II.

Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on a series of writing assignments: six short response papers, two 5- to 7-page essays, and a 10- to 15-page research paper.
No prerequisites; open to all students. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 10-15).

Group F
WONG

HIST 385 Contemporary Issues in Recent Asian-American History, 1965-Present (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
This course will focus on the early history of Chinese and Japanese immigrants and their descendants in the United States. We will first look at the immigration patterns of these two Asian groups to the United States, how they made a living here, and how other Americans reacted to their presence. From there, the course will take an in-depth look at the anti-Asian movement in this country which culminated in the prohibition of most Chinese immigrants from entering the country and later, the incarceration of Japanese Americans during World War II. This course fulfills the Exploring Diversity Initiative requirement because it examines the history of the two Asian immigrant groups of this time period and their relationship to each other and to other ethnic-racial groups, all within the context of American history from the Antebellum period through World War II.

Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on a series of writing assignments: six short response papers, two 5- to 7-page essays, and a 10- to 15-page research paper.
No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 15).

Group F
WONG

HIST 386 Latinas in the Global Economy: Work, Migration, and Households (Same as Latina/o Studies 386 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 386) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
This course examines the impact of the global economy on Latinas from 1945 to the present, including Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, and Dominican women, as well as Latinas from other Latin countries. The course will explore the labor market and the workplace, the family and household, and the political and social context in which Latinas live. The course will also consider the impact of globalization on Latinas and the implications of Latinas’ participation in the global economy. The course will be open to all students. Enrollment limit: 15-20.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission. No enrollment limit (expected: 15).
Groups D and F
WHALEN

HIST 388 The Cold War, 1945-1991 (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course examines the Cold War from its origins in World War II to its end with the collapse of the Soviet empire in 1991. Lectures, readings, and discussions will explore how and why the Cold War began, why it continued, what characterized it, how its foci changed over time, and how and why it ended. We will pay particular attention to the ideological, diplomatic, technological, and military competitions that marked the bipolar Soviet-American rivalry. We will also explore the role of domestic and international actors in the Cold War, including the impact of the American Cold War on the global economy and on the lives of ordinary people around the world. The course will be open to all students. Enrollment limit: 15-20.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 15-20).
Groups C and F
CHAPMAN

ADVANCED ELECTIVES: TRANSNATIONAL/COMPARATIVE (388-396)

HIST 389 The Vietnam Wars (Same as Asian Studies 389) (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course explores the Vietnam Wars from the perspectives of various Vietnamese, French, and American agents, and addresses the roles played by other international actors. Lectures, readings, films, and discussions will place the Vietnam Wars in the broad context of the Cold War and the post-World War II wave of decolonization, as well as the specific contexts of Vietnamese, French, and American history, politics, and culture. The course will be open to all students. Enrollment limit: 15-20.

No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 15-20).
Groups B and F
CHAPMAN

HIST 390 The 1930s in Comparative Perspective: Germany, Italy, and Japan (Same as Asian Studies 390 and Japanese Studies 390) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
How did Germany, Italy, and Japan deal with the economic, political, and social crises of the 1930s? In what ways did each of these three countries navigate the economic depression, challenges to democracy, and ascendance of totalitarianism that marked this pivotal and transformative decade? This course will take a transnational approach to such questions, examining various aspects of the politics, economy, society, and culture of the 1930s in Germany, Italy, and Japan. It will explore the origins and rise of Italian fascism, German National Socialism, and Japanese militarism; the political cultures of charisma, violence, terror, collaboration, and resistance; racism and anti-Semitism; and fascist aesthetics. We will also consider how these phenomena shaped, and were shaped by, the nature of everyday life in this decade with particular attention to issues of religion, family, and gender. To conclude the semester, we will discuss how the 1930s have been remembered, and whether we can speak of fascisms at work in the present day. This course will fulfill the requirements of the Exploring Diversity Initiative by comparing how global frustrations and challenges played out both similarly and differently in Germany, Italy, and Japan; and how these countries that would emerge as the axis powers negotiated their particular encounters with fascism.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, several short essays, and a 10- to 12-page historiographical essay.
No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 20-25).
Groups B and C
SINIAWER

HIST 391(F) Insurgencies: Revolts, Revolutions, Wars of National Liberation, and Jihads (Same as Anthropology 391 and INTR 391)
(See under ANTH 391 for full description.)

Group G
JUST
HIST 393(M) Muslims and Europe: From the Conquest of Algeria to the Present (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

This course explores Europe’s tumultuous relationship with North Africa, focusing on French and British colonialism and its aftermath in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Topics to be covered include Napoleon’s Egyptian Campaign, the collapse of the Ottoman Empire, Anglo-French rivalry over the Canal and the Suez crisis of 1956, the Algerian Revolution and the anti-Islamic coup in 1991-2, and the migration of North Africans and Indian/Pakistani Muslims to Europe in the post 1945 period. Racial tensions, battles over headscarves, French hip-hop music, and Jewish-Muslim relations in contemporary France are among the topics to be explored with an eye to examining how Europe is coming to terms with its new multicultural identity. By comparing and contrasting Muslim and European societies, and by showing the ways in which colonial power and racial privilege affected these cultures, this course meets the EDI requirement as it seeks to develop an empathetic understanding of the position of Muslims in Europe today.

Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, an oral presentation, two short critical essays based on class readings, and a final research paper.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students with instructor’s permission. 

No enrollment limit (expected: 8-14).

Groups C, F, and G

FISHZON

ADVANCED SEMINARS (402-479)

These are advanced courses normally limited in enrollment to fifteen students. Each seminar will investigate a topic in depth and will require students to engage in research that leads to a substantial piece of historical writing. All History majors are required to complete either an advanced seminar (402-479) or a tutorial (480-492). Instructors may recommend prior coursework in the area of the seminar. Preference is given to senior History majors, followed by junior History majors.

ADVANCED SEMINARS: AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST (402-411)

HIST 403(F) Making it in Africa (Same as Africana Studies 404 and Leadership Studies 403)

Although Africa has come to be known as a continent that relies heavily on foreign aid, that aid rarely reaches ordinary people. In fact, recent studies have suggested that the continent has not helped develop Africa. In search of an emerging Africa, that ordinary African face, many see Africa—now more than ever before—as a place bursting with promise and opportunity, even if that opportunity may require challenges to conventional economic and political thinking. Increasingly, an innovative class of entrepreneurs is emerging in Africa that is hustling in the form and informal economy in order to accumulate capital. This seminar will trace the social and cultural history of entrepreneurship in Africa from the 19th century to the present. We will explore the individual journeys of some of these entrepreneurs, the values and objectives they nurtured, the changes in the strategy and structure of the businesses they created, and the dynamic environments in which they each lived and worked. The course will also examine the long-term impact of entrepreneurial innovation and market evolution on African communities and governments. Readings will include histories, biographies, autobiographies, ethnographies, and novels.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on participation in discussion, several short papers, and a final research paper.

Prerequisites: previous courses in history. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10-15). Preference will be given to History majors and Africana Studies concentrators.

Groups A

Hour: 1:10-3:50 W

MUTONGI

HIST 410(F) Kings, Heroes, Gods, and Monsters: Historical Texts and Modern Identities in the Middle East (Same as Arabic 410, Jewish Studies 410 and Religion 405) (D) (W)

What role does ancient history play in modern societies? What is the role of myths and fables in the creation of national identities? This course will address the use and abuse of ancient history and archaeology in the modern Middle East. The first part will focus on some of the primary ancient texts, with special focus on Ferdowsi’s epic Shahnameh (Book of Kings); we will compare its themes and world view with those of the Icelandic sagas that share many similarities with the Iranian canon. In the second part of the course we will explore how ancient history, archaeology, and epic texts helped forge national identities in the modern Middle East. Our primary attention will be Iran and its relationship with the Shahnameh. But we will also consider the relationship of Biblical history to the establishment of modern Israel and Israeli nationalism, how contemporary Egypt relates to its Pharaonic past, the obsession with pre-Islamic history in modern Turkey, and the relationship between archaeological artifacts and ancient Mesopotamian history and 20th century Iraqi politics. Because of its comparative focus, this course is part of the Exploring Diversity Initiative.

Format: seminar. Requirements: a final, 25-page research paper on the relationship between ancient history and a modern Middle Eastern country, shorter papers, and in-class work.

Prerequisites: previous upper division work in History or courses on the Middle East. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). Preference given to History majors. 

Jewish Studies concentrators, Arabic Studies majors, and other students with a strong background in Middle Eastern studies.

Groups E and G

Hour: 1:10-3:50 W

BERNHARDSSON

ADVANCED SEMINARS: ASIA (414)

HIST 414(S) Merchant Cultures and Capitalist Classes in China and India (Same as Asian Studies 414)

As the expression “Chindia” in the title of a recent book suggests, contemporary commentators find it difficult to resist conflating the rise of China and India as economic powers in the early 21st century. There are, however, significant parallels between the two national histories and important distinctions that shape their contemporary viewpoints and futures. This seminar will examine various historical dimensions of entrepreneurial activity in China and India from the early modern period through the twentieth century. It will focus on topics such as indigenous forms of merchant organization, the impact of nineteenth-century imperialism, the adoption of Western business forms and methods, and the relationship of entrepreneurial elites to the modern state.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on participation in discussion, several short papers, a literature review, and a final research paper.

Prerequisites: upper division work in History or Asian Studies. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10-15). Preference will be given to advanced History and Asian Studies majors.

Groups B

Hour: 1:10-3:50 W

A. REINHARDT

ADVANCED SEMINARS: EUROPE AND RUSSIA (422-441)

HIST 430 Toward a History of the Self in Nineteenth- and Twentieth-Century Europe (Not offered 2011-2012)

The self may appear to us as a fixed and stable entity that all people have in common throughout time. However this course puts forward a different view, suggesting that the self is context-specific and subject to the culture and society of particular places and historical eras. Using a range of sources that include historical writing, social theory, psychological theory, literary scholarship, diaries, memoirs, film, and art, we will examine changing, coexisting, and sometimes
conflicting notions of selfhood in Europe in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. From the “individualism” seemingly legitimated by the French Revolution to modern and postmodern conceptions of the fragmented or decentralized self, different narratives of the self have been elaborated during the prior two centuries which continue to influence how we think about identity and subjectivity. The goal of this course is to enable students to think historically about the concepts of self, person, or individual and to explore a range of intellectual approaches to analyzing the nature of the self. Seminar meetings will be devoted to the discussion of common readings. Students should develop research topics in consultation with the instructor.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, weekly writing assignments, and a final research paper (12-15 pages). Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10-20).

Group C

GARBARINI

HIST 433(F) The Justice of Violence? Histories of Terrorism in Europe (Same as Jewish Studies 433)

The word “terrorism” entered the English language in 1795, an import from France that referred to the use of violence and intimidation by the ruling party during one phase of the French Revolution. Over the ensuing two centuries, terrorism has come to refer to the employment of violence, not only as a means of governing, but also and more often as a means of undermining the authority of those in power. This seminar examines a series of episodes of terrorism in Europe from the “Terror” of the French Revolution to the late twentieth century. It also explores various interpretations of the legitimacy and ethics of political violence and the phenomenon of terrorism in different historical contexts. In addition to common readings, students will conduct independent research on some aspect of the history of terrorism that will culminate in a 20-page paper.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, several short papers, oral presentations, and a 20-page research paper.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). Preference will be given to History majors.

Group C

Hour: 1:10-3:50 W

GARBARINI

HIST 439 Personality, Society, and Identity in Nineteenth- and Early Twentieth-Century Russian Thought (Not offered 2011-2012)

This seminar studies the movements and themes of Russian thought from the Enlightenment to 1917, situating works of Russian philosophy and literature, when appropriate, within the broader context of Western intellectual traditions. We will explore how ideas about human nature and society inspired and gave meaning to political reform, terrorism, and revolution in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, and ponder their relevance in Russia today. The course covers themes such as the individual and society, morality and love, and time and eschatology, as well as topics like: the problem of national identity, conservatism and radicalism, the forging of the intelligentsia’s tradition, the commercialization of culture, and revolutionary language in 1917. Readings include texts by Pushkin, Belinsky, Dostoevsky, Herzen, Tolstoy, Solovyov, Berdiaev, as well as modernist writings (Bely, Blok, Ivanov) and Marxist writings (Plekhhanov, Bogdanov, Lenin). We will also read secondary historical literature, watch films, and listen to music in order to gain a deeper understanding of the cultural environments in which our primary sources were written and the ways social ideals and types were disseminated.

Format: seminar. Knowledge of Russian is NOT a prerequisite for this course. Evaluation will be based on class participation, several oral presentations, and two short writing assignments, and a final research paper.

No prerequisites. No enrollment limit (expected: 8-12). Preference will be given to History and Russian Studies majors.

Group C

FISCHON

ADVANCED SEMINARS: LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN (442-451)

HIST 443 Slavery, Race and Ethnicity in Latin America (Same as Africana Studies 443) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

In Latin America, activists, and other observers, Latin America has often appeared either a racial paradise - where racial mixture and the absence of a “color bar” led to more racially “democratic” societies—or a racial hell—where the seeming fluidity of race relations masked real, violent discrimination. This seminar will explore the ways in which such views were both right and wrong in their judgments and the conditions that made such depictions possible and politically significant. It will explore the historical roots of race relations and politics in Latin America from the beginnings of slavery through its abolition; the changing conceptions of indigenous ethnicities; and on to the emergence of new racial identities and political movements in Colombia, Brazil, Cuba, and throughout the region. Concerned with radically different understandings of racial politics than those in the United States, this course fulfill's the requirements of the Exploring Diversity Initiative.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, weekly reading responses, and a final paper.

Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10-15).

Group D

FISHON

HIST 444(S) The Black Republic: Haiti in History and Imagination (Same as Africana Studies 444) (D)

(Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

(See under AFR 444 for full description.)

SINGHAM

HIST 448 Latin American and Caribbean Narratives: Testimonios, Historical Novels, and Travel Accounts (Same as Africana Studies 448) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

This course will use three narrative genres—testimonios (memoirs), historical novels, and travel accounts—to explore the experiences and cultures of Latin America and the Caribbean during the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. As genres of literature and sources of historical writing, testimonios, novels, and travel accounts are, of course, uneven in quality and utility. Yet, even as we analyze how issues of memory, perspective, and misrepresentation complicate the use of these types of sources for historical inquiries, we will also explore what meanings readers can glean from these narratives about how the personal can be political. We will pay special attention to the methodology of reading non-traditional sources and learn to read these narratives for insights into the daily experiences, social hierarchies, gender norms, and family relations of the region. For the final research project, students will select one narrative to use as a starting point for analysis of a significant historical event or theme. Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class attendance, short writing assignments, and final research paper (20-25 pages in length).

Prerequisites: some familiarity with Latin American and/or Caribbean history. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15).

Groups D

BENSON

ADVANCED SEMINARS: UNITED STATES (452-471)

HIST 452 Women in America, 1620-1865 (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 452) (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course will explore the diversity of American women’s experiences from the colonial era through the Civil War. We will pay particular attention to the roles women filled - as slaves, nuns, housewives, mothers, and workers, as well as depictions of women as witches, paragons of virtue, and urban consumers. In our reading of historiography and primary texts we will analyze the ways in which literacy and artistic culture as well as geopolitical events shaped women’s lives. As we study works of history, we will also read modern works of feminist and race theory to further our understanding of connections between ideology and practice, between narrative and argument.

Format: seminar. Requirements include a research paper (20-25 pages), based on reading and analysis of a set of primary sources, a literature review, class participation, and an informal reading journal.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10-15). Preference given to advanced History majors and to Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies majors.

Groups D & F

LONG

HIST 456(F) Civil War and Reconstruction (Same as Africana Studies 456)

An examination of some of the most turbulent periods in American history, with special emphasis on the changing status of Afro-Americans during the era. During the war years, we shall study both the war itself and homefront conditions: military, naval, political, economic, and especially social aspects will be examined in some detail. Our study of Reconstruction will concentrate on the evolution of federal policy toward the Southern states and the workings out of that policy in the South, particularly as it relates to the freedmen.

Format: seminar. Evaluation based on class participation and a substantial research paper based at least in part on primary source materials.

Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15).

Group F

Hour: 1:10-3:50 W

DEW

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HIST 457 Gender, Law, and Politics in U.S. History (Same as Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 457) (Not offered 2011-2012)

This seminar explores the legal history of the United States as a gendered system. It examines how women have shaped the meanings of American citizenship through pursuit of political rights and obligations such as suffrage, jury duty, and military service; how those political struggles have varied across race, religion, and class; and how the legal system has shaped gender relations for both women and men through regulation of such issues as marriage, divorce, work, reproduction, and the family. While we will read some court cases, the focus of the seminar is on the broader relationship between law and society. Readings will address not only the history of statutory law, and of the lawsuits and trials testing those laws, but also the social history of the impact of the law and the political history of efforts to change laws.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on an extensive (20-25 page) research paper that makes use of primary and secondary sources, brief papers on the weekly readings, and class participation.


Group F DUBOW

HIST 459 Jim Crow (Same as Africana Studies 459) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

Between 1865 and 1965 White Americans developed and deployed a set of practices that sanctioned racial discrimination. Jim Crow—as this American system of race relations was called—is one of the least studied aspects of U.S. History. This course explores the law, cultural, economic, and politics of Jim Crow; the dynamics of racialized power; and the roles of media and history in sustaining racial inequality. Informed by how segregation operated to construct and sustain differences, it qualifies as an Exploring Diversity Initiative course by linking the issue of diversity to the issue of power relations, investigating how American institutions enabled and maintained racial disparities despite constitutional guarantees, and considering how the legacy of racial discrimination affects current domestic politics, conflict, and action, and in covering race theory in historical context, the course suggests that current scientific ideas about race—that there are no consequential biological differences among humans—is a recent discovery. Finally, the course examines the discrete development of black communities, institutions, politics, and racial destiny.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation and two shorter assignments leading up to a longer research paper.


Group F L. BROWN

HIST 464 The United States and the Vietnam War (Not offered 2011-2012)

U.S. involvement in Vietnam affected nearly every aspect of American life, including the country’s overall foreign policy, its military strategy, the relationship between various branches of government, the nation’s political trajectory, the role of media in society, youth culture, race relations, and more. This seminar explores America’s war in Vietnam and its dramatic ramifications at home and abroad. We will evaluate the Vietnam War era as a turning point in U.S. history, and in the role of the U.S. in the world—by reading and discussing a number of scholarly works on domestic and international aspects of the conflict. Students will develop an original research topic and research and write a 20- to 25-page paper, based in primary sources, on one aspect of America’s Vietnam War.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, several short papers, and a 20- to 25-page research paper.


Group F L. BROWN

HIST 466 Imagining Urban America, Three Case Studies: Boston, Chicago, and L.A. (Same as American Studies 364) (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course will explore the social, economic, and cultural lives of three cities, each of which at its zenith seemed to contemporaries to represent definitive aspects of “American” development. We will begin with Boston—the country’s first “big” city and the nominal capital of Puritan New England—in the colonial and early national periods. From there we will move to Chicago, the transportation and commercial hub of the emerging national economy in the nineteenth century. Finally, we will turn to Los Angeles. “The City of Dreams” and the center of the popular entertainment industry in the twentieth century. In each case, drawing on a variety of sources, we will examine the city’s origins, the factors that promoted its growth, and the distinctive society it engendered. Then we will consider some of the city’s cultural expressions—expressions that seem to characterize not only changing the nature of urban life, but the particular meanings each city gave to the nation’s experience at the time. What made these cities seem simultaneously, as they did, so alluring and so threatening to the fabric of national community and identity?

Format: seminar. Requirements: two short papers and a longer essay analyzing selected primary texts; there will be no hour test or final exam.


Group F L. BROWN

HIST 469(F) Race, Class, and Gender in American Immigration History (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 469) (D)

Despite popular images of American immigration history as a story of people coming to this country in search of a better life, and Americans offering them a chance at the “American Dream,” this seminar will examine how American immigration policy and history have been shaped by issues of race, class, and gender. We will examine topics such as the rise of nativism in the nineteenth century, the exclusion of Asian immigrants, the influence of food on immigrant communities, and the politics of taking in refugees, and the on-going debates over legal and illegal immigration. The seminar is also designed to aid students in the process of writing a research paper utilizing primary and secondary sources. The course fulfills the criteria of the Exploring Diversity Initiative because it examines how people from different countries and cultures interacted with each other and with those already here. In addition, it will focus on how the state came to control immigration policy and immigrant communities through the power of policing notions of race, class, gender, and sexuality.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on weekly response papers, an annotated bibliography, a literature review essay, and a 20-25 page research paper. Students will also be required to lead a class discussion.


Group F Channing WONG

HIST 471(S) Comparative Latina/o Migrations (Same as Latina/o Studies 471) (D) (W)

(See under LATS 471 for full description.)

WHALEN

ADVANCED SEMINARS: TRANS/NATIONAL/COMPARATIVE (472-479)

HIST 476 Apocalypse Now and Then: A Comparative History of Millenarian Movements (Same as Religion 217) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

“The end is near!” Millions of people around the world believe that the course of history and the sequence of events that will herald the end of the world are foretold in their scripture, whether Judaic, Christian, or Islamic. These beliefs can have, and have had, widespread social ramifications. This seminar will explore various important political and religious movements that have responded to an apocalyptic message by calling for drastic societal change. Both the social critique of these movements and why they felt that the end was imminent will be analyzed. Special attention will be paid to millenarian movements in the Middle East, North America, and Asia. Students will also assess apocalyptic themes in music, literature and the visual arts.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on student presentations, group project, and a final paper.


Groups F, E, and G L. BERNHARDSSON

HIST 478(S) Cold War Landscapes (Same as Environmental Studies 478)

The Cold War between the United States and the Soviet Union set in motion dramatic changes to the natural and built environments of many nations between 1945 and 1991. Nuclear test and missile launch sites, naval installations, military production operations, and border securitizations are but a few of the most obvious ways in which the stand-off between the two countries altered rural and urban landscapes. But one can also see the Cold War as setting in motion less immediately direct but nonetheless profound changes to the way that many people saw and planned for the environments around them, as evidenced, for instance, by the rise of the American suburb, the reconstruction of postwar Europe, and agricultural and industrial initiatives in many developing nations. We will begin this seminar by exploring several distinct “Cold War landscapes” in the United States, then move on to examining others in Europe and the Soviet Union. We will
spend the final weeks of the semester discussing examples from other parts of the world. Our approach to our topics will be interdisciplinary, and students are welcome to write their research papers on any geographical area of the world.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, weekly critical writing, and a final research paper.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 10-15). Preference will be given to History, Environmental Policy, and Environmental Science majors if overenrolled.

Groups C and F
Hour: 1:10-2:50

MERRILL

ADVANCED TUTORIALS (480-492)

These are advanced reading and writing courses that offer an in-depth analysis of a topic in a tutorial format. Tutorials are limited in enrollment to ten students and preference is given to senior History majors. All History majors are required to complete either an advanced seminar (402-479) or a tutorial (480-492). Instructors may recommend prior coursework in the area of the tutorial. The writing of five or six essays and the oral presentation of five or six critiques of another student’s essays are central to tutorials.

HIST 480T Historical Narratives of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)
This tutorial addresses the powerful, competing, and bitterly contested historical narratives that underpin the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Both Israelis and Palestinians narrate history to legitimize their territorial claims and to justify contemporary action. Special attention will be paid to the interpretations of key historical moments (1948, 1967, 1994, and 2000) and on the contrasting views of some of the core issues of the conflict (Jerusalem, refugees, settlements, terrorism).

Format: tutorial. Requirements: 5- to 7-page essays or 2-page critiques due each week and a final report (3-4 pages) at the end of the semester.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to History majors and to those who have taken History 207 or other courses on the Middle East.

Group E
BERNHARDSSON

HIST 481(S) Race and Revolution in Latin America (Same as Africana Studies 481) (W)
(See under AFR 481 for full description.) BENSON

HIST 482T(F) Fictions of African-American History (Same as Africana Studies 482) (W)
This course examines the form and function of African-American historical narratives and attention to written texts pertaining to the enslavement and freedom of African Americans during the nineteenth and early twentieth century. The lack of documentary material pertaining to this history has made the task of reading and interpreting African American experience particularly challenging. By crossing generic and disciplinary boundaries, students will take up the task of reading African-American history while attending to the difficulties such a task requires. To do so, we will read both historical and fictional narratives that raise explicitly the problematic of African-American history. In the first part of the course, we will discuss selected texts (fiction, narrative, and historiography) from the antebellum era in order to schematize the literature of slavery. In the second half of the course, we will take up the discourse of freedom that followed the Emancipation Proclamation. Readings will include works by Booker T. Washington, James Weldon Johnson, Charles Chesnutt, Harriet Wilson, Paul Laurence Dunbar, Sutton Griggs. In addition, we will read historiography on African American slavery, freedom, and urbanization.

Format: tutorial.


Group F
Tutorial meetings to be arranged.

LONG

HIST 483T African Political Thought (Same as Africana Studies 483T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
This course examines the ideas of major figures in the progressive tradition of African political thought. This emancipatory tradition emerged in societies shaped by racial, cultural, and economic exploitation, forcing both African men and women to address questions of identity and political action. Most members of this tradition also considered the ways in which uneven power relations within African communities shaped the personal and political landscapes. The Africans we will examine in this course drew on resources as varied as Pan-Africanism, Nationalism, Classical Liberalism, Social Democracy, Marxism, Black Consciousness, Negritude and Gender theory, yet each participated, at least implicitly, in a common African intellectual project: the meaning of Africa and of being African.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: students will meet with the instructor in pairs for an hour each week; a student either will write and present orally a 5- to 7-page essay on the assigned readings or be responsible for offering an oral critique of the work of their partner each week. Evaluation will be based on the quality of the biweekly papers and oral critiques and a final writing exercise.

Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to History majors.

Group A
MUTONGI

HIST 484T(F) Victorian Psychology (W)
Although the Victorian era has traditionally been considered a psycho-social model of emotional inhibition and sexual prudery, recent studies have demonstrated that this characterization grossly oversimplifies the attitudes toward emotional and sexual life held by Europeans and Americans in the second half of the nineteenth century. This tutorial will investigate professional and popular ideas about human psychology during the Victorian era. We will attempt to define and understand what people thought and felt about insanity, the unconscious, dreams, sexuality, the relationship between natural impulses and civilized society, childhood development, the psychological differences between men and women, and the relationship between the physical and the psychic. The course will concentrate on the close reading and analysis of primary documents from the era.

Format: tutorial. Students will meet with the instructor in groups of two once a week. Every other week each student will present a paper of approximately 5-7 pages on a topic determined by the instructor, due by 5pm the day before the tutorial meeting; the other student will function as a critic of the paper presented, expected to be familiar with the assigned reading.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to History majors.

Groups C and F
Tutorial meetings to be arranged.

KOHUT

HIST 485T Stalinist Terror and the New Man (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
The Bolsheviks strove to engineer a new type of person—socially active, cultivated, healthy, enthusiastic, and ready to build socialism. The methods used and the results produced in the name of this goal included acts of monumental heroism and violence, narratives of human progress, and chronicles of arguably the most egregious human rights violations of the 20th century. In this course we will look at the ways historians, memoirists, and filmmakers have approached the problems of Stalinism and the Stalinist period, attempting to answer questions to do with culpability, meaning, commitment, belief and disguise, fear, and betrayal. Dualistic concepts and categories like state/society, resistance/collusion, and domination/submission have engendered much controversy among scholars applying them to a time when victims and perpetrators were difficult to distinguish and often the same individuals. The course charts historical analyses and disputes around topics such as: the crimes of communism, “revolution from above,” Stalin’s personality, popular participation in show trials, the family and everyday life during the Terror, Stalinist science, and Soviet subjectivity.

Format: tutorial. Students will write and present papers every other week and will critique the papers of their tutorial partner in the weeks when they are not presenting.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to History majors.

Group C
FISHZON

HIST 486T Historical Memory of the Pacific War (Same as Asian Studies 486T and Japanese 486T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
Over six decades after Japan’s surrender, the issue of how to remember the Pacific War continues to raise controversy both within Japan and between Japan, Korea, China, and Chiang Kai-shek’s China. This tutorial will consider how individuals, groups of individuals, and nations construct and reconstruct historical memories by examining how various Japanese, as well as Koreans and Chinese, have sought to remember the Pacific War. The course will begin with a discussion of theoretical writings on the social and political construction of historical memory and the distinctions between official, collective, and historical memory. Then we will consider Japan’s unique position as both wartime aggressor and victim, focusing on how the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the Occupation, and the Tokyo war crimes trial have shaped how the war has been remembered. We will also deal with how the war has been portrayed in literature, film, and other...
media. Finally, the course will explore how Japanese, Korean, and Chinese memories of the war continue to influence relationships within East Asia. We will examine the mnemonic sites contested by Chinese, Korean, and Japanese memories by discussing issues pertaining to military comfort women, the Nanking massacre, history textbooks, and Yasukuni shrine. Themes will include how the construction of memory is linked to the nation, how the passage of time influences the construction of historical memory, and the dilemmas of coming to terms with pasts contested both within and between countries.

Format: Tutorial. Requirements: students will meet with the instructor in pairs for an hour each week. Each student will write and present orally a 5- to 7-page essay every other week on the readings assigned for that week. In alternate weeks, students will be responsible for offering an oral critique of the work of their partner. Students will be evaluated on their written work and their analyses of their partner’s work. There will be a final paper (15 pages) on the themes of the course.

No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10).

Group B

SINIAWER

HIST 477T(S) The Second World War: Origins, Course, Outcomes, and Meaning (W)

1991 marked the fiftieth anniversary of the Nazi invasion of Russia and the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. Though war had come to Europe as early as 1939, when Germany invaded Poland, after 1941 the war became a truly global conflict of unprecedented extent, ferocity, and destructiveness. As late as 1943 it still appeared that the Axis powers might win the war. But, by the end of the 1945, the bomb-evicted ruins of Germany and Japan were occupied by the Allies, who were preparing to put the surviving Axis leaders and generals on trial for war crimes. This tutorial will concentrate on a number of important questions and issues which arise from a study of World War II. What were the origins of this central event of the twentieth century? How and why did the war begin? Why did the war take the course it did? What were the most crucial or decisive episodes or events? How did the Allies win? Why did the Axis lose? Could the outcome have been different? How did the major topics examined in Unit 1 have to deal with the war? How did the war change the United States? What role did the war play in the formation of the Cold War? How did the war influence the construction of historical memory, and the dilemmas of coming to terms with pasts contested both within and between countries?

Format: Tutorial. Requirements: each student will write and present orally an essay of approximately seven double-spaced pages every other week on a topic assigned by the instructor. Students not presenting an essay have the responsibility of critiquing the work of their colleague. The tutorial will culminate in a final written exercise.

No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Not available for the Gaudino option.

Group C

Tutorial meetings to be arranged.

HUFFMAN

HIST 489T Hiroshima and Nagasaki: Remembrance (Same as Asian Studies 489T) (W)

To this day, few topics stir a greater variety of images and recollections, or more passionate debates, than the atomic bombs that were dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945, at the end of World War II. This tutorial will focus on two matters: the nature of memory and the ways in which those events have been remembered. Topics to be covered include the making of the bombs, the decision to drop them, their impact on Japan’s surrender, the destruction that they wrought, the experiences and treatment of victims, the debate over the bomb in postwar Japan and America, and the impact of those first two bombs on discussions of nuclear weapons and energy today.

Format: tutorial. Students will prepare and present: (1) a paper on the assigned readings every other week, and (2) a written critique of the colleague’s paper on the weeks when they do not write a paper. A final, interpretive essay also will be required.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit 10 (expected: 10). If oversubscribed, preference will be given to advanced History and Asian Studies majors who have previously not enrolled in a tutorial.

Group R

Tutorial meetings to be arranged.

HIST 490T Memory, History, and the Extermination of the Jews of Europe (Same as Jewish Studies 490T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

This course is designed for students interested in, and capable of, intensive study of memory and the representation of memory. Its specific focus is the Holocaust and the Holocaust experience. Students will examine the different uses that Israel and the United States have made of the Holocaust. By the end of the course, students will have grappled with the ongoing contro-

ressions for postwar European nations about what their responsibilities are toward that past. This tutorial will focus on a series of questions relating to the historicization and memorialization of the extermination of European Jews. They include: Is the Holocaust unique? Is it a Jewish story or universal story? Does the Holocaust raise different issues for the historian than other historical events? How should the Holocaust be represented and what are the implications of different means of representing it? What role, if any, did European Jews play in their own destruction? Has Germany faced up to its past? Were Germans also victims of World War II? Who were the “bystanders” as compared to the “perpetrators”? Were the postwar trials of perpetrators a travesty of justice? How appropriate are the different uses that Israel and the United States have made of the Holocaust? By the end of the course, students will have grappled with the ongoing controversies that have arisen among scholars, governments, and lay people about the meaning (and meaninglessness) of the Holocaust for the postwar world.

In a world in which extraordinary acts of violence continue to be perpetrated and more and more nations’ pasts are marked by episodes of extreme criminality and/or trauma, exploring the manner by which one such episode has been remembered, avenged, and adjudicated should prove relevant for future consideration of other societies’ efforts to confront their own traumatic pasts.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: Class time consists of weekly one-hour sessions with the instructor and a fellow student. Every other week the student will write and present orally a 5- to 7-page paper on the assigned readings of that week. On alternate weeks, the student will write a 2-page critique of the fellow student’s paper. A formal written exercise, a thought piece on the issues raised in the tutorial, will cap off the semester’s work.

Prerequisite: permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to History majors and Jewish Studies concentrators. Not available for the Gaudino option.

Group E

GARBARINI

HIST 491T Political Islam: Past, Present, Future (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (W)

Why have Islamist movements become so powerful in the last 30 years? What are their real political goals? Is political Islam a rejection of modernity, a reaction to Western influence, an ideology aimed at specific political objectives? Does the rise of political Islam herald an inevitable “clash of civilizations” with the West, or can Islam and the West peacefully co-exist? Questions such as these have become increasingly urgent since September 11. This course will examine the emergence, development, and substantive content of Islamist political movements in the twentieth century. The tutorial focuses upon the emergence of Islamist movements within distinctive political, economic, social and cultural conditions in the Middle East. It will juxtapose analytical readings on specific states and regions with the writings of Islamists from other primary sources. We will look both at Islamist movements active in single states, the wider phenomenon of transnational Islamist politics, and the theoretical and philosophical issues raised by the rise of Islamist movements, to consider both similarities and diversity in Islamic politics. The object of the course is to understand Islamist movements on their own terms, and to be able to make informed judgments about the future of international politics. Because of the comparative approach and its concerns with power and privilege this course is part of the Exploring Diversity Initiative.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: 5- to 7-page essays or 2-page critiques due each week and a final report (3-4 pages) at the end of the semester.

Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to History majors and to those who have taken History 207 or other courses on the Middle East.

Group E

BERNHARDSSON

HIST 492T Revolutionary Thought in Latin America (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (W)

For much of Latin America’s postcolonial history, political and business elites in the United States have viewed the region as a source of revolutionary threats. Too often histories of actual revolutionary movements and the ideas they promulgated have followed either the self-serving narratives that the revolutionaries have presented or popular interpretations. This tutorial, by contrast, will delve into the complex, contingent, and at times counterintuitive history of revolutionary thought in modern Latin America. Our readings and discussions will carry us from the nineteenth century to the rise of the “New Left” in the last few years. Throughout the course our principal goal will be to examine the internal logic of the most influential programs of revolutionary thought as well as their relationship to circumstances external to them, both in their home regions and globally. At the same time, we will consider the human or moral promise and price of revolutionary options: did the proposed or alleged aims of revolutionary ideals justify the costs they would impose? This
course will fulfill the requirements of the Exploring Diversity Initiative by comparing and analyzing divergent theorizations of history and society, as well as the contexts in which such theories emerged and to which we might or might not choose to apply them. A central aim of the course will be to compare the formation of revolutionary initiatives across national and chronological boundaries.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: students will meet with the instructor in pairs for an hour each week. Each student will write and present a 5- to 7-page essay every other week on the readings assigned for that week. In alternate weeks, students will be responsible for offering an oral critique of the work of their partner. Evaluation will be based on written work and analysis of their partner’s work.

No prerequisites. Open to all. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to History majors. Not available for the Gaudino option.

Group D
KITTLESON

THE THESIS AND INDEPENDENT STUDY (493-499)

HIST 493(F) Senior Honors Thesis—Research Seminar

This seminar is intended solely for writers of honors theses. Although each student’s major work for the year will be the writing of a thesis in consultation with an individual advisor, students will gather for occasional meetings in order to present and critique each other’s proposals and drafts and to discuss common problems in research and the design of a long analytical essay. For students proceeding to W31 and HIST 494, performance in the fall semester will figure into the thesis grade calculated at the end of the year. The quality of a student’s performance in the seminar segment of History 493, as well as his or her performance in all aspects of the May colloquium at which theses are presented and critiqued, will be figured into the overall grade the student is given for History 493-494 and the departmental decision to award Honors or Highest Honors at Commencement.

Enrollment limited to seniors accepted into the Department’s Honors Program.

Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF

WATERS

HIST 494(S) Senior Honors Thesis—Writing Seminar

This seminar is a continuation of HIST 493 and is required of all senior honors thesis writers. Students will meet to discuss draft thesis chapters and prepare for the departmental Honors colloquium in May at which theses will be presented and assessed. For students proceeding to W31 and HIST 494, performance in fall semester will figure into the thesis grade calculated at the end of the year. The quality of a student’s performance in the seminar segment of History 493, as well as his or her performance in all aspects of the May colloquium at which theses are presented and critiqued, will be figured into the overall grade the student is given for History 493-494 and the departmental decision to award Honors or Highest Honors at Commencement.

Prerequisites: successful completion of HIST 493. Enrollment limited to seniors accepted into the Department’s Honors Program.

Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF

WATERS

HIST 497(F), 498(S) Independent Study

HISTORY OF SCIENCE

(Div. II & III, see course description)

Chair, Professor DONALD deB. BEAVER

A major in the History of Science is not offered, but the occasional Contract Major in it or a related interdisciplinary field is possible. Courses in the History of Science are designed primarily to complement and strengthen work in other major fields. Although any of the courses may be taken separately, studying related courses in other departments will enhance their value, because by nature, History of Science is interdisciplinary.

The following will serve as examples: the 101 course is an introduction to science and technology studies, and concentrates on key aspects of contemporary science and technology relevant to many issues of living in a technological society. Scientific Revolutions (HSCI 224) deals with the emergence of modern science in the 1600s and 1700s, and with subsequent revolutions in scientific thought; as such it complements courses related to modern European history. History of Science 240 traces the influential role of science and invention in the shaping of American culture, and complements offerings in American Studies and American History. HSCI 320, an historical overview of the ideas, practice, and organization of medicine, provides context for related coursework in History, Philosophy, and the Premed Program.

HSCI 101(S) Science, Technology, and Human Values (Same as Science and Technology Studies 101)

A study of the nature and roles of science and technology in today’s society, and of the problems which technical advances pose for human values. An introduction to science-technology studies. Topics include: scientific creativity, the Two Cultures, the norms and values of science, the Manhattan Project and Big Science, the ethics and social responsibility of science, appropriate technology, technology assessment, and various problems which spring from dependencies engendered by living in a technological society, e.g., computers and privacy, automation and dehumanization, biomedical engineering.

Format: seminar. Requirements: two or three short exercises, two papers (3-5 pages and 5-7 pages), and two hour exams.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 20. Preference to first-years and sophomores.

Satisfies one semester of the Division II requirement.

Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF

D. BEAVER

HSCI 224 Scientific Revolutions: 1543-1927 (Same as History 294) (Not offered 2011-2012)

How much does science create the sensibilities and values of the modern world? How much, if any, technical detail is it necessary to know in order to understand the difference between propaganda and fact?

This course investigates four major changes of world view, associated with Copernicus (1543); Newton (1687); Darwin (1859); and Planck (1900) and Einstein (1905). It also treats briefly the emergence of modern cosmogony, geology, and chemistry as additional reorganizations of belief about our origins, our past, and our material structure.

We first acquire a basic familiarity with the scientific use and meaning of the new paradigms, as they emerged in historical context. We then ask how those ideas fit together to form a new framework, and ask what their trans-scientific legacy has been, that is, how they have affected ideas and values in other sciences, other fields of society. Knowledge of high-school algebra is presupposed.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on five problem sets, four short papers (3-5 pages), and two hour exams.


Satisfies one semester of the Division III requirement.

D. BEAVER

HSCI 240(S) Technology and Science in American Culture (Same as History 295)

Although technologically dependent, the American colonies slowly built a network of native scientists and inventors whose skills helped shape the United States’ response to the Industrial Revolution. The interaction of science, technology, and society in the nineteenth century did much to form American identity: the machine in the garden, through the “American System of Manufactures” helped America rise to technological prominence; the professionalization and specialization of science and engineering led to their becoming vital national resources. Understanding these developments, as well as the heroic age of American invention (1865-1914), forms the focus of this course: how science and technology have helped shape modern American life.

Format: seminar. Requirements: two or three short exercises, two papers (2-3 pages), and two hour exams.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15. Open to first-year students.

Satisfies one semester of the Division II requirement.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

D. BEAVER

HSCI 309(S) Environmental Policy (Same as Environmental Studies 309, Political Science 301 and Science and Technology Studies 309)

(See under ENVI 309 for full description.)

LYNN

HSCI 320(S) History of Medicine (Same as History 293)

A study of the growth and development of medical thought and practice, together with consideration of its interaction with science and social forces and institutions. The course aims at an appreciation of the socio-historical construction of Western medicine, from prehistory to the twentieth century. The course begins with paleomedical reconstructions, and moves to Babylonian, Egyptian and Greek [not only Hippocratic] medicine, Greek and Roman anatomy and physiology, Arabic medical thought, Renaissance medicine, and the gradual professionalization and specialization of medicine from the sixteenth century. Attention is paid to theories of health and disease, ideas about anatomy and physiology, in addition to achievements such as anesthesia and internal surgery, and advances in instru-
moms such as obstetrical forceps and the stethoscope.

Formal seminar. Requirements: six short papers (3 pages), midterm, final hour exam.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15. Open to first-year students.

Satisfies one semester of the Division II requirement.

Hour: 11:00-11:50 MWF

D. BEAVER

HSCI 336  Science, Pseudoscience, and the Two Cultures (Same as Astronomy 336) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

(See under ASTR 336 for full description.)

J. PASACHOFF

HSCI 338  The Progress of Astronomy: Galileo through the Hubble Space Telescope (Same as Astronomy 338 and Leadership Studies 338) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

(See under ASTR 338 for full description.)

J. PASACHOFF

HSCI 497(F), 498(S)  Independent Study

COURSES OF RELATED INTEREST

PHIL 209  Philosophy of Science

SOC 368  Technology and Modern Society

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

(Dev. II, with some exceptions as noted in course descriptions)

Chair, Professor PETER JUST

Advisory Committee: Professors: DARROW, JUST, ZIMMERBERG**, Associate Professor: CRUZ, Assistant Professor: HAMMERSCHLAG.

This program is designed to facilitate and promote innovations in curricular offerings in relation both to interdisciplinary conceptual focus and experimental

The mix of assignments (papers and scene work) will vary depending on whether students designate themselves as primarily “scholars” or “actors,” but some

The specific topic that will bring these theoretical issues into focus is the matter of sex and sexual identity, as illuminated through the analysis of language,

No prerequisites; students wishing to enroll as Acting Students should consult with instructors. Enrollment limit: 15-20 (expected: 15). Satisfies one semester of the Division I requirement.

BAKER-WHITE, ERICKSON

EXPR 497(F), 498(S)  Independent Study

INTR 150  Dimensions of Public Health (Not offered 2011-2012)

Public health is concerned with protecting and improving health at the level of a community or population. Although individual behavior is an essential element

Satisfies one semester of the Division III requirement.

INTR 201(F)  Culture and Incarceration (Same as Africana Studies 210, American Studies 210, Political Science 210 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 210)

(See under PSCT 210 for full description.)

JAMES

INTR 219T(F)  Women in National Politics (Same as Political Science 219 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 219) (W)

This tutorial focuses on the writings and memoirs of women who have shaped national political and electoral/campaign culture in the 20th and early 21st centuries.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10. Preference given to juniors and seniors, or sophomores with permission of instructor. Tutorial meetings to be arranged.

JAMES

INTR 221T  Racial–Sexual Violence (Same as Africana Studies 221 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 221) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

This tutorial focuses on the prosecutions of race and rape during the 19th and 20th centuries. It examines historical scholarship, legal case studies, and cultural

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10. Preference given to juniors and seniors, or sophomores and first-year students with permission of instructor.

JAMES
INTR 223(F) Image, Imaging and Imagining: The Brain and Visual Arts (Same as Neuroscience 318 and Psychology 318) (See under PSYC 318 for full description.) ZIMMERBERG

INTR 252 The Human Image: Photography People and Their Stories (Same as ArtS 252) (Not offered 2011-2012) The single most photographed subject is the human form. The motivations and strategies for imaging faces and bodies, both individual and aggregate, are as varied as the subjects themselves. In this course, we will examine some of the many approaches used to photograph people. We’ll start by exploring self-portraiture, and progress to photographing others—both familiars and strangers, in the studio and in less controlled environments. We’ll end with a consideration of “documentary” photography and other visual narratives. In each case, we’ll examine our reasons for making an image, and the methods available for achieving these goals. Thus, the class will have a significant technical component, dealing with the creative use of camera controls, the properties and uses of light, and digital capture and processing. We will also examine the conceptual and scientific bases for how we perceive and evaluate images. Students will initially use school-supplied digital cameras, and later have the option of using film. Lab fee: $100-150. Format: Studio/lecture. Requirements: Students will be expected a) to photograph extensively outside of scheduled class hours b) to participate in class discussion and in both oral and written critique, c) to present one paper, and d) to exhibit their work at the end of the semester. Prerequisites: Students from all disciplines are welcome. Previous photography experience is desirable, but not essential. Students are strongly encouraged to contact the instructor if they have questions about course requirements. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Preference to upper class students. Satisfies one semester of the Division I requirement.

B. GOLDSTEIN

INTR 287 African Music: Interdisciplinary Studies (Same as Music 233 and Africana Studies 250) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under MUS 233 for full description) E. D. BROWN Satisfies one semester of the Division II requirement if taken as INTR 287.

INTR 315 Computational Biology (Same as Computer Science 315 and Physics 315) (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q) (See under PHYS 315 for full description.) AALBERTS Satisfies one semester of Division III requirement.

INTR 324(F) The Documentary Photography Project (Same as ArtS 324) (See under ARTS 324 for full description.) GOLDSMITH

INTR 371 Women Activists and Social Movements (Same as Africana Studies 371, Political Science 371 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 370) This seminar examines the role of women in “liberation movements,” it focuses on their contributions to civil and human rights, democratic culture, and theories of political and social change. Students will examine multi-disciplinary texts, such as academic historical narratives, memoirs, political analyses, in critical and comparative readings of mid–late 20th century struggles. Women studied include: Mamie Till Mobley, Anne Moody, Ella Baker, Gloria Steinem, Angela Davis, Bettina Aptheker, Assata Shakur, Yuri Kochiyama, Denise Oliver, Domitila Chungara. Format: seminar. Requirements: attendance and participation in discussions (10%); collective/group report (30%); 15–pg double spaced research paper (60%). No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19. Preference given to juniors and seniors, or sophomores and first-year students with permission of instructor.

JAMES

INTR 391(F) Insurgencies: Revolts, Revolutions, Wars of National Liberation, and Jihads (Same as Anthropology 391 and History 391) (See under ANTH 391 for full description.) JUST

INTR 397(F), 398(S) Independent Study

INTR 461T Writing about Bodies (Same as ArtH 461 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 461) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (See under ARTH 461 for full description.) OCKMAN

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

(IV)

Chair, Associate Professor MAGNUS T. BERNHARDSSON

Advisory Committee: Professors: CAPRIO, CASSIDAY, CRANE, DARROW, D. GOLLIN, KUBLER, MAHON, MUTONGI, A. V. SWAMY. Associate Professors: BANTA, BERNHARDSSON.

In this era of cultural, technological and economic globalization and also of pressing international crises including environmental degradation, poverty and underdevelopment, terrorism and pandemics, knowledge of the world beyond the United States is an essential part of the liberal education that is the goal of the Williams experience. Both within and outside the classroom the College provides a rich array of opportunities to pursue that goal. The International Studies Program is designed to increase awareness of those opportunities and to provide a centralizing mechanism to encourage gaining such knowledge with perspectives that are cross-disciplinary and comparative.

The program administers a number of tracks that provide students with the opportunity to pursue study of one area of the world or theme as a way of complementing the work they have done in their majors. Students will be expected to take courses in at least two departments to fulfill the requirements of a track. In addition to completing International Studies 101, they will be expected to do five courses in a track including an approved senior exercise. Students may not count a course toward more than one track in the program.

TRACKS

Tracks are of two kinds. The first type focuses either on a particular region of the world or a contact zone where several cultural traditions encounter each other. The second type is organized thematically and will explore a cultural, political, economic or technological issue globally. Each track will be administered by an interdisciplinary team of faculty teaching in that track in consultation with the steering committee. Each track may set an additional requirement of a level of language competency for its concentrators.

To complete a track, students must take a section of International Studies 101, complete five additional approved courses within the track, attend the weekly International Studies colloquium and complete a senior exercise. Credit for work done on study abroad will likely provide one or more of the electives for many concentrators.

International Studies 101

All students wishing to pursue the program should take a section of International Studies 101 early in their careers. These courses will usually be team taught. The topics and regions covered will vary and be selective, but all will be designed to place cultural, political, economic and technological issues in conversation with one another to illustrate the necessity of having a broad range of disciplinary tools available to pursue an individual track. On occasion students may petition to substitute a course equivalent in scope to International Studies 101 to meet this requirement.

Study Abroad and Internships

Study abroad and/or overseas internships are an essential component of International Studies. The program in coordination with the Study Abroad Advisor and the Office of Career Counseling will advise students on opportunities in these areas. One or more courses completed on an approved study abroad program can be counted toward the five elective courses requirement.
The economic, technological, political and cultural processes that have been gathered together under the term ‘globalization’ have been championed by many as the inevitable face of the future of the world. Some have eloquently questioned the overlooked inequalities that arise from these processes, while still others have questioned the inevitability of the processes that the term signals. This course will approach these issues with five sustained case studies that will attend especially to the areas of international trade in cotton and textiles, economic development strategies in microfinance, global health focusing on controlling tuberculosis, democracy promotion with a focus on corruption and ethnic conflict and finally the ideology of intervention in the name of human rights. We will conclude then with a critical examination of the notion of ‘globalization’ as an economic, political, and cultural phenomenon as a way of thinking about the shape of the world in the coming decades.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on three 3- to 5-page response papers and one oral presentation and one final 8- to 10-page paper.

No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 30). Preference given to first-year students.

Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF DARROW

INST 101(S) Asia and the World (Same as Asian Studies 201 and Political Science 100) (Not offered 2011-2012)

Asia looms large in contemporary world politics: Japan is gradually assuming an expanded regional national security role; The People’s Republic of China is emerging as a multifaceted Great Power; India is challenged by rising ethno-nationalism. This course will explore both the historical background and current dynamics of political and economic issues in these three countries, drawing on themes of imperialism, nationalism, and globalization. It is an introductory class and, therefore, no prior coursework in political science or Asian studies is necessary.

Format: predominately lecture. Requirements: two short papers and a final exam.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 60 (expected: 60).

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INST 290(S) Urban Spaces of Modern South Asia (Same as Arabic 320, Asian Studies 320, History 317 and Sociology 320) (See under SOC 320 for full description.)

VALIANI

INST 397(F), 398(S) Independent Study

INST 491(F)-W30, W30-492(S) Senior Honors Project

Students can check with the department coordinator to see if other courses not listed here might count as electives.

AREA TRACKS

African Studies

AFR 140/COMP 218/ENGL 250 Revolutionary African Literature
AFR 200 Introduction to Africana Studies
AFR 403/COMP 351/GWST 364 Women Writing Africa—last offered fall 2007
AFR 377/COMP 347/ENGL 348 Imagining Africa
[ANTH 252/AFR 252 Cultures and Societies of Sub-Saharan Africa—last offered spring 2009]
[ANTH/AFR 253 Popular Culture in Africa—last offered spring 2008]
[ANTH/GWST 370 Gender and Social Change in Modern Africa—last offered spring 2008]
[ARTH 200/AFR 201 Modern and Contemporary African Art—last offered fall 2007]
[ARTH/AFR 214 Arts of Africa—last offered spring 2008]
BIOL/ENVI 134 The Tropics: Biology and Social Issues
ECON 201/ENVI 254 Economic Development in Poor Countries
HIST 103 The City in Africa: Accra, Nairobi, and Johannesburg
HIST 203 Sub-Saharan Africa Since 1800—last offered spring 2007
HIST 304 South Africa and Apartheid
HIST/GWST/AFR 308 Gender and Society in Modern Africa
HIST 483T African Political Thought
MUS 233/AFR 250/INTR 287 African Music: Interdisciplinary Studies
MUS/AFR 235 African Rhythm, African Sensibilty
PSCI/AFR 256 Politics of Africa
PSCI/AFR 350 Government and Politics in Zimbabwe
RLSFR 203/AFR 294 Introduction to Francophone Studies

East Asian Studies

ARTH 103 Asian Art Survey: From the Land of the Buddha to the World of the Geisha
ARTH/JAPN 270 Japanese Art and Culture
ARTH 274 Chinese Calligraphy: Theory and Practice
ARTH 376 Zen and Zen Art
CHIN 219 Popular Culture in Modern China
CHIN/ARTH 223 Ethnic Minorities in China: Past and Present
CHIN 224/COMP 220/HIST 315 Cultural Foundations: The Literature and History of Early China
CHIN/COMP 230 China on Screen
CHIN 251/COMP 256T/HIST 215T Crises and Critiques: The Literature and Intellectual History of Early 20th Century China
HIST/ASST 117 Clash of Empires: China and the West, 1800-1900
HIST 119 The Japanese Empire
HIST/ASST 212 "Transforming the 'Middle Kingdom': China, 2000 BCE-1600
HIST/ASST 213 Modern China, 1600-Present
HIST/ASST/JAPN 218 Modern Japan
HIST/GWST 319 Gender and the Family in Chinese History
HIST/JAPN/ASST 321 History of U.S.-Japan Relations
[HIST/LEAD 389 The Vietnam War—last offered fall 2008]
JAPN/COMP 252 The Masks of Japanese Literature
JAPN 254/COMP 264 Japanese Literature and the End of the World
JAPN 255/COMP 255 Love and Death in Modern Japanese Fiction
JAPN 256/COMP 266 Confession and Deception in Japanese Literature
JAPN 260/COMP 261 Japanese Theatre and its Contemporary Context
Latin American Studies
ANTH 215 The Secrets of Ancient Peru: Archaeology of South America
ANTH 216 Indigenous Peoples of Latin America
HIST/WSAT 147 Women and Men in Twentieth-Century Latin America
HIST 148 The Mexican Revolution: 1910 to NAFTA
HIST 242 Latin America From Conquest to Independence
HIST 243 Modern Latin America, 1822 to the Present
HIST/AFR 248 History of the Caribbean Race, Nation, and Politics
HIST 342 Creating Nations and Nationalism in Latin America
HIST 346 History of Modern Brazil
HIST 443 Slavery, Race, and Ethnicity in Latin America
PSCI 222 The United States and Latin America
PSCI 346 Mexican Politics
PSCI 349T Cuba and the United States
PSCI 351 The New Left and Neoliberalism in Latin America
RLSP 200 Latin–American Civilizations
RLSP 203 From Modernismo to El Boom de la Novela
RLSP 204 Icons and Imaginaries: Culture and Politics in Latin America
RLSP/COMP 205 The Latin–American Novel in Translation
RLSP/COMP 230T Violent States, Violent Subjects: Nation–Building and Atrocity in 19th Century Latin America
RLSP 308 Foundations of Latin American Literature: Colonialism and Post–Coloniality
[RLSP 403 Literature and the Body Politic: Space, Power and Performance in Latin America – last offered fall 2008]

Middle Eastern Studies
ARAB/COMP 228 Introduction to Modern Arabic Literature in Translation
ARAB/COMP 233 Introduction to Classical Arabic Literature
ARAB/COMP 262 Outlaws and Underworlds: Arabic Literature of the Margins
ARAB/COMP 353 Writing the City: Beirut and Cairo in Contemporary Arabic Literature
ARTH 220 The Mosque
ARTH 278 The Golden Road to Samarqand
ARTH 472 Forbidden Images?
HIST 11/LEAD 150 Movers and Shakers in the Middle East
HIST 207 The Modern Middle East
HIST/ASST 212 Transforming the “Middle Kingdom”: China, 2000 BCE–1600
HIST 310 Iraq and Iran in the Twentieth Century
HIST 311 The United States and the Middle East
HIST 408 Archaeology, Politics, and Heritage in the Middle East
HIST 480T Historical Narratives of the Israeli–Palestinian Conflict
[HIST 480T The Rise and Fall of the Ottomans and the Emergence of Modern Turkey—last offered fall 2008]
HIST 491T Political Islam: Past, Present, Future
REL 230/HIST 209 The Origins of Islam: God, Empire and Apocalypse
REL 234 Shi’ism Ascendant?
REL 302/ANTH 392/WGST 325 Religion and Reproduction—last offered spring 2008
[REL 328/ANTH 392/WGST 272 Sex in Society: The Cultural Construction of Reproduction
SOC/ASST 327 Violence, Terrorism and Collective Healing
SOC/ASST 345/HIST 392 Producing the Past

Russian and Eurasian Studies
HIST 240 Muscovy and the Russian Empire
HIST 241 The Rise and Fall of the Soviet Union
RUSS/COMP 203 Nineteenth Century Russian Literature in Translation
RUSS/COMP 204 Revolution and Its Aftermath: Russian Literature Since 1900
RUSS 206 Topics in Russian Culture: Feasting and Fasting in Russian History
RUSS/COMP 275 Russian and Soviet Film in Retrospect
RUSS 303 Russia in Revolution
RUSS/COMP 305 Dostoevsky and His Age
RUSS/COMP 306 Tolstoy and His Age
RUSS 307 Music and Nineteenth Century Russian Literature
[RUSS 402 Soviet Satire—last offered fall 2008]

South and Southeast Asia Studies:
ANTH/ASST 233/REL 249 Spiritual Crossroads: Religious Life in Southeast Asia
ECON 240T Colonialism and Underdevelopment in South Asia
REL 245 Tibetan Civilization
[REL 302/ANTH 392/WGST 325 Religion and Reproduction—last offered spring 2008]
[ANTH/WSAT 272 Sex in Society: The Cultural Construction of Reproduction
SOC/ASST 327 Violence, Terrorism and Collective Healing
SOC/ASST 345/HIST 392 Producing the Past

THEMATIC TRACKS
Borders, Exile and Diaspora Studies:
AFR 160/COMP 214/ENGL 251 Defining the African Diaspora
[AMST 236 South Asians in Asia—last offered spring 2009]
AMST/WSAT 405 Home and Belonging: Comparative Explorations of Displacements, Relocations, and Place–making
[ANTH 365 Citizens and Civil Societies—last offered spring 2008]
[ENGL 146 Literature and Decolonization—last offered spring 2008]
ENGL 332 Colonial Subjects
ENGL 379/COMP 329 Contemporary World Novel
COMP 346 Questioning the Cultural Self in Literature
COMP/WSAT 252 Writing after the Disaster: The Literature of Exile
HIST/AFR 292 Africans in Europe: Slaves, Abolitionists, Artists, Intellectuals and Migrants in the Modern Era
[HIST 333 Twentieth–Century Europe from the Margins: Regions, Local Cultures and Borderlands in Comparative Perspective—last offered fall 2008]
HIST 380 Comparative American Immigration History
HIST/WSAT 386 Latins in the Global Economy: Work, Migration and Households
HIST/AFR 396 Europeans and Muslims From the Conquest of Algeria to the Present: Arab Nationalism, Islamic Fundame
ECON 215 International Trade, Globalization and Its Effects
ECON 235 Urban Centers and Urban Systems
ECON 358 International Economics
ECON 360 International Monetary Economics
ECON 362 Global Competitive Strategies
ECON 212/INST 201/ENVI 212 Agriculture and Development Strategy—last offered spring 2009
ECON 467T Development Successes
ECON 501 Development Economics I
ECON 502 Institutions and Governance
ECON 503 Public Economics
ECON 505 Finance and Development
ECON 507 International Trade and Development
ECON 508 Development Finance—last offered spring 2009
ECON 509 Developing Country Macroeconomics
ECON 513 Open-Economy Macroeconomics
ECON 516 International Financial Institutions
PSCI 401 Politics of International Economic
PSCI 102 Religion and Capitalism
PSCI 229 Global Political Economy
PSCI 327 The Global Politics of Development and Underdevelopment—last offered spring 2009
REL 287 The Dynamics of Globalization: Society, Religion and the Environment

Global Health
ANTH/REL/WGST 272 Sex in Society: Cultural Constructions of Reproduction
ANTH 521 Visualizing Health and Illness: Medical Ways of Knowing—last offered fall 2007
BIOL 133 The Biology of Exercise and Nutrition
BIOL 313 Immunology
BIOL 315 Microbiology: Diversity, Cellular Physiology, and Interactions
CHEM 111 Fighting Disease: The Evolution and Operation of Human Medicines
CHEM 112 Chemistry of Tropical Diseases: Charting the Course from Traditional to Modern Medicines
CHEM 115 AIDS: The Disease and Search for a Cure
CHEM/ENVI 341 Toxicology and Cancer
ECON 230 The Economics of Health and Health Care
ECON/ENVI 307 The Economics of HIV/AIDS
HSCI 320 History of Medicine
INTR 150 Dimensions of Public Health
PHIL 213 Biomedical Ethics
PHIL/WGST 228 Feminist Bioethics
PHIL 229 Ethics and Genetics
PHIL 337 Justice in Health Care
SOC 265 Drugs and Society
WGST/PHIL 212 Ethics and Reproductive Technologies

Urbanizing World
AFR/WGST 400/COMP 369/ENGL 365 Race, Gender, Space
ARAB/COMP 253 Writing the City: Beirut and Cairo in Contemporary Arabic Literature
COMP 243/WSST 252 Modern Women Writers and the City
ECON 235 Urban Centers and Urban Systems
ECON 383 Cities, Regions and the Economy
ENVI 101 Humans in the Landscape
GERM 202 Vienna 1900-2000 and Beyond
HIST/AFR 103 The City in Africa
HIST 136 Before the Deluge: Paris and Berlin in the Interwar Years
LATS/AMST 221 Introduction to Urban Studies
RLFR 316/WSST 315 Paris on Fire: Incendiary Voices from the City of Light
SOC 268 Space and Place
SOC/ASST 269 Imagining Spaces of the British Empire in the Twentieth Century
SOC 270 Cities and Citizenship
SOC 315 Culture, Consumption, and Modernity
SOC/ARAB/ASST/INST 320/HIST 317 Urban Spaces of Modern South Asia

JEWISH STUDIES (Div. II)

Chair, Professor ALEXANDRA GARBARINI

Advisory Committee: Professor GERRARD. Associate Professors: BERNHARDSSON, DEKEL, S. FOX, GARBARINI, HAMMERSCHLAG.

THE PROGRAM IN JEWISH STUDIES

Jewish Studies is an interdisciplinary field that encompasses the texts, history, languages, philosophy, and culture of Jews and Judaism as they have changed over three millennia and throughout the world. The program offers courses in multiple disciplines including but not limited to Religion, Classics, History, Philoso-

phy, Anthropology, Sociology, and Comparative Literature. Across these disciplines, the program examines topics such as religious belief and practice, textual interpretation, the development of Zionism, life in the Diaspora, the historicization and memorialization of the Holocaust, and historical, political and philosophical questions surrounding Jewish identity. Investigating the foundations and development of these various Jewish topics, as well as their interaction with and influence on other traditions, provides an opportunity to explore the continuities and diversity of Jewish life and thought. Students will gain exposure to a common body of knowledge and scholarly approaches through which to engage in their own rich and varied intellectual explorations of Jewish and related topics.

CONCENTRATION IN JEWISH STUDIES

The concentration in Jewish Studies requires five courses with at least two different prefixes: one gateway course, two core courses, one elective, and one capstone course. Senior concentrators should consult with the chair about arrangements for a capstone course.

Gateway Courses:
JWST 101/REL 203 Judaism: Innovation and Tradition
JWST/COMP/REL 201 The Hebrew Bible

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Core Courses

- COMP/JWST 352 Writing after the Disaster: The Literature of Exile
- HIST/JWST 230 Modern European Jewish History 1789–1948
- HIST/JWST/REL 338 The History of the Holocaust
- HIST/JWST 433 The Justice of Violence?: Histories of Terrorism in Europe
- HIST/JWST 490T Memory, History, and the Extermination of the Jews in Europe (W)
- REL/JWST 202/COMP 214 Moses: Stranger in a Strange Land
- REL/JWST/PHIL 204 Endtimes: Messianism in Modernity (W)
- REL/JWST/CLASS 205/COMP 217 Ancient Wisdom Literature
- REL/JWST/COMP 206 The Book of Job and Joban Literature
- REL/JWST 207/COMP 250 From Adam to Noah: Literary Imagination and the Primeval History in Genesis
- REL/JWST/COMP 209 The Legend of the Wandering Jew
- REL 305/JWST 280/PHIL 252 The Turn to Religion in Post-Modern Thought (W)
- ART/HIST 463 The Holocaust Visualized

Students can check with the department coordinator to see if other courses not listed here might count as electives.

Electives

- Students may meet the elective requirement with a course partially related to Jewish Studies or another core course. In an elective course partially related to Jewish Studies, a student will normally focus at least one of the major writing assignments on a topic relevant to Jewish Studies or approximately one-third of the course will be devoted to Jewish subjects. The list of relevant electives changes regularly, so the course catalog should be checked for details. Listed below are examples of courses partially related to Jewish Studies. Students may meet the elective requirement with a course not listed here, subject to the approval of the Chair of Jewish Studies.

- GERM 301T German Studies, 1770–1830
- GERM 202 German Politics
- GERM 302/COMP 304 German Studies, 1830–1900
- HIST 111/LEAD 150 Movers and Shakers in the Middle East
- HIST 122 Blacks, Jews, and Women in the Age of the French Revolution
- HIST 207/JWST 217 Modern Middle East
- HIST 225/REL 216 The Middle Ages
- HIST 226 Europe from Reformation to Revolution 1500–1815
- HIST 239 Modern German History 1870–1989
- HIST 311 The United States and the Middle East
- HIST/JWST 410 Kings, Heroes, Gods, and Monsters: Historical Texts and Modern Identities in the Middle East
- HIST 480 Historical Narrative of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict
- REL 212/HIST 324 Development of Christianity 30–600 CE
- REL/JWST 270T Father Abraham; The First Patriarch
- REL/JWST/COMP 271 Religion and the Modern Literary Imagination
- REL/JWST/COMP 205 The Interaction of Three Religions and Cultures in Early Modern Spain

Capstone Course

- JWST/HIST 433 The Justice of Violence? Histories of Terrorism in Europe

Croghan Professorship

Each year, in addition to the regular course offerings listed above, Williams sponsors the Croghan Bicentennial Visiting Professor in Religion who offers one course. In Judaism and/or Christianity, past Croghan Professors have taught courses on the Mishnah (Shaye Cohen), the historical Jesus (John Dominic Crossan), and Ancient Mediterranean Religions (Ross Kraemer), among others.

Overseas Studies

- Studying in Israel is highly recommended for students interested in Jewish Studies. Many students have spent a semester or year at Hebrew University. With the approval of the Jewish Studies programs chair, students may count a study-abroad program towards up to two core requirements.

Funding

- The Bronfman Fund for Judaic Studies was established in 1980 by Edgar M. Bronfman ’50, Samuel Bronfman II ’75, and Matthew Bronfman ’80. The Bronfman Fund offers opportunities for the Williams community to learn about Jewish history and culture, both within the College’s formal curriculum and through the planning of major events on Jewish themes. The Morris Wiener and Stephen R. Wiener ’56 Fund for Jewish Studies was established in 1997 through the estate of Stephen R. Wiener ’56. The Wiener gifts have provided an endowment to support a faculty position in modern Jewish thought, and are used to underwrite an annual lecture, forum or event relevant to contemporary Jewish life.

- JWST 101 Judaism: Innovation and Tradition (Same as Religion 203) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

See under REL 203 for full description.)

HAMMERSCHLAG

- JWST 201(F) The Hebrew Bible (Same as Comparative Literature 201 and Religion 201)

See under REL 201 for full description.)

DEKEL

- JWST 202(S) Moses: Stranger in a Strange Land (Same as Comparative Literature 214 and Religion 202)

See under REL 202 for full description.)

DEKEL

- JWST 204 Endtimes: Messianism in Modernity (Same as Philosophy 204 and Religion 204) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

See under REL 204 for full description.)

HAMMERSCHLAG

- JWST 205 Ancient Wisdom Literature (Same as Classics 205, Comparative Literature 217 and Religion 205) (Not offered 2011-2012)

See under REL 205 for full description.)

DEKEL

- JWST 206 The Book of Job and Joban Literature (Same as Comparative Literature 206 and Religion 206) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

See under REL 206 for full description.)

DEKEL

- JWST 207 From Adam to Noah: Literary Imagination and the Primeval History in Genesis (Same as Classics 207, Comparative Literature 250 and Religion 207) (Not offered 2011-2012)

See under REL 207 for full description.)

DEKEL

- JWST 209 The Legend of the Wandering Jew (Same as Comparative Literature 209 and Religion 209) (Not offered 2011-2012)

See under REL 209 for full description.)

DEKEL

- JWST 217(F) The Modern Middle East (Same as History 207 and Religion 239) (D)

See under HIST 207 for full description.)

BERNHARDSSON

- JWST 230 Modern European Jewish History, 1789-1948 (Same as History 230) (Not offered 2011-2012)

See under HIST 230 for full description.)

GARBARINI

- JWST 270T(F) Father Abraham: The First Patriarch (Same as Religion 270) (W)

See under REL 270 for full description.)

DARROW
THE CONCENTRATION

The concentration in Latina/o Studies requires five courses. Students are required to take the introductory course (LATS 105), one 400-level Latina/o Studies seminar, and three electives. Two electives must be core electives, and one elective can be a related course in Comparative Race and Ethnic Studies or in Countries of Origin and Transnationalism. The three electives must include two different areas of study, and at least one elective must be at the 300 or 400 level. Additional courses may be approved by the Chair. Students, especially those considering graduate work or professional careers in the field, are encouraged to enroll in Spanish language courses at Williams.

Required Courses

LATS 105 Latina/o Identities: Constructions, Contestations, and Expressions

One of the following 400-level seminars:

LATS/AMST 405 Home and Belonging: Displacements, Relocations, and Place-making
LATS/AMST 408 Envisioning Urban Life: Objects, Subjects, and Everyday People
LATS/AMST 409 Transnational Lives in Global Contexts
LATS/ARTH 464 Latina/o Visual Culture: Histories, Identities, and Presentation
LATS/HIST 471 Comparative Latina/o Migrations

Students can check with the department coordinator to see if other courses not listed here might count as electives.

Two of the following core electives:

HIST/LATS 280 Latina/o History From 1846 to the Present
HIST/LATS/WSGS 386 Latinos in the Global Economy: Work, Migration, and Households
LATS/ARTH/WSGS 203 Chicana/o Film and Video
LATS/RLSP 239 Spanish for Heritage Speakers: Introduction to Latina/o Cultural Production
LATS/AMST 229/AMST 221 Introduction to Urban Studies: Shaping and Living the City
LATS/AMST/REL 224 Latina/o Religions
LATS/AMST 240/COMP 210/LING 254 Latina/o Language and Literature: Hybrid Voices in Contemporary Context
LATS/ARTH 258 Latina/o Installation and Site-Specific Art
LATS/AMST 308 California: Myths, Peoples, Places
LATS/HIST 382 Latina/o Politics
LATS/AMST 310 Latino Cityscapes: Mapping Place, Community, and Latinidad in U.S. Urban Centers
LATS/AMST 332 Latinos and Education: The Politics of Schooling, Language, and Latin Studies
LATS/COMP 338/AMST 339 Popular Culture and the Dynamics of the Everyday
LATS/AMST 346/COMP 359 Latinos in and the Media: From Production to Consumption
REL/LATS/AMST 227 Utopias and Americas
REL/LATS 309 Scriptures and Race

One additional related course from either of the following subcategories OR from the core electives above:

Countries of Origin and Transnationalism

COMP/LATS/RLSP 272/AMST 256 Literature of the Americas: Transnational Dialogues on Race, Violence and Nation-Building
ENVI/COMP 239 Introduction to Ecocriticism: Transnational Dialogues on Nature and Culture
HIST 147 Women and Men in Twentieth-Century Latin America
HIST 148 The Mexican Revolution: 1910 to NAFTA
HIST/AFR 149 The 1959 Cuban Revolution: Precedents, Processes and Legacies, 1898-2009
HIST 243 Modern Latin America, 1822 to the Present
HIST 248 History of the Caribbean
HIST 342 Creating Nations and Nationalisms in Latin America
HIST/LEAD 345 “In Our Own Backyard?” U.S. and Latin American Relations
HIST 346 History of Modern Brazil
HIST 347 Democracy and Dictatorship in Latin America
HIST/LEAD 360 The Spanish-American Wars
HIST/AFR 448 Latin American and Caribbean Narratives: Testimonios, Historical Novels, and Travel Accounts
LATS 493 (F) Latin American Literature: Latinas/os and Women's Literary Traditions

LATS 203(F) Chicana/o Film and Video (Same as ArtH 203 and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 203)
Hollywood cinema has long been fascinated with the border between the United States and Mexico. This course will examine representations of the U.S.-Mexico border that exist in Chicano, Chicana, and, increasingly, in both Hollywood film and independent documentaries. We will consider how positions on nationalism, race, gender, identity, migration, and history are represented and negotiated through film. We will begin by analyzing Hollywood "border" and gang films before approaching Chicana/o-produced features, independent narratives, and experimental work. This course will explore issues of film and ideology, genre and representation, nationalist resistance and feminist critiques, queer theory and the performative aspects of identity.
Format: film screenings will be scheduled as a lab. Evaluation will be based on one short paper, mid-term exam, final exam and take home essays. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 20-25). Required course for the concentration in Latin@o Studies. Preference given to Latin@o Studies concentrators.
Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR and 7:00-9:40 p.m. M CHAYOYA

LATS 209 Spanish for Heritage Speakers: Introduction to Latina/o Cultural Production (Same as Spanish 209) (Not offered 2011-2012)
This lecture and discussion course focuses on the acquisition and improvement of critical communication and analytical skills in Spanish for use both in and outside of the United States. We address all four of the primary language skills (listening, reading, writing, and speaking), with particular attention to the unique needs of students who have received a majority of their exposure to the Spanish language in an informal/domestic environment. Through the use of materials and vocabulary taken from a variety of real-life contexts, but with primary emphasis on the diverse U.S. Latina/o communities, this course aims to sharpen heritage speakers’ sociolinguistic competency and ability to interpret musical, cinematic, and literary texts in Spanish.
Format: seminar. Evaluation to be based on student participation, grammar homework, 2 oral exams, and 3-4 written essays. No prerequisites, however, students who have completed the majority of their formal education in a Spanish-speaking country are not permitted to enroll in this course without prior permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 14 (expected: 14). If class is overenrolled, preference will be given to junior Latina/o Studies concentrators or Spanish majors.
CEPEFA

LATS 220 Introduction to Urban Studies: Shaping and Living the City (Same as American Studies 221 and Environmental Studies 221) (Not offered 2011-2012)
Generally, cities have been described either as vibrant commercial and cultural centers or as violent and decaying urban slums. In an effort to begin to think more critically about cities, this course introduces important topics in the interdisciplinary field of Urban Studies. Specifically, we will discuss concepts and theories that explain the forms that make and remake the urban environment. We will consider how social, economic, and political factors affect urban life and development? How are cities planned and used by various stakeholders (politicians, developers, businesses, and residents)? How do people make meaning of the places they inhabit? We will pay particular attention to the roles of race, ethnicity, class, and gender in understanding and interpreting urban communities. Texts include works by anthropologists, historians, sociologists, cultural critics, cultural geographers, and literary writers.
Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on attendance and class participation, several short writing assignments (2 pages), two creative group projects and presentations, a midterm essay (8-10 pages) and final essay (8-10 pages). No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20). Preference given to American Studies majors and Latina/o Studies concentrators.
RUA

LATS 224(S) U.S. Latina/o Religions (Same as American Studies 224 and Religion 224) (D)
In this course, we will engage aspects of Latina@ religious experiences, practices, and expressions in the United States of America. Some attention will be given to historical contexts in Iberia and Latin America, as well as questions of how one studies Latina@ religions. Most of the course, however, will examine moments where religious expressions intersect with politics, popular culture, and daily life in the U.S.A. Given the plurality of Latina@ communities and religious lives in...
the U.S., we will engage certain selected religious traditions and practices by focusing on particular moments of religious expression as elucidated in various religious formations and contexts. This Exploring Diversity Initiative course also examines issues of social and institutional power relations that influence particular religious formations.

Format: discussion. Evaluation: based upon class participation, short writing exercises, a 5- to 8-page take-home midterm essay, and a 10- to 15-page final review essay.

No prerequisites: open to first year students. Enrollment limit: none (expected: 15). Hour: 11:00-12:15 MW

LATS 227(S) Utopias and Americas (Same as American Studies 227, Environmental Studies 227 and Religion 227)
(See under REL 227 for full description)

HIDALGO

LATS 240(S) Latina/o Language and Literature: Hybrid Voices (Same as American Studies 240 and Comparative Literature 210) (D)

This course engages issues of language and identity in the contemporary literary production and lived experience of various Latina/o communities. We will ask: How are cultural values and material conditions expressed through Latina/o language and literature? In what ways does Latina/o identity challenge traditional notions of the relationship between language, culture, and nation? How might Latina/o literary and linguistic practices serve as tools for social change?

Departing from an overview of common linguistic phenomena such as code-switching (popularly known as “Spanglish”) and Latina/o English, we will examine bilingual education, recent linguistic legislation, and the English Only movement. We will also survey texts from a variety of literary and performance genres, including theatrical pieces, autobiography, novels, poetry, and short stories by writers such as Junot Díaz, Martín Espada, Víctor Hernández Cruz, Dolores Prida, Richard Rodríguez, and Michele Serros, among others. Both directly and/or indirectly, these texts address Latina/o language politics, as well as the broader themes of identity, power, community, race/ethnicity, gender, sexuality, class, and hybridity.

Format: seminar. Evaluation: to be based on student participation, 2-3 written essays of 5-7 pages each, and a final take-home examination.

No prerequisites, however, LATS 105 is strongly encouraged. Enrollment limit: 14 (expected: 14). If class is overenrolled, preference will be given to senior Latina/o Studies concentrators, American Studies majors, or Comparative Literature majors.

Hour: TBA

HIDALGO

LATS 258(S) Latina/o Installation and Site-Specific Art (Same as ArtH 258)

This course will explore the various forms of installation and site-specific artworks created by Latina/o artists for both museums and public space. We will examine the ways in which Latin@ artists have used space as a material in the production of artworks and how this impacts the works’ meanings and the viewer’s experience. Within the context of U.S. Latina/o culture and history, we will connect notions of space with ideas about cultural citizenship, civil rights, and social justice. A variety of art forms will be studied, from traditional to experimental, including murals, sculpture, performance, video, and several multimedia, interactive, or participatory projects. While establishing a historical lineage and theoretical frameworks for analyzing this growing genre, we will pay particular attention to how these works engage urban space and often challenge the institutional assumptions of museums and curatorial practice. Likewise, we will examine the important debates associated with various public art and museum installation controversies.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: two short papers, periodic research reports, final research paper, and presentation.

Prerequisites: Latina/o Studies 105 or ArtH 101-102 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 12). Core elective for Latina/o Studies concentration. Preference to Latina/o Studies concentrators and to Art majors.

Hour: 1:30-3:50 W

CEPEDA

LATS 272 Literature of the Americas: Transnational Dialogues on Race, Violence and Nation-Building (Same as American Studies 256, Comparative Literature 272 and Spanish and Portuguese 272) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (W)
(See under COMP 272 for full description.)

FRENCH

LATS 286 Latina/o History From 1846 to the Present (Same as History 286) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (W)
(See under HST 286 for full description.)

WHALEN

Core elective for Latina/o Studies concentration.

LATS 306 Latinos and Cultural Citizenship (Same as American Studies 306) (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course explores the intersecting relationship between Latinos, culture, and citizenship by examining how Latinos are represented within the national imaginary. Considering citizenship from various points of difference such as race, ethnicity, age, (dis)ability, gender, sexuality, and class, this course will interrogate how multiple forms of citizenship (e.g., legal, cultural, social, and economic) are constructed and constituted through various institutions such as law, media, education, and the economy. Throughout the semester we will keep the following fundamental questions at the core of our inquiry: What does it mean to be a citizen in the 21st century? How does cultural citizenship shape contemporary ideas of citizenship? How do Latinos make cultural claims to membership in the nation, in addition to or apart from legal notions of citizenship? What are the implications of Latinos’ practices of cultural citizenship? Topics include language, representation, multiculturality, dual citizenship, hybridity, immigration, and consumption, with readings by Suzanne Oboler, Renato Rosaldo, Leo Chavez, and Vicki Mayer among others. Analysis of various popular culture forms such as music, film, television, and art will accompany theoretical readings.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, one student-led discussion, one 2- to 3-page book review essay, and two 5- to 7-page essays.

No prerequisites. No enrollment limit (expected: 15).

BAEZ

LATS 308 California: Myths, Peoples, Places (Same as American Studies 308) (Not offered 2011-2012)

"Now I wish you to know about the strangest thing ever found anywhere in written texts or in human memory...I tell you that on the right-hand side of the Indies there was an island called California, which was very close to the region of the Earthly Paradise."

As far as we know, the name “California” was first written in this passage by Garcí Rodríguez de Montalvo, ca. 1510. Within a few decades, it came to be placed first on the peninsula of Baja California and then upon a whole large region stretching along the Western coast of North America. What aspects of this early myth still inform how we imagine California today? What are the different images that come to mind when you think of California and how might those images affect how certain people, places, and events are perceived?

In this course, we will explore the ways in which myths and legends placed on California since 1510 have been imagined by various people, from Spaniards to Californios and from immigrants to the present day. We will look at how multiple forms of citizenship (e.g., legal, cultural, social, and economic) are constructed and constituted through various institutions such as law, media, education, and the economy. Throughout the semester we will keep the following fundamental questions at the core of our inquiry: What does it mean to be a citizen in the 21st century? How does cultural citizenship shape contemporary ideas of citizenship? How do Latinos make cultural claims to membership in the nation, in addition to or apart from legal notions of citizenship? What are the implications of Latinos’ practices of cultural citizenship? Topics include language, representation, multiculturality, dual citizenship, hybridity, immigration, and consumption, with readings by Suzanne Oboler, Renato Rosaldo, Leo Chavez, and Vicki Mayer among others. Analysis of various popular culture forms such as music, film, television, and art will accompany theoretical readings.

Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, short writing exercises, two 3- to 5-page book review essays, and a final project or a 10- to 15-page comparative review essay.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: none (expected: 15).

HIDALGO

LATS 309 (formerly 273) Scriptures and Race (Same as Africana Studies 309 and Religion 309) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under REL 309 for full description.)

HIDALGO

LATS 310 Latino Cityscapes: Mapping Place, Community, and Latinitad in U.S. Urban Centers (Same as American Studies 310) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

This interdisciplinary course examines the emergence of Latino cities in the U.S. We begin by exploring urban centers that came to be identified with certain Latino groups—Puerto Ricans in New York, Mexicans in Los Angeles, and Cubans in Miami. We then turn to other Latino cities that have been historically overlooked given the popular and scholarly attention placed on New York, Los Angeles, and Miami. In our study of Latino cities, we will analyze the diverse histories of migration and settlement, ethnic relations, community building and identity formation, and the racialization of urban spaces. Finally, we will consider the situatedness of latinitad in these urban environments contemplating how Latinos are shaped by and in turn shape the experience of the city in the U.S.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, field research, 4 response papers (2 pages), a short field narrative (4 pages), a midterm essay (5-7 pages), and a final review essay (8-10 pages).


RUA
LATS 311(F) Ethnographies of Diaspora and Popular Culture (Same as American Studies 311)

For many contemporary diasporic communities, popular culture is central to the creation and maintenance of a transnational, imagined community. Using a comparative approach, this course will explore the ways in which popular culture (i.e., film, music, television, travel writing, food) fosters the creation and maintenance of diasporic communities such as Indian youth in London, Latina teens in the South, and Greek Cypriots in London and New York among others. The course will also consider how popular culture might encourage distinctions within diasporas and in relation to other ethnic and racial communities. Central to the course is an ethnographic approach to studying popular culture. As such, students will gain an introduction to qualitative methods that seek to understand the role of popular culture in everyday life. We will focus on the following questions: How does popular culture cultivate “imagined communities” for diasporas? How do diasporic communities not only consume, but produce popular culture? How does the process of migration impact one’s consumption of popular culture? How do second-plus generation members participate in diaspora media, if at all? Topics will include youth, family, gender, race, hybridity, the city, and consumer culture in sites as varied as the home, work, bars/nightclubs, shopping malls, and museums.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, two 3- to 4-page ethnographic writing exercises, and one final essay of 5-7 pages.
No prerequisites. No enrollment limit (expected: 15).
Hour: 2:53-3:50 MR

BÁEZ

LATS 312(S) Chicano (Same as American Studies 312 and Environmental Studies 313)

"The city of big shoulders has plenty of room for diversity," reads the official visitor’s website for the City of Chicago. Focusing on this claim, this course asks students to think critically about what kind room has been made for diversity—social, spatial, and ideological. Additionally we examine the ways in which diaspores have shouldered their way into the imagined and physical landscape of the city. Working with ethnography, history, literature, critical essays, and popular culture, we will explore the material and discursive constructions of Chi-Town and urban life among its residents. Appreciating these constructions we also consider how Chicago has served as a key site for understandings of urbaniy within a broader national and global context.

Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on attendance and class participation, group presentations and discussions, 5 critical briefs (2-4 pages) and a book report (10-12 pages). No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20). Core elective for Latino/a Studies concentration. Preference given to American Studies majors, Latino/a Studies concentrators, and students who have taken LATS 220/AMST 221/ENVI 221.
Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR

RÚA

LATS 331 Gender, Race, Beauty, and Power in the Age of Transnational Media (Same as American Studies 331, Comparative Literature 313 and Women's and Gender and SEXUAlity Studies 313) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

This lecture and discussion course focuses on the politics of personal style among U.S. women of color in an era of viral video clips, the 24-hour news cycle, and commerce-sites dedicated to the dermatological concerns of “minority” females. With a comparative, cross-cultural emphasis on the ways in which gender, sexuality, ethno-racial identity, and class inform standards of beauty, we will examine a variety of materials ranging from documentary films, commercial websites, poetry and sociological case studies to classic feminist theory. Departing from the assumption that personal aesthetics are intimately tied to issues of power and privilege, we will engage the following questions: What are the everyday functions of personal style among women of color? Is it feasible to assert that an easily identifiable “Latina/o,” “African-American” female aesthetic exists? What role do transnational media play in the development and circulation of popular aesthetic forms? How might the belief in personal style as a tactic of resistance challenge traditional understandings of what it means to be a “feminist” in the first place? Readings include works by Julie Bettie, Rosalinda Fregoso, Tiffany M. Gill, Margaret L. Hunter, Linda Leung, Lisa Nakamura, Catherine Ramírez, Felicity Schaefer-Gribeili, and Sandra K. Soto, among others.

Format: seminar. Evaluation to be based on student participation, 2-3 written essays of 5-7 pages each.
Prerequisites: LATS 105, AFR 200, AMST 201, WGST 101 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 14 (expected: 14). If class is overenrolled, preference will be given to senior Latino/a Studies concentrators, American Studies majors, Africana Studies concentrators, and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies majors.
CEPEDA

LATS 332 Latinos and Education: The Politics of Schooling, Language, and Latino Studies (Same as American Studies 332) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)

Schools have often become the focal point for debates over the relationship between cultural identity, intellectual abilities, and the production of knowledge. What should be taught, who should be taught, and how they should be taught frame the politics of schooling. Language has often taken center stage in these debates. This course examines the effects of educational policies and practices on the development of Latina/o students and communities. We will also consider how these students and communities have resourcefully carved out spaces and demanded to meet their educational needs. Topics include school desegregation, bilingual education, student walk-outs and sit-ins, as well as the origins and advancement of Chicano Studies, Puerto Rican Studies, and more recently Latino Studies programs on college campuses. Students will critically engage the major themes of the course in two essays as they also engage each other in the form of peer-reviews and other in-class writing workshop exercises. This course explores the experiences and expressions of racially and culturally diverse Latinas and Latinos, focusing on the myriad ways in which they confront, negotiate, and at times challenge dominant U.S. hierarchies of race, culture, gender, and class.

Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, writing workshop participation (and related assignments), group presentations, and two essays (12-15 pages).
RÚA

LATS 333 Popular Culture and the Dynamics of the Everyday (Same as American Studies 339 and Comparative Literature 338) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (W)

Via critical analysis of select musical, cinematic, and popular media texts, this discussion and lecture course investigates the primary approaches to the study of popular culture and identity, with particular emphasis on Latino/a popular cultural production. Together we will pose the following questions: How is Latina/o identity expressed through the “popular” or the everyday? In what ways does the study of Latino/a popular culture illuminate our understanding of the Latina/o community’s history and culture? What methodologies and theories are best suited to the analysis of the “here and now”? Employing a broad range of Cultural Studies core concepts and approaches, students will conduct an original semester-long research project and complete various experiential exercises in this examination of the historical, socio-political, and artistic uses of popular culture among Latinas/os.

Format: seminar. Evaluation to be based on student participation, 2 ethnographic essays, and an original 12- to 15-page research paper conducted in stages (abstract, annotated bibliography, outline, and multiple drafts).
Prerequisites: LATS 105, AMST 201, or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 14 (expected: 14). If class is overenrolled, preference will be given to senior Latino/a Studies concentrators, or American Studies majors.
CEPEDA

LATS 346(S) Latino/a and the Media: From Production to Consumption (Same as American Studies 346 and Comparative Literature 345) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (W)

This interdisciplinary lecture and discussion course centers on advertising, print media, radio, internet, television programming, and audience studies for, by, and about Latinas/os. How do Latinas/os construct identity (and have their identities constructed for them) through domestic and transnational media outlets? How is Latina/o identity expressed through the “popular” or the everyday? In what ways does the study of Latinas/os and popular culture illuminate our understanding of the Latinas/os community’s history and culture? What methodologies and theories are best suited to the analysis of the “here and now”? Employing a broad range of Cultural Studies core concepts and approaches, students will conduct an original semester-long research project and complete various experiential exercises in this examination of the historical, socio-political, and artistic uses of popular culture among Latinas/os.

Format: seminar. Evaluation to be based on student participation, 2 to 3-page close reading exercise, and an original 12- to 15-page research paper conducted in stages (abstract, annotated bibliography, outline, and multiple drafts).
Prerequisites: LATS 105 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 14 (expected: 14). If class is overenrolled, preference will be given to senior Latino/a Studies concentrators or American Studies majors.
Hour: 2:53-3:50 MR

CEPEDA

LATS 382 Latino/a Politics (Same as History 382 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 382) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

This course explores Latinas/os politics from World War II to the present. Defining politics broadly, we will examine everything from electoral politics to grassroots activism. We will explore the relationship between Latinas/os and the U.S. political system, as well as the ways in which dynamics internal to Latino/a communities shape political issues and political participation. Specific topics include Mexican Americans and Puerto Ricans struggles for political inclusion in
the aftermath of World War II, Cuban exile politics and their impact, the political and social movements of the 1960s and 1970s, key electoral campaigns, the recent appointment in 2008 of the first Latina as a Supreme Court justice, and on-going debates over immigration. With an assessment of power relations at its core, this Exploring Diversity Initiative course explores the ways in which Latinos and Latinas have been excluded from or differentially included in the U.S. political system, as well as how the U.S. political system reflects dominant hierarchies of race, class, and gender. We will also interrogate how Latinas/os have sought to make U.S. politics more inclusive and at times have struggled to transform U.S. politics.

Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation including short assignments in preparation for discussion; three short essays based on course readings (3-5 pages each) and a final paper (7-10 pages).


LATS 386 Latinos in the Global Economy: Work, Migration, and Households (Same as History 386 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 386) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
(See under HIST 386 for full description.) WHALEN
Core elective for Latina/o Studies concentration.

LATS 397(F), 398(S) Independent Study

LATS 403 New Asian American, African American, Native American, and Latina/o Writing (Same as Africana Studies 403, American Studies 403, Comparative Literature 375 and English 375) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
(See under AMST 403 for full description.) WANG

LATS 405 Home and Belonging: Displacements, Relocations, and Place-Making (Same as American Studies 405) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)
The metaphor of “home” and idea of “belonging” bring insight to theories and investigations centered on community building and identity formation within and across national borders. These constructions give us an indication of what people value, what is worth fighting for, as well as what is considered expendable. Our objective in this course is to interrogate constructions of home and belonging by studying how individuals, communities, and nations are transformed by experiences of dislocation, migration, and renewed place-making. What are the ways a sense of belonging shapes these identities and the investments made in these formations? Working with ethnography, history, memoir, literature, critical essays, and documentary film, we will consider the personal and political uses of memory, nostalgia, migration subjects and time. Among the many case studies we will examine are the politics of homeland among Cuban-Americans, Native American and West Indian festivity forms, and place-claiming and racial sincerity among African Americans. This course explores the experiences and expressions of racialized populations in the United States, focusing on the myriad ways in which they confront, negotiate, and at times challenge dominant U.S. hierarchies of race, culture, gender and class.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, annotated bibliography, short essay (5 pages), writing workshop participation (and related assignments), research paper related assignments, and a final research paper (20-25 pages) and presentation.

Prerequisites: prior courses in Latino Studies, American Studies, or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15). Preference given to senior Latina/o Studies concentrators and American Studies majors.

RÚA

LATS 408 Envisioning Urban Life: Objects, Subjects, and Everyday People (Same as American Studies 408) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)
What is the relationship between real life in urban communities and the multiple ways in which they are imagined? What does it mean to be “urban,” to live in an urban “environment”? How do the people we think the people are who populate these spaces? This course takes a critical look at specific populations, periods, and problems that have come to dominate and characterize our conceptions of the quality, form, and function of U.S. urban life. A few of the topics we will consider include historical accounts of the varied ways in which poverty has been studied; race, class, and housing; the spatial practices of urban youth and the urban elderly; and gendered perspectives on social mobility and community activism. Finally, this course will explore how diverse social actors negotiate responses to their socio-spatial and economic circumstances, and, in the process, help envision and create different dimensions of the urban experience. The course fulfills the Exploring Diversity Initiative requirement as it explores how various forms of urban inequality affect the collective experience of social actors in diverse race and class categories. It focuses on the complex and contradictory ways in which urban residents confront, negotiate, and at times challenge social and structural inequalities and the changing political economy of U.S. cities.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on attendance and class participation, class presentations, 4 short essays (4-5 pages), and a final paper (18-20 pages).

Prerequisites: prior course(s) in American Studies, Latina/o Studies, or permission of instructor; not open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to senior Latina/o Studies concentrators and to senior American Studies majors.

RÚA

LATS 409(F) Transnational Lives in Global Context (Same as American Studies 409) (W) (D)
In the age of satellite television, e-mail, Skype, and easily available international phone calls, transnational identities have rapidly become the norm as opposed to the exception. However, what does it really mean to be "transnational"? How do the lived experiences of transnational individuals and communities mirror (and diverge from) theoretical notions of the transnational? How do the practices and concepts of diaspora, globalization, and transnationalism compare? How do the growing number of transnational citizens and residents in this country shape “American” identity on the local, national, and global scales? In this comparative discussion course we will analyze contemporary theories regarding the origins and impacts of transnationalism, key critiques regarding the field of transnational studies itself, and transnationalism’s role in the “New” American Studies. Case studies examined in this course include China, Colombia, the Dominican Republic, Haiti, Mexico, the Philippines, Puerto Rico, and Syria; we will read works by Arjun Appadurai, Ginetta E.B. Candelario, Luis Eduardo Guarnizo and Michael Peter Smith, Aihwa Ong, Gina M. Pérez, Ella Shohat and Robert Stam, and Robert C. Smith, among others.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on student participation, individual writing conferences, and an original 15-20 page research paper conducted in stages (abstract, annotated bibliography, outline, and multiple drafts).

Prerequisites: LATS 105 or AMST 201 and junior/senior standing, or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 9). If class is overenrolled, preference will be given to senior Latina/o Studies concentrators or American Studies majors.

Hour: 1:10-2:50 W

LATS 462 Art of California: “Sunshine or Noir” (Same as American Studies 462 and ArtH 462) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under ARTH 462 for full description.) CHAVOYA

LATS 464 Latina/o Visual Culture: Histories, Identities, and Representation (Same as ArtH 464) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)
(See under ARTH 464 for full description.) CHAVOYA

LATS 471(S) Comparative Latina/o Migrations (Same as History 471) (D) (W)
Since the 1970s, policymakers, scholars, the media, and the popular discourse have used the umbrella terms “Hispanic” and “Latino/a” to refer to Mexicans, Puerto Ricans, Cubans, Dominicans and more recent immigrants from Central and South American countries. As a form of racial/ethnic categorization, however, these umbrella terms can mask widely divergent migration histories and experiences in the United States. In this course, we develop theoretical perspectives and comparative analyses to untangle a complicated web of similarities and differences among Latino groups. How important were their time of arrival and region of settlement? How do we explain differences in socioeconomic status? How fruitful and appropriate are comparative analyses with other racial/ethnic groups, such as African Americans or European immigrants? Along the way, we explore the emergence of Latina/o Studies as an interdisciplinary and comparative field of study, the growing number of Latina/o scholars and their work using in Latina/o studies itself, and transnationalism’s role in the “New” American Studies. Case studies examined in this course include China, Colombia, the Dominican Republic, Haiti, Mexico, the Philippines, Puerto Rico, and Syria; we will read works by Arjun Appadurai, Ginetta E.B. Candelario, Luis Eduardo Guarnizo and Michael Peter Smith, Aihwa Ong, Gina M. Pérez, Ella Shohat and Robert Stam, and Robert C. Smith, among others.

Format: seminar/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation and presentations, a proposal, an annotated bibliography, a short historiographical essay, and a research paper based in part on primary sources.


Group F

Hour: 1:10-3:50 W WHALEN
LEADERSHIP STUDIES (Div. II)

Chair: Professor NICOLE MELLOW

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Leadership Studies focuses on the universal phenomenon of leadership in human groups. Leadership Studies asks what leadership means within a wide variety of social settings—leader and follower in a family, a team, a theatre company, a philanthropy, a university, a multinational corporation, or a nation state waging war. It seeks to understand the dynamics of the relationships between leaders and followers. It studies authority, power, and influence. It seeks to grasp the bases of legitimacy that leaders claim, and followers grant, in all of these relationships.

Through a wide range of courses in the social sciences and the humanities, a number of questions are addressed through the curriculum. How have men and women defined America and the West, and the bases of leaders’ legitimacy in different historical contexts? How do leaders in different contexts emerge? Through what processes? What are the bases of leaders’ legitimacy in different historical contexts? How do different types of leaders exercise and maintain their domination? What are the distinctive habits of mind of leaders in different historical contexts? What are the moral dilemmas that leaders in different contexts face? What are the typical challenges to established leadership in different historical contexts? How does one analyze the experiences of leaders in widely disparate contexts to generate systematic comparative understandings of why history judges some leaders great and others failures. How and why do these evaluations about the efficacy of leaders shift over time?

To meet the requirements of the concentration, students must complete one of the two sequences outlined below (6 courses total).

LEADERSHIP STUDIES—TRADITIONAL TRACK

The Introductory Course:
LEAD/PSCI 125 Power, Leadership and Legitimacy: An Introduction to Leadership Studies

One Required Course on Ethical Issues Related to Leadership:
PSCI 203 Introduction to Political Theory

Students can check with the department coordinator to see if other courses not listed here might count as electives.

Two Core Courses Dealing with Specific Facets or Domains of Leadership:
CLAS 258 Divine Kingship
[ENGL 157 Shakespeare’s Warriors and Politicians - last offered fall 2008]
HIST/CLAS/LEAD 223 Leadership, Government, and the Governed in Ancient Greece
HIST 111/LEAD 150 Movers and Shakers in the Modern Middle East
HIST/LEAD 157 From Powhatan to Lincoln: Discovering Leadership in a New World
HIST 158 Thicker than Water: American Political Dynasties
HIST 326 War in European History
HIST 355/LEAD 255 Perspectives on the American Revolution
HIST 359/LEAD 259 The Politics of Presidential Leadership, 1776-1860
HIST/AFR 381 From Civil Rights to Black Power
HIST 475 Modern Warfare and Military Leadership
LEAD/PSCI 212/HIST 393 Sister Revolutions in France and America
LEAD 250 Political Leadership
LEAD 402 The Art of Presidential Leadership
LEAD/PSCI 285/HIST 354 The Revolutionary Generation: Galaxy of Leaders
LEAD 295 Leadership and Management
PSCI/LEAD 218 The American Presidency
PSCI 345 Cosmology and Rulership in Ancient Chinese Political Thought
SOC 387 Propaganda

One Leadership Studies Winter Study course (listed separately in the catalogue)

Capstone Course:
LEAD 402 The Art of Presidential Leadership

LEADERSHIP STUDIES—KAPLAN PROGRAM IN U.S. FOREIGN POLICY TRACK

An Introductory Course:
HIST 262 The U.S. and the World, 1776-1914
PSCI 120 America and the World After September 11 or
LEAD/PSCI 125 Power, Leadership and Legitimacy: An Introduction to Leadership Studies

One Required Course on Issues Related to American Domestic Leadership:
HIST/LEAD 157 From Powhatan to Lincoln: Discovering Leadership in a New World
HIST 158 Thicker than Water: American Political Dynasties
HIST 355/LEAD 255 Perspectives on the American Revolution
HIST 359/LEAD 259 The Politics of Presidential Leadership, 1776-1860
HIST 360 The Spanish-American Wars (D)
LEAD 250 Political Leadership
LEAD/PSCI 285/HIST 354 The Revolutionary Generation: Galaxy of Leaders
LEAD 402 The Art of Presidential Leadership
PSCI/LEAD 205 Leaders in Contemporary Conservative Political Thought
PSCI/LEAD 218 The American Presidency
PSCI 250 American Political Thought
PSCI 309 Problems/Progress in American Democracy

Three Required Courses Dealing with Specific Facets of American Foreign Policy Leadership:
HIST 262 The United States and the World, 1776 to 1914
HIST 263 The United States and the World, 1914 to the Present
HIST/LEAD/AFR 345 "In Our Own Backyard?" U.S. and Latin American Relations
HIST 388 The Cold War, 1945-1991
HIST 464 The United States and the Vietnam War
PSCI 222 The United States and Latin America
PSCI 225 International Security
PSCI 242 America and the Vietnam War
PSCI 262 America and the Cold War
PSCI 323 Henry Kissinger and the American Century
PSCI 326 Empire and Imperialism

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Capstone Course(s):
PSCI/LEAD 365 U.S. Grand Strategy (W)
LEAD 402 Domains of Leadership: The Roosevelt Style of Leadership
PSCI 420 Henry Kissinger: Detente and the End of the Cold War

(There is no winter study component to the American Foreign Policy Leadership track.)

LEAD 125(F) Power, Leadership and Legitimacy: An Introduction to Leadership Studies (Same as Political Science 125)
Leadership has long been a central concept in the study of politics. Philosophers from Plato to Machiavelli have struggled with the question of what qualities and methods are necessary for effective leadership. Social scientists throughout the twentieth century have struggled to refine and advance hypotheses about leadership in the areas of economics, psychology, and sociology, among others. Nevertheless, despite all of this impressive intellectual effort, the study of leadership remains a contested field of study precisely because universal answers to the major questions in leadership studies have proven to be elusive. This course is designed to introduce students to many of the central issues and debates in the area of leadership studies.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: class participation and several brief (1 page) response papers, a short mid-term paper, and a longer final paper.
Subfield open
Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF
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LEAD 135(F) The Great War, 1914-1918 (Same as History 135F) (W)
(See under HIST 135 for full description.)
WOOD

LEAD 150 Movers and Shakers in the Middle East (Same as History 111) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)
(See under HIST 111 for full description.)
BERNHARDSO

LEAD 157(F) From Powhatan to Lincoln: Discovering Leadership in a New World (Same as History 157) (W)
(See under HIST 157 for full description.)
SPERO

LEAD 212(S) Sister Revolutions in France and America (Same as History 393)
In the late-eighteenth century, two revolutions burst forth—they were the most striking and consequential events in modern history, decisive turning-points that transformed governance and politics. This course takes an interdisciplinary approach to the study of the overarching ideas and visions of the sister revolutions. Through correspondence, political essays and speeches, we will seek to understand the fundamental theories, goals and accomplishments of both revolutions. Who were their leaders and according to what principles did they govern? Did revolutionaries in France find a model in America for their Revolution? What is the meaning of the "Terror" in France and what light does it shed on modern revolutionary movements? Why was the American Revolution followed by decades of strife while the French Revolution bequeathed a turbulent succession of failed governments? Have America and France continued to conceive of themselves as revolutionary nations? We will read works by Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Hamilton, Adams, Rousseau, Robespierre, Saint-Just, Tocqueville, Burke and others..

Format: seminar. Requirements: two papers, several class presentations, and active participation in class discussions.
Prerequisites: course background in French history or early American history or Political Theory. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). Preference given to students with backgrounds in American history, French history or Political Science.
Satisfies one semester of the Division II requirement.
Hour: 1:10-3:50 R
DUNN

LEAD 218 The American Presidency (Same as Political Science 218) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under PSCI 218 for full description.)
MELLLOW

LEAD 242(F) America and the Vietnam War (Same as Political Science 242) (W)
(See under PSCI 242 for full description.)
MCALLISTER and LAWRENCE

LEAD 250(S) Political Leadership
This course will examine the leadership strategies of American political leaders with an emphasis on the importance of communication strategies for public sector leaders. We will study these issues by examining local, state and federal political leaders and by answering key questions specific to the political realm. We will read and watch significant speeches of American political leaders, be visited by guests with deep knowledge and insight into the world of politics and read a variety of writings by academics and practitioners on the subject. We will explore questions such as “What characteristics mark successful communication and how do leaders craft a unique and effective communications style?” and “What strategic considerations are there for female political leaders and do they have different challenges in communicating?”

The first series of classes will focus on communication—taking a look at some of America’s best political orators, the special requirements of crisis communication and the changes that new media has brought to the practice of politics and government. We will then explore the tenets of political strategy—both in campaigning and governing. This segment of the course will take a look at the tools used in crafting a strategy and how to put together a winning coalition. The final classes in the course will explore the unique challenges and opportunities facing select sub-groups of political leaders: women, celebrity candidates and office-holders and high-achieving young political leaders—operatives and elected officials.

Format: seminar. Requirements: three short papers and a final research paper.
Hour: 7:00-9:40 p.m. M
SWIFT

LEAD 255(F) Perspectives on the American Revolution (Same as History 355)
(See under HIST 355 for full description.)
SPERO

LEAD 257 Leaders in Africa: Prophets, Autocrats Tyrants (Same as Africana Studies 257 and Political Science 257) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under PSCI 257 for full description.)
MUNEMO

LEAD 259(S) The Politics of Presidential Leadership, 1776-1860 (Same as History 359)
(See under HIST 359 for full description.)
SPERO

LEAD 285(F) The Revolutionary Generation: Galaxy of Leaders (Same as History 354 and Political Science 285)
The American Revolution produced a galaxy of brilliant politicians and statesmen of extraordinary courage, intellect, creativity, and character. They succeeded in drafting an unparalleled Constitution and establishing enduring democratic political institutions while nevertheless failing to grapple with the wrenching issue of slavery. The leaders of the American Revolution were a diverse bunch. This course will explore the lives, ideas, and rights of leadership in women. In this course, most of whom belonged to the social elite of their day: Washington, Madison, Jefferson, Adams, and Hamilton. We will study in depth their superb writings, such as the correspondence between Madison and Jefferson and between Adams and Jefferson, and Madison’s and Hamilton’s Federalist essays. We will also read recent interpretations of the founding generation by Gordon Wood, Joseph Ellis, Bernard Bailyn, and others.
Format: seminar. Requirements: two papers and four class presentations.
No prerequisites; courses in Leadership Studies or Political Theory or early American History are very helpful for admission to this seminar. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). Preference given to students with a background in American History or Political Science.
Hour: 1:10-3:50 R
DUNN

LEAD 295(F) Leadership and Management
What are the differences between effective leaders and effective managers of complex organizations, or are they one and the same? If different, what are the key elements making each successful, and are there any critical dynamics or interdependencies among these elements? Finally, are there important distinctions between the factors required for success by leaders/managers in different domains or cultures, and by leaders/managers of different genders or ethnicities? In this
course, we will wrestle with these questions by examining both successful and unsuccessful leadership and management of complex organizations in a number of domains, including the worlds of business, non-profits, higher education, the military, government, and others. Our primary means of doing so will be through case studies supplemented by readings from noted leadership and management thinkers, and by the appearance of several distinguished guest speakers.

Format: seminar for the first half of the course and tutorial for the second half. Course requirements will include active class participation, several brief (1 page or less) response papers, a short midterm paper, and a longer final paper, which will be written by a team of two students during the tutorial portion of the course. The final paper will focus on two cases of each team’s choice.


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**LEAD 311 Congress (Same as Political Science 311) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)**

(See under PSCI 311 for full description.)

| C. JOHNSON |

**LEAD 314T Leadership in American Political Development (Same as Political Science 314T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)**

(See under PSCI 314 for full description.)

| MELLOW |

**LEAD 323(S) Leadership, Government, and the Governed in Ancient Greece (Same as History 323 and Classics 323) (W)**

(See under HIST 323 for full description.)

| CHRISTENSEN |

Satisfies one semester of the Division II requirement.

**LEAD 325(S) The Roosevelt Style of Leadership (Same as History 358)**

In this course we will study the lives, ideas, visions and, above all, the political and moral leadership of Theodore, Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt. The three Roosevelts transformed the role of government in American society, bringing about fundamental and lasting change. What were their leadership strategies and styles? Did they mobilize followers or did their followers mobilize them? How did they balance political compromise with bold, principled leadership? How did their personalities affect their visions and their goals? To what extent did they offer ethical and moral leadership? In addition to studying histories and biographies, we will do extensive research in primary source material.

Format: seminar. Evaluation based on participation in class discussions, oral reports, two research papers. Prerequisites: Leadership Studies 125 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Preference given to Leadership Studies concentrators and students with background in American history and political science.

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**LEAD 338 The Progress of Astronomy: Galileo through the Hubble Space Telescope (Same as Astronomy 338 and History of Science 338) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)**

(See under ASTR 338 for full description.)

| J. PASACHOFF |

**LEAD 365(S) U.S. Grand Strategy (Same as Political Science 365) (W)**

(See under PSCI 365 for full description.)

| LAWRENCE |

**LEAD 372(S) The Rise of American Business (Same as History 372)**

(See under HIST 372 for full description.)

| DALZELL |

**LEAD 397(F), 398(S) Independent Study**

Permission of the chair of Leadership Studies required.

**LEAD 402(F) The Art of Presidential Leadership**

In this seminar, we will focus on the leadership of some of the greatest American presidents—Washington, Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt, Franklin Roosevelt—as well as some of the most controversial—Lyndon Johnson and Richard Nixon. We will investigate how these presidents developed as leaders before as well as after their election to the presidency. How did they determine their goals, assemble their leadership teams, and mobilize followers? What challenges did they face and what principles guided them? What failures did they meet and why? Can we relate these historical examples to the American presidency today? Readings will include correspondence, speeches, biographies, and political analysis.

Format: seminar.

Prerequisites: Leadership Studies 125 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). Preference given to Leadership Studies concentrators and students with background in American history and political science.

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**LEAD 403(F) Making it in Africa (Same as Africana Studies 404 and History 403)**

(See under HIST 403 for full description.)

| MUTONGI |

**LEGAL STUDIES (Div. II)**

Chair, Professor CHERYL SHANKS

Advisory Committee: Professors: GENTRY, KAPLAN, NOLAN, SHANKS. Assistant Professor: CROWE. Transitional committee members also include Professor BARRY, Associate Professor DUBOW. Visiting Assistant Professor: A. HIRSCH. Legal Studies is an interdepartmental program designed to give students a background in and frameworks for understanding the law, usually understood as an authoritative, or socially legitimate, set of rules for coordinating behavior and resolving conflicts, and its relation(s) to justice and power. This liberal arts program provides the tools needed to think and argue critically about what law is, how it works, how laws evolve over time and in different parts of the world, what compliance and enforcement mean, and what their relationship is to justice, conflict resolution, and legitimate authority.

**THE CONCENTRATION**

The concentration in legal studies consists of six courses, including an interdisciplinary introductory course, four electives taken from at least two departments, and a senior seminar on a contemporary topic in the law. Electives vary from year to year according to course offerings. Students may declare program concentrations at any point during their academic career.

**STUDY ABROAD**

Students who choose to study abroad should consult with the program chair to ensure that they can complete the requirements. Studying abroad may provide exciting opportunities to learn about legal traditions and systems other than those of the United States. Students should check with the chair to be sure that courses taken abroad will be counted toward completion of the program.

**REQUIRED COURSES**

**LGST 101(F,S) Processes of Adjudication**

This course offers an interdisciplinary overview of legal systems, including their historical and constitutional underpinnings, the jury system and the adversary system; it raises questions about the psychology of law, law’s complicated relationship to social institutions, and the nature of facts, evidence, and justice. Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on a final exam, many short papers, and class participation.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 40). Preference to first-years and sophomores who are considering a concentration in Legal Studies.

| Hour: 7:00-9:40 p.m. M 8:30-9:45 TR |
| First Semester: A. HIRSCH  Second Semester: A. HIRSCH |

**LGST 397(F), 398(S) Independent Study**

Legal Studies independent study. Open only under the supervision of a member of the Legal Studies Advisory Committee.

**LGST 401(S) Senior Seminar: Trials and Transitions (W)**

Before the 1990s, the world saw only occasional, discrete war crimes trials after major-power cataclysms. In the last two decades, trials expanded dramatically in number, scope, and philosophy. Separate Ad Hoc Tribunals for crimes in Yugoslavia and those in Rwanda, in Sierra Leone and in Cambodia are giving way to a
or the effect that punishment might have on societies’ futures has led to the development of national and social courts to complement those at the international level. Models of transitional justice abound. This capstone seminar examines the intent, process, meaning and consequence of these new institutions, particularly in terms of national constitutions, international law, and principles of justice.

Format: seminar. Requirements: active class participation, several short papers, and a substantially longer final paper. Prerequisites: Legal Studies 101 and at least two Legal Studies electives, or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 18 (expected: 18). Preference: in order of seniority, to students for whom this course completes the Legal Studies concentration.

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR SHANKS

Students can check with the department coordinator to see if other courses not listed here might count as electives.

ELECTIVES

Four elective courses are required to complete a concentration in Legal Studies. These courses must be taken from at least two departments. Other courses, not listed here, may be approved by the Chair.

AFR/HIST 304 South Africa and Apartheid
AMST/PSCI 210 Culture and Incarceration
ANTH 342 Dispute and Conflict, Settlement and Resolution: The Anthropology of Law
CHEM 113 Chemistry and Crime: From Sherlock Holmes to Modern Forensic Science
ECON 371T Economic Justice
ENVI 307/PSCI 317 Environmental Law
HIST/WGST 152 The Fourteenth Amendment and the Rights Revolution
HIST 380 Comparative American Immigration History
HIST 381 Civil Rights and Black Power
HIST/WGST 457 Gender, Law and Politics in U.S. History
INTR/AFR 210/PSCI 302 Race, Culture, and Incarceration
LEAD/PSCI 285/HIST 354 The Revolutionary Generation: Galaxy of Leaders
PHIL 101 Introduction to Moral and Political Philosophy
PHIL 236 Contemporary Ethical Theory
PHIL 272T Free Will and Responsibility
PSCI 216 Constitutional Law I
PSCI 217 Constitutional Law II
PSCI 223 International Law
PSCI/AFR 318 The Voting Rights Act and Voting Movement
PSYC 347 Psychology and the Law
REL 203 Judaism
SOC 215 Crime
SOC 218 Law and Modern Society
SOC 270 Cities and Citizenship
SOC 265 Drugs and Society

MARITIME STUDIES

Chair, Professor RÓNADH COX

Advisory Committee: Professor: ART*, COX. Associate Professor: , TING. Assistant Professor: GILBERT. Associate Deans: GERRY, TOOMAJIAN.

Understanding the oceans and our interactions with them is of increasing importance in this era of climate change, sea-level rise, fisheries crises, and the internationalization of the high seas. We encourage students to investigate our WaterWorld from the perspectives of the humanities, social sciences, and physical sciences. Maritime Studies is an interdisciplinary, cross-vertical program that includes the literature, history, policy issues, and science of the ocean. Candidates for the concentration in Maritime Studies must complete a minimum of seven courses: the interdisciplinary introductory course (Geosciences 104 Oceanography), four intermediate core courses (at Williams-Mystic), an elective, and the senior seminar.

Students who have completed other study-away programs that emphasize marine studies should consult with the program chair about the possibility of completing the Maritime Studies concentration.

REQUIRED COURSES:

Introductory course:
Maritime Studies 104(S) Oceanography

Core courses (Williams-Mystic at Mystic Seaport):
MAST 231(F,S) Literature of the Sea
MAST 311(F,S) Marine Ecology
MAST 351(F,S) Marine Policy
MAST 352(F,S) America and the Sea, 1600-Present
(NOTE: Students who take Maritime Studies 211 Oceanographic Processes at Mystic can substitute an extra elective in lieu of Geosciences 104 Oceanography)

Senior seminar:
MAST 402(F) Senior Seminar: Perspectives on Environmental Studies (Same as Environmental Studies 402)

Students can check with the department coordinator to see if other courses not listed here might count as electives.

ELECTIVE COURSES

Elective courses are listed based on either a clear maritime statement in the course description or broad practical/theoretical applicability to maritime studies. Concentrators will take a minimum of one course from the list below. If concentrators find other courses in the catalog that they believe meet the requirements for a MAST elective, they may bring them to the attention of the chair.

Maritime History

HIST 124 The Vikings
HIST 127 The Expansion of Europe
HIST/JAPN/ASST 321 History of U.S.–Japan Relations
HIST 248 History of the Caribbean

Maritime Literature

CLAS 101/COMP 107 The Trojan War
CLGR 402 The Odyssey
ENGL 450 Herman Melville and Mark Twain

Marine Policy

ECON/ENVI 213 Economics of Natural Resource Use
ECON 215 International Trade and Globalism
ECON/ENVI 386/ ECON 515 Environmental Policy and Natural Resource Management
ENVI 307/PSCI 317 Environmental Law
ENVI/PSCI 328 International Environmental Law
PSCI 223 International Law
PSCI 229 Global Political Economy
PSCI 320 Climate Change Law and Policy

Marine Science

Students can check with the department coordinator to see if other courses not listed here might count as electives.
HONORS PROGRAM IN MARITIME STUDIES

Candidates for honors in Maritime Studies will complete a thesis in their senior year. The project will involve original research (archive, museum, field, or laboratory) followed by on-campus analysis and write-up of results. This could be either a one-semester project, or a full year (two semesters plus winter study). In either case, data collection during the summer before the senior year may be necessary. In some cases, the thesis project may be a continuation and expansion of the student's Williams-Mystic research project. Honors will be awarded if the thesis shows a high degree of scholarship, originality, and intellectual insight.

MAST 104(S) Oceanography (Same as Geosciences 104 and Environmental Studies 104) (See under Geos 104 for full description.)
Satisfies one semester of the Division III requirement.

MAST 211(FS) Oceanographic Processes (Same as Geosciences 210) (Offered only at Mystic Seaport.)
This course examines ocean and coastal environmental science issues including carbon dioxide and the ocean’s role in climate, El Niño and other ocean-atmosphere oscillations that influence our weather, coastal erosion and other hazards, coastal pollution, and fisheries. The focus is on controlling processes with regional comparisons. Blue water oceanography is conducted in the Atlantic and comparative coastal oceanography includes trips to southern New England shores, and the West and Gulf coasts of the US as part of the Williams-Mystic program.

MAST 231(FS) Literature of the Sea (Same as English 231) (Offered only at Mystic Seaport.) (W)
Taking advantage of our maritime museum, coastal setting, and three field seminars, we study canonical and lesser-known American novelists, travel writers, and poets who set their works in the watery world, often in the exact places where we travel as a class. We read, for example—depending on fall or spring semester—Hemingway when sailing on the Straits of Florida, Steinbeck when exploring Cannery Row on Monterey Bay, and Twain on a steamboat on the Mississippi. We read Rachel Carson beside the Mystic River estuary, Chopin on the sands of the Gulf of Mexico, Kipling out on Georges Bank, and Melville’s masterpiece Moby-Dick aboard Mystic Seaport’s historic whalership, the Charles W. Morgan, a vessel nearly identical to the vessel he climbed aboard at age twenty-one. In the classroom we examine these works through a mixture of lecture, small-group discussion, and formal and creative writing. To further appreciation and analysis, this interdisciplinary course uses students’ emerging knowledge of maritime history and marine science. Other authors and poets include, depending on fall or spring: Richard Henry Dana, Jr., Walt Whitman, Jack London, Joseph Conrad, T.S. Eliot, Langston Hughes, Elizabeth Bishop, Frederick Douglass, Timothy Egan, and Ursula K. Le Guin.

MAST 311(FS) Marine Ecology (Same as Biology 231) (Offered only at Mystic Seaport.)
Using the principles of evolutionary biology and experimental ecology, this course examines the processes that control the diversity, abundance and distribution of marine organisms. Major marine communities, including estuaries, the rocky shore, sandy beaches, salt marshes, coral reefs, and the deep sea are discussed in detail.

Satisfies one semester of the Division III requirement.

MAST 351(FS) Marine Policy (Same as Environmental Studies 351 and Political Science 319) (Offered only at Mystic Seaport.)
This seminar utilizes the interdisciplinary background of the other Williams-Mystic courses to examine national and international contemporary issues in our relationship with ocean and coastal resources. This seminar takes a topical approach to the study of marine law and policy, examining fisheries, harbor development, coastal zone management, admiralty law, law of the sea, marine pollution, and shipping.

Satisfies one semester of the Division II requirement.

MAST 352(FS) America and the Sea, 1600-Present (Same as History 352) (Offered only at Mystic Seaport.) (W)
This course focuses on the history of America’s relationship to the sea from the age of discovery through the heyday of merchant sail to the triumph of steam and the challenges of the twentieth century. Readings in primary sources and secondary works on the social, economic, and diplomatic implications of maritime activities culminate in a research paper. Topics such as shipbuilding, whaling, and fisheries are studied through museum exhibits and artifacts in the material culture component of the course.

Satisfies one semester of the Division II requirement.

MAST 402(FS) Senior Seminar: Perspectives on Environmental Studies (Same as Environmental Studies 402)
(See under ENVI 402 for full description.)

Satisfies one semester of the Division II requirement.

MAST 397(F), 398(S) Independent Study

Satisfies one semester of the Division III requirement.

MAST 493(F)-031, 031-994(S) Senior Thesis

MATERIALS SCIENCE STUDIES

Advisory Committee: Professors: AALBERTS, S. BOLTON, KARABINOS, D. LYNCH*, L. PARK, STRAIT**. Associate Professors: S. GOH**. Assistant Professor: LOPE. 

Materials Science is an interdisciplinary field which combines microscopic physics and chemistry in order to understand and control the properties of materials such as plastics, semiconductors, metals, liquid crystals, and biomaterials. Williams students with an interest in the properties of materials or in pursuing careers in materials science or a variety of engineering disciplines will benefit from following the courses in this program.

Core Course in Materials Science:
CHEM 336 Materials Chemistry

Related Courses:
Major Course requirement in the junior year, provided that the student has completed at least three 300-level mathematics courses before enrolment.

Substitutions, Study Abroad, and Transfer Credit: In some cases, and with prior permission of the Mathematics and Statistics Department, appropriate courses from other institutions or a course from another Williams department may be substituted for electives. Programs like the “Budapest Semester in Mathematics” are recommended for majors who wish to focus on mathematics away. The department, though, normally accommodates students who select other study away programs. The department offers its core courses in both the fall and the spring to allow students to spend more easily a semester away.

In exceptional circumstances, with the prior permission of the department, a student may be allowed to satisfy the Senior Major Course requirement in the junior year, provided that the student has completed at least three 300-level mathematics courses before enrolling in the Senior Major Course.

## Mathematics and Statistics (Div. III)

Chair, Professor CESAR E. SILVA

Professors: ADAMS, O. BEAVER**, BURGER*, R. DE VEAUX, GARRITY, S. JOHNSON, LOEPP*, MORGAN, SILVA. Associate Professor: DEVADOSS, KLINKENBERG*, PACELLI**, STOICHIU. Assistant Professors: BEAZLEY, BOTTS, MILLER*. Visiting Assistant Professor of Statistics: GLUBOKOV. Visiting Lecturer: PEDERSEN.

### Major

The major in Mathematics is designed to meet two goals: to introduce some of the central ideas in a variety of areas of mathematics and statistics, and to develop problem-solving ability by teaching students to combine creative thinking with rigorous reasoning. Mathematics is a gateway to many career paths including statistics, teaching, consulting, business, engineering, finance, actuarial studies and applied mathematics. Students are strongly encouraged to consult with the department faculty on choosing courses appropriate to an individualized program of study.

### Requirements (nine courses plus colloquium)

The major in Mathematics consists of nine courses plus the colloquium requirement. Mathematics is highly cumulative, and students should plan a route to completing the major that ensures the proper sequencing and prerequisites for all needed courses. Note that not all upper level courses are offered every year.

#### Calculus (two courses)
- Mathematics 104 Calculus II
- Mathematics 105 or 106 Multivariable Calculus

#### Applied/Discrete Mathematics/Statistics (one course)
- Mathematics 209 Differential Equations and Vector Calculus or Mathematics 210 Mathematical Methods for Scientists (Same as Physics 210) or Mathematics 251 Discrete Mathematics or
- Statistics 201 Statistics and Data Analysis or Statistics 231 Statistical Design of Experiments or a more advanced applied/discrete/statistics course with prior department approval

#### Core Courses (three courses)
- Mathematics 211 Linear Algebra
- Mathematics 301 Real Analysis or Mathematics 305 Applied Real Analysis
- Mathematics 312 Abstract Algebra or Mathematics 315 Groups and Characters or Mathematics 317 Applied Abstract Algebra

#### Completion (three courses plus colloquium)

Two electives from courses numbered 300 and above, or Stat 231. Any 400-level course taken in the senior year (excluding thesis work). Participation in the Mathematics Colloquium, in which all senior majors present and attend talks on mathematical or statistical topics of their choice.

#### Calculus Placement

Recommended placement for students who have taken an Advanced Placement Examination in Calculus (AB or BC) is:
- BC 1, 2 or AB 2, 3 Math 104
- AB 3 or 5 Math 105
- BC 3, 4 or 5 Math 106

Consult with department faculty for any Calculus or Statistics placement questions. Students who have had calculus in high school, whether or not they took the Advanced Placement Examination, are barred from Mathematics 103 unless they obtain permission from the instructor.

### Notes

Substitutions, Study Abroad, and Transfer Credit: In some cases, and with prior permission of the Mathematics and Statistics Department, appropriate courses from other institutions or a course from another Williams department may be substituted for electives. Programs like the “Budapest Semester in Mathematics” are recommended for majors who wish to focus on mathematics away. The department, though, normally accommodates students who select other study away programs. The department offers its core courses in both the fall and the spring to allow students to spend more easily a semester away.

Double Counting: No course may count towards two different majors.

Early Senior Seminar: In exceptional circumstances, with the prior permission of the department, a student may be allowed to satisfy the Senior Major Course requirement in the junior year, provided that the student has completed at least three 300-level mathematics courses before enrolling in the Senior Major Course.
Planning Courses: Core courses Mathematics 301, 305, 312, and 315/317 and Statistics 346 are normally offered every year. Most other
300-level topics are offered in alternate years. Topology, Complex Analysis, and second courses in real analysis and abstract algebra are normally
offered at least every other year. Each 400-level topic is normally offered every two to four years. Students should check with the department before planning far into the future.

Course Admission: Courses are normally open to all students meeting the prerequisites. Students with questions about the level at which courses are
carried out are invited to consult department faculty.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN MATHEMATICS
The degree with honors in Mathematics is awarded to the student who has demonstrated outstanding intellectual achievement in a program of
study which extends beyond the requirements of the major. The principal considerations for recommending a student for the degree with honors
will be: Mastery of core material and skills, breadth and, particularly, depth of knowledge beyond the core material, ability to pursue independent
study of mathematics or statistics, originality in methods of investigation, and, where appropriate, creativity in research.

An honors program normally consists of two semesters (MATH/STAT 493 and 494) and a winter study (WSP 031) of independent research,
culminating in a thesis and a presentation. Under certain circumstances, the honors work can consist of coordinated study involving a one semes-
ter (MATH/STAT 493 or 494) and a winter study (WSP 030) of independent research, culminating in a "mini-thesis" and a presentation. At least
one semester should be in addition to the major requirements, and thesis courses do not count as 400-level senior seminars.

An honors program in actuarial studies requires significant achievement on four appropriate examinations of the Society of Actuaries and giving
a second colloquium talk. Written work is a possible component.

Highest honors will be reserved for the rare student who has displayed exceptional ability, achievement or originality. Such a student usually will
have written a thesis, or pursued actuarial honors and written a mini-thesis. An outstanding student who writes a mini-thesis, or pursues actuarial
honors and writes a paper, might also be considered. In all cases, the award of honors and highest honors is the decision of the Department.

CAREER PATHS
Graduate School in Mathematics or Statistics: Students interested in continuing their study of mathematics in graduate school should take Math-
ematics 301 and 312. Topology, complex analysis, and second courses in real analysis and abstract algebra are strongly recommended. Many of
the 400-level courses would be useful, particularly ones that involve algebra and analysis. Honors theses are encouraged. Reading knowledge of
a foreign language (French, German, or Russian) is helpful.

Students interested in continuing their study of statistics in graduate school should take Stat 201, 231, 346, a 400 level statistics course and Math
301 and 341.

Other Graduate and Professional Schools: An increasing number of graduate and professional schools require mathematics and statistics as a
prerequisite to admission or to attaining their degree. Students interested in graduate or professional training in business, medicine, economics, or
psychology are advised to find out the requirements in those fields early in their college careers.

Statistics and Actuarial Science: Students interested in statistics or actuarial science should consider Mathematics 341, Statistics courses, and
Economics 255. Additionally, students should consider taking some number of the actuarial exams given by the Society of Actuaries, which can
constitute part of an honors program in actuarial studies (see section on honors above).

Teaching: Students interested in teaching mathematics at the elementary or secondary school level should consider courses on teaching, number
teaching, topology, geometry, statistics, and practice as a tutor or teaching assistant. Winter study courses that provide a teaching practicum are also highly
recommended. Consult the Program in Teaching (Professor Susan Engel) and the Office of Career Counseling.

Applied Mathematics or Other Sciences: Students interested in applied mathematics or other sciences should consider Mathematics 209, 210,
251, 305, 315/317, and other applied electives, Statistics courses, and additional appropriate courses from outside Mathematics and Statistics,
including appropriate courses in Chemistry, Computer Science, Economics, and Physics.

Business and Finance: Students interested in careers in business or finance should consider Mathematics 373 and Statistics courses. Since these
courses address different needs, students should consult with the instructors to determine which seem to be most appropriate for individuals.

Engineering: Students interested in engineering should consider the courses for applied mathematics above, with Mathematics 209 and
305 especially recommended. Williams has exchange and joint programs with good engineering schools. Interested students should consult the
section on engineering near the beginning of the Bulletin and the Williams pre-engineering advisor for further information.

MATHEMATICS COURSES

STATISTICS COURSE LISTINGS FOLLOW THE MATHEMATICS COURSE LISTINGS.

NOTE: Course Numbers—The first digit of the three-digit label for each course roughly denotes the difficulty level of the course. The
middle digit denotes the field: 0=calculus/analysis, 1=algebra/number theory, 2=geometry/topology, 3=applied, 4=probability, 5=discrete,
6=computation, 7,8=miscellaneous). The last digit occasionally indicates the level within a field, but most often simply distinguishes
amongst the courses in the field. In particular, for example, Math 211 is not “easier” than Math 251; they are simply different mathemat-
ical fields (algebra vs. discrete).

There are three types of 300-level courses. There are the core courses: Math 301, 305, 312, 315, 317. There are the “precore” courses, which do not have the core courses as prerequisites. These include Math 313, 316, 327 and others. Finally there are those courses that have a core course as a prerequisite, such as Math 302.

MATH 101 T  Mathematical Analysis with Descriptive Statistics (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course is intended to develop quantitative skills for non-science majors. We will cover basic algebra from an applied point of view, including working with
formulas and solving for unknowns. We will investigate a variety of ways to model real-world problems. For example, how many handshakes away are you
from the president and how is that related to a transportation network? We will cover basic finance, including loans and annuities. Finally, we will also cover
descriptive statistics, including data analysis, computing with mean/median/variance, data display and contingency tables.
Format: tutorial/computer lab. Evaluation will be-based primarily on homework, quizzes, and/or exams.
Prerequisites: placement by a Quantitative Studies Counselor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10).
S. JOHNSON

MATH 102 Precalculus (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course prepares students for Mathematics 103, first semester calculus. The course begins with a brief review of algebra followed by a thorough treatment of
algebraic, logarithmic, and trigonometric functions from a graphical, analytical, and applied point of view.
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on homework, quizzes, and/or exams.
Prerequisites: placement by a Quantitative Studies Counselor or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: (expected: 15).
J. PEDERSEN

MATH 102T(F) Fundamentals in Quantitative Skills
This course will strengthen a student’s foundation in quantitative reasoning in preparation for the science curriculum and QR requirements. The material will be
at the college algebra / precalculus level, and covered in a tutorial format with students working in pairs with the professor. At the beginning of the semester, each
student will work with the professor to define goals and establish a contract defining the course of study. Students work through their contract during the semester

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with help from the professor, their tutorial partner, and other campus resources as needed.

Format: tutorial. Grades will be based on participation and the degree to which the student has fulfilled their contract.

Placement by a quantitative skills counselor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Access to the course is limited to placement by a quantitative skills counselor.

Tutorial meetings to be arranged.

S. JOHNSON

MATH 103(F,S) Calculus I (Q)

Calculus permits the computation of velocities and other instantaneous rates of change by a limiting process called differentiation. The same process also solves “max-min” problems: how to maximize profit or minimize pollution. A second limiting process, called integration, permits the computation of areas and accumulated quantities like volume and amount of water. The Fundamental Theorem of Calculus provides a useful and surprising link between the two processes. Subtopics include trigonometry, exponential growth, and logarithms. This is an introductory course for students who have not seen calculus before. Students who have previously taken a calculus course may not enroll in Mathematics 103 without the permission of the instructor.

Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on homework, quizzes, and/or exams.

Prerequisites: Mathematics 102 (or demonstrated proficiency on a diagnostic test; see Mathematics 101). No enrollment limit (expected: 30).

First Semester: TOWNSEND BEAZLEY

Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF, 10:00-10:50 MWF
9:00-9:50 MWF

Second Semester: TOWNSEND BEAZLEY

MATH 104(F) Calculus II (Q)

Mastery of calculus requires understanding how integration computes areas and business profit and acquiring a stock of techniques. Further methods solve equations involving derivatives (“differential equations”) for population growth or pollution levels. Exponential and logarithmic functions and trigonometric and inverse functions play an important role. This course is the right starting point for students who have seen derivatives, but not necessarily integrals, before. Students who have received the equivalent advanced placement of AB 4 or BC 3 may not enroll in Mathematics 104 without the permission of instructor. Students who have higher advanced placement must enroll in Mathematics 105 or above.

Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on homework, quizzes, and/or exams.

Prerequisites: Mathematics 103 or equivalent. No enrollment limit (expected: 30).

Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF, 11:00-11:50 MWF
9:00-9:50 MWF

First Semester: SILVA

Second Semester: TBA

MATH 105(F,S) Multivariable Calculus (Q)

Applications of calculus in mathematics, science, economics, psychology, the social sciences, involve several variables. This course extends calculus to several variables (vectors, partial derivatives, multiple integrals). There is also a unit on infinite series, sometimes with applications to differential equations. This course is the right starting point for students who have seen differentiation and integration before. Students with the equivalent of advanced placement of AB 4, BC 3 or above should enroll in Mathematics 105.

Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on homework, quizzes, and/or exams.

Prerequisites: Mathematics 104 or equivalent, such as satisfactory performance on an Advanced Placement Examination. No enrollment limit (expected: 45).

First Semester: DEVADOSS

Second Semester: MORGAN

Hour: 9:00-10:50 MWF, 11:00-11:50 MWF, 12:00-12:50 MWF
9:00-9:50 MWF, 10:00-10:50 MWF

MATH 106(F) Multivariable Calculus (Q)

Applications of calculus in mathematics, science, economics, psychology, the social sciences, involve several variables. This course extends calculus to several variables (vectors, partial derivatives, multiple integrals). The goal of the course is Stokes Theorem, a deep and profound generalization of the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus. The difference between this course and Mathematics 105 is that Mathematics 105 covers infinite series instead of Stokes Theorem. Students with the equivalent of BC 3 or higher should enroll in Mathematics 106, as well as students who have taken the equivalent of an integral calculus and who have already been exposed to infinite series. For further clarification as to whether or not Mathematics 105 or Mathematics 106 is appropriate, please consult a member of the math/stat department. Mathematics 106 satisfies any Mathematics 105 prerequisite. Credit will not be given for both Mathematics 105 and Mathematics 106.

Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on homework, quizzes, and/or exams.

Prerequisites: BC 3 or higher or integral calculus with infinite series. No enrollment limit (expected: 45).

Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF, 10:00-10:50 MWF, 11:00-11:50 MWF
9:00-9:50 MWF

MATH 175 Mathematical Politics: Voting, Power, and Conflict (Same as INT 160) (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)

What should the 2000 Presidential Election have looked like? How can two senators really have equal power in passing legislation? How can marital assets be divided fairly? While these questions are of interest to many social scientists, a mathematical perspective can offer a quantitative analysis of issues like these and more. In this course, we will discuss the advantages and disadvantages of various types of voting systems and show that, in fact, any such system is flawed. We will also examine a quantitative definition of power and the principles behind fair division. Along the way, we will enhance the critical reasoning skills necessary to tackle any type of problem mathematical or otherwise.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based primarily on projects, homework assignments, and exams.

Prerequisites: Mathematics 100/101/102 (or demonstrated proficiency on a diagnostic test) or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 30).

PACELLI

MATH 180 The Art of Mathematical Thinking: An Introduction to the Beauty and Power of Mathematical Ideas (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)

What is mathematics? How can it enrich and improve your life? What do mathematicians think about and how do they go about tackling challenging questions? Most people envision mathematicians as people who solve equations or perform arithmetic. In fact, mathematics is an artistic endeavor which requires both imagination and creativity. In this course, we will experience what is all about by discovering various beautiful branches of mathematics while learning life lessons that will have a positive impact on our lives. There are two meta-goals for this course: (1) a better perspective into mathematics, and (2) sharper analytical reasoning to solve problems (both mathematical and nonmathematical).

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based primarily on projects, homework assignments, and exams.

Prerequisites: Mathematics 100/101/102 (or demonstrated proficiency on a diagnostic test)—see Mathematics 100 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 30). Not open to students who have taken mathematics courses other than Mathematics 100, 101, 102, 103, 170. Statistics 101 without permission of the instructor.

BURGER

MATH 209(S) Differential Equations (Q)

Historically, much beautiful mathematics has arisen from attempts to explain physical, chemical, biological and economic processes. A few ingenious techniques solve a surprisingly large fraction of the associated ordinary and partial differential equations, and geometric methods give insight to many more. The mystical Pythagorean fascination with ratios and harmonics is vindicated and applied in Fourier series and integrals. We will explore the methods, abstract structures, and modeling applications of ordinary and partial differential equations and Fourier analysis.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based primarily on projects, homework assignments, and exams.

Prerequisites: Mathematics 105. No enrollment limit (expected: 25). Students may not normally get credit for both Mathematics 209 and Mathematics/Physics 210.

Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF

JOHNSON

MATH 210(S) Mathematical Methods for Scientists (Same as Physics 210) (Q)

(See under PHYS 210 for full description.)

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MATH 211(F,S) Linear Algebra (Q)

Many social, political, economic, biological, and physical phenomena can be described, at least approximately, by linear relations. In the study of systems of linear equations one may ask: When does a solution exist? When is it unique? How does one find it? How can one interpret it geometrically? This course develops the theoretical structure underlying answers to these and other questions and includes the study of matrices, vector spaces, linear independence and bases, linear transformations, determinants and inner products. Course work is balanced between theoretical and computational, with attention to improving mathematical style and sophistication.

Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on homework and exams.

Prerequisites: Mathematics 105 or 209 or 210 or 251, or Statistics 201. No enrollment limit (expected: 35).

First Semester: GARRITY

Second Semester: O. BEAVER

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MATH 251(FS) Discrete Mathematics (Q)
As a complement to calculus, which is the study of continuous processes, this course focuses on the discrete, including finite sets and structures, their properties and applications. Topics will include basic set theory, infinity, graph theory, logic, counting, recursion, and functions. The course serves as an introduction not only to these and other topics but also to the methods and styles of mathematical proof.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based primarily on homework, classroom, and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 104 or Mathematics 103 with Computer Science 134 or one year of high school calculus with permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 20).
Hour: 12:00-12:50 MWF
First Semester: PEDERSEN
Second Semester: PEDERSEN

MATH 285 Teaching Mathematics (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
Under faculty supervision, student-teachers will prepare and conduct scheduled weekly extra sessions for Mathematics 105, for smaller, assigned groups of students. For these sessions they will prepare presentations, assign and grade homework, and answer questions on the course material and the homework. They will be available to their students outside of class, attend and assist at Mathematics 105 lectures (3 hours a week), and visit and evaluate each other’s sessions. There is a weekly meeting, for an hour or two, including organizational matters, deeper study of the mathematics discussed, and practical teaching skills. In addition, there will be other special meetings as needed. There will be assigned readings, discussion, drills, and weekly homework or papers. This is not a seminar on education but rather a seminar on mathematics and the mechanics of teaching it.
Format: seminar/teaching. Evaluation will be based on the overall teaching activity, responsibility, participation in the seminar and other meetings, homework and papers.
Prerequisites: permission of instructor, preferably early in the previous Spring. Enrollment limit: 6 (expected: 4).
MORGAN

MATH 301(F) Real Analysis (Q)
Real analysis is the theory behind calculus. It is based on a precise understanding of the real numbers, elementary topology, and limits. Topologically, nice sets are either closed (contain their limit points) or open (complement closed). You also need limits to define continuity, derivatives, integrals, and to understand sequences of functions.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on homework, classroom, and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 105 and 211, or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 30).
Hour: 11:00-11:50 MWF
MORGAN

MATH 302 Complex Analysis (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
The calculus of complex-valued functions turns out to have unexpected simplicity and power. As an example of simplicity, every complex-differentiable function is automatically infinitely differentiable. As examples of power, the so-called “residue calculus” permits the computation of “impossible” integrals, and “conformal mapping” reduces physical problems on very general domains to problems on the round disc. The easiest proof of the Fundamental Theorem of Algebra, not to mention the first proof of the Prime Number Theorem, used complex analysis.
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on homework, classroom, and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 301 or 305. No enrollment limit (expected: 10).
MILLER

MATH 305(S) Applied Real Analysis (Q)
Real analysis or the theory of calculus—derivatives, integrals, continuity, convergence—starts with a deeper understanding of real numbers and limits. Applications in the calculus of variations or “infinite-dimensional calculus” include geodesics, harmonic functions, minimal surfaces, Hamilton’s action and Lagrange’s equations, optimal economic strategies, non-Euclidean geometry, and general relativity.
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on homework, classroom, and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 105 and 211, or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 35).
Hour: 12:00-12:50 MWF
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MATH 306 Chaos and Fractals (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
This course is an introduction to chaotic dynamical systems. The topics will include bifurcations, the quadratic family, symbolic dynamics, chaos, dynamics of linear systems, and some complex dynamics.
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based on performance on homework and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 211. No enrollment limit (expected: 15).
SILVA

MATH 308T Analysis and Number Theory (Same as Mathematics 406T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
Gauss said Mathematics is the queen of the sciences and number theory the queen of mathematics; in this class we shall meet some of her subjects. We will discuss many of the most important questions in analytic and additive number theory, with an emphasis on techniques and open problems; students are strongly encouraged to perform original research on these problems, which can range from numerical to theoretical investigations. Topics include Additive Number Theory (especially Goldbach’s Problem and the Circle Method, the 3x+1 Problem, and More Sum Than Difference Sets), the Riemann Zeta Function and Random Matrix Theory, and Benford’s law of digit bias; other topics will be chosen by student interest. We occasionally assume some advanced results for our investigations, though we will always try to supply heuristics and motivate the material. No number theory background is assumed, and we will discuss whatever material we need from probability, statistics or Fourier analysis.
Format: tutorial. Requirements: evaluation will be based on scholarship, discussions, homework, examinations, papers, and presentations.
Prerequisites: for those taking 308T: at least one of 301/305/312/315/317; for those taking 406T: one of 301/305 AND one of 312/315/317. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10).
MILLER

MATH 309(F) Introduction to Complex Analysis (Q)
The complex numbers are amazingly useful in mathematics, physics, engineering, and elsewhere. We’ll learn the meaning of complex multiplication and exponentiation, as in Euler’s famous $e^{i\pi} = -1$. We’ll study complex functions and their power series, learn how to integrate in the complex plane, including residue calculus and one domain to another (conformal mapping). We’ll see the easiest proof of the Fundamental Theorem of Algebra, which says that every algebraic equation has a solution as long as you allow complex numbers.
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on homework, classroom, and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 105. No enrollment limit (expected: 20).
Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF
MORGAN

MATH 312(S) Abstract Algebra (Q)
Abstract Algebra gives us the tools to solve equations. Sets such as the integers or real numbers have special properties which make algebra work or not work according to the circumstances. In this course, we generalize algebraic processes and the sets upon which they operate in order to better understand, theoretically, when equations can and cannot be solved. We define and study the abstract algebraic structures called groups, rings and fields, as well as the concepts of factor group, quotient ring, homomorphism, isomorphism, and various types of field extensions.
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on problem sets and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 211 and one or more of the following: Mathematics 209, 251 or Statistics 201, or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 25).
Hour: 11:00-11:50 MWF
TOWNSEND BEAZLEY

MATH 313 Introduction to Number Theory (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
The study of numbers dates back thousands of years, and is fundamental in mathematics. In this course, we will investigate both classical and modern questions about numbers. In particular, we will explore the integers, and examine issues involving primes, divisibility, and congruences. We will also look at the ideas of number and prime in more general settings, and consider fascinating questions that are simple to understand, but can be quite difficult to answer.
Format: lecture. Requirements/Evaluation: evaluation will be based primarily on homework, projects, and exams
Prerequisites: Mathematics 211 or 251, or permission of instructor. Students cannot enroll in both Mathematics 313 and 313T. No enrollment limit (expected: 20).
BURGER
MATH 314T(S) (formerly 414) Galois Theory (Q)
In the 1830's Evariste Galois developed a beautiful theory relating the structure of field extensions to the structure of a group. By understanding this relationship, one can often translate a problem about field extensions to a question about groups that is easier to answer. In this course, we will study field extensions and Galois Theory. We'll also see some famous applications including the insolubility of the quintic.
Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on homeworks, exams, and presentations.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 312 or Mathematics 317. Mathematics 315 is not a prerequisite. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). If course is oversubscribed admission will be determined by questionnaire.
Tutoring sessions will be arranged.

MATH 315(F) Groups and Characters (Q)
An introduction to group theory with emphasis on topics having applications in the physical sciences; greater attention is paid to examples and to the application of theorems than to the more difficult proofs. Topics include symmetry groups, group structure (especially properties related to order), representations and characters over the real and complex fields, space groups (chemistry), matrix groups (physics).
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on performance on problem assignments and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 211. No enrollment limit (expected: 30).
Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR PACELLI

MATH 316 Protecting Information: Applications of Abstract Algebra and Quantum Physics (Same as Physics 316) (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
Living in the early decades of the information age, we find ourselves depending more and more on codes that protect messages against either noise or eavesdropping. We begin this course by studying the history of this subject, including, for example, the story of the enigma code from World War II. We then examine some of the most important codes currently being used to protect information, including linear codes, which in addition to being mathematically elegant are the most practical codes for error correction, and the RSA public key cryptographic scheme, popular nowadays for internet applications. Looking ahead by a decade or more, we show how a "quantum computer" could crack any RSA code in short order, and how quantum cryptographic devices will achieve security through the Heisenberg uncertainty principle.
Evaluation will be based on homework sets and exams.
Prerequisites: Physics 210 or Mathematics 211 (possibly concurrent) or permission of instructors. (students not satisfying the course prerequisites but who have completed Mathematics 209 or Mathematics 251 are particularly encouraged to ask to be admitted.)
LOEP and WOOTTERS

MATH 317 Applied Abstract Algebra (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
The abstract algebraic structures called groups, rings and fields have proven to have surprisingly many applications. For example, groups have been used to build secure cryptosystems and to study the symmetry of molecules. We will study the abstract properties of groups, rings and fields and then study several applications of this theory. Possible topics include cryptography, puzzles, error correcting codes, computer software applications, symmetry, tiling, networks, and grobner bases.
Evaluation will be based primarily on homework and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 211 and one or more of the following: Mathematics 209, 251 or Statistics 201 or permission of the instructor.
LOEP

MATH 318T Numerical Problem Solving (Same as Computer Science 318D) (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
In the last twenty years computers have profoundly changed the work in numerical mathematics (areas from linear algebra and calculi to differential equations and probability). The main goal of this tutorial is to learn how to use computers to do quantitative science. We will explore concepts and ideas in mathematics and science using numerical methods and computer programming. We will use specialized software, including Mathematica and Matlab. Computer programming skills are not required.
Format: Tutorial. Evaluation will be based on homework, classwork, and exams.
Prerequisite: Mathematics 105/106 and Mathematics 211 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). This tutorial is a quantitative/formal reasoning course. Not available for the Gaudino option.
STOICIU

MATH 319(F) Integrative Bioinformatics, Genomics, and Proteomics Lab (Same as Biology 319, Chemistry 319, Computer Science 319 and Physics 319) (Q)
(See under BIOL 319 for full description.)
This course does not count towards the major in Mathematics.
BANTA

MATH 321(S) Knot Theory (Q)
Take a piece of string, tie a knot in it, and glue the ends together. The result is a knotted circle, known as a knot. For the last 100 years, mathematicians have studied knots, asking such questions as, "Given a nasty tangled knot, how do you tell if it can be untangled without cutting it open?" Some of the most interesting advances in knot theory have occurred in the last ten years.
This course is an introduction to the theory of knots. Among other topics, we will cover methods of knot tabulation, surfaces applied to knots, polynomials associated to knots, and relationships between knot theory and chemistry and physics. In addition to learning the theory, we will look at open problems in the field.
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based on problem sets, midterms, and a final exam.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 211 or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 25).
Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR ADAMS

MATH 322(F) Differential Geometry (Q)
It is easy to convince oneself that the shortest distance from equatorial Africa to equatorial South America is along the equator. This illustrates the fact that "straight lines" on a sphere are described by so-called great circles. It is somewhat more difficult to describe the shortest path between two points on the surface of, for example, a doughnut, reflecting the fact that a doughnut curves in space in a more complicated way than the sphere. Differential geometry is the mathematical language describing these curvature properties. In this course we will learn this language and use it to answer many interesting questions. We will also develop the tools needed to begin the more advanced study of "Riemannian" geometry, which describes (among other things) Einstein's Relativity Theory.
Topics: Curves in space, the Frenet-Serret Theorem, the first and second fundamental forms, geodesics, principal/Gaussian/mean/normal curvatures, the Theorema Egregium, the Gauss-Bonnet formula and Theorem, introduction to n-dimensional Riemannian manifolds/metrics/curvature.
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on problem sets, midterms and a final exam.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 211. No enrollment limit (expected: 25).
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR STOICIU

MATH 323 Topology (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
Topology is the study of when one geometric object can be continuously deformed and twisted into another object. Determining when two objects are topologically the same is incredibly difficult and is still the subject of a tremendous amount of research, including current work on the Poincare Conjecture, one of the million-dollar millennium-prize problems. The first part of the course on "Point-set Topology" establishes a framework based on "open sets" for studying continuity and compactness in very general spaces. The second part on "Homotopy Theory" develops refined methods for determining when objects are the same. We will prove for example that you can twist a basketball into a doughnut.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on homework, classwork, and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 301, or permission of instructor and Mathematics 305 or 312. Not open to students who have taken Mathematics 323. No enrollment limit (expected: 20).
O. BEAVER

MATH 341 Probability (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
While probability began with a study of games, it has grown to become a discipline with numerous applications throughout mathematics and the sciences. Drawing on gaming examples for motivation, this course will present axiomatic and mathematical aspects of probability. Included will be discussions of random variables, expectation, independence, laws of large numbers, and the Central Limit Theorem. Many interesting and important applications will also be
presented, including some from coding theory, number theory and nuclear physics.
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on homework, classwork, and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 211 or 251 or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 20).
MILLER

MATH 354 Graph Theory (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
Graph theory is the theory of mathematical objects constructed by connecting a set of edges at a set of vertices. They have applications in a variety of fields including biology, chemistry, physics, operations research, and computer science, including networks and the web. We will develop the theory of graphs, including undirected and directed graphs, complete graphs, multipartite graphs, planar graphs, subgraphs, graph enumeration, colorings of graphs and embeddings of graphs. We will also consider applications.
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on homework and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 211. Enrollment limit: none (expected: 25).
ADAMS

MATH 357T(S) Phylogenetics (Q)
Phylogenetics is the analysis and construction of information trees based on shared characteristics. The foundational problem asks, given some data from objects, how can a tree be constructed which shows the proper relationships between the objects? This is a beautiful subject with a tremendous amount of cutting-edge research, relating powerful ideas from statistics, computer science, biology, and mathematics, having a wide range of applications, from literature, to linguistics, to visual graphs. This course is designed to introduce fundamental ideas of this subject from a mathematical viewpoint, touching and expanding upon the interests of the enrolled students.
Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on exams, participation, and projects.
Prerequisites: BIOL 202 or CSCI 256 or MATH 211 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference at the discretion of the instructor.
Not available for Gaudino option.
GARRITY

MATH 361(F) Theory of Computation (Same as Computer Science 361) (Q)
(See under CSCI 361 for full description.)
DEVADOSS

MATH 365 Set Theory (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
Set theory is the traditional foundational language for all of mathematics. We will be discussing the Zermelo-Fraenkel axioms, including the Axiom of Choice and the Continuum Hypothesis, basic independence results and, if time permits, the Godel's Incompleteness Theorem. At one time, these issues tore at the foundations of mathematics. They are still vital for understanding the nature of mathematical truth.
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on performance on homework and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 105 or 106 and Mathematics 211. Enrollment limit: none (expected: 20).
GARRITY

MATH 373 Investment Mathematics (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
Over the years financial instruments have grown from stocks and bonds to numerous derivatives, such as options to buy and sell at future dates under certain conditions. The 1997 Nobel Prize in Economics was awarded to Robert Merton and Myron Scholes for their Black-Scholes model of the value of financial instruments. This course will study deterministic and random models, futures, options, the Black-Scholes Equation, and additional topics.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on homework, classwork, and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 211 or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 20).
MORGAN

MATH 375(S) Game Theory (Q)
Game theory is the study of interacting decision makers involved in a conflict of interest. We investigate outcomes, dynamics, and strategies as players rationally pursue objectives and interact according to specific rules. Game theory has been used to illuminate political, ethical, economical, social, psychological, and evolutionary phenomena. We will examine concepts of equilibrium, stable strategies, imperfect information, repetition, cooperation, utility, and decision.
Prerequisites: two MATH/STAT courses at the 200 or higher level, or permission of the instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 30).
Hour: 11:00-11:50 MWF S. JOHNSON

MATH 397(F), 398(S), 497(F), 498(S) Independent Study
Directed independent study in Mathematics.
Prerequisites: permission of the department.
Hour: TBA

MATH 402 Measure Theory and Probability (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
The study of measure theory arose from the study of stochastic (probabilistic) systems. Applications of measure theory lie in biology, chemistry, physics as well as in economics. In this course, we develop the abstract concepts of measure theory and ground them in probability spaces. Included will be Lebesgue and Borel measures, measurable functions (random variables), Lebesgue integration, distributions, independence, convergence and limit theorems. This material provides good preparation for graduate studies in mathematics, statistics and economics.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based primarily on performance on homework assignments and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 301 or 305 or permission of instructor.
O. BEAVER

MATH 404(S) Ergodic Theory (Q)
Ergodic theory studies the probabilistic behavior of dynamical systems as they evolve through time. This course will be an introduction to the basic notions in ergodic theory. The course starts with an introduction to measure theory: (sigma-algebras, measurable sets and measurable transformations and Lebesgue integration). Then we will cover ergodic, weak mixing, mixing, and Bernoulli transformations, and transformations admitting and not admitting an invariant measure. There will be an emphasis on specific examples such as group rotations, the binary odometer transformations, and rank-one constructions. We will also cover some notions from topological dynamics.
For textbook: http://www.amo.gov/bookstore~getitem=STML-42
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based on presentations, problem assignments and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 301 or 305 or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 10).
Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF SILVA

MATH 406T Analysis and Number Theory (Same as Mathematics 308T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
(See under MATH 308T for full description.)
MILLER

MATH 411 Commutative Algebra (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
Commutative algebra has applications ranging from algebraic geometry to coding theory. For example, one can use commutative algebra to create error-correcting codes. It is perhaps most often used, however, to study curves and surfaces in different spaces. To understand these structures, one must study polynomial rings over fields. This course will be an introduction to commutative algebra. Possible topics include polynomial rings, localizations, primary decomposition, completions, and modules.
Evaluation will be based primarily on homework and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 312 or 317 or permission of the instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 15).
LOEPP

MATH 418 Linear Algebraic Groups (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
Linear algebraic groups lie at the heart of many pure and applied subfields of mathematics and have become fundamental tools in a wide variety of active areas of research. They are both groups and algebraic varieties, and thus lie on the boundary between classical algebra and algebraic geometry in an obvious sense. As we dig deeper into their structure, however, we will uncover surprising connections to representation theory, combinatorics, and the geometry of Euclidean
space. The course will begin with an introduction to affine algebraic varieties, their topology, and their morphisms (assuming no previous experience with commutative algebra), using the linear algebraic groups as our main class of examples. Topics to be covered after laying the requisite algebra-geometric groundwork may include Borel subgroups, Grassmannians and flag varieties, Weyl groups, the Bruhat decomposition, Lie algebras, root systems, Coxeter groups, Dynkin diagrams, and reflection groups.

Format: lecture. Requirements: evaluation will be based primarily on homework and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 312 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: none (expected: 15).

BEAZLEY

MATH 419(S) Algebraic Number Theory (Q)
We all know that integers can be factored into prime numbers and that this factorization is essentially unique. In more general settings, it often still makes sense to factor numbers into “primes,” but the factorization is not necessarily unique! This surprising fact was the downfall of Lamé’s attempted proof of Fermat’s Last Theorem in 1847. Although a valid proof was not discovered until over 150 years later, this error gave rise to a new branch of mathematics: algebraic number theory. In this course, we will study factorization and other number-theoretic notions in more abstract algebraic settings, and we will see a beautiful interplay between groups, rings, and fields.

Format: lecture/seminar. Evaluation will be based primarily on projects, homework assignments, and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 512, or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 15).

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR

No enrollment limit (expected: 15)

PACELLI

MATH 433(F) Mathematical Modeling and Control Theory (Q)

Mathematical modeling is concerned with translating a natural phenomenon into a mathematical form. In this abstract form the underlying principles of the phenomenon can be carefully examined and real-world behavior can be interpreted in terms of mathematical shapes. The models we investigate include feedback phenomena, phase locked oscillators, multiple population dynamics, reaction-diffusion equations, shock waves, morphogenesis, and the spread of pollution, forest fires, and diseases. Often the natural phenomenon has some aspect we can control—such as how much pollution, electric charge, or chemotherapeutic agent we put into a river, circuit, or cancer patient. We will investigate how to operate such controls in order to achieve a specific goal or optimize some interpretation of performance. We will employ tools from the fields of differential equations and dynamical systems. The course is intended for students in the mathematical, physical, and chemical sciences, as well as for students who are seriously interested in the mathematical aspects of physiology, economics, geology, biology, and environmental studies.

Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on performance of problem sets and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 209 or Physics 210 and Mathematics 301 or 305 or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 12).

Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF

S. JOHNSON

MATH 437(F) Electricity and Magnetism for Mathematicians (Q)

Maxwell’s equations are four simple formulas, linking electricity and magnetism, that are among the most profound equations ever discovered. These equations led to the prediction of radio waves, to the realization that a description of light is also contained in these equations and to the discovery of the special theory of relativity. In fact, almost all current descriptions of the fundamental laws of the universe are deep generalizations of Maxwell’s equations. Perhaps even more surprising is that these equations and their generalizations have led to some of the most important mathematical discoveries (where there is no obvious physics) of the last 25 years. For example, much of the math world was shocked at how these physics generalizations became one of the main tools in geometry from the 1980s until today. It seems that the mathematics behind Maxwell is endless. This will be an introduction to Maxwell’s equations, from the perspective of a mathematician.

Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on performance on homework and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 301 or Mathematics 305, and Mathematics 312 or Mathematics 315, or permission of instructor. Not open to students who have taken Mathematics 337. No physics background required. No enrollment limit (expected: 20).

Hour: 11:00-11:50 MWF

GARRITY

MATH W30 Senior Project

Taken by candidates for honors in Mathematics other than by thesis route.

MATH 493(F)-W31-494(S) Senior Honors Thesis

Each student carries out an individual research project under the direction of a faculty member that culminates in a thesis. See description under The Degree with Honors in Mathematics.

MATH 499(F) Senior Colloquium

Meets every week for two hours both fall and spring. Senior majors must participate at least one hour a week. This colloquium is in addition to the regular four seminars carried by all students.

Hour: 1:00-2:00 MW

Members of the Department

STATISTICS COURSES

STAT 101(FS) Elementary Statistics and Data Analysis (Q)

It is nearly impossible to live in the world today without being inundated with data. Even the most popular newspapers feature statistics to catch the eye of the passerby, and sports broadcasters overwhelm the listener with arcane statistics. How do we learn to recognize dishonest or even unintentionally distorted representations of useful information? How do we need in order to make a decision? It is the purpose of this course to develop an appreciation for and an understanding of the interpretation of data. We will become familiar with the standard tools of statistical inference including the t-test, the analysis of variance, and regression, as well as exploratory data techniques. Applications will come from the real world that we all live in.

Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on performances on quizzes and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 100/101/102 (or demonstrated proficiency on a diagnostic test; see Mathematics 100). Students who have had calculus, and potential Mathematics majors should consider taking Statistics 201 instead. Enrollment limit: 50 (expected: 40). Not open for major credit to junior or senior Mathematics majors.

Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF, 12:00-12:50 MWF

First Semester: GLUBOKOV

Second Semester: GLUBOKOV

STAT 201(FS) Statistics and Data Analysis (Q)

Statistics can be viewed as the art (science?) of turning data into information, Real world decision-making, whether in business or science is often based on data and the perceived information it contains. Sherlock Holmes, when prematurely asked the merits of a case by Dr. Watson, snapped back, “Data, data, data! I can’t make bricks without clay.” In this course, we will study the basic methods by which statisticians attempt to extract information from data. These will include many of the standard tools of statistical inference such as the t-test, analysis of variance and linear regression as well as exploratory and graphical data analysis techniques.

Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on performance on quizzes and exams.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 105 or equivalent. Students without any calculus background should consider Statistics 101 instead. Enrollment limit: 40 (expected: 40).

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR, 9:00-9:50 MWF, 11:20-12:35 TR

First Semester: DE VEAX

Second Semester: GLUBOKOV, DE VEAX

STAT 231(F) Statistical Design of Experiments (Q)

What does statistics have to do with designing and carrying out experiments? The answer is, surprisingly perhaps, a great deal. In this course, we will study how to design an experiment with the fewest number of observations possible to achieve a certain power. We will also learn how to analyze and present the resulting data and draw conclusions. After reviewing basic statistical theory and two sample comparisons, we cover one and two-way ANOVA (and fractional) factorial designs extensively. The culmination of the course will be a project where each student designs, carries out, analyzes, and presents an experiment of interest to him or her. Throughout the course, we will use the free statistical software program R to carry out the statistical analysis.

Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on performance on exams, homework and the final project.
Prerequisites: a previous introductory course in statistics and no fear of simple computer programming and calculus. No enrollment limit (expected: 10).

Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF

GLUBOKOV

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STAT 346(F) Regression and Forecasting (Q)
This course focuses on the building of empirical models through data in order to predict, explain, and interpret scientific phenomena. The main focus will be on multivariate regression, with an introduction to time series analysis and forecasting. The applications will range from a broad range of disciplines, such as predicting the waiting time between eruptions of the Old Faithful geyser, forecasting housing prices or modeling the probability of O-ring failure at Space Shuttle launches.
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on performance on exams, homework, and a project.
Prerequisites: Statistics 101 or 201, and Mathematics 105 and 211; or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 20).
Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR

STAT 355 Multivariate Statistical Analysis (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
In elementary statistics courses, one typically studies how to analyze data and make inferences about more than one variable in the population. But what if one wanted to make inferences about more than one variable in the population? In such cases, traditional statistical methods might not apply. In this course, we study the tools and the intuition that are necessary to analyze and describe such data sets. Specific topics covered will include the multivariate normal distribution, multivariate analysis of variance, principal component analysis, factor analysis, canonical correlation, and clustering.
Course Requirements: Evaluation will be based on homework and exams.
Prerequisites: Statistics 201 and Mathematics 211. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 10).

STAT 397(F), 398(S), 497(F), 498(S) Independent Study
Directed independent study in Statistics.
Prerequisites: permission of the department.

STAT 442(S) Computational Statistics and Data Mining (Q)
In both science and industry today, the ability to collect and store data can outpace our ability to analyze it. Traditional techniques in statistics are often unable to cope with the size and complexity of today's data bases and data warehouses. New methodologies in Statistics have recently been developed, designed to address these inadequacies, emphasizing visualization, exploration and empirical model building at the expense of traditional hypothesis testing. In this course we will explore these new as a technique and apply them to a variety of real data sets using Silicon Graphics workstations.
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based primarily on homeworks and projects.
Prerequisites: Statistics 346 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10).
Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR

STAT 493(F)-W31-494(S) Senior Honors Thesis
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MUSIC (Div. I)
Chair, Professor M. JENNIFER BLOXAM

Professors: BLOXAM, E. D. BROWN**, KECCHLEY*, W. A. SHEPPARD*. Associate Professors: E. GOLLIN, M. HIRSCH, PEREZ VELAZQUEZ. Visiting Assistant Professors: OKIGBO, ROBERTS, Lyell B. Clay Artist in Residence and Director of Jazz Activities/Senior Lecturer in Music: JAFFE. Artist in Residence in Choral and Vocal Activities/Lecturer in Music: B. WELLS. Artist in Residence in Orchestral and Instrumental Activities/Lecturer in Music: FELDMAN. Artists in Residence: STEVENSON (piano), KURKOWICZ** (violin). Instructors in Music: DILTHEY, EDWIN LAWRENCE, PRINDLE (musician skills labs) Ensemble Directors & Studio Instructors: BERGERON (Brass Ensemble, trumpet), CAPRONI (Marching Band), GENOVA–RUDIYAKOV (violin), GOLD (Perussion Ensemble, percussion), HEBERT (flute), JENKINS (oboe), KIBLER (voice), EDWIN LAWRENCE (piano, organ, harpsichord), ERIK LAWRENCE (jazz saxophone), MARTULA (Clarinet Choir, clarinet), MEEHAN (jazz drums), MORSE (harp), NAZFIZER (voice), NAZARENKO (jazz piano), PARKE (cello), PHELPS (classical and jazz guitar), RYER–PARKE (voice), SHARPE (jazz bass, jazz coach), SUNGARIAN (horn), M. WALT (voice), S. WALT (Woodwind Chamber Music)*, WHEELER (trombone, jazz, bassoon), WOOLWEAVER (viola, violin), WRIGHT (piano), ZIMMERMAN (bass), Visiting Ensemble Directors: MICHELIN (Zambezi), MILLER (Symphonic Winds).

MAJOR
Sequence Courses
Music 103, 104 Music Theory and Musicianship I
Music 201, 202 Music Theory and Musicianship II
Music 207, 208, 209 Music in History I, Music in History II, and Music in History III
Music 402 Senior Seminar in Music

Elective Courses
An additional two semester courses in music, to be selected from the following:
Group A: any 106-134, 136, 138, 210T, 220, 230-234, 240, 241, and 246T courses. The department reserves the right to refuse registration in any course for which the student is determined to be over-prepared.

Department strongly recommends that students elect at least one course from each group.

It is strongly recommended that prospective majors complete 103, 104, 201, 202 and 207 by the end of the sophomore year.

Performance and Concert Requirements
Music majors are encouraged to participate in departmental ensembles throughout their careers at Williams; i.e., for eight semesters. Majors are required to participate in departmental ensembles for at least four semesters. Under special circumstances the student may petition the music faculty to allow this requirement to be met in an alternative way.

Foreign Languages
Music majors are strongly urged to take courses in at least one foreign language while at Williams.

Musicianship Skills
Music majors are strongly urged to maintain, refine and improve their musicianship skills, such as sight-singing, score reading, melodic and harmonic dictation, and keyboard proficiency, throughout their entire Williams career.

The Degree with Honors in Music
Three routes provide the opportunity for honors or highest honors consideration in the Music major:

a. Composition: A Composition thesis must include one major work completed during the senior year, a portfolio of smaller works completed during the junior and senior years, and a 10- to 15-page discussion of the student’s work or analysis of a major 20th Century work.

b. Performance: A Performance thesis must include an honors recital given during the spring of the senior year and a 15- to 20-page discussion of one or more of the works performed. The student’s general performance career will also be considered in determining honors.

c. History, Theory and Analysis, or Ethnomusicology: A written Historical or Theoretical/Analytical, or Ethnomusicological thesis between 65 and 80 pages in length and an oral presentation based on the thesis is required. A written thesis should offer new insights based on original research.

In order for a thesis proposal to be approved a student must have at least a 3.3 GPA in Music courses (this GPA must be maintained in order to receive honors), and must have demonstrated outstanding ability and experience through coursework and performance in the proposed thesis area. Students are encouraged to seek the advice of their potential thesis advisor early in the junior year and no later than the first month of the second semester. A 1 to 2 page proposal written in consultation with the faculty advisor must be received by the Music chair by the end of spring break.

Honors candidates must enroll in Music 493(F)-W31-494(S) during their senior year. A student who is highly qualified for honors work, but is unable to pursue a year-long project for compelling reasons, may petition the department for permission to pursue a WS/one-semester thesis. The standards for evaluating such a thesis remain the same. Completed thesis is due by April 15.
### 100-LEVEL COURSES

#### MUS 101(F) Listening to Music: An Introduction to the Western Classical Tradition

This course seeks to define and describe the fundamental nature of music in Western society. Through a variety of exercises and projects, students will develop an understanding of basic musical rudiments such as pitch, scales, triads, rhythm, meter, and notation materials that form the foundation of Western art and popular musics. By the end of the course, students will have begun the study of basic four-part harmony. All theoretical concepts will be reinforced through the development of appropriate active-performance skills, including sight-singing, dictation, and keyboard performance. In addition, students will explore various topics such as the aesthetics of music (including aesthetic theories), music cognition and perception, and the historical context of music. Students will be expected to complete weekly written work and participate in concerts.

**Enrollment limit:** 40 (expected: 40). Preference given to students with music-reading proficiency and demonstrated performance experience.

**Hour:** 10:00-10:50 MWF

#### MUS 102 Fundamentals of Music

This course presents the materials, structures and procedures of tonal music, with an emphasis on the harmonic and contrapuntal practice of the Baroque and Classical traditions. Students are expected to have some knowledge of musical rudiments, reading proficiency in at least one clef, and ideally have some comfort reading both bass and treble clefs. A short diagnostic exam will be administered at the first class meeting of Music 103 to assess students’ skills and background, and determine if a student requires any additional remedial work to complement and fortify course work during the early weeks of the semester. Students with a strong background in music theory may take a placement exam during First Days to see whether they can pass out of one or both semesters. Music 103 and 104 are required for the music major.

**Enrollment limit:** 32 (expected: 32). Preference given to potential majors, and those with the strongest musicianship skills.

**Hour:** 8:30-9:45 TR

#### MUS 103(F) Music Theory and Musicianship I

Music 103 and 104 are designed for potential majors and for students with strong instrumental or vocal backgrounds. Although there is no prerequisite for Music 103, students are expected to have some knowledge of musical rudiments, reading proficiency in at least one clef, and ideally have some comfort reading both bass and treble clefs. A short diagnostic exam will be administered at the first class meeting of Music 103 to assess students’ skills and background, and determine if a student requires any additional remedial work to complement and fortify course work during the early weeks of the semester. Students with a strong background in music theory may take a placement exam during First Days to see whether they can pass out of one or both semesters. Music 103 and 104 are required for the music major.

**Enrollment limit:** 40 (expected: 40). Preference given to students with music-reading proficiency and demonstrated performance experience.

**Hour:** 10:00-10:50 MWF

#### MUS 104(S) Music Theory and Musicianship I

Music 104 continues the practical musicianship work of Music 103, while expanding the scope of harmonic topics to include seventh chords and chromatic harmonies. The course further explores the transformation of contrapuntal works of the eighteenth century. Projects include the composition and performance of preludes, fugues and organ chorale preludes on baroque models.

**Enrollment limit:** 24 (expected: 24). Preference given to potential Music majors and those with the strongest musicianship skills.

**Hour:** 11:20-12:35 TR

**NOTE:** Prerequisites for Music 106 through 141

For each course, degrees of musical experience are necessary. Students may consult with the instructor or simply attend the first class meeting. (Successful completion of Music 101 automatically qualifies the student for Music 106 through 141.)

#### MUS 106 Opera (Not offered 2011-2012)

An introduction to the history of opera, from the genre’s birth c. 1600 to the present. At various points in its 400-year development, opera has been considered the high art of its time, avehicle for the social elite, or a form of popular entertainment. Opera’s place in European cultural history will be a common focus of our inquiry. We will also study the intriguing relationship between text and music, aspects of performance and production, and the artistic and social conventions of the operatic world. The multidimensional nature of opera invites a variety of analytical and critical perspectives, including those of music analysis, literary studies, feminist interpretations, and political and sociological approaches. Works to be considered include operas by Monteverdi, Lully, Charpentier, Handel, Gluck, Mozart, Rossini, Donizetti, Verdi, Wagner, Bizet, Puccini, Strauss, Berg, Britten, Glass, and Adams. This course will involve a trip to
MUS 108 The Concerto (Not offered 2011-2012)
More than any other instrumental genre in music, the concerto by its nature tells stories. As in opera, the concerto focuses on a protagonist, usually a single soloist; the interest of the work lies in the dynamic musical interplay between that individual and the larger ensemble. This course will explore the development of the concerto, from its origins in 17th-century Italy through the 20th century. We will focus on the musical means by which composers of the Baroque, Classical, Romantic, and Modern periods, working in a wide variety of styles, created compelling musical narratives. We will also consider the cultural contexts within which concerti are composed and performed, giving particular attention to the persona of the virtuoso as exemplified by such figures as Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, Berlioz, Liszt, Brahms, Mahler, Richard Strauss, Ravel, Bartók, Crumb, Hailstork, and Joan Tower. Emphasis on listening.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on short quizzes and papers, a midterm and a final exam, and attendance and participation.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 35 (expected: 25).

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MUS 109 Symphony (Not offered 2011-2012)
A musical and cultural historical survey of music for the symphony orchestra as observed in the late-eIGHteenth through the twentieth century. Genres to be explored include the symphony, concerto, sonata, concerto grosso, string quartet, opera, and music for chamber orchestra such as Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Berlioz, Liszt, Brahms, Mahler, Richard Strauss, Ravel, Bartók, Crumb, Hailstork, and Joan Tower. Emphasis on listening.
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based on two hour-exams or quizzes from listening assignments and readings, one short paper and a final exam.
No prerequisites. No enrollment limit (expected: 25).

MUS 110 Chamber Music (Not offered 2011-2012)
A musical and cultural historical survey of music for small instrumental ensembles from the early-eighteenth through the twentieth centuries. Defined for this course as ensemble music for from three to eight players, we will consider string quartets, works for strings and piano, and examples of wind and brass chamber music by Bach, Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Brahms, Webern, Bartók, Beach, Hailstork and many others. Several live performances will be presented in class by faculty and visiting chamber musicians.
Format: lecture, twice per week. Evaluation will be based on several listening quizzes or short exams, a paper based on research or listening, and a final exam.
No prerequisites or musical background assumed. Enrollment limit: 80 (expected: 80). Preference given to juniors and sophomores.
W. A. SHEPPARD

MUS 112F Exploring 20th Century American Experimentalism: The New York School Composers and Visual Artists (Same as American Studies 113)
In the mid 20th century, American composers and visual artists in downtown New York convened around 8th street to discuss and share a common vision of letting free the unconscious mind to break past the conventions of European formalism. Were these the fresh ideas of a new generation of young composers and artists or were their ideas influenced by earlier American thought? This course will look first to the 19th and early 20th century to find some philosophical and aesthetic roots that gave rise to experimentation in 20th century American Music. We will then explore the ideas and music of the New York Schools of composers and look at the special bonds they formed with their visual artist counterparts: Morton Feldman, Mark Rothko and Philip Guston; Earle Brown, Jackson Pollock and Alexander Calder; John Cage and Marcel Duchamp. We will also explore how our own creative intuitions work and what they can produce in music by forming an experimental found-object ensemble. We will develop our creative ideas through experimentation and improvisation and present our improvisations and compositions in a concert at the end of the semester. No prior musical experience is required for this class.
Format: weekly lecture class and ensemble class. Evaluation will be based on reading assignments, periodic quizzes, journal keeping, creative work throughout the semester, end of semester concert of experimental works and an eight page paper reflecting on creative work using journals and referencing class readings.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 35 (expected: 25).

W. A. SHEPPARD

MUS 114 American Music (Not offered 2011-2012)
This lecture and discussion course focuses on American music in its cultural context. Students will explore a range of issues concerning music's relation to national and ethnic identity, historical events, societal conflicts, and philosophical, literary, and artistic movements. The class will study works from a variety of musical traditions: e.g., Native American, religious, classical, patriotic, blues, jazz, folk, Broadway, rock, and rap.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, two short papers, a midterm exam, and a final exam.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15). Preference to students with demonstrated interest in American Studies or Music.
M. HIRSCH

MUS 115 Introduction to Twentieth-Century Music (Not offered 2011-2012)
Twentieth-century Euro-American art music involved a persistent exploration of the limits of musical possibility. Encounters with this music often challenge our ears and musical minds and require us to reconsider fundamental conceptions of music itself. Throughout the course, we will investigate in what ways the basic elements of music (e.g., harmonic organization, rhythm, timbre, instrumentation and performance conventions) were extended and revolutionized. Topics and styles to be discussed include: atonality, expressionism, twelve-tone techniques, neoclassicism, electronic and computer music, stochastic music, minimalism, and neoromanticism. We will also consider the music of this century in relation to contemporary developments in the other arts and to popular musical styles. The syllabus will include works by such composers as Debussy, Mahler, Stravinsky, Schoenberg, Webern, Bartók, Weill, Milhaud, Shostakovich, Ives, Copland, Piston, Milhaud, Messiaen, Boulez, Berio, Stockhausen, Messiaen, Boulez, Glass, Gubaidulina, and Tower.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on two tests, two short papers, and a final exam.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 12).
W. A. SHEPPARD

MUS 116 Music in Modernism (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
The synthesis of the arts was a primary pursuit of modernist composers, artists, choreographers, and writers. Seeking either to realize Wagner’s “total work of art” in the theater, or to uncover the more general correspondences celebrated by Baedelaira, modernists consistently looked beyond their own media. Collaborations on works of “total theater” were common: Satie, Cocteau, Massine, Picasso; Brecht, Hindemith, Weil; Stravinsky, Niijinsky, Balts; Claude, Honegger. Robuststein. Modernists explored new connections between music and color (Serliian, Kandinsky), music and literature (Joyce, Mann), and music and dance (Duncan, Graham). Occasionally, modernists attempted to unite the arts on their own: Schoenberg painted, Pound composed, and Kokoeshka wrote. Our focus will be on those works of music, art, dance, and literature that explored new relationships between the arts. One goal will be to investigate whether specific equivalents exist between techniques of modernist painting, poetry, choreography, and composition. Aware of the risks and rewards of interdisciplinary study, we will try to work out programs of artistic synthesis. This course is designed to bring multiple perspectives to the study of music in modernism.
Format: discussion/lecture. Evaluation will be based on three papers (6, 8, and 12 pages in length) and on class participation; drafts of two of these papers will be required. Students will receive detailed comments on each paper, allowing them to build upon those comments in subsequent writing assignments.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10).
W. A. SHEPPARD
MUS 117(F) Mozart
This course will examine the extraordinary life and musical genius of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. Through lectures, discussion, readings, and guided listening, students will explore his ties to Haydn, Mozart, and other composers, his fierce individualism, and his impact on later generations, subjects linked to notions of artistic genius. To a broad cross section of Beethoven's music, including piano sonatas, string quartets, symphonies, overtures, concertos, choral works, and opera. We will explore his ties to Haydn, Mozart, and other composers, his fierce individualism, and his impact on later generations, subjects linked to notions of artistic genius and the sublime. Music is not necessary to do well in this course. There will be emphasis on listening. No prerequisites. Enrollments limit: 19 (expected: 15). Preference given to students with a demonstrated interest in music. Hour: 100-12:25 TF M. HIRSCH

MUS 118(B) Bach
Johann Sebastian Bach now enjoys the status of a cultural icon, transcending time and place. But who was Bach, and why do his musical creations continue to fascinate us? This course offers an introduction to the life and music of this iconic composer. We will explore aspects of cultural context (such as the social milieu in which Bach developed his art and the use and perception of his music by his contemporaries), as well develop our listening skills by exploring matters of purely musical content (the styles and forms of his prodigious output). Both instrumental and vocal music will be surveyed, including the Brandenburg Concerti, the Goldberg Variations, the Magnificat, and the B Minor Mass. The course will conclude with a consideration of Bach's legacy in the 19th and 20th centuries. Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on 2 papers, a midterm, a final exam, and class participation. No prerequisites. Enrollments limit: 19 (expected 15). Not available for the Gaudino option. Hour: 10:12-12:35 TR BLOXAM

MUS 120 Beethoven (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course provides an introduction to the life and music of Ludwig van Beethoven. The composer's difficult childhood, tragic loss of hearing, clandestine affair with the "Immortal Beloved," and tempestuous relationship with his maternal nephew Carl—such biographical elements, together with the French Revolution and emergence of Romanticism, will form the backdrop for our study of his titanic artistic struggles and monumental achievements. Students will listen to and attend concerts of Beethoven's music, including pianissimo solo sonatas, string quartets, symphonies, overtures, concertos, choral works, and opera. We will explore his ties to Haydn, Mozart, and other composers, his fierce individualism, and his impact on later generations, subjects linked to notions of artistic genius and the sublime. Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on listening quizzes, two papers, midterm and final exams, and class participation. No prerequisites. Enrollments limit: 19 (expected 15). Hour: 10:12-12:35 TR BLOXAM

MUS 122(B) African-American Music (Same as Africana Studies 122) (D)
This course will survey the history of African-American music in the United States from its beginnings through the mid-twentieth century. Themes include: the continuation of Africanisms in African-American music, transnationalism between the United States and Africa, and the ever-changing sound of African-American music in the U.S. There will be an emphasis on discussing music, listening to it, and attending concerts of live music for which there may be additional costs. Prerequisites: 102 or 103. Knowledge of and proficiency with musical notation is required. Enrollments limit: 9 (due to the limitations of the electronic music studio facility) (expected: 9). Preference given to Music majors and those planning to major in Music. Enrollments limit: 19 (expected: 15). Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR PEREZ VELAZQUEZ

MUS 124 The Singing Voice: Mechanics, History and Meaning
This course is an introduction to the phonetics of singing as a musical activity. It will consider the structure and function of the voice, the effects of singing on the body, and the psychology of singing. Students will learn to listen to singing and to understand the singing voice as an instrument. Prerequisites: Music 102 or 103. Knowledge of and proficiency with musical notation is required. Enrollments limit: 19 (expected: 15). Preference given to Music majors and those planning to major in Music. Enrollments limit: 19 (expected: 15). Preference given to department ensemble participants. Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR B. WELLS

MUS 125(F) Music Cultures of the World (D)
This course examines a variety of musical traditions from across the globe. Music will be explored as complex cultural expression, intensely invested with social, artistic, economic and political meanings. The class is designed to advance knowledge not only of what happens in musical performance, but with a view to understanding music-making as one of many interrelated cultural systems. Music and identity, dance, migration, politics, and public health performance etc will all be explored. Using different case studies drawn from Western and Southern Africa, India, China, South America, the Caribbean, North America, Eastern Europe, Middle East etc. Students will become familiar with some of the key ideas and methods of the musical study of music. However, prior formal training in music is not necessary to do well in this course. There will be emphasis on understanding. Format: lecture. Evaluation will be comprehensive based on attendance and participation in class, two short papers, a final project, and midterm and final exams. No prerequisites. Enrollments limit: 30 (expected: 30). Preference will be given to current or prospective majors in Music, Anthropology and Sociology, as well as current and prospective students concentrating in Arabic Studies, Asian Studies, Africana Studies and Latin/o/o Studies. Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR OKIGBO

MUS 126 Musics of Asia (Same as Asian Studies 126) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
This course offers an introduction to the great diversity of Asian music. Our survey will span from East Asia (China, Korea, and Japan) to Southeast Asia (Thailand and Indonesia) to the Indian subcontinent, Central Asia (Tibet and Afghanistan), to the Middle East (Iran and the Arabian peninsula), and will end with the extension of Asian music across North Africa and into Eastern Europe. Within this broad survey, we will focus on selected and representative musical cultures and genres. In each section of the course, aspects of cultural context (including music's function in religious life and its relationship to the other arts), will be emphasized. While our focus will be on the traditional and classical musics of these cultures, we will also briefly consider the current musical scene. Enrollments limit: 19 (expected: 15). Preference will be given to department ensemble participants. This course satisfies the EDI requirement by exploring how the diverse musical traditions of Asia are shaped by radically different religious beliefs and social norms and by demonstrating how various Asian cultures can be understood through their musical traditions. Much of the music will be encountered presents aesthetics and cultural norms that differ radically from mainstream Euro-American cultural practices. To engage with these traditions students must attempt to place themselves within different cultural frameworks, to hear music that they may find shockingly foreign with a different set of ears. Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on four tests and two papers. No prerequisites; no musical experience necessary. Enrollments limit: 25 (expected: 20). W. A. SHEPPARD

MUS 127(S) Cuban Popular Music and Culture (D)
This class will cover genres of Cuban folk, and popular music and the impact that Cuban history has had on Cuban music, art, and culture in general. Topics to be discussed will include the African influence on Cuban music between the 15th and 16th centuries, the contemporary coexistence of old African musical practices with new musical manifestations now purely Cuban, and the Spanish influence on the Punto Cubano or Punto Guajiro that flourished at the end of the 18th
century as a family-neighborhood activity. We will also discuss the connection between folk music and the utilization of European techniques that gave as a result the danzon, the mambo, the cha cha cha, the Cuban son, as well as multiple genres of the Cuban canción (song). Other topics of discussion will include the strong bond between Cuban music and North American music during the 20th century, and how the combination of folk music/professional music imparts a dynamic to Afro-Cuban jazz, and salsa. We will also discuss more recent developments of Afro-Cuban music such as timba cubana, Cuban hip hop, and the social issues represented in their lyrics. A good understanding of Cuban music requires the understanding of Cuban people and their culture. We will discuss how Cuban music is and has been for centuries an expression and part of the religious and political systems of belief of the Cuban people. Class examples will also demonstrate how Cuban music is a force that unifies all Cubans regardless of their social class or political view.

Format: lecture. Requirements: two research papers (10 pages long each) and two class presentations on the subject of the research paper.

No prerequisites. No enrollment limit (expected: 25).

Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

Perez Velazquez

MUS 128(S) Chinese Music and Intercultural Influence: From the Silk Road to Korea and Japan (Same as Asian Studies 128) (D)

Traveling back in time across the immense span of Chinese history, it is almost impossible to fathom the incredible richness of sound and musical style that emanated from the Dynastic courts, Daoist temples, private literati gardens or local villages. Equally impressive is the broad influence Chinese music both received from and passed on to other cultures. Our task in this course is to explore and understand Chinese Music by looking broadly at its history and traditions. We will visit the main cultural and historical periods of intercultural exchange. We will learn about Central Asian music, the Silk Road and its influence on Chinese Music from the Han through Tang Dynasties. We will also explore Japanese and Korean Music and see how Chinese culture and music influenced these traditions. We will look at some basic principles of cultural exchange and music to provide context from which to better understand differences between Western and East Asian music. We will not just listen to recordings but will have the chance to experience several live performances of this music during the semester. No prior musical experience is required for this class.

Format: weekly lecture classes. Evaluation will be based on class participation, reading assignments, journal keeping, a midterm and final exam as well as a term paper.

No prerequisites; no prior musical experience is required for this class. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20). If overenrolled, the instructor will decide on basis of individual consultations with students.

Hour: 11:00-12:15 WF

J. Roberts

MUS 129(F) Music in African Religious Experience (Same as Africana Studies 121 and Religion 262) (D)

This course explores the role of music in the multiplicity of religions that pervades the continent of Africa. Whether in the rituals of ancestral veneration; spiritual healing and spirit possession; worship in mainstream, independent, and Pentecostal Christian churches; and the rites of the Muslim Brotherhoods, religious practices are always paired with music. Music plays the role of forging a sense of community as well as enhances participants’ spiritual experience at ritual events. Beyond the contexts of ritual and worship however, religious music performance in Africa sometimes comprises the locus for negotiating identities and power. Relying on relevant analytical literature and audio/films, this course will pay particular attention to the social and political history of various communities, and how religion and ritual music have been used to articulate members’ experiences, and rendering them in performance either as affirmation of, or to challenge the circumstances of those experiences.

Format: lecture. A comprehensive evaluation for this course will be based on attendance and participation in class; two review essays; two quizzes; and midterm and final exams.

Evaluation will be based on brief written assignments and a paper, a midterm and a final exam, and attendance and participation.

No prerequisites. No enrollment limit (expected: 25).

Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

Perez Velazquez

MUS 130 History of Jazz (Same as Africana Studies 130) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

This course surveys the history of jazz from its origins to the present. Emphasis is on the contributions of the major figures in jazz as seen against the backdrop of their social milieu. Emphasis on the relationship between music and the social experience of African Americans.

This EDI course explores the experiences and expressions of the culturally diverse peoples of African descent in the New World (and the Old), as well as the myriad ways in which they confront, negotiate, and transform the institutions, practices, and perceptions that have shaped, and at times suppressed, African-American culture, history, and identity. The emphasis is on the music produced by these peoples, and the role that music has played in the development of their history, culture, and identity. No enrollment limit (expected: 25).

Hour: 11:00-12:15 WF

J. Roberts

MUS 132 Women and Music (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course will introduce students to various issues concerning women in music (classical and popular): e.g., the widespread perception that there are no “great” female composers, the claim that there is a “women’s sound” in music, the representation of women in music by men, the gendered understanding of musical forms, genres, and techniques, the historical spheres of women’s music-making, and the challenges faced by female musicians in various social contexts. Ages to the present. The class will explore women’s contributions to music as composers, performers, teachers, patrons, and scholars. Evaluation based on class participation, two papers, a class presentation, and a final exam.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15).

Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

M. Hirsch

MUS 133 Men, Women, and Pianos (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course takes the piano, its repertory, and its performers as focal points for a social history of Western music, treating the piano as a locus around which issues of gender, class, race and ethnicity are played out in nineteenth and twentieth century musical life. In addition to exploring “serious” works by composers such as Mozart and Beethoven, we will consider parlor music and music by crowd-pleasing virtuosos such as Liszt and Gottschalk. We will also consider a broad range of classical and popular performers, ranging from Clara Schumann, Vladimir Horowitz, Arthur Rubinstein and Glenn Gould through Art Tatum and Liberace. Other topics will include the “cult of the virtuoso,” Jane Campion’s 1993 film The Piano, and musical nationalism as reflected in music for the piano.

Format: lecture/discussion. Two meetings per week. Evaluation based on participation, several short papers and quizzes, and a final project.

Prerequisites: ability to read music, or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19).

Bloxam

MUS 134 Myth in Music (Same as Comparative Literature 134) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Orpheus, Prometheus, Faust, and Don Juan—these figures have captured the imagination of writers, artists, and composers throughout history. This course explores how prominent myths of western civilization have found expression in a broad variety of musical works, e.g., operas by Claudio Monteverdi, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Jacques Offenbach, and Richard Wagner; songs by Franz Schubert, Hugo Wolf, Ricky Ian Gordon, and Adam Gaettel; ballets by Ludwig van Beethoven and Igor Stravinsky; symphonic poems by Franz Liszt, Richard Strauss and Alexander Scriabin; Broadway musicals by Richard Adler, and Randy Newman; and mixed-media projects by Rinde Eckert. Our inquiry will lead us to ponder an array of questions: Why have certain myths proven especially appealing to composers? What accounts for these myths’ musical longevity? How have myths been adapted to different musical genres and styles, and for what purposes? How do the works reflect the historical cultures in which they originated? How have they engaged with different social, political, artistic, and intellectual concerns?

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, three 6- to 8-page papers (with revisions), and a final presentation.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10). Preference given to students with a demonstrated interest in literature or music.

M. Hirsch

MUS 135 Storytelling in Music (Not offered 2011-2012)

Many of the songs we hear on the radio derive their appeal, in part, from the interest of the narratives conveyed by their lyrics. Even without lyrics, however, music itself can compellingly depict characters, emotions, settings, or events, in order to relate tales of love, tragic loss, conflict, heroism and victory, transcendence, comedy, adventure, and the exotic. This course explores the various musical means through which composers of the past several centuries have sought to convey these stories in both textual and untexted genres including the sixteenth-century madrigal; opera; the concerto and the symphony; nineteenth-century song cycles, solo piano works, and tone-poems; ballet and film scores; and jazz and rock ’n roll.

Evaluation will be based on brief written assignments and a paper, a midterm and a final exam, and attendance and participation.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15).

Bloxam and Hirsch
MUS 136  Bach and Handel: Their Music in High Baroque Culture  
(Not offered 2011-2012)  
This course compares and contrasts the lives and music of the two composers of the High Baroque who best capture the period’s expressive aims, Johann Sebastian Bach and George Frideric Handel. We will examine their contrasting life experiences and musical pursuits within the larger social and cultural framework of the period: Bach as a provincial composer, servant to minor German aristocrats and the Lutheran Church, virtuoso organist and pedagogue; Handel as a cosmopolitan celebrity and entrepreneur, creator of operatic and instrumental entertainments for both the Italian and English nobility and the paying public. Bach’s Brandenburg Concerti and B-minor Mass, and Handel’s Water Music and Messiah are just a few of the works to be explored and enjoyed. 
Evaluation will be based on several quizzes, two short papers, and a final exam. 
No prerequisites. 
Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 12). 
BLOXAM

MUS 138  Sibyl of the Rhine: The Life and Times of Hildegard of Bingen  
(Not offered 2011-2012)  
The 11th century German abbess Hildegard of Bingen was one of the most remarkable people of her age. She was a theologian and reformer, poet, composer, artist, author of treatises on natural science and medicine; she corresponded with emperors, kings, queens and popes as well as abbots, abbesses, nuns, monks, and laypeople. Yet she lived most of her long life in a remote cloister on the banks of the river Rhine, and was virtually lost to history until her recent rediscovery 900 years later. This course charts her life and the wealth of her of her extraordinary woman, using her music as the window into her ideas and her world. Class meetings will include discussion of readings by and about her life and work as well as in-class performance of her plainsongs and liturgical drama. 
Format: lecture/discussion, two days a week. Evaluation based on class participation, several short papers, and a final project. A field trip may be required. 
No prerequisites. 
Enrollment limit (expected: 10-15). 
BLOXAM

200-LEVEL COURSES

MUS 201(F)  Music Theory and Musicianship II  
Music 201 continues to greater degrees the study of music techniques from the common practice period by means of analysis, composition, written exercises, sight-singing, keyboard application and dictation. We will expand our understanding of chromaticism. We will learn how chromaticism is used as a voice-leading tool, and how it participates in music events at deeper levels of the structure. We will learn about innovations that occurred from the early 19th century through the beginning of the 20th century and will trace the origins for these new harmonic tendencies. We will also learn how composers create larger formal structures. Format: lecture and guided practical work. 
Lab meetings per week. Final grading will be based on homework, theory quizzes, analysis papers, compositional projects, a final exam, class attendance, preparation and participation, and on the results of the lab portion of the class (sight singing, ear training, and keyboard harmony). 
Prerequisites: Music 104. 
Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 12). 
Preference to potential Music majors. 
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR 
Lab: 1:10-2:25 MR 
PEREZ VELAZQUEZ (lecture); DILTHEY and PRINDLE (lab)

MUS 202(S)  Music Theory and Musicianship II  
Music 202 proceeds to the study of twentieth-century practices including harmony, scales and modes, rhythm techniques, new formal ideas, serial procedures, and set theory. It also covers more advanced musical developments including aleatorism, minimalism, electronic music, post-modernism, eclecticism, and other techniques. 
Format: two lecture meetings and two skills lab meetings per week. Final grading will be based on homework, theory quizzes, analysis papers, compositional projects, a final exam, class attendance, preparation and participation, and on the results of the lab portion of the class (sight singing, ear training, and keyboard harmony). 
Prerequisites: Music 201. 
Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). 
Preference given to Music majors and those with the strongest musicianship skills. 
Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR 
Lab: 12-12:50 MF 
GOLLIN (lecture); DILTHEY (lab)

MUS 203(T), 204(T)  Composition I and II  
Beginning courses in musical composition taught in tutorial format. Required assignments will include 5 to 6 and each student is required to complete a semester composition project. 1-2 group meetings per week will deal with the presentation of new assignments, analysis of models for composition, performance of work in class, and critical discussion of works. Individual meetings will deal with the conception and execution of the semester project. Performances of work in class will be arranged by the instructor. Performance of the semester project on the semester-end concert is required and such arrangements are the responsibility of the student. Evaluation based on the quality and timeliness of composition projects, attendance, and class participation. 
Prerequisites: Music 202 (may be taken concurrently) and permission of instructor; open to all students. 
Enrollment limit: 6 (expected: 4). 
Preference given to music majors. 
Evaluation will be based on major assignments. 
First Semester: PEREZ VELAZQUEZ 
Second Semester: ROBERTS

MUS 206T  Verdi and Wagner  
(Not offered 2011-2012)  
(W)  
Born in the same year (1813), Giuseppe Verdi and Richard Wagner stand as the two central figures of nineteenth-century European opera. Their divergent approaches to the genre provoked heated debate that continues today. Both composers not only transformed the operatic forms they inherited, but they also had a significant impact on the cultural and political histories of their emerging nations. Throughout the semester we will juxtapose major works by these composers in order to investigate such topics as opera’s relationship to its literary sources; the staging of opera; intersections between opera and film, connections between opera and political context; and biographical influences on the creation of opera. Our final meeting will be devoted to the broader operatic and cultural legacies of these two composers. Focusing on one opera per week, we will study Verdi’s Nabucco, Il trovatore, La traviata, Aida, Otello, and Falstaff, and on Wagner’s Tannhäuser, Lohengrin, Die Walküre, Tristan und Isolde, Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg, and Parsifal. When possible, this tutorial will include field trips to live performances and/or live HD broadcasts of these operas. 
Format: tutorial. Requirements: evaluation will be based on five 5- to 6-page essays and on the quality of the student’s critical engagement with the work of his/her tutorial partner. 
Prerequisites: previous related course work and/or musical experience is desirable, but is not required; open to all students. 
Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). 
Preference given to sophomores and juniors. 
W.A. SHEPPARD

MUS 207(F)  Music in History I: Antiquity-1750  
This course explores 1000 years of music-making in Western European culture, beginning with the philosophical and theological origins of that music in ancient Greece and extending to the life and music of J.S. Bach. Topics covered will include how the sound of music changed over a millennium; the different functions it served and how genres developed to serve these functions; the lives of the men and women who composed, performed, and wrote about music; and how the changing notation and the theoretical history of music related to its practice over the centuries. At the same time, the course provides an introduction to the modern study of music history, sampling a broad range of recent scholarship reflecting an array of critical approaches to the study of early music in our own day. 
Format: lecture/discussion, three meetings per week; field trip may be required. Evaluation will be based on class participation, written assignments, midterm and final exams. 
Prerequisites: ability to read music. 
Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 12). 
Preference given to Music majors or those planning to major. 
Not available for the Gaudino option. 
Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF

MUS 208(S)  Music in History II: 1750-1900  
A survey exploring the development of music in Western society from the Classical through the Romantic periods. Emphasis will be on the contextual study of works by such composers as Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Schumann, Berlioz, Verdi, Wagner, and Strauss. Changing musical styles will be examined in conjunction with the development of the aesthetics of the era, with special attention to the role and purpose of music and the role of the musician in society. 
Format: lecture/discussion, three days per week. Evaluation will be based on class participation, two papers, class presentations, a midterm, and a final exam. 
Prerequisites: ability to read music. 
Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 12). 
Preference given to Music majors or those planning to major. 
Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF 
M. HIRSCH

MUS 209(F)  Music in History III: Musics of the Twentieth Century  
A survey of musics in both Western and non-Western society from the close of the nineteenth century to the present. Emphasis will be on the contextual study of the music of major composers of Western art music, on the musical expressions of selected areas of world music such as Africa, Asia, India, and the Americas, and on the intermingling of musical influences of pop, jazz, and art music of the electronic age.
This tutorial will investigate the representation of Asians and Asian Americans in American popular culture since the late nineteenth century. Our focus will be on music’s role in Orientalist representation in a wide variety of media, including Hollywood film, television, popular song, Broadway musicals, and novels. We will begin with major texts in cultural theory (Said, Bhabha) and will attempt throughout the semester to revise and refine these tenets. Can American Orientalism be distinguished in any fundamental way from nineteenth-century European imperialist thought? How does Orientalist representation calibrate with the “others” being represented—are they themselves Americans? Our own critical thought will be sharpened through analysis and interpretation of specific works, such as Madame Butterfly, “Chinatown, My Chinatown,” The King and I, Senorana, Flower Drum Song, Miss Saigon, Rising Sun, M. Butterfly, Aladdin, and Weezer’s Pinkerton. We will end the semester by considering the current state of Orientalism in American popular culture.

This course satisfies the EDI requirement by considering diversity in relation to the representation of specific minority groups within American popular culture and the attempts by members of those minority groups to participate in mainstream culture. We will also engage with critical theories offered by scholars for understanding the dynamics of these representations and this cultural participation.

Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on five 5- to 6-page essays and on the quality of the student’s critical engagement with the work of his/her colleagues. Previous related coursework and/or musical experience is desirable, but is not required. 

Enrollment limit: 10 (expected:10). Preference to sophomores and juniors.

W. A. SHEPPARD

MUS 211(S) Arranging for Voices

The elements of arranging music for vocal ensembles will be studied from numerous angles. In addition to regular assignments involving arranging in various styles, the class will study successful vocal arrangements. Analysis of the various components involved in good arranging—including voice leading, range balance and voicing, key relationships, and motivic and structural cohesiveness—will be addressed.

Evaluation will be based on weekly arrangements building toward the midterm, final exams, larger arranging projects, and a performance of selected works.

Prerequisites: MUS 103 and 104. Enrollment limit: 8 (expected: 8). Preference given to upperclasses.

Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR

Wells

MUS 212(F) Jazz Theory and Improvisation I (Same as Africana Studies 212)

The theory and application of basic techniques in jazz improvisation and performance styles, including blues forms, swing, be-bop, modal based composition, Afro-Cuban, etc. Appropriate for students with skill on their instrument and some basic theoretical knowledge. Knowledge of all key signatures, major/minor keys and modes, intervals, triads and basic seventh chords and their functions within keys. Students should be able to play and demonstrate these concepts on their instrument—competence on an instrument is essential (vocalists will be encouraged to study the piano). Pianists and guitarists should be able to sight read chords on a jazz lead sheet.

In addition to the development of skills, written work consists of assignments (e.g., harmonic analysis and exercises in transposition and transcription), a transcription project (e.g., of a recorded solo or a composition) and concluding recital.

Format: alternates between lecture style exposition of theoretical topics and a master class where students will perform and be evaluated on pieces they arrange for a student group. Evaluation will be based on weekly homework, a midterm, a transcription project and the end of semester concert, as well as improvement as measured in weekly class performance.

Prerequisites: Music 103 and/or permission of instructor; musical literacy required as per above description. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 13). Preference given to students with jazz performance experience. Course may not be taken pass/fail.

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

Jaffe

MUS 213 Jazz Theory and Improvisation II (Same as Africana Studies 214) (Not offered 2011-2012)

A continuation of Music 212, this course builds upon theoretical knowledge, performance and aural skills developed previously. Students will deal with more complex theoretical and performance issues, such as modal interchange and minor key harmony, use of symmetric scales, commonly-used reharmonizations of the blues and “I Got Rhythm” chord progressions, and Coltrane’s “Three Tonic” harmonic system.

The format is the same as for Music 212, with two weekly meetings, alternating between theory and performance sessions, and including a final recital.

Requirements: two transcription projects and two original compositions, as well as a midterm and participation in a recital at the end of the semester.

Prerequisites: Music 212. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 5-8). Preference given to advanced students already capable jazz performers.

Wells

MUS 214(F) Groovin’ the Written Word: The Role of Music in African American Literature (Same as Africana Studies 314, American Studies 314, Comparative Literature 321, and English 314)

(See under AFR 314 for full description.)

Braggs

MUS 215(F) Choral Conducting

Choral conducting techniques will be developed through exercises and projects that encompass the many facets of this activity. Using the class as the primary practice choir, students will focus on conducting patterns applied to elements of interpretation, keyboard and vocal skills, issues of tuning and blend, rehearsal techniques, score study, and style and repertoire. Regular videotaping of conducting sessions will provide opportunities for students to study themselves. Rehearsal and programming related areas to be discussed include: balance, intonation, rhythm, articulation, bowings, and complex meters. Weekly conducting and score reading assignments will form the core of the workload. Larger projects may include conducting existing instrumental ensembles, and along with score reading, will be the basis of the midterm and final exams. This course involves a trip to audit a Boston Symphony rehearsal at Symphony Hall.

Format: lecture/lab. Evaluation will be based on class participation, regular conducting assignments, midterm and final projects.

Prerequisites: permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 6 (expected: 2-4). Preference will be given to Music majors.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

Wells

MUS 216(S) Orchestral Conducting

This course will introduce and develop a broad range of subjects associated with conducting, including rehearsal techniques, physical and aural skills, interpretation, and programming. Rehearsal areas to be discussed include: balance, intonation, rhythm, articulation, bowings, and complex meters. Weekly conducting and score reading assignments will form the core of the workload. Larger projects may include conducting existing instrumental ensembles, and along with score reading, will be the basis of the midterm and final exams. This course involves a trip to audit a Boston Symphony rehearsal at Symphony Hall.

Format: lecture/lab. Evaluation will be based on class participation, regular conducting assignments, midterm and final projects.

Prerequisites: permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 6 (expected: 2-4). Preference will be given to Music majors.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF

Feldman

MUS 217 Jazz Arranging and Composition (Not offered 2011-2012)

This is a course designed to acquaint the student with the basic principles of composing and arranging for Jazz Ensemble, beginning with the quintet and progressing through the big band. Intensive score study and some transcription required.

Evaluation will be based on the successful completion, rehearsal and performance of original arrangements and/or compositions during the semester, to include at least one transcription of a recorded arrangement, one quintet or sextet arrangement, and one arrangement for big band. Performances by the Jazz Ensembles, as arranged and prepared by the students of this course, are also expected.

Format: weekly lecture and targeted ensemble rehearsals generally last 1 and 1/2 hours. Additional individual meetings are generally an hour a week, more frequently and for longer amounts of time as needed. Requirements: project based; students must participate in small ensembles.

Prerequisites: Music 212 and permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 5 (expected: 3-5).

Jaffe

MUS 221T Jazz Ear Training (Not offered 2011-2012)

This tutorial is designed for jazz performers, composers and arrangers who have taken Music 212 and who seek further work in the area of aural development. The focus of the tutorial will be on the development of advanced aural skills specific to the disciplines of jazz performance and arranging/composition. Its format will involve two weekly meetings. In the first, tutorial pairs will meet individually with the instructor to present transcriptions of approved impro-
vised solos, which will be thoroughly notated and performed by the students. A critique of both the performance and notation of these transcription projects will be offered by the partnered students for one another, as well as by the instructor, with revisions and corrections incorporated into an edited performance for the concert. The second goal is to deepen that understanding by introducing students to the work of scholars who have contributed to a theoretical understanding of African music. The final goal is to broaden that understanding by comparing and contrasting certain features of mbira music with non-African music.

The course will investigate these topics through class discussions, papers, and reading, listening, and viewing assignments. This course has a lab component which involves taking mbira lessons for credit (MUS 251-Section 30) with Forward Kwenda (times TBA), a master of the mbira music. Finally, this course fits EDI’s emphasis on the Comparative Study of Cultures and Societies by encouraging students to compare and contrast the myriad ways in which they confront, negotiate, and at times challenge dominant U.S. and/or European hierarchies of race, culture, gender and class.

Evaluation is based on oral presentations and four 5-page papers.

Prerequisites: prior knowledge of, or course work in, music, African-American history, or African-American culture. Enrollment limit: 10. If over-enrolled preference to concentrators in Africana Studies and students with a musical background.

This course is a Critical Reasoning and Analytical Skills Course.

MUS 234 African Music: Interdisciplinary Studies (Same as Africana Studies 250 and INTR 287) (Not offered 2011-2012)

Over the past 100 years, West African highlife, Congolese rumba, and South African jazz and other urban musics have arisen all over the African continent. More recently, rap has taken root, changing the musical landscape in Africa’s cities. Although these urban musics are entertaining, they have a deeper significance. They help Africans retain a link to tradition while recognizing the impact of urbanization, globalization, and other modern influences on lives of people in contemporary Africa. We will examine several styles of urban dance music and the multiplicity of meanings these musics may carry through reading texts, watching videos, and learning to perform music from Zimbabwe and Ghana with Forward Kwenda, Bernard Woma, and Ernest Brown.

Format: seminar and rehearsal/performance. Requirements: three 5- to 7-page papers and related oral presentations, attendance and participation in class and lab (rehearsals with the Zambesi Marimba Band TR 4-6:30 PM and some weekends), participation in a concert of mbira music with Forward Kwenda on Nov. 7, participation in a concert of Zimbabwean and Ghanaian dance music with Kusika (date TBA).

Evaluation: performance-related oral presentations 60%; participation in two concerts 20%; improvement in performance skills 20%.

Prerequisites: open to all students with an intermediate level of skill in music or dance.

Lectures: Zambesi Marimba Band rehearsals (T, Th 4-6:30 PM) and some rehearsals and concerts to be arranged as needed. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). If more apply, audition and writing sample may be required.

E. D. BROWN

MUS 235 African Rhythm, African Sensibility (Same as Africana Studies 235) (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course has three goals. The first is to immerse students in African music, encouraging them to learn to play an African musical instrument, the Zimbabwean mbira dzavadzimu (the mbira of the ancestor spirits), and to understand the structure of this music from an insider’s perspective. The second goal is to deepen that understanding by introducing students to the work of scholars who have contributed to a theoretical understanding of African music. The final goal is to broaden that understanding by comparing and contrasting certain features of mbira music with non-African music.

The course will investigate these topics through class discussions, papers, and reading, listening, and viewing assignments. This course has a lab component which involves taking mbira lessons for credit (MUS 251-Section 30) with Forward Kwenda (times TBA), a master of the mbira dzavadzimu. This material will be performed in a concert with Mr. Kwenda on a date TBA.

Other music will be discussed, analyzed, or performed informally in class.

This class is the African Diversity Initiative in that it immerses students in another music culture and gives them the tools with which to understand that culture from the inside. It also encourages students to reflect critically upon this perspective and to develop a deeper and more theoretical understanding of mbira music. Finally, this course fits EDI’s emphasis on the Comparative Study of Cultures and Societies by encouraging students to compare and contrast specific aspects of African and non-African music cultures.

Evaluation: performance 20%; participation in class 20%; papers 60%.

Prerequisites: an intermediate level of performance ability in music or dance. Prior experience performing on African instruments not required. Enrollment is by audition on the first day of class and submission of a writing sample to Prof. Brown before the first class meeting. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). If more than 10 students register for the course, selection will be by audition and writing sample.

E. D. BROWN

MUS 240(S) Introduction to the Music of Duke Ellington (Same as Africana Studies 240) (W)

This course will survey the career and compositional style of Edward Kennedy (Duke) Ellington (1899-1974). Students will learn to listen to and analyze music from throughout Ellington’s five-decade career as a bandleader, composer, arranger, and writer. Particular emphasis will be placed on development of aural andanalytical skills, form, style, orchestration, and the ability to identify the individual sounds of key Ellingtonian soloists. Ellington’s importance as a key figure in American cultural history, and the relationships between his music and parallel stylistic developments and influences from both within and outside of the jazz tradition will also be discussed.

Readings, listening and reading assignments, one biographical paper examining the career of an Ellingtonian, as well as participation in a group presentation to the class of one of Ellington’s extended works; midterm and final exams will also be given.


Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

JAFFE

MUS 241 Introduction to the Music of John Coltrane (Same as Africana Studies 242) (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course offers the serious music student an opportunity to study the unique body of work produced by saxophonist and composer John Coltrane (1926-1967). The course traces the evolution of Coltrane’s compositional and performance styles in the context of the musical and cultural environment in which they developed. Emphasis placed on Coltrane’s musical style, representing a unique synthesis of influences, including jazz, world, and European Classical music and spirituality. Substantial reading assignments, including a biography and related criticism, as well as detailed score analysis and study, are required.
MUS 244T Music and Meaning (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Nearly everyone finds music meaningful, but what exactly does it mean? Without the help of words, this largely non-referential art presents special challenges to interpretation. While most would agree that musical sounds can do such things as mimic the rumbling of thunder, evoke the countryside, suggest the act of chopping wood, or make one smile, the capacity of music to convey meaning remains controversial among scholars, performers, and listeners. Some, following music critic Eduard Hanslick, assert that musical works are essentially “tonally moving forms”—patterns of sound with no reference to the world outside themselves; a work’s meaning derives solely from the interplay of musical elements. Others counter that music can signify aspects of human experience, its sounds and structures not merely referring to the outside world but even relating complex narratives. Certain writers have argued that, without the assistance of language, works of music signifies remains vague, while others insist that the meaning of music is actually more precise than that of words. In this tutorial course, we will explore a range of questions regarding musical meaning. How can combinations of pitches, rhythms, and instrumental timbres signify something beyond themselves? Is the subject of musical meaning more relevant to some historical styles or genres than others? How can we glean the meaning(s) of a work? Should we concentrate on formal processes within the music? Consider socially constructed meanings? Seek the composer’s intentions? What makes some interpretations more convincing than others? In grappling with these questions, students will engage with writings by Agawu, Cone, Hanslick, Kramer, Langer, Lewin, Newcomb, and Schopenhauer, among others. Music to be studied includes works by Beethoven, Schubert, Chopin, Brahms, Mahler, Tchaikovsky, Ravel, Stravinsky, Glass, and Adams.

Format: Tutorial. During the first and last weeks of the semester, students will attend two group classes. In the other weeks, students will meet with the instructor in pairs for a one-hour session. Students will write and present a 5- to 6-page paper every other week and a 1-2 page response to their partner’s paper in the alternate weeks. Evaluation will be based on five papers/presentations, and five responses.

Prerequisites: ability to read music, or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to sophomores and juniors.

M. HIRSCH

MUS 245T Music Analysis: Music with Text (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

The course explores the ways in which musical structure interacts with, can comment upon, and can influence one’s reading of a text set to music, and similarly, how texts set to music can interact upon and guide one’s understanding of the musical structure. Using scenes from Mozart operas and selected songs of the 18th and 19th centuries (by Mozart, Schubert, Schumann, Brahms, and Schenking), the course will examine the bearing specific aspects of a text (voice, person, time, alliteration, meter, and so forth) have upon the musical domain, and conversely, how musical structures have the ability to project or allegorize actions in the text. We will observe the often amazing ways composers of texted music use the tonal system to create musical desires—desires that may be fulfilled, withheld, delayed, redirected, and so forth, in ways that enhance, or enact the desires of characters in a drama or poem. In addition to the specific issues involving texted music and dramatic works, the course—one of the most profound developments in tonal analysis during the last century. Analysis assignments, based on the student’s close study of tested musical works, will offer the opportunity to apply these techniques. The course will also confront the difficult issue of writing about music and will help students define and clearly express ideas about music.

Format: tutorial. Students will attend one weekly group lecture and one weekly tutorial meeting. Grades will be based on five analysis essays/presentations and five critiques of another student’s analyses.

Prerequisites: Music 104. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference to those with the most theory background (Music 103/104, 201/202).

E. GOLLIN

MUS 246T The Tale of Carmen, 1845-Now (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 248T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

The story of the gypsy femme fatale Carmen has endured for over 150 years. In Western culture she exemplifies the seductive, exotic, independent, and forbidden female who drives an upstanding man to a life of crime and finally murder. This course explores a broad array of treatments of this archetypal narrative, starting with Prosper Mérimée’s 1845 novella on which Bizet based his beloved 1875 opera Carmen. We will consider various staged and film versions of the opera itself, including Francesco Rosi’s 1984 movie, and discuss various other film transformations of the story, from DeMille’s 1915 silent film through Hammerstein’s 1954 all-black musical Carmen Jones, to the MTV version A Hiphopera of 2004. Comic approaches will also be assessed, from Charlie Chaplin’s Carmen Bullesque of 1915 through Spike Jones’ 1952 Carmen Murdered! and The Naked Carmen of 1970. We will analyze re-castings of Bizet’s famous score in instrumental music since 1875, and explore remarkable dance interpretations ranging from Carlos Saura’s 1983 flamenco version through David Bourne’s choreography in his 2001 gay reading called The Car Man. Our ultimate purpose will be to probe the ways in which this powerful narrative and the music it inspired have lent themselves to multifaceted textual and musical constructions of individual and group identities, encompassing gender and sexuality, “Otherness,” nationality, ethnicity, and class.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: After initial group meetings to discuss Mérimée’s novella and Bizet’s music, students will meet with the instructor in pairs for one hour each week. Each student will write a 5- to 6-page essay every other week (five in all), and provide peer reviews in alternate weeks. Evaluation will be based on the quality of written work, discussions, and oral presentations.

No prerequisites; ability to read music useful but not necessary. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference to sophomores and juniors.

BLOXAM

MUS 248 The Romantic Generation (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course explores the emergence and flowering of musical Romanticism through contextual study of the life and works of Franz Schubert, Frederic Chopin, Robert Schumann, and Franz Liszt. The music of these four composers will be examined in connection with political, social, philosophic, and aesthetic developments of the first half of the nineteenth century. By exploring musical manifestations of such diverse Romantic topics as the sublime, fantasy, myth, the exotic, rebellion, and intersections among music, literature, and painting, students will gain appreciation of the extraordinary complexity and richness of nineteenth-century Romanticism. Musical works to be studied include Lieder, character pieces for piano, chamber music, choral music, opera, and orchestral music.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: evaluation based on class participation, four short papers, an oral presentation, and a final exam.

No prerequisites; however, students should be able to read music. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15). Preference given to students with demonstrated interest in music.

HIRSCH

MUS 251-258 Individual Vocal and Instrumental Instruction

Individual lessons in voice, keyboard and orchestral and instrumental instruction offered as a partial credit fifth course. Students are encouraged to take this course for a letter grade, but as with all fifth courses, pass/fail is also an option. Students are required to prepare for 10 lessons during the semester with a minimum expectation of one hour practice per day and to perform publicly on at least one departmental studio recital during the semester. Lessons are scheduled TBA based upon instructor schedule. Make-up lessons given at the discretion of the instructor. Grading will be based upon lesson preparation, public performance, and progress throughout the semester. All individual instruction involves an extra fee, partially subsidized by the department. To register for the course, a student must first contact the appropriate teacher (see Music Dept. for list), fill out a registration/billing contract, signed by both teacher and student, and turn that in to the Music Office. This replaces the need to register online. Registration is for course number 251, with the appropriate section number from the following list. Students will be reassigned to courses 252-258 based on the number of semesters of instruction already taken in one particular section.

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Prerequisite: Permission of the individual instructor. Enrollment limits apply to each section based upon availability and qualifications.

Hour: TBA

STAFF
MUS 261-268 Chamber Music Workshop
Chamber Music and other small groups coached by faculty on a weekly basic culminating in a performance. Offered as a partial credit fifth course. Students are encouraged to take this course for a letter grade, but as with all fifth courses, pass/fail is also an option. Students are required to prepare for 10 one-hour coaching sessions during the semester. It is recommended that each group rehearse a minimum of 2 hours each week n preparation of the coaching. Each ensemble is responsible for keeping a weekly log of rehearsal times and attendance. The logs are to be handed in to the coaches at the end of the semester. In addition students are expected to practice the assigned music individually and are required to perform on the Chamber Music 261 concert at the end of the semester. The ensembles will be organized based on skill levels and the instruments represented.
To register for the course, a student must first contact the Chamber Music Performance Coordinator, fill out registration/billing contract signed by both the Coordinator and the student, and turn that in to the Music office. This replaces the need to register on line. Students should register for 261 for their first semester enrolled in this course and should use the numbers 262-268 for subsequent semesters.
Format: partial credit fifth course. Evaluation based on preparation for coachings weekly.
Prerequisite: permission of the Chamber Music Performance Coordinator, Ronald Feldman. Enrollment limit: 12. Preference given to more advanced students, to be determined by audition as necessary.
Hour: 2:55-3:50 TF

300-LEVEL COURSES

MUS 301 Introduction to Counterpoint (Not offered 2011-2012)
Countertpoint, the study of the ways independent melodic lines can be jointed in music, has been essential to musical and compositional instruction for centuries. Countertpoint was taught by Mozart, studied by Beethoven, and to this day remains an integral part of compositional training. The course will introduce students to species countertop in two and three voices—exercises that develop discipline in polyphonic writing, hearing, and thinking—and will illustrate how such contrapuntal discipline is manifest in music from Palestrina and Bach to Brahms and Debussy. The species exercises will lead to a final composition project, such as emulation of a motet in sixteenth-century style or a fugue. Evaluation will be based on written exercises and emulation projects.
Prerequisites: Music 103 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 13).
E. GOLLIN

MUS 305, 306, 407, 408 Composition III, IV, V, and VI
Advanced individual instruction in composition. Projects will be initiated largely by the students with guidance from the instructor. Student is responsible for arranging performance of his/her own work.
Student may enroll for up to four semesters by taking these courses in sequence, with the lower numbered course being the prerequisite for the next higher numbered course. May not be taken in conjunction with Music 493 or 494, the honors courses in composition.
Prerequisites: Music 203T, 204T and permission of instructor.
Enrollment limit: 2 students per instructor for all four courses.

MUS 308 Orchestration and Instrumentation (Not offered 2011-2012)
A practical and historical study designed to develop knowledge and skill when working with the instruments of the orchestra, wind ensemble, and other groups. Includes analysis of examples from the literature as well as performances of major orchestral works.
Evaluation based on assignments, larger projects, quizzes, and final exam.
Prerequisite: Music 104. Enrollment limit: 6, preference given to music majors, potential majors, and composition students.
KECHLEY

MUS 325, 326, 427, 428 Musical Studies
Tutorial in nature, this course offers the opportunity for work of a creative nature, based upon the talents and backgrounds of the individual student, working under the close guidance of music faculty. All such projects require approval of the full music faculty by the day PRIOR to the first day of classes of the semester. No projects will be accepted or considered if this deadline is missed. The course includes the following possibilities:
a. individual instruction in the performance of literature for voice, piano, organ, or an orchestral instrument at the advanced level. Additional guidelines for instrumental or vocal lessons for full credit can be secured at the Music Department office and on the Music Department website. Full credit lessons must be approved by the entire music faculty. An audition may be required.
b. jazz arranging and composition;
c. advanced studies in jazz improvisation;
d. coaching, rehearsal, and performance of instrumental or vocal chamber music;
e. advanced work in music theory (critical methods and analysis, solfeggio, keyboard harmony, ear-training and dictation, counterpoint and orchestration). Prerequisites: Music 202.
f. advanced independent study in modal and tonal counterpoint. Prerequisites: Music 301;
g. studies in issue areas such as acoustics and perception, philosophy and aesthetics of music, women and minorities in music, music of non-Western cultures, music and technology;
h. advanced work in music history.

MUS 394(S) Junior Thesis
This course involves independent study in history or theory of music, under the supervision of a member of the department, as preparation for the senior thesis.

400-LEVEL COURSES

MUS 402(S) Senior Seminar in Music: Schubert and Brahms (W)
Franz Schubert reached artistic maturity during the early years of musical Romanticism, Johannes Brahms during the later years. The relation between the two composers illuminates central features of this aesthetic period. Brahms cherished Schubert’s music and shared many of his passions and preoccupations: folk-song, nature, music, childhood, love, memory, nostalgia, dreams, and death. Both composers were awed by Beethoven’s monumentality, sought a balance between tradition and innovation in form and harmony, and explored the relation between song and instrumental music. But there were important differences as well. Through comparative study of Schubert’s and Brahms’s works, careers, and critical reception, this seminar will explore core qualities of Romantic expression - some persisting throughout the century, others evolving. Using a number of analytic and interpretive approaches, students will study works from an array of genres, e.g., Lieder, piano pieces, chamber music, choral works, and symphonies.
Format: seminar. Requirements: evaluation will be based on papers, presentations, and class participation.
Prerequisites: MUS 202, 207, 208, 209 or permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 6). Preference given to senior Music majors.
Hour: 1:10-3:50 W

MUS 407, 408 Composition V and VI
(See under MUS 305 for full description).

MUS 427, 428 Musical Studies
(See under MUS 325 for full description).
Neuroscience 401

is designed to provide an integrative culminating experience. Students take this course in the senior year. It comes from specific areas of neuroscience. At least one elective course is required in Biology and to Biology and Psychology majors.

Prerequisites: Psychology 101

Satisfies one semester of the Division III requirement.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN NEUROSCIENCE

The degree with honors in Neuroscience provides students with the opportunity to undertake an original research project under the supervision of one or more of the Neuroscience faculty. In addition to completing the requirements of the Neuroscience Program, candidates for an honors degree must enroll in Neuroscience 493-W31-494 and write a thesis based on an original research project. Presentation of a thesis, however, should not be interpreted as a guarantee of a degree.

THE PROGRAM

The program in neuroscience consists of five courses including an introductory course, three electives, and a senior course. In addition, students are required to take two courses, Biology 101 and Psychology 101, as part of the program. Neuroscience (Neuroscience 201) is the basic course and provides the background for other neuroscience courses. Ideally, this will be taken in the sophomore year. Either Biology 101 or Psychology 101 serves as the prerequisite. Electives are designed to provide in-depth coverage including laboratory experience in specific areas of neuroscience. At least one elective course is required in Biology (Group A) and one in Psychology (Group B). The third elective course may also come from Group A or Group B, or may be selected from other neuroscience related courses upon approval of the advisory committee. Topics in Neuroscience (Neuroscience 401) is designed to provide an integrative culminating experience. Students take this course in the senior year.

REQUIRED COURSES

BIOL 101 The Cell
PSYC101 Introductory Psychology
(Neither of these courses should be completed by the end of the sophomore year)

NSCI 201/Biol 212/PSYC 212 Neuroscience
NSCI 401 Topics in Neuroscience

Students can check with the department coordinator to see if other courses not listed here might count as electives.

ELECTIVES

Three elective courses are required. At least one elective must be from Group A and at least one elective must be from Group B. The third elective may come from either Group A or Group B or the student may wish to petition the advisory committee to substitute a related course.

Group A

BIOL/NSCI 209T Animal Communication
BIOL 213 Sensory Biology
BIOL/NSCI 304 Neurobiology
BIOL/NSCI 310 Neural Development
BIOL 410 Cell Dynamics in Living Systems
BIOL 407/NSCI 347 Neurobiology of Emotion

Group B

PSYC/NSCI 315 Hormones and Behavior
PSYC/NSCI 316 Clinical Neuroscience
PSYC 317T Nature via Nurture: Explorations in Developmental Psychobiology
PSYC/NSCI 318/INTR 223 Image, Imaging and Imaging: The Brain and Visual Arts

NSCI 201(F) Neuroscience (Same as Biology 212 and Psychology 212)

A study of the relationship between brain, mind, and behavior. Topics include a survey of the structure and function of the nervous system, basic neurophysiology, development, learning and memory, sensory and motor systems, language, consciousness and clinical disorders such as schizophrenia, Parkinson’s disease, and addiction. The laboratory focuses on current topics in neuroscience. Format: lecture, three hours a week; laboratory, every other week. Evaluation will be based on a lab practical, lab reports, two hour exams and a final exam. Prerequisites: Psychology 101 or Biology 101; open to first-year students with permission of instructor. Enrolment limit: 72 (expected: 72). Preference given to sophomores and to Biology and Psychology majors. Satisfies one semester of the Division III requirement. Not available for the Gaudino option.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR Lab: 1-4 M,T,W

NSCI 304(F) Neurobiology (Same as Biology 304)
(See under BIOL 304 for full description.)

NSCI 310(S) Neural Development and Plasticity (Same as Biology 310)
(See under BIOL 310 for full description.)

NSCI 315(S) Hormones and Behavior (Same as Psychology 315)
(See under PSYC 315 for full description.)

NSCI 316 Clinical Neuroscience (Same as Psychology 316) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under PSYC 316 for full description.)

NSCI 318(F) Image, Imaging and Imaging: The Brain and Visual Arts (Same as INTR 223 and Psychology 318)
(See under PSYC 318 for full description.)

NSCI 347(F) Neurobiology of Emotion (Same as Biology 407)
(See under BIOL 407 for full description.)

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Neuroscientists explore issues inherent in the study of brain and behavior. The overall objective of this seminar is to create a culminating senior experience in which previous course work in specific areas in the Neuroscience Program can be brought to bear in a synthetic, interdisciplinary approach to understanding complex problems. The specific goals for students in this seminar are to evaluate original research and critically examine the experimental evidence for theoretical issues in the discipline. Topics and instructional formats will vary somewhat from year to year, but in all cases the course will emphasize an integrative approach in which students will be asked to consider topics from a range of perspectives including molecular, cellular, systems, behavioral and clinical neuroscience. Previous topics have included autism, depression, alcoholism, stress, neurogenesis, novel neuremodulators, retrograde messengers, and synaptic plasticity.

Format: seminar and tutorial meetings. Evaluation will be based on oral presentations, several short papers, and a term paper.

Prerequisites: open only to seniors in the Neuroscience program. Enrollment limit: 18 (expected: 14).

This course is required of all senior students in the Neuroscience program.

Not available for the Gaudino option.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 R

SANDSTROM

NSCI 493(F)-W31-494(S) Senior Thesis

Independent research for two semesters and a winter study under the guidance of one or more neuroscience faculty. After reviewing the literature in a specialized field of neuroscience, students design and conduct an original research project, the results of which are reported in a thesis. Senior thesis work is supervised by the faculty participating in the program.

Performance Studies

Advisory Committee: Professors: Darrow, D. Edwards, EppeL**, HopPin, Ockman, W. A. Sheppard. Associate Professors: KagaYa, L. Johnson, Mladenovic. Assistant Professors: Burton, Jottar (Coordinator), Sangare. Lecturers: Brothers, Jaffe***.

The Performance Studies Program provides an opportunity to inhabit an intellectual place where the making of artistic and cultural meaning intersects with critical reflection on those processes. The program has as its primary goal the bringing together of those students and faculty engaged in the creative arts, i.e., studio art, creative writing, dance, film and video, music, and theater with those departments that reflect in part on those activities, e.g., Anthropology and Sociology, Art History, Classics, Comparative Literature, English, History, Music, Philosophy, Psychology, Legal Studies, Religion and Theatre. Central concepts and interactions to Performance Studies are: action, the body, presence, ritual, representation, race, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, politics, history and transcultural experience.

Performance Studies strongly suggests that interested students take the introductory course (LATS 230) and two of several recommended upper-level courses (AFR 305, AFR 400, Arth 408, Arth 461, LATS 375, Wny 310, or Wny 311).

Currently, the Program’s status is as a program without a concentration. However, students can petition and obtain a Performance Studies Contract Mayor.

The student is required to do five things: 1) take the introductory course, which is (LATS 230) Approaching Performance Studies; 2) take two advanced courses which utilizes critical theory in relation to performance, such as (AFR 305) The Hip-Hop Generation, (LATS 330) The Aesthetics of Creative Processes, (AFR 400) Race, Gender, Space; (Arth 408) Contemporary Performance Art History: Space, Time, Action; 3) produce projects that are a combination of art and performance with critical thinking about that process; and 5) prepare a portfolio of their work.

As a senior year project, the Performance Studies Program strongly recommends the assembling of a senior portfolio. Preparation of the portfolio should normally begin in the second semester of the junior year. It will be done under the supervision of a member of the advisory faculty and will be submitted in the spring of the senior year. What we suggest is that portfolios should draw on at least four projects or productions. They should show critical self-reflection on the creative processes, a comparison of the artistic media employed and also demonstrate performance criticism on the work of others.

AFR 400 Race, Gender, Space (Same as Comparative Literature 369, English 365, and Women’s and Gender Studies 400)

(See under AFR 400 for full description.)

Robolin

Arth 408 Contemporary Performance Art History: Space, Time, Action (W)

(See under Arth 408 for full description.)

ChavoYa

Arth 461T Writing about Bodies (Same as Intr 461 and Women’s and Gender Studies 461) (W)

(See under Arth 461 for full description.)

Ockman

Intr 230 Prelude to Revolt: The Life and Work of Martha Graham

(See under Intr 230 for full description.)

Dankmeyer

Japn 223S Physical Theatre Japan (Same as Theatre 233)

(See under Japn 223 for full description.)

O’Connor

Japn 276 Premodern Japanese Literature and Performance (Same as Comparative Literature 278)

(See under Japn 276 for full description.)

Kagaya

Lats 230 Approaching Performance Studies (Same as Theatre 230 and Women and Gender Studies 231)

(See under Lats 230 for full description.)

Jottar

Lats 375 Performance and Its Traces (Same as Theatre 375)

(See under Lats 375 for full description.)

Jottar

Thea 104 Introduction to World Theatre and Performance (Same as Comparative Literature 104) (D)

(See under Thea 104 for full description.)

Holzapfel

Thea 204 Acting II

(See under Thea 204 for full description.)

Sangare

Thea 236 Political Theatre Making

(See under Thea 236 for full description.)

EppeL

Thea 250T Women and Theatre: Gender, Sexuality and the Stage (Same as English 253T and Women and Gender Studies 250T) (W)

(See under Thea 250 for full description.)

Holzapfel

Thea 305 Costume Design (Same as ArtS 200)

(See under Thea 305 for full description.)

Brothers

Philosophy (Div. II)

Chair, Professor Steven Gerard

Professors: Dudley*, Gerrard, Sawicki, White***, Associate Professors: Barry**, Cruz**, Mladenovic. Assistant Professors: Mcpartland***.

Visiting Assistant Professor: J. Pedroni.

To engage in philosophy is to ask a variety of questions about the world and our place in it. What can we know? What should we do? What may we hope? What makes human beings human? These questions, in various forms, and others like them are not inventions of philosophers; on the contrary, they occur to most people simply as they live their lives. Many of us ask them as children, but later either ignore them, or accept answers we can live with. Philosophers, however, seek to keep such questions open, and to address them through reasoned discussion and argument, instead of accepting answers to them based on opinion or prejudice. The program in philosophy is designed to aid students in thinking about these issues, by acquainting them with influential work in the field, past and present, and by training them to grapple with these issues themselves. The program emphasizes training in clear, critical thinking and in effective writing. Philosophy courses center around class discussions and the writing of interpretive and critical essays.

Major

Philosophy is a discipline with a long and intricate history, a history that remains an integral part of the discipline. In this way, it differs dramatically from the natural sciences: for example, although no contemporary physicists or biologists embrace Aristotle’s physics or biology, among philosophers there continue to be champions of Aristotle’s metaphysics and of his ethics. Because of the richness and continuing importance of the history of philosophy, the program is designed to give majors a historical background that will acquaint them with a wide variety of approaches in philosophical issues, and will provide them with a basis for evaluating and contributing to contemporary debates.
A total of nine courses is required for the major in Philosophy. There are both a new and old set of requirements. Students in the class of 2014 and later must meet the new set; students in earlier classes may choose to meet the old or new set. The new set has four required courses and five electives. The required classes are: any 100-level philosophy course, Philosophy 201 (History of Ancient Philosophy), Philosophy 202 (History of Modern Philosophy), and Philosophy 401 (Senior Seminar). The five electives will be structured by a distribution requirement. Students must take at least one course in each of three areas: Contemporary Metaphysics and Epistemology [M&E], Contemporary Value Theory [V], and History [H]. In addition at least one of the electives must be a tutorial. The tutorial may also count toward the distribution requirements if it is designated in the course catalog as fitting into one of the three areas. We recommend that prospective majors take Philosophy 201 and 202, Philosophy 203, and a tutorial in philosophy, by the end of their sophomore year. Cross-listed courses and courses taught at other institutions will not count towards the distribution requirement. Up to two courses cross-listed with other departments at Williams, or taught at other institutions (and approved by the Williams department), may be counted toward the philosophy major. In the old set of requirements students are required to take 101 and 102, Philosophy 401, and six electives. Students wishing to meet the old set who have taken 101 and not 102 must take a Metaphysics and Epistemology course; students who have taken 102 and not 101 must take a Value Theory course.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN PHILOSOPHY

The degree with honors in Philosophy is awarded to the student who has demonstrated outstanding achievement in a program of study that extends beyond the requirements of the major. The extension beyond major requirements may take the form either of independent work culminating in a senior essay or thesis (the independent-study route) or of additional courses work (the directed-study route). Candidates must have GPAs of 3.6 or higher in their courses in philosophy at the end of the junior and senior years. Juniors interested in pursuing honors should inform the Department Chair no later than mid-April. The independent-study route to honors requires the completion and defense of either a senior essay produced in the fall semester plus winter study period (maximum 40 pages) or a year-long senior thesis (maximum 75 pages). Plans for either essay or thesis (including a brief proposal and bibliography, worked out in consultation with an advisor) must be submitted to the department in April of the junior year. A recommendation for graduation with honors will be made on the basis of the thoroughness, independence, and originality of the student’s work. The directed-study route to honors requires the completion of two courses in philosophy in addition to the nine required for the major. Candidates taking this route must also submit to the department revised copies of two term papers (10 pages or longer) written for philosophy courses they have taken. Students should register for a directed study over their senior year winter study and work with an advisor on the paper revisions. A recommendation for graduation with honors will be made on the basis of the scope of the student’s course work, the quality of the student’s participation in Philosophy 401, and the thoroughness, independence, and originality reflected in the submitted papers.

PHIL 112(S) Who Are We? Philosophy and Human Nature (W)

What is human, and how does it relate to the other fundamental questions of philosophy: nature, social, or religious? Natural or social? Free or determined? Can we change what and how we are? Or is our nature fixed? Are we basically self-interested or other directed? Do men and women share one nature? Is there a fundamental purpose to human life? Can philosophers help us answer any of these questions today? Or have philosophical accounts of nature been surpassed by those found in the natural and social sciences? In this course we critically examine influential philosophical accounts of human nature found in the works of figures such as Plato, Aristotle, Confucius, Aquinas, Hume, Marx, Nietzsche, Freud, Sartre, Beauvoir, and Foucault. Readings from the natural and social sciences may also be included. Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: frequent short papers (some graded, some pf), class participation. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-years and sophomores. Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR 9:55-11:10 TR First Semester: SAWICKI Second Semester: SAWICKI

PHIL 114 Plato, With Footnotes (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Twentieth-century philosopher Alfred North Whitehead wrote, famously, "The safest general characterization of the European philosophical tradition is that it consists of a series of footnotes to Plato." Whitehead's remark provides the organizational basis for this introductory course; during the semester, we make our way through Plato's Republic, one of the tradition's most influential great books. As we encounter perennial philosophical issues, we punctuate our examination of the Republic by taking detours to consider some of the most important “footnotes to Plato” provided by later philosophers such as Aristotle, Hobbes, Kant, and Nietzsche. Format: discussion. Requirements: regular short papers, class participation. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students and prospective Philosophy majors who have taken no 100-level courses. A. WHITE

PHIL 115(S) Personal Identity (W)

Through lectures, discussions, close readings and assigned writings, we will consider this subject of philosophical questions about the nature of persons, and personal identity through time. Persons are subjects of experiences, have thoughts and feelings, motivation and agency; a person is thought of as continuous over time, and as related to, recognized and respected by other persons. Thus, the concept of person plays a significant role in most branches of philosophy: metaphysics, epistemology, moral and political philosophy, and of course in the philosophy of mind. Conceptions of person are equally important for scientific research programs (especially in psychology), for Law, and for the arts (especially mimetic arts). Questions about persons are thus of central importance for a myriad of our theories and practices, and for the ways in which we live our lives. The aim of this course is to explore and evaluate a number of rival conceptions of personal identity over time. What is a person? How do I know that I am one? What constitutes my knowledge of myself as a person, and does that knowledge differ in any significant respect from my knowledge of physical objects and other people? What makes me the particular person that I am, and how is my identity as this individual person preserved over time? While addressing these questions through lectures and class discussions, the course will place special emphasis on developing students' intellectual skills in the following domains: close, analytical reading; recognizing, reconstructing and evaluating claims and reasons that support them; producing original ideas and arguments; writing clear, polished, well-argued papers. Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: class attendance, preparedness and participation, small group meetings, weekly short writing assignments. No prerequisites; open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). In case of overenrollment, preference will be given to first-year students and sophomores. Not available for the Gaudino option. Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR MILADENOVIC

PHIL 116 Mind and Knowledge (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

An introduction to philosophy through two of its central themes, the nature of the mind and the limits of knowledge. Topics include skepticism, the mind/body problem, reason, knowledge of the external world, and subjectivity. Our discussions will range over historical and contemporary works, and will draw from both Western and Eastern philosophical traditions. Throughout we will pay special attention to whether and to what degree science sheds light on these issues. Format: seminar. Enrollment limit: five (4-4) No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-years and sophomores. CRUZ

PHIL 117(S) Arguing about God (W)

"Faith is a fine invention," according to Emily Dickinson's poem, "when gentlemen can see; but microscopes are prudent in an emergency." This introduction to philosophy will see how far the microscopes of reason and logic can carry us in traditional arguments about the existence and nature of God. We will closely analyze classical arguments by Augustine, Avicenna, Aquinas, Anselm, Maimonides, Descartes, and others. Pascal's wager is a different argument: it argues that even if there is no existence of God, the possible existence of God is a stable, you will maximize your expected utility by believing. We will examine the wager in its original home of Pascal's Pensees, and look at William James' related article, "The Will to Believe". The millennia old problem of whether human suffering is compatible with God's perfection is called the "problem of evil". We will examine this issue in Hume's Dialogues Concerning Natural Religion, classical sources and contemporary articles. Students should be aware that, in the classic tradition, this class resembles a logic course. Format: seminar. Requirements: frequent short papers. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-years and sophomores. Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF GERRARD

PHIL 119 What is the Meaning of "Meaning"? (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

What is the meaning of the meaning: what is the meaning of the sentence? What is the meaning of Marcel Duchamp’s Fountain? What is the meaning of Vladimir Nabokov’s Pale Fire? What is the meaning of the scat syllables in Ella Fitzgerald's 1960 Berlin performance of Mack the Knife? What is the meaning of life? Does “meaning” mean the same thing in each of these questions? We will ask and attempt to answer these questions with the help of philosophers.

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artists, musicians, and novelists.


GERRARD

PHIL 121(F) Trust, Goodness and Beauty (W)

In our everyday lives, we routinely assume that our clocks can tell us the truth about what time it is, that committing murder is wrong, and that there are people, landscapes, works of art that are beautiful. But we are also aware that people can and often do disagree about what is true, what is good or right, and what is beautiful. Should the fact of such disagreement lead us to conclude that truth, goodness, and beauty are in some basic sense relative to human beings, perhaps as individuals, perhaps as members of societies or cultures? Some philosophers defend such conclusions, but others argue that truth, goodness, and beauty are "objective," in some important sense, despite the fact that people disagree about them. This introductory course addresses these and related issues by way of historical and contemporary readings.

Format: seminar. Requirements: attendance, frequent short papers, class participation.


Hour: 12:30-12:50 MWF

WHITE

PHIL 122(F) Philosophical Approaches to Contemporary Moral Issues (W)

In this course we will examine a number of prominent and controversial social issues, using our study of them both as an opportunity to better understand the moral dimensions of those issues in and of themselves, and to consider the ways in which selected classical and contemporary moral theories characterize and address those moral dimensions. Topics will depend to some extent on student interest, but are likely to include concerns that fall under such headings as food ethics, environmental ethics, immigration, terrorism, euthanasia, abortion, and the like. Writing assignments will employ a "target essay" approach that involves writing groups in which students share their work with each other. For each issue we cover in class, one student in each group will write a five to seven page "target essay" on an assigned topic; all of the remaining members of each group will then read that essay and write a two page response to it. Depending on the number of students in the class, each person will write either one or two target essays, as well as four or five response essays throughout the course of the term. In addition, students will be required to substantially revise and expand one target essay in light of the peer response papers and written comments from the instructor, and to submit it as a final paper for the course.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: class attendance and participation, four or five short response papers (3-5 pages each), one or two target essays (graded, 5-7 pages each), and one revised final essay (7-10 pages).

No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-years and sophomores.

Hour: 10:30-10:50 MWF

J. PEDRONI

PHIL 123(S) Objectivity in Ethics (W)

It is often claimed that morality is subjective or just a matter of opinion. In this course we'll examine several influential attempts to provide a rational foundation for morality, along with Nietzsche's wholesale rejection of these efforts. Readings will include work by Plato, Hobbes, Kant, Mill, Nietzsche, and contemporary authors.

Format: seminar. Requirements: attendance; participation in discussion; short response papers; three 5- to 6-page papers.


Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR

BARRY

PHIL 124(S) (formerly 109T) Skepticism and Relativism (W)

Intellectually, we are ready skeptics and relativists. We doubt, we point out that no one can be certain in what she believes, and we are suspicious of declarations for you. Right?)

In this introductory course we will investigate the nature of skepticism and the varieties of relativism we will encounter. Science is only "true" for some people, agnosticism is the only alternative to foolish superstition, and moral relativism and, consequently, nihilism are obvious.

But is the best conclusion we can come to with respect to our intellectual endeavors that skepticism always carries the day and that nothing at all is true? (Of course, this question cannot really be answered, nor is there any value in trying to answer it, and any "answer" will only be "true" for you. Right?)

In short, in this introductory course we will investigate the nature of skepticism and the varieties of relativism we will encounter. Our readings will come primarily from philosophy, but will be supplemented with material from anthropology, physics, psychology, and linguistics. We will look at relativism with respect to reason and truth in general as well as with respect to science, religion, and morality. Along the way, we will need to come to grips with the following surprising fact. With few exceptions, theorizing and relativism have not been the prevailing views of the greatest minds in the history of philosophy. Were they simply too unsophisticated and unenlightened to understand what is for us the irresistible power of skepticism and relativism? What if we that our skepticism and relativism are the result of our own laziness and failure?


No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference will be given to sophomores and first-year students.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF

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PHIL 201(S) History of Ancient Greek Philosophy (Same as Classics 201)

Very few people believe that everything is water, that we knew everything before birth, that philosophers ought to rule the state, or that some people are natural slaves. Yet we spend our time studying people who in addition to having these surprising beliefs have been dead for 2500 years? First of all, Greek thinkers, especially Plato and Aristotle, radically shaped the trajectory of western thought in every area of philosophy. No one can have an adequate understanding of western intellectual history without some familiarity with the Greeks, and we might think that an understanding of our intellectual history can deepen our understanding of our own situation. More importantly, many of the thinkers that we will read in this class are simply excellent philosophers, and it is worthwhile for anyone interested in philosophical problems to read treatments of these problems by excellent philosophers. We will begin the course by looking briefly at some of the Presocratic philosophers active in the Mediterranean world of the seventh through fifth centuries BCE, and some of the sophists active in the fifth century. We will then turn to several of Plato's dialogues, examining Plato's portrayal of Socrates and his development of a new and profoundly powerful philosophical conception. We will then read some of Aristotle's works on metaphysics, epistemology and ethics, considering some of the ways Aristotle's thought responds to that of predecessors.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: short papers, possibly supplemented by one or more exams.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: none (expected: 20-40).

Hour: 11:30-12:15 MWF

MCPARTLAND

PHIL 202(F) History of Modern Philosophy

European philosophy in 17th and 18th both responded to, and shaped in its turn, major revolutions in scientific and political thought. The legacy of this intellectually fertile period is still felt in contemporary epistemology, metaphysics, ethics, and political philosophy. We will consider some of the questions that are both central to the era and still relevant today: What are the origins, nature and limitations of human knowledge? How should scientific inquiry proceed? What is the nature of reality, and how can it be known? What is the relationship between the mind and the body? How should we think about causality in the material world, and about causality that involves persons as agents? Are we free or determined? Are there compelling reasons to be moral? What is the nature of moral thinking and acting? How can our social and political institutions be explained and justified? We will read a necessarily limited selection of writings by the most important thinkers of the modern period: Bacon, Galileo, Descartes, Hobbes, Locke, Berkeley, Leibniz, Spinoza, Hume, Reid, Rousseau and Kant.

Format: lecture, with some discussion. Requirements: class attendance, preparedness and participation; small group meetings; 8 short assignments or quizzes; one midterm and a final exam.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: none (expected: 15-20).

This course is one of the requirements for Philosophy major.

Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF

MLADENOVIC

PHIL 203 (formerly 103) Logic and Language (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)

Logic is the study of reasoning and argument. More particularly, it concerns itself with the difference between good and bad reasoning, between strong and weak arguments. We all examine the virtues and vices of good arguments in both informal and formal systems. The goals of this course are to improve the critical thinking of the students, to introduce them to sentential and predicate logic, to familiarize them with enough formal logic to enable them to read some of the great works of philosophy, which use formal logic (such as Wittgenstein's "Tractatus"), and to examine some of the connections between logic and philoso--

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This course is part of the Critical Reasoning and Analytical Skills initiative. No prerequisites. (Philosophy 102 recommended).

This course will introduce students to continental philosophy through guided readings of these challenging texts aimed at developing students interpretative skills.


SAWICKI

PHIL 206(5) (formerly 202) Philosophy of Language and Philosophy of Mind (W)

This course is designed to introduce students to twentieth-century philosophy by focusing on two of its premier research areas, language and mind. Each of these topics has been studied independently of the other, with the philosophy of language dominating the first half of the century and the philosophy of mind surging in the second half. Research on language and mind have also enjoyed a fruitful union, as much of the technical apparatus of the philosophy of language has been used to illuminate the mind. The other side of this coin is that language is something that minds achieve, and some prominent theories of linguistic meaning have emphasized psychological elements of language use. The course will begin with the work of Frege, Russell, and Wittgenstein, and end with the work of Putnam, Dennett, Fodor and Churchland.

The course is intended to prepare students for more advanced research on either language or mind. At the same time, the course aims to offer an overview of the methods and intellectual style of analytic philosophy. Thus, it will also serve as preparation for advanced work in epistemology, philosophy of science, metaphysics, and ethics. The syllabus can be found at: http://www.williams.edu/philosophy/fourth_layer/faculty_pages/jcruz/courses/lang&mind.html.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: short writing assignments each week, and two longer papers. Prerequisite: at least one philosophy course or permission of the instructor. Enrolment limit: 19 (expected: 12-18). Preference given to Philosophy, Psychology, and Computer Science majors and Cognitive Science concentrators.

[Contemporary Metaphysics and Epistemology]

Hour: 2:55-3:50 MR

PHIL 207 The Unconscious (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Modern Philosophy of mind—from Descartes through Hume to Kant—relies on the natural assumption that all mental states are at least potentially conscious. Beliefs, desires and intentions must belong to someone, to some subject—and from this it seems to follow that some subject must be aware of them as his or her own. Sigmund Freud offers a radical challenge to this Cartesian picture when he introduces the idea that consciousness arises from an unconscious—the existence of which undermines certainty about our reasons for belief. In this course we explore theories of the unconscious in contemporary analytic and continental philosophy. We begin with close readings of Freud’s seminal texts (including his case-studies) in order to elucidate his concept of unconscious mental states and his view that human action cannot be understood without postulating unconscious beliefs and desires. We discuss the nature, evidence and reliability of Freud’s theory with reference to the writings of his many critics and defenders, including later Freudians. Finally we turn to radical transformations and applications of the concept of the unconscious in post-Freudian philosophy of mind, moral philosophy, political theory and feminism. In addition to Freud, readings may include writings by Adler, Winnicot, Sartre, Davidson, Rorty, Lear, Gardiner, M. Cavell, Dennett, Moran, Wilkes, Marx, Marcuse, Foucault, and Butler.

Format: four weeks of lecture/discussion, six weeks of tutorials, and two weeks of seminar. Requirements: class participation, four 5- to 6-page papers and a final paper.

Prerequisites: Philosophy 101 and 102, or consent of the instructors. Enrolment limit: 20 (expected: 20). Preference given to Philosophy majors.

MLADENOVIC and SAWICKI

PHIL 209(F) Philosophy of Science

It is a generally held belief, in our time and culture, that science is the best source of our knowledge of the world, and of ourselves. The aim of this course is to examine the origins, grounds, and nature of this belief. We will analyze and discuss various accounts of scientific method, structure and justification of scientific theories, scientific choice, change, and the idea that scientific knowledge is progressive.

The course will begin with the "received view" of science, advanced by logical empiricists, which assumes the objectivity and the rationality of science. We will then consider the challenge that such a view presents, especially those of Popper, Lakatos, Kuhn and Feyerabend—and the challenges to the assumptions of scientific objectivity and rationality: whose work provoked. This discussion will naturally lead us to the relativist and socialconstructivist views developed within contemporary science studies. Finally, we will analyze the current debate about cognitive credentials of science and proper approach to the study of science, which came to be known as "the science wars.

Format: seminar, with a short lecture component in each class. Requirements: class attendance, preparedness and participation; two short assignments; three 5-page papers; class presentation.

Prerequisites: one philosophy course (excluding courses focusing exclusively on moral and political theory, or on aesthetics); or declared major in a natural science; or consent of the instructor. Enrolment limit: 19 (expected: 10-15). In case of overenrollment, preference will be given to declared and intended Philosophy majors.

[Contemporary Metaphysics and Epistemology]

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

PHIL 210 Philosophy of Social Sciences (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Is it possible to have scientific knowledge of human thought, feelings, behavior, social life and history? Is knowledge that knowledge importantly different in kind or in rigor from the knowledge we have of natural phenomena? Do social sciences legitimately employ different methodology than natural sciences? If so, what is that methodology, is it a single one, and what is the cognitive goal it serves? Is, not, could social sciences improve their scientific credibility by emulating the methodology of natural sciences? To answer these questions, we will discuss some of the following issues in the philosophy of social sciences: nature of 'social facts' and social reality; holism vs. reductionism; teleological, functional and structural explanations; theory formation, evidence, and the role of values in social science; the relationship between knowers and the known; and some issues concerning agency, rationality, intentionality and understanding. The readings will include Mill, Dilthey, Durkheim, Weber, Hempel, Rudiiner, Nagel, Popper, Winch, Taylor, Geertz, Rosenberg, MacIntyre, Hacking, Longino, Nelson, Wylie, and other contemporary philosophers of social sciences.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: class participation, 8 short weekly response papers (1-2 page), three longer (5 page) papers. Prerequisites: Philosophy 101 or 102 or 103; or consent of the instructor. Philosophy 209 is highly recommended. Enrolment limit: 19 (expected: 10-15). Preference given to philosophy majors, students who have taken Philosophy 209, and students who demonstrate serious interest in the course.

MLADENOVIC

PHIL 212 Ethics and Reproductive Technologies (Same as Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 212) (Not offered 2010-2011) (W)

(See under WGST 212 for full description.) J. PEDRONI

PHIL 213T Biomedical Ethics (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Much like the construction of medical knowledge itself, it is from specific cases that general principles of biomedical ethics arise and are systematized into a theoretical framework, and it is to cases they must return, if they are to be both useful and comprehensible to those making decisions within the biomedical context. In this tutorial we will exploit this characteristic of biomedical ethics by using a case-based approach to examining core concepts of the field. The first
portion of the course will be devoted to developing and understanding four moral principles which have come to be accepted as canonical: respect for autonomy, beneficence, nonmaleficence, and justice. The remainder of the course will consider key concepts at the core of medical ethics and central issues for the field, such as privacy and confidentiality, the distinction between killing and “letting die,” therapy vs. research, and enhancement vs. therapy. To this end, each week we will (1) read philosophical material focused on one principle or concept, and (2) consider in detail one bioethics case in which the principle or concept has special application or relevance. In some weeks, students will be asked to choose from a small set which case they would like to address; in others the case will be assigned. Students will meet with the professor in pairs for approximately one hour per week, writing and presenting 5- to 7-page essays every other week. This semester we will be using an online forum for alternatingly on partners’ essays in alternate weeks.

Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on written work, on oral presentations of that work, and on oral critiques.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference will be given to declared and prospective philosophy majors and students committed to taking the tutorial.

[Contemporary Value Theory] PEDRONI

PHIL 220T Immortality and the Soul in Ancient and Medieval Thought (Same as Religion 282T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

According to a 2003 poll, 84% of Americans believe that the soul survives death. Ideas about immortality and the soul have a long history, and have been at the center some of the major philosophical and religious traditions of Western culture. The central aim of this course is to examine how some central figures in those traditions think about immortality and the soul. In addition, we will discuss some of the philosophical difficulties that come to the fore when thinking about these issues. Is the immortality of human persons even coherent? What would it mean for an individual to survive her own death? Does belief in the indestructibility of the human soul have ethical implications? What evidence is there for the existence, let alone immortality, of the soul?

Format: tutorial. Requirements: students will be expected to write a short paper every other week, and to give a presentation based on their papers. They will also be expected to write a final paper. We will pay close attention to revising papers in light of peer and instructor feedback. We will also work on critically reading and evaluating texts in the history of philosophy. Readings for the class may include: Homer, Plato, Aristotle, Fragments from the Stoics and Pre-Socratics, Plato, Origen, Terence, Augustine, Maimonides, Ibn Sina, Averroes, and Aquinas.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to sophomores.

MCPARTLAND

PHIL 222 (F) Minds, Brains, and Intelligent Behavior: An Introduction to Cognitive Science (Same as Cognitive Science 222 and Psychology 222)

(See under COGS 222 for full description.) KIRBY

PHIL 225 Classics in Western Feminist Thought (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 225) (Not offered 2010-2011) (W)

(See under WGST 225 for full description.) SAWICKI

PHIL 227(S) Death and Dying (W)

In this course we will examine traditional philosophical approaches to understanding death and related concepts, with a special focus on the ethical concerns surrounding death and care for the dying. We will begin with questions about how to define death, as well as reflections on its meaning and function in human life. We will then examine ethical issues of truth-telling with terminally ill patients and their families, decisions to withdraw or withdraw life-sustaining treatments, the care of seriously ill newborns, physician-assisted suicide, euthanasia, and posthumous interests. In addition to key concepts of death, dying, and terminal illness, we will develop and refine notions of medical futility, paternalism and autonomy, particularly within the context of advance directives and surrogate decision making.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: class attendance and participation, periodic short essays (3 or 4 total, 2-3 pages each), two mid-length papers (5-7 pages each); possible experiential learning component.


[Contemporary Value Theory]

PHIL 228 Feminist Bioethics (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 228) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

In this course, we will explore the ways in which feminist approaches to moral thinking have influenced both the methodology and the content of contemporary bioethics. The first portion of the course will address the emergence of the “Ethics of Care,” critically assessing its origins in feminist theory, its development within the context of the caring professions, and its potential as a general approach to bioethical reasoning. The second portion of the course will use feminist philosophy to inform our understanding of the ways in which gender structures the individual’s interactions with the health care system. To do this we’ll explore topics that might traditionally be considered “women’s issues” in health care, such as medicine and body image (e.g., cosmetic surgery, eating disorders), reproductive and genetic technologies, and research on women and their health care needs. In addition we’ll also look at feminist analyses of topics that traditionally have not been regarded as “gendered,” such as resource allocation and end of life issues. As a course offered under the Exploring Diversity Initiative, this class is designed to improve students’ ability to recognize both the existence and the effects of gender disparities within the health care context, and in particular, how power and privilege within and beyond medicine contribute to gender inequalities in health and medical treatment. Moreover, students will theorize about conceptualizing and of reforming health care interactions in order to reduce or eliminate those gender inequalities.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: active participation in class discussions, two mid-length papers (7-10 pp. each), one oral presentation, and periodic short writing assignments (four or five, app. 2 pp. each).

No prerequisites, although previous coursework in Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies is desirable; not open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 8-10). Preference given to Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies and Philosophy majors.

[Contemporary Value Theory] J. PEDRONI

PHIL 231 Ancient Political Thought (Same as Political Science 231) (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under PSCI 231 for full description.) E

PHIL 232 (F) Modern Political Thought (Same as Political Science 232)

(See under PSCI 232 for full description.) NJOYA

PHIL 235T Morality and Partility: Loyalty, Friendship, Patriotism (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

The aim of this tutorial is to critically examine the nature, importance, and ethical value of personal attachments and loyalties. Loyalty is frequently expected by family, friends and lovers, and demanded by institutions, religious and political communities, as well as by the state. A person incapable of loyalty is often characterized as fickle, cold, self-serving and sometimes even pathological. However, the status of loyalty as a virtue has always been suspect: it has been argued that it is incompatible with impartiality, fairness and equality, and claimed that it is always exclusionary. So, some relationships with other people—such as family, friends, ties, love, patriotism—seem to be ethically desirable, central to the quality of our lives, and yet prima facie in tension with the widely held belief that morality requires impartiality and equal treatment of all human beings. Are we ever justified in having more concern, and doing more, for our friends, family, community or nation? Does loyalty require that we always subordinate our personal relationships to universal principles? Is patriotism incompatible with cosmopolitanism, and if so, which of the two should we value? If loyalty is a virtue, what are the proper limits of its cultivation and expression? For example, should students treat fellow students who violate the instructor’s rules the same way that they would treat students who break the tutor’s rules? What does it mean to “care” for someone, and how can we be sensitive to the needs and desires of others in a way that respects our own needs and desires?

Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on written work, on oral presentations of that work, and on oral critiques.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to preference to Philosophy majors and then to sophomores. Not available for the Gaudino option.

[Contemporary Value Theory] MLADENOVIC

PHIL 236 Contemporary Ethical Theory (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Is an individual’s political function for the sake of the community ever justified, or does each individual have an inviolable status that must be respected? Should moral considerations always take priority over personal projects and intimate relationships, or are there some spheres in which we should be free to pursue our goals without concern for morality? We will explore these and related questions by systematically comparing the two dominant ethical theories of 223
the 20th century, consequentialism and deontology. While both theories find their roots in earlier thinkers—consequentialism in Mill and Sidgwick, deontology in Kant—our focus will be on contemporary developments of these views. After examining these approaches in depth, we’ll turn our attention to recent theories that attempt to transcend the distinctions that divide consequentialist and deontological views. Readings include works by Bentham, Mill, Nozick, Railton, Brink, Williams, Wolfe, Taurek, Rawls, Smart, Scheffler, Nagel, Kant, Kamm, Quinn, Kagan, Ross, and Scanlon. This is a writing intensive course.

Format: Lectured Discussion. Requirements: several short papers; an 8- to 10-page midterm paper; a 10- to 12-page final paper.
Prerequisite: Philosophy 101, Philosophy 102, or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 10-15). Preference will be given to Philosophy majors. BARRY

PHIL 238T (F) Just War Theory, Terrorism, and Weapons of Mass Destruction (Same as Political Science 237) (W)
What is generally known as Just War Theory (JWT), first clearly formulated by Augustine and then developing both theistic and non-theistic variants, is currently challenged by terrorism, torture, and weapons of mass destruction. This tutorial will review prominent forms of JWT, examining how each deals or can be dealt with to avoid these challenges. Participants will aim to discover, or perhaps in part to develop, the currently best available theory concerning the political ethics of torture, terrorism, counterterrorism, and the production and uses of weapons of mass destruction.
Format: Tutorial. Requirements: Tutorial papers and responses to partners’ tutorial papers, in alternating weeks; participation in tutorial discussions.
Prerequisite: Any Philosophy course, Political Science 203, or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference to Philosophy and Political Science majors and potential majors.

PHIL 271T (S) Woman as “Other” (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 271T) (D) (W)
At mid-century, Simone de Beauvoir, existential philosopher and perhaps the greatest feminist theorist of the twentieth century, described woman as “living in a world where men compel her to assume the status of the Other.” At the same time, Beauvoir asserts: “One is not born a woman, one becomes one.” How, given their objectification, can women become subjects for themselves? Is authenticity even possible? Must the relation between self and other inevitably be one of objectification and domination? Is reciprocity and mutuality in self-other relations possible? In our efforts to deepen our understanding of these important philosophical questions, questions that have been at the center of social and political thought at least since Hegel introduced the dialectic of master and slave, we will engage in close readings of writings by Beauvoir (including autobiography and biography), as well as philosophers responding to her—Frantz Fanon, Luce Irigaray, and Judith Butler.
Format: Tutorial. Students will work in pairs. Requirements: each student will write and present orally a 5-page essay every other week. Students not presenting essays will prepare oral critiques of their partners’ essays. Evaluation will be based on written work, oral presentations of essays, and oral critiques.
Prerequisites: One course in either Philosophy or Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to current and prospective Philosophy and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies majors.

PHIL 274T Messing with People: The Ethics of Human Experimentation (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
From the now infamous Tuskegee Syphilis Study and Stanley Milgram’s Obedience experiments, to lesser known but equally important landmarks in research ethics—such as the Willowbrook experiment, in which residents of a state home for mentally retarded children were intentionally infected with a virus that causes hepatitis, and the Kennedy-Krieger Lead Abatement study, which tested the efficacy of a new, inexpensive lead paint removal procedure by offering to low-income parents of young children reduced-rate housing in lead-abated units and testing those children for lead exposure—in this sophomore tutorial we will closely examine a series of contemporary and historical cases of human experimentation (roughly, one case per week) with an eye toward elucidating the causes and effects of these experiments and their ethical implications. Specific issues will include the ethics of placebo research, deception in research, studies of illicit/illegal behavior, genetic research, experimentation with children, pregnant women and fetuses, and persons with diminished mental capacity among other topics. Students will meet with the professor in pairs for approximately one hour per week, writing and presenting 5- to 7-page essays every other week, and commenting orally on their partners’ essays in alternate weeks. Emphasis will be placed on developing skills in reading, interpretation and oral argument as well as critical reasoning and writing.
Prerequisite: Philosophy 101 or 102, or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference will be given to current and prospective Philosophy majors and students committed to taking the tutorial.
BARRY

PHIL 280 Frege, Russell, and the Early Wittgenstein (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
The last line of Ludwig Wittgenstein’s Tractatus famously reads: “Whereof one cannot speak, thereof one must be silent.” Are there things that cannot be put into language?—is the limit of language the limit of the world? We will explore these (and other questions) in the context of the great philosophical revolution at the beginning of the last century; the linguistic turn and the birth of analytic philosophy. We will see how a focus on language affects our understanding of many traditional philosophical questions, ranging from epistemology and metaphysics to aesthetics and ethics. Our texts will include Gottlob Frege, The Foundations of Arithmetic, Bertrand Russell, Principles of Mathematics, and Ludwig Wittgenstein, Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus.
While you’re debating whether to take this class, consider the following puzzle. There is a village where the barber shaves (a) all those and (b) only those who do not shave themselves. Now, ask yourself: who shaves the barber? You will see that if the barber does not shave himself, then by condition (a) he does shave himself. And, if the barber does shave himself, then by condition (b) he does not shave himself. Thus, the barber shaves himself if and only if he does not shave himself. See if you can figure out why this is sometimes called a paradox, and then ask yourself what this has to do with our opening questions.
Format: Seminar. Requirements: two short papers (5 pages) and one longer final paper (12-15 pages).
Prerequisite: Philosophy 102. Expected enrollment: 12-15. Preference give first to Philosophy majors, and then to seniors and juniors of any major. GERARD

PHIL 281T Philosophy of Religion (Same as Religion 302) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
Our goal in this course will be to try to determine how far reason can justify belief in God. We will spend at least half of the semester examining the best-known philosophical arguments for and against the existence of God (including the ontological argument, the cosmological argument, the teleological argument, the argument from religious experience, the argument from evil, and the argument from religious disagreement). For each one, we will first look at historically influential attempts to defend the argument and then turn to contemporary reformulations. Our aim will be to identify these (and other questions) in the context of the great philosophical revolution at the beginning of the last century; the linguistic turn and the birth of analytic philosophy. We will see how a focus on language affects our understanding of many traditional philosophical questions, ranging from epistemology and metaphysics to aesthetics and ethics. Our texts will include Gottlob Frege, The Foundations of Arithmetic, Bertrand Russell, Principles of Mathematics, and Ludwig Wittgenstein, Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus.
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Format: Seminar. Requirements: two short papers (5 pages) and one longer final paper (12-15 pages).
Prerequisite: Philosophy 102. Expected enrollment: 12-15. Preference give first to Philosophy majors, and then to seniors and juniors of any major. GERARD
PHIL 282 The Turn to Religion in Post-Modern Thought (Same as Jewish Studies 280 and Religion 303) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

(See under REL 303 for full description.)

HAMMERSCHLAG

PHIL 288(S) Embodied Mind: A Cross-Cultural Exploration (Same as Religion 288) This course examines some of the central questions raised by the study of the consciousness, the role of emotions, the relation with the body, the nature of subjectivity, the scope of reactivity, the nature of personal presence, etc. In confronting these difficult questions, we do not proceed purely theoretically but consider the contributions of various observation-based traditions, from Buddhist psychology and meditative practices to phenomenology to neurosciences. We begin by examining some of the central concepts of Buddhist psychology, its treatment of the mind as a selfless stream of consciousness, its examination of the role of mental factors and its accounts of the relation between cognition and affects. We also introduce the practice of meditation as a way to observe the mind and raise questions concerning the place of its study in the mind-sciences. We pursue this reflection by examining the views of James, Husserl, Sartre and Merleau-Ponty, particularly as they concern the methods for the study of the mind and the relation between consciousness, reactivity and the body. In this way, we develop a rich array of analytical tools and observational practices to further our understanding of the mind. But we also question the value of these tools based on first person approaches by relating them to the third person studies of the mind. In this way, we come to appreciate the importance of considering the biology on which mental processes are based and the light that this approach throws on the nature of consciousness. We conclude by considering the relation between first and third person studies of the mind, focusing on the concept of the embodied mind as a fruitful bridge between these different traditions.

Format: seminar: Requirements: regular practice of meditation, a class presentation, a short essay (6p) and a long final research paper (15 p).

Prerequisites: some background in either psychology, cognitive sciences, philosophy or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 12). Selection on the basis of relevant background.

[Contemporary Metaphysics and Epistemology]
Hour: 7:00-9:40 p.m.

CRUZ and DREYFUS

PHIL 294(T) Philosophy and Narrative Fiction (Same as Comparative Literature 294) (W)

What is it for a novel, a story, a play or a film to be a philosophical narrative? Is it not for good reason that philosophers should be interested in film? What is this film philosophy about? Does it serve philosophy or does it challenge philosophy? Does it help or hinder the project of philosophy? And if not, why not? The novel, the story, the play or the film, it is the text, it is the text and it is the text that counts. We can imagine existence and being without philosophy but we cannot imagine existence and being without texts. We cannot imagine being ourselves without texts. We can, however, imagine existence and being without a text. And we can imagine existence and being without a text the philosophers have written. And philosophers are people who find our imagination of existence and being wanting. They are people who do not believe in existence and being as we imagine it, and they are people who believe in existence and being. They are people who do not believe in the text we imagine, and they are people who believe in the text we write. They are people who do not believe in the text we imagine, and they are people who believe in the text we write.

The works to be discussed and analyzed in the tutorial meetings will be by some of the following writers and directors: Kafka, Dostoyevsky, Sartre, de Beauvoir, Camus, Thomas Mann, Borges, Kundera, Eco, Bergman, Tarkovsky, Renan, Kurosawa, Baudelaire and Kubrick. The theoretical aspect of the course will involve close readings of selected articles in contemporary philosophy of language, mind and action; in contemporary philosophy of literature and philosophy of film; and in contemporary narratology.

Format: tutorial, involving a three-way discussion among tutorial partners and the instructor. Requirements: all students will attend Monday evening film screenings. Tutorial pairs will meet with the instructor for one hour each week; each student will write a 5-page paper every second week, and comment on the tutorial partner’s paper on alternate weeks.

No prerequisites; open to first year students. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10). In the case of overenrollment, preference will be given to students seriously committed to the course; among them, to students who are considering a major in Philosophy, in Comparative Literature or in Literary Studies, and to students who have some background in literature.

[Contemporary Value Theory]
Hour: 7:00-9:40 p.m.

MLADENOVIC

PHIL 301 Textual Meaning and Interpretation (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Early philosophy of language focused on meaning of assertions, denials and descriptions. However, this approach is too narrow, since people use language to do a myriad of things: to ask, demand, promise, promise, blame, threaten, command, insinuate, evoke, express feelings, and sometimes just to play. The philosophical study of what we do in language, and how we understand one another, is called pragmatics; within the analytic tradition, the main philosophical contributions to the study of pragmatics in language come from Austin, Grice, and Searle. Other philosophers and literary theorists have used some of their ideas recently to throw light on the nature of textual meaning and the interpretation of literary texts. We shall first explore the salient features of the pragmatic approach to language, paying special attention to Austin’s notion of illocutionary force and Grice’s notion of non-natural meaning. We will then examine how these notions may be exploited in the consideration of various long-standing issues in the theory of literary interpretation. We will discuss the interaction of genre conventions with the interpretative meaning of literary texts (along the lines suggested by Quentin Skinner); the possibility of using intention to rule out mistaken and arrive at acceptable interpretations, if not a single correct interpretation (a possibility denied by such relativists as Stanley Fish); the use and meaning of metaphors; and the host of questions surrounding the “intentional fallacy” (the alleged result of invoking authorial intention to determine textual meaning).

Format: seminar: Requirements: class participation, 10 short weekly response papers, and 2 longer (5-7 page) papers.

Prerequisites: Philosophy 102 or 103. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 6-10). Open to all students, preference given to philosophy majors.

MLADENOVIC

PHIL 304T Authenticity: From Rousseau to Poststructuralism (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

The eighteenth-century aesthetician Edmund Young once asked: “Born originals, how comes it to pass we die copies?” In the same century Jean-Jacques Rousseau responds to this question by charting the individual’s “fall” into society; that is, into artifice, hypocrisy, vanity, and conformism. This tutorial begins with Rousseau’s reflections on authentic individuality as they are developed in several of his works. We then trace the identity of authenticity (as an aesthetic and ethical category) in both literary and philosophical texts associated with romanticism, existentialism, critical theory, psychoanalytic theory, and posthumanism. We also introduce the practice of meditation as a way to observe the mind and raise questions concerning the place of its study in the mind-sciences. We pursue this reflection by examining the views of James, Husserl, Sartre and Merleau-Ponty, particularly as they concern the methods for the study of the mind and the relation between consciousness, reactivity and the body. In this way, we develop a rich array of analytical tools and observational practices to further our understanding of the mind. But we also question the value of these tools based on first person approaches by relating them to the third person studies of the mind. In this way, we come to appreciate the importance of considering the biology on which mental processes are based and the light that this approach throws on the nature of consciousness. We conclude by considering the relation between first and third person studies of the mind, focusing on the concept of the embodied mind as a fruitful bridge between these different traditions.

Format: seminar: Requirements: regular practice of meditation, a class presentation, a short essay (6p) and a long final research paper (15 p).

Prerequisites: one course in Philosophy or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10).

Not available for the Gaudino option.

[History]
SAWICKI

PHIL 305(F) Existentialism and Phenomenology (W)

According to Jean-Paul Sartre, the only philosopher to ever refer to himself as an “existentialist,” existence precedes essence. What is essential to human being is not any fixed set of characteristics, but rather what a human being becomes as he or she defines and creates itself under conditions it does not choose. In this course we address key figures and themes from two of the most influential movements in twentieth century European philosophy, namely, existentialism and phenomenology, a philosophical approach to which existentialism is indebted. We will discuss major works (philosophical, literary, visual) by such figures as Edmund
PHIL 308 Wittgenstein's Philosophical Investigations (Not offered 2011-2012)

Bertrand Russell claimed that Ludwig Wittgenstein was "perhaps the most perfect example I have ever known of genius as traditionally conceived—passionate, profound, intense, and dominating." Wittgenstein's two masterpieces, the *Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus* and the *Philosophical Investigations*, stand like opposing poles around which schools of twentieth-century analytic philosophy revolve. The Wittgenstein of the *Tractatus* is known as the "earlier Wittgenstein," while the Wittgenstein of the *Investigations* is known as the "later Wittgenstein." This course is an intensive, line-by-line study of the *Investigations*—one of the greatest (and thus, one of the most controversial) books in the history of philosophy. Aside from its overwhelming influence on 20th- and 21st-century philosophy and intellectual culture, any book which contains a work of art of this sort can occasionally lead to a gaffe that gives it a bad name, if a lion could talk, we could not understand him," deserves serious attention.

Format: seminar. Requirements: one short midterm paper (5-7 pages) and one longer final paper (12-15 pages).
Prerequisites: Philosophy 102. Expected enrollment: 19 (expected: 12).

SAWICKI

PHIL 309 Kant (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course will provide an intensive study of the philosophy of Immanuel Kant. Kant’s transcendental idealism is profoundly important: it constitutes a challenge to rationalist metaphysics, a response to Hume’s empiricist skepticism, and systematically integrates epistemology, ethics, and aesthetics in a way that has shaped modern Western thought. It is also profoundly difficult: more than 200 years after its development, there is still vehement disagreement not only over whether or not Kant was right, but over what Kant actually said. In this course our goal will be to understand Kant’s philosophy as a systematic whole, in terms of the tight-knit relationships that bind all his ideas into one comprehensive vision. We will attempt to understand what Kant said and why, how it is important, and the extent to which it is right. We will read significant portions of all three of Kant’s most important works (the *Critique of Pure Reason*, *Critique of Practical Reason*, and *Critique of Judgment*), and may occasionally make use of secondary literature. Requirements: several short assignments; final paper of 12-15 pages.
Prerequisites: Philosophy 102. Expected enrollment: 5-15.

DUDLEY

PHIL 315 Kant’s Critique of Pure Reason (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

A close examination of Kant’s *Critique of Pure Reason*, arguably the most important work in the Western philosophical tradition. We will read the *Critique* in its entirety and will occasionally make use of secondary literature.
Format: seminar. Requirements: active participation; several short writing assignments; final paper of 12-15 pages.
Prerequisites: any introduction to philosophy course. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 10). Preference given to Philosophy majors.

CRUZ

PHIL 317 The Philosophy of Hilary Putnam (Not offered 2011-2012)

Hilary Putnam is considered by many (including the professor of this course) to be the world’s foremost living philosopher. Putnam is famous for both changing his mind and for the breadth of his interests. He was one of the earliest proponents of the view that human beings are importantly analogous to computers, and then later, one of the chief critics of that view. Putnam’s works range from the philosophy of logic and physics to the philosophy of education and history. He has written on philosophers from Aristotle and Kant to Levinas and Dewey. He has examined both the consistency of mathematics and the consistency of religion. In this course we will study the full range of Putnam’s work.
Format: seminar. Requirements: frequent short assignments and presentations and a major final paper.

GERARD

PHIL 318 Necessity and Possibility (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

You are reading this course description right now. However, it seems true to say that you might have been doing something else, something more fun, instead. In other words, while it is true that you are reading, it doesn’t seem to be necessary that you are reading. It seems to be possible for you to be doing something else. On the other hand, some claims seem to be necessarily true. For example, it seems to be necessary that anything that is reading this description exists, and it seems to be necessary that two plus two is equal to four. In other words, it is impossible that two plus two be anything other than four, or that something read without existing. Furthermore, while there are some things about you that seem to be accidental, other things about you seem to be essential. You might not have been a Williams student, on the other hand I don’t think that you could have been a goldfish. While being a Williams student seems accidental to you, being human seems to be part of your essence. But what is it for a claim to be necessary? Is necessity a matter of the way that we think about the world, or is necessity a feature of reality independently of the way we think of it? If necessity is a feature of reality, what sort of feature is it? What is it for a feature to be essential to a thing? In this course, we will examine a series of questions about necessity and possibility raised in contemporary metaphysics, logic, and philosophy of language. Central readings in the class will be drawn from the work of Bertrand Russell, Gottlob Frege, Rudolf Carnap, W. V. Quine, Saul Kripke, David Lewis, David Kaplan, and Kit Fine. This class will be quite technical, and it is strongly recommended that students have a familiarity with first-order logic.
Format: seminar. Requirements: several short response pieces, two 10-page papers that will involve substantial revision in light of instructor feedback, active participation in seminar meetings.
Prerequisites: Philosophy 102 or permission of instructor. It is strongly recommended that students have also taken Philosophy 103 (Logic) or an equivalent class. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10-15). Preference given to Philosophy majors.

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PHIL 327T Foucault (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 327) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)

This course begins with a brief introduction to some of Foucault’s early writings but focuses on a close reading of middle and late texts that have become central to debates about the significance of his work: *Discipline and Punish, The History of Sexuality* (vols. 1-3), and selected interviews and course lectures. We examine debates in the Foucault literature about freedom, power, ethics, and the nature of critical theory. This course has been designated EDI because it engages questions concerning power, social differences and social and political freedom.
Format: tutorial. Evaluations will be based on written work (six 5- to 6-page papers), oral presentations of that work, and on oral critiques. Prerequisites: at least two courses in philosophy or Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies, or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 8-10). Preference given to current or prospective Philosophy and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies majors.

SAWICKI

PHIL 330 Plato (Same as Classics 330) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Plato is one of the most important and influential thinkers in the history of the western tradition. His depiction of the trial and death of Socrates is one of the classics of western literature, and his views on ethics and politics continue to occupy a central place in our discussions 2400 years after they were written. It is, in fact, quite difficult to get through any course of study in the liberal arts without some familiarity with Plato. Nevertheless, comparatively few people realize that the views we commonly think of as “Platonic” represent only one strand in Plato’s thought. For example, we commonly attribute to Plato a theory of the Forms—on the basis of his claims in the so-called “middle dialogues” (mainly Republic, Phaedo, and Symposium). However, in his philosophically more sophisticated and notoriously difficult later dialogues (such as the Parmenides, Philebus, Sophist and Statesman), Plato engages in radical criticism and revision of his earlier views. In this course, we will spend the first half of the semester attempting to understand the metaphysics and epistemology in Plato’s middle dialogues. We will spend the balance of the semester coming to grips with Plato’s arguments in the later dialogues. We will read several complete dialogues in translation, and will also read a wide variety of secondary source material.
Format: lecture/discussion. This class will be roughly equal mixture of lectures, student presentations, and seminar discussion. Requirements: students will be expected to prepare a seminar presentation, to write several focused short analytical pieces, and to write a 15- to 20-page term paper in multiple drafts.
PHIL 331 Contemporary Epistemology (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
Epistemology is one of the core areas of philosophical reflection. In this course, we will study the literature in contemporary philosophy on the nature of knowledge and rational belief. Epistemologists seek answers to the following kinds of questions:
—Is knowledge possible?
—Is knowledge a necessary condition of rational belief?
—What is knowledge (as opposed to mere opinion)?
—In order to be justified in holding a belief, must someone know (or believe) that she is justified in holding that belief?
—What justifies, if anything, our scientific knowledge?
These questions are typically asked within a framework where the overarching goal is attaining truth and avoiding falsity. Beyond this common ground, however, epistemologists are much divided. Some maintain that these issues are solely the provinces of philosophy, using traditional a priori methods. Others maintain that these questions will only yield to methods that incorporate our broader insight into the nature of the world including, perhaps, feminist thought or science. Both stances face difficulties. Further, even where there is agreement as to the proper way of answering epistemological questions, there is a stunning variety of possible answers to each question. The syllabus can be found at: http://www.williams.edu/philosophy/fourth_layer/faculty_pages/jcruz/courses/episty.html
Format: seminar. Requirements: several short writing assignments, final paper, attendance and active participation in class.
Prerequisites: Philosophy 102 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 12).
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PHIL 332 Aristotle (Same as Classics 332) (Not offered 2011-2012)
Aristotle’s status as a central figure in Western philosophy is undisputed. For hundreds of years during the Middle Ages, Aristotle was simply referred to as “The Philosopher.” Aristotle is also credited with the invention of logic, biology, physics, political science, linguistics, and aesthetics. His writings on metaphysics, epistemology, and ethics set the course for much of the subsequent philosophical discussion which continues to the present day. In this class, we will examine some of Aristotle’s central metaphysical, epistemological and ethical views. There are two main objectives in this course: (1) We will work to sympathetically reconstruct Aristotle’s views from translations of his primary texts; (2) We will investigate the extent to which these views are relevant to contemporary discussions in philosophy.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: several short writing pieces, two 10-page papers which will involve substantial revision in light of instructor feedback, active participation in seminar meetings.
Prerequisites: Philosophy 221 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10-15). Preference given to majors in Philosophy and Classics.
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PHIL 333 Greek and Roman Ethics (Same as Classics 334) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
Most thoughtful human beings spend a good deal of time musing about how we ought to live. The philosophers of ancient Greece and Rome were among the first thinkers to develop rigorous arguments in response to such musings. While ancient scientific theories and the philosophical systems constructed in accordance with these theories might be of interest only to scholars, the moral philosophy produced in Greece and Rome remains as relevant today as it was when it was written. In this course, we will closely examine some central texts in ancient moral philosophy. We will begin by reading several of Plato’s early dialogues and the entirety of his Republic. We will then turn to Aristotle’s Nicomachean Ethics, as well as selections from his Eudemian Ethics, Magna Moralia and Politics. Finally, we will examine some central texts in the Stoic and Epicurean traditions, as well as some of Cicero’s contributions to modern philosophy. We will pay special attention to how different thinkers conceive of the nature of happiness, the relationship between happiness and virtue, and the nature of the relationship between the two. We will also spend a good deal of time thinking about the moral psychology of the thinkers we read.
Format: seminar. Requirements: several short response pieces, two 10-page papers which will involve substantial revision in light of instructor feedback, active participation in seminar meetings.
Prerequisites: Philosophy 101 required; one 200- or 300-level Philosophy course is recommended. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 5-15). Preference given to Philosophy majors and those considering the Philosophy major.
BARRY

PHIL 337(T) Justice in Health Care
Justice is a notoriously complex and elusive philosophical concept, the conditions of which are even more difficult to articulate within real world institutions and contexts than in the abstract. In this course we’ll explore justice as a fundamental moral principle and as a desideratum of the US health care system. The first portion of the course will be devoted to considering general theories of justice as well as alternative conceptions of justice within the health care context. This will provide the background for subsequent examination of specific topics, which may include, among others: justice in health care financing and reform, which may itself include an analysis of the Affordable Care Act; justice in health care rationing, with particular attention to the relationship between rationing criteria and distribution of limited resources; and justice in medical research, including “double standards” for research conducted in less developed countries.
Format: tutorial. Evaluations will be based on written work, oral presentations of that work, and on oral critiques.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference will be given to Philosophy majors, to students in the International Studies Global Health Track, and to students committed to taking the tutorial. [Contemporary Value theory]
Tutorial meetings to be arranged PETERSON

PHIL 340(S) Contemporary Metaphysics (W)
In this course, we will examine a number of issues in contemporary metaphysics. Possible topics include: realism and anti-realism, the problem of universals, the nature of necessity, causation, material constitution, the nature of time, personal identity, and freedom of the will. While we will be concerned to place our discussions of these issues in historical context, almost all of the reading for the class will consist in articles written by contemporary philosophers working in what is sometimes called the “analytic” tradition.
Format: lecture and discussion. Evaluation: two long papers (at least one of which will be re-written), short response papers, and active participation in class.
Prerequisites: Philosophy 102 (familiarity with formal logic helpful but not required). Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10).
[Contemporary Metaphysics and Epistemology]
Hour: 1:10-3:50 W MCPARTLAND

PHIL 340 The Political Thought of Frantz Fanon (Same as Africana Studies 402 and Political Science 360) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under AFR 402 for full description.) ROBERTS

PHIL 378 Pragmatist Currents in Contemporary Epistemology and Philosophy of Science (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
American Pragmatism left a deep legacy in contemporary epistemology and the philosophy of science, but it is—more often than not—a legacy difficult to disentangle from other intellectual influences. Consequently, many philosophers deeply influenced by pragmatism do not recognize the fact, while, on the other hand, some self-proclaimed pragmatists of our days can hardly be seen as continuing the tradition to which they pledge allegiance. This seminar will try to establish, with as much accuracy as the subject allows, what are the central tenets of American Pragmatism, how they have shaped contemporary epistemology
and the philosophy of science, and finally, to what extent are pragmatist approaches to human knowledge philosophically sound and fruitful.

The seminar will fall into two unequal parts. The first, shorter part will focus on the writings of the three classics of American pragmatism—Charles S. Peirce, William James, and John Dewey—and analyze their reaction against traditional epistemology, as well as the positive philosophical ideas that they had to offer. The second, longer part of the seminar will try to isolate and follow some of the pragmatist currents which run through epistemology and philosophy of science in the 20th and 21st centuries. We will read, among others, selected papers by Carnap, Hempel, Quine, Goodman, Kuhn, Elgin, Hacking, Misak, Putnam, Rorty, and Haack.

Format: seminar. Requirements: class attendance and participation; 6 short assignments (about 2 pages long); class presentation; and 2 longer papers (about 5 pgs. each).

Prerequisites: three courses in philosophy, two of which must be from this list: Philosophy 102, 103, 109, 131, 202, 207, 209, 210, 280, 330, 331, 379, 380; or the consent of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 6-9). Preference given to Philosophy majors.

[Contemporary, Metaphysics and Epistemology]

PHIL 370(S) American Pragmatism (Same as American Studies 379)

Along with jazz, pragmatism stands as the greatest uniquely American contribution to world culture. As the music wails in the background, we will study the classics in their own words: William James, C. S. Peirce, and John Dewey. We will continue with the contemporary inheritors of the tradition: Cornel West, Richard Rorty, and Hillery Putnam. Although it has influenced both analytic and continental philosophy, pragmatism is a powerful third philosophical movement. Always asking what practical difference would it make, our authors investigate the central questions and disputes of philosophy, from epistemology and metaphysics to ethics and religion. Rather than seeing philosophy as an esoteric discipline, the pragmatic philosophers (with the possible exception of Peirce) see philosophy as integral to our culture and see themselves as public intellectuals.


[History]

PHIL 380 Relativism (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

‘Relativism’ is a term entrenched in philosophy for a number of very different views. The aim of the course is to survey, analyze and discuss many varieties of relativism—semantic, epistemic, ontological and moral—from Plato’s Theaetetus to contemporary social constructivism. We will pay special attention to the structure of arguments for and against relativism, as well as to the moral motivations and perceived consequences of its endorsement or rejection. We will thus be led to discuss some of the concepts common to epistemology, metaphysics and ethics: reason, justification, objectivity, understanding, reality and truth. Some of the questions we will consider are: Are moral standards relative to cultural frameworks? Are there incompatible but equally true ways of describing the world? Is rationality—the notion of a good reason to believe something—relative to cultural norms? Is relativism a form of skepticism? Is it forced on people who endorse cultural pluralism as their political ideal as the only tenable philosophical position?

Our readings will include the relevant works of Plato, Sextus Empiricus, Bayle, Locke, Berkeley, Carnap, Quine, Davidson, Goodman, Elgin, Hacking, Krausz, Foot, Williams, Harman and Thompson.

Format: seminar. Requirements: This is a writing intensive course. Each student will write 10 weekly short papers (1000 words each); give a class presentation and lead the ensuing discussion; and write a final paper (7-10 pages). Prerequisites: Philosophy 101 and 102, and at least one 200 level philosophy course.

Enrollment limit: 19 (expected 7-10).

PHIL 388T Consciousness (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

The nature of consciousness remains a fundamental mystery of the universe. Our internal, felt experience—what chocolate tastes like to oneself, what it is like to see the color red, or, more broadly, what it is like to have a first person, waking perspective at all—resists explanation in any terms other than the conscious experience of centuries of introspective effort by philosophers. Nonetheless, recent research suggests that the existence of consciousness requires a revision of basic physics, while others (seemingly desperately) deny that consciousness exists at all. Those positions remain extreme, but the challenge that consciousness poses is dramatic. It is at the same time the most intimately known fact of our humanity and science’s most elusive puzzle.

In this tutorial we will read the contemporary literature on consciousness. We will concentrate both on making precise the philosophical problem(s) of consciousness and on understanding the role of the relevant neuroscientific and cognitive research. Tutorial partners will have an opportunity to spend the end of the semester working on a special topic of their choosing including, for instance, consciousness and free will, pain and anesthetics, consciousness and artificial intelligence, or disorders of consciousness.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: Participants will present substantial written work in the tutorial every other week, and will be responsible for commenting on the instructor’s work on off weeks. Expect several short lectures by the instructor over the course of the semester where all the tutorial members convene.

Prerequisites: Philosophy 102 and at least one upper-level course in philosophy. Preference will be given to majors in Philosophy, or concentrators in Neurosciences or Cognitive Science. Open to sophomores with permission of the instructor. Every effort will be made to pair students according to similar or complimentary background. This course is writing intensive. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10).

CRUZ

PHIL 389 The Structural-Systematic Philosophy (Not offered 2011-2012)

The history of theoretical inquiry since the seventeenth century is plausibly viewed as a process whereby philosophy, for the Greeks the home of virtually all theoretical inquiry, is increasingly deprived of subject matters by the developments of the natural and social sciences. At an extreme, it can appear—and does appear, to many philosophers—that philosophy is left with no proper subject matter except perhaps those sciences themselves. On a different view, however, this process can appear instead as one that clarifies a proper subject matter for philosophy; that subject matter is the all-encompassing domain from which each science carves its specific domain. Comprehensive philosophical treatments of this all-encompassing domain may reasonably be termed “theories of everything.”

This seminar examines central components of such a theory that is currently under development; this is the structural-systematic philosophy presented in Structure and Being (Lorenz Puntel, translated by cooperation with Alan White) and Toward a Philosophical Theory of Everything (Alan White). Among the topics to be examined, as systematically interconnected, are language, knowledge, truth, mindlessness, ethics, aesthetics, world history, God, being as such.

Format: seminar. Requirements: attendance, preparation, participation; regular short writing assignments and/or class presentations; a term paper (10-15 pages).

Prerequisites: Philosophy 102 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 8-12). Preference to Philosophy majors.

WHITE

PHIL 391(T) The Ethics of Hume and Kant (W)

David Hume and Immanuel Kant are indisputably among the most influential figures in the western philosophical tradition. Interestingly, each regarded his work in epistemology and metaphysics as a mere prelude to his work in moral philosophy. In both domains, Kant took himself to be responding directly to Hume, whom he credited with awakening him from his dogmatic slumbers. In this tutorial we shall study their core works in moral philosophy, in which they develop conceptions of practical rationality, motivation, freedom, and morality. For Hume, we’ll read Books II and III of A Treatise of Human Nature, the Second Enquiry, and several essays, including “Of the Standard of Taste.” For Kant, we’ll read Groundwork of the Metaphysics of Morals and Critique of Practical Reason, along with related essays. Rich and intriguing in their own right, these texts are particularly rewarding when read together, as they articulate profoundly different views of the nature of human reason, agency, and sociality. It is no exaggeration to say that Hume and Kant have set the stage for much current work on these issues in contemporary ethics. One happy consequence of the enduring quality of their work is an abundance of superb secondary literature, which we’ll draw upon to supplement our study of the primary texts.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: students meet with the instructor in pairs for roughly an hour each week; each students will write a 5- to 6-page paper every other week (6 in all) and comment on their tutorial partner’s paper in alternate weeks. Emphasis will be placed on developing skills in reading, interpretation and oral argument, as well as critical reasoning and writing.

Prerequisites: A 100-level philosophy course, Philosophy 202 (History of Modern Philosophy), or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference: current and prospective Philosophy majors.

[History]

Tutoring meetings to be arranged.

BARRY
In this seminar we will study contemporary philosophers who see themselves as public intellectuals, using philosophy in an attempt to change as well as comment on the world.

Prerequisites: the course is required for senior Philosophy majors. Enrollment is limited to senior Philosophy majors.

Hour: 7:00-9:40 p.m. M, 1:10-3:50 W GERRARD

This course involves Independent Study under the supervision of a member of the department. The objective is the presentation and writing of a senior essay (maximum 40 pages).

This course involves Independent study under the supervision of a member of the department. The objective is the preparation and writing of a senior thesis (maximum 75 pages).

PHIL 497(F), 498(S) Independent Study

PHYSICAL EDUCATION, ATHLETICS, AND RECREATION

Chair and Director, LISA MELENODY


The instructional Physical Education Program at Williams is an integral part of the student’s total educational experience. As a part of the liberal arts concept, the program develops the mind-body relationship, which is dependent upon the proper integration of physical and intellectual capacities. The main objective of the physical education program is to develop in each student an appreciation of physical fitness and wellness, and to expose them to a variety of activities that are suitable for lifetime participation.

Four credits of Physical Education represent one of the requirements for the College degree. There are five physical education units during the year. In the fall academic semester, there are two six-week physical education quarters. Winter Study is another unit, and there are two physical education quarters in the spring academic semester. Two different activities must be completed.

The following courses are offered at various times during the year. A schedule listing all courses offered is issued to every student before each quarter and Winter Study. Classes may vary according to availability of instructors and interest of students.

PHYSICS (Div. III)

Professor DANIEL AALBERTS

Professors: AALBERTS, S. BOLTON, K. JONES, MAJUMDER, STRAIT, WOOTTERS. Associate Professors: TUCKER-SMITH. Assistant Professors: LOPES, STRAUCH. Visiting Assistant Professor: SEIFERT. Laboratory Supervisor: FORKEY.

What is light? How does a transistor work? What is a black hole? Why are metals shiny? What is the waveparticle duality? There are people for whom questions like these are of more than passing interest; some of them become Physics or Astrophysics majors. A physics student experiments with the phenomena by which the physical world is known and explores the mathematical techniques and theories that make sense of it. A Physics of Astrophysics major serves as preparation for further work in physics, astrophysics, applied physics, other sciences, engineering, medical research, science teaching and writing, and other careers involving insight into the fundamental principles of nature.

ASTROPHYSICS MAJOR

The Physics Department, in cooperation with the Astronomy Department, offers a major in astrophysics consisting of (at least): 6 or 7 courses in Physics, 3 of which are in Astronomy, and 1 in Mathematics. The core sequence of the Astrophysics major is the same as the Physics major described below (except that Physics 302, although strongly recommended, is not required). Students intending to pursue graduate study in astrophysics will need to take upper-level physics electives beyond the basic requirements for the major. Honors work in astrophysics may be in either physics or astronomy. Students majoring in Astrophysics are expected to consult early and often with faculty from both departments in determining their course selections. The detailed description of the Astrophysics major is given under "Astronomy," along with a description of the Astronomy major also offered by that department.

PHYSICS MAJOR

Introductory courses

Students considering a major in physics should take both physics and mathematics as first-year students. A student normally begins with either Physics 131 or Physics 141.

1) Physics 131 Introduction to Mechanics. This is designed as a first course in physics. It is suitable for students who either have not had physics before or have had some physics but are not comfortable solving “word problems” that require calculus.

2) Physics 141 Mechanics and Waves. Students in this course should have solid backgrounds in science and calculus, either from high school or college, including at least a year of high school physics.

The Department of Mathematics will place students in the appropriate introductory calculus course. The physics majors course sequences all make use of calculus at increasingly sophisticated levels. Therefore, students considering a Physics major should continue their mathematical preparation without interruption.
through the introductory calculus sequence (Mathematics 103, 104, and 105 or 106). Students are encouraged to take Physics 210 as early as possible. Physics 210 is cross listed as Mathematics 210 for the benefit of those students who wish to have the course listed with a MATH prefix.

Advanced Placement
Students with unusually strong backgrounds in calculus and physics may place out of Physics 141 and either: 1) begin with the special seminar course Physics 151 in the fall (typically followed by Physics 210 in the spring), or 2) begin with Physics 142 in the spring (possibly along with Physics 210). Students may take either 151 or 142 but not both. On rare occasions a student with an exceptional background will be offered the option of enrolling in Physics 210.

Placement is based on AP scores, consultation with the department, and results of a placement exam administered during First Days. The exam can also be taken later in the year by arrangement with the department chair. The exam covers classical mechanics, basic wave phenomena, and includes some multiple choice calculus techniques.

Requirements for the Major
A total of ten courses in physics and mathematics are required to complete the Physics major. Students who place out of both Physics 141 and Physics 142 and begin their studies in Physics 201 are required to take a total of nine courses.

Required Physics Sequence Courses

| Physics 141 | Mechanics and Waves |
| Physics 131 | Introduction to Mechanics |
| Physics 142 | Foundations of Modern Physics |
| Physics 151 | Seminar in Modern Physics |
| Physics 201 | Electricity and Magnetism |
| Physics 202 | Waves and Optics |
| Physics 210 | Mathematical Methods for Scientists |
| Physics 301 | Quantum Physics |
| Physics 302 | Statistical Mechanics and Thermodynamics |

Required Mathematics Course

| Mathematics 105 | Multivariable Calculus |
| Mathematics 106 | Multivariable Calculus |

Students entering with Advanced Placement in mathematics may obtain credit toward the major for the equivalent Mathematics 105 or 106 taken elsewhere. At least two more physics or other approved courses must be taken, bringing the total number of courses for the major to ten.

Options
1) Mathematics 104 may be counted if taken at Williams
3) Astronomy 111 may count in place of Physics 141 if a student places out of 141 (see “advanced placement” above).
4) An additional Astronomy or Astrophysics course above the introductory level that is acceptable for the astrophysics major may be counted.
5) Two approved Division III courses above the introductory level may be substituted for one Physics course. Approval is on an individual basis at the discretion of the department chair.
6) Honors work is in addition to completion of the basic major so Physics 493 and 494 do not count towards the ten courses in the major.

Preparation for Advanced Study

Students who may wish to do graduate work in physics, astrophysics, or engineering should elect courses in both physics and mathematics beyond the minimum major requirements. The first-year graduate school curricula in physics usually includes courses in quantum mechanics, electromagnetic theory, and classical mechanics that presuppose intermediate level study of these subjects as an undergraduate. Therefore, students planning graduate work in physics should elect all of the following courses:

| Physics 402T | Applications of Quantum Mechanics |
| Physics 405T | Electromagnetic Theory |
| Physics 411T | Classical Mechanics |

Advising

Both majors and non-majors are encouraged to consult with the department chair or course instructors about course selections or other matters.

The Degree with Honors in Physics

The degree with honors in Physics will be awarded on the basis of a senior thesis presenting the results of a substantial experimental or theoretical investigation carried out under the direction of a faculty member in the department. There is no rigid grade point average required for admission to the program or for the awarding of the degree with honors, but it is normally expected that honors students will maintain at least a B average in physics and mathematics. Students will normally apply for admission to the program early in the spring of their junior year and during senior year these students will normally elect Physics 493, 494, and 495 in addition to the usual requirements for the major. At the end of winter study, the department will decide whether the student will be admitted to honors candidacy. Both a written thesis and a colloquium presentation of the results are required. The degree with honors will be awarded to those who meet these requirements with distinction. The degree with highest honors will be awarded to those who fulfill them with unusually high distinction.

Honors candidates will also be required to participate in departmental colloquium talks.

Study Abroad

The physics curriculum is international in scope and a career in physics (or a related field) can provide many opportunities for travel and contact with individuals from outside the United States. The physics major at Williams is a carefully structured four-year program designed to prepare students who are so inclined for graduate study at leading research institutions. While it is possible to complete the major requirements in three years, such a major will not usually lead to further study in the field. With careful early planning on the part of a student, and close consultation with the department chair, it is possible to complete a strong major and still study abroad provided the foreign institution can provide courses which reasonably substitute or supplement those in the Williams major program.

Options for Non-Majors

Many students want to take a self-contained and rigorous full-year survey of physics. For such students, the most appropriate sequence will be either Physics 131 or Physics 141 followed by Physics 132, depending on the student’s background in science and mathematics (see Introductory Courses above). Either of these sequences satisfies the physics requirement for medical school.

The department also offers one semester courses designed for non-majors. This year there are two such offerings: Physics 107 and 109.

PHYS 107(F) Newton, Einstein, and Beyond (Q)
This course follows a quest to understand the nature of space, time, matter, and energy, one that continues to this day. We will focus on two scientific theories that revolutionized our understanding of the physical world, Newtonian mechanics (developed in the late 17th century) and Einstein’s special relativity (developed in the early 20th century). As we explore these theories, we will pay special attention to the very different stories they tell about space and time. We will conclude the semester by touching upon recent developments in cosmology, where observations have led to dramatic surprises about the make-up of our universe, and particle physics, where the Large Hadron Collider experiment is poised to extend our understanding of nature to higher energies and shorter distances.

This course is intended for students whose primary interests lie outside of the natural sciences and mathematics. The mathematics used will be algebra and trigonometry. Every student will have three meetings every week. Some weeks the three meetings will be lectures (MW 10-10:50), other weeks there will be two lectures (MF 10-10:50), and one conference section.

Format: lecture, three hours per week; problem-solving conference section, one hour per week. Evaluation will be based on weekly problem sets, quizzes, two midterms, and a final exam, all with a significant qualitative component (see the description of the QPR requirement). No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 100 (expected: 70). Preference given to students based on seniority.

PHYS 108 Energy Science and Technology (Same as Environmental Studies 108) (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
Energy use has skyrocketed in the United States and elsewhere in the world, causing significant economic and political shifts, as well as concerns for the environment. This course will address the physics and technology of energy generation, consumption, and conservation. It will cover a wide range of energy sources, including fossil fuels, hydropower, solar energy, wind energy, and nuclear energy. We will discuss energy use in transportation, manufacturing, building heating, and building lighting. Students will learn to compare the efficiencies and environmental impacts of various energy sources and use.

Format: lecture once a week plus weekly conference section. Evaluation will be based on weekly assignments, two hour tests, and a final project. All of these
PHYS 109(S) Sound, Light, and Perception (Q)
Light and sound allow us to perceive the world around us, from appreciating music and art to learning the details of atomic structure. Because of their importance in human experience, light and sound have long been the subject of scientific inquiry. How are sound and light related? How do physiology and neural processing allow us to hear and see the world around us? What are the origins of color and musical pitch? This course introduces the science and technology of light and sound, including essential wave phenomena, wave-based devices (lenses, mirrors, and lasers), and data processing applications. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20).
Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF Lab: 1-4
PHYS 110(S) General Physics I (Q)
This course is intended as the second half of a one-year survey of physics. In the first half of the semester, we will focus on wave phenomena in physics. Waves will start with this preface, progress on to topics including color, the optics of vision, the meaning of musical pitch and tone, and the physical basis of hearing. We will also discuss some recent technological applications of light, such as lasers and optical communications. The class will meet for two 75-minute periods each week for a variable mixture of lecture, discussion, and hands-on, interactive experiments.
Format: lecture/discussion. Each student will attend the Thursday lecture plus one conference section weekly. Evaluation will be based on class participation, problem sets, in-class exams, oral presentations, and a final exam, all with a quantitative component.
Hour: 1:10-2:25 R
Conferences: 1:10-2:25 M, 2:35-3:50 M
PHYS 111(S) General Physics II (Q)
Special relativity has extended physics into the realm of high speeds and high energies and requires us to rethink our basic notions of space and time. Quantum mechanics even describes particles with wave functions. Despite these diverse settings waves exhibit several common characteristics, so that the understanding of a few simple systems can provide insight into a wide array of phenomena. In this course we begin with the study of oscillations of springs, strings, and gravity waves. We then move on to study transverse and longitudinal waves in continuous media in order to gain a general description of wave behavior. The rest of the course focuses on electromagnetic waves and in particular on optical examples of wave phenomena. In addition to well known optical effects such as interference and diffraction, we will study a number of modern applications of optics such as short pulse lasers and optical communications. Throughout the course mathematical methods useful for higher-level physics will be introduced.
Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, three hours every other week. Evaluation will be based on exams, labs, and problem sets, all of which have a substantial quantitative component.
Prerequisites: Physics 131 or 141 and permission of instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 20).
Hour: 11:00-12:50 MWF Lab: 1-4
PHYS 132(S) Electromagnetism and the Physics of Matter (Q)
This course covers the same topics as Physics 131, but with a higher level of mathematical sophistication. It is intended for students with solid backgrounds in the sciences, either from high school or college, who feel comfortable solving “word problems” that require calculus. Physics 141 can lead to either Physics 132 (for students wanting a one-year survey of physics) or Physics 142 (for students considering a physics or astrophysics major).
Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, three hours every other week/conference, one hour every other week. Evaluation will be based on weekly problem sets, labs, quizzes and exams, all of which have a substantial quantitative component.
Prerequisites: Physics 131 or 141 or permission of instructor, and Mathematics 103. No enrollment limit (expected: 60).
Hour: 11:00-12:50 MWF Lab: 1-4
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PHYS 141(F) Mechanics and Waves (Q)
Newtonian Mechanics, spectacular as it is in describing planetary motion and a wide range of other phenomena, only hints at the richness of behaviors seen in the universe. Special relativity has extended physics into the realm of high speeds and high energies and requires us to rethink our basic notions of space and time. Quantum mechanics successfully describes atoms, molecules, and solids while at the same time calling into question our notions of what can be predicted by a physical theory. Statistical physics reveals new behaviors that emerge when many particles are present in a system. This course will survey some of these important ideas, and can serve either as a terminal course for those seeking to complete a year of physics or as the basis for more advanced study of these topics. Further, this course also provides essential background for study of electromagnetic waves and quantum mechanics. This course is intended for students wanting a one-year survey of physics or students considering a physics or astrophysics major.
Prerequisites: Placement by the department (see "advanced placement" section in the description about the department). Students may take either Physics 141 or Physics 142 but not both.
Hour: 11:00-11:50 MWF Lab: 1-4
PHYS 142(S) Foundations of Modern Physics (Q)
This course covers the same topics as Physics 131, but with a higher level of mathematical sophistication. It is intended for students with solid backgrounds in the sciences, either from high school or college, who feel comfortable solving “word problems” that require calculus. Physics 141 can lead to either Physics 132 (for students wanting a one-year survey of physics) or Physics 142 (for students considering a physics or astrophysics major).
Prerequisites: Placement by the department (see "advanced placement" section in the description about the department). Students may take either Physics 141 or Physics 142 but not both.
Hour: 11:00-11:50 MWF Lab: 1-4
SEIFERT
PHYS 210(S) Mathematical Methods for Scientists (Same as Mathematics 210) (Q)
This course covers a variety of mathematical methods used in the sciences, focusing particularly on the solution of ordinary and partial differential equations. In addition to providing techniques that arise frequently in the study of waves and diffusion, we develop general techniques such as looking for series solutions and, in the case of nonlinear equations, using phase portraits and linearizing around fixed points. We study some simple numerical techniques for solving differential equations. A series of optional sessions in Mathematica will be offered for students who are not already familiar with this computational tool.
Format: lecture, three hours per week. Evaluation will be based on weekly problem sets and several in-class exams, all of which have a substantial quantitative component.
Prerequisites: Mathematics 105 or 106 and familiarity with Newtonian mechanics at the level of Physics 131. No enrollment limit (expected: 20).
Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR TUCKER-SMITH

PHYS 301(F) Quantum Physics (Q)
This course serves as a one-semester introduction to the history, formalism, and phenomenology of quantum mechanics. We begin with a discussion of the historical origins of the quantum theory, and the Schrödinger wave equation. The concepts of matter waves and wave-packets are introduced. Solutions to one-dimensional problems will be treated prior to introducing the system which serves as a hallmark of the success of quantum theory, the three-dimensional hydrogen atom. In the second half of the course, we will develop the important connection between the underlying mathematical formalism and the physical predictions of the quantum theory. We then go on to apply this knowledge to several important problems within the realm of atomic and nuclear physics.
Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, three hours per week. Evaluation will be based on weekly problem sets, labs, a midterm exam, and final exam, all of which have a substantial quantitative component.
Prerequisites: Physics 202 and Physics 210. No enrollment limit (expected: 15).
Hour: 9:00-9:50 MWF Lab: 1-4 MWR MAJUMDER

PHYS 302(S) Statistical Mechanics and Thermodynamics (Q)
Properties like temperature, pressure, magnetization, heat capacity, etc describe the material world. Macroscopic objects are made up of huge numbers of fundamental particles interacting in simple ways — obeying the Schrödinger equation, Newton’s and Coulomb’s Laws. In this course we will develop the tools of statistical physics, which will allow us to predict the cooperative phenomena that emerge in large ensembles of interacting particles. We will apply those tools to a wide variety of physical questions, including the behavior of gases, polymers, heat engines, magnets, and electrons in solids.
Format: lecture/discussion, three hours per week; laboratory, three hours per week. Evaluation will be based on weekly problem sets, exams, and labs, all of which have a substantial quantitative component.
Prerequisites: Physics 201; Physics 210; Physics 202 recommended. No enrollment limit (expected: 15).
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR Lab: 1-4 TW AALBERTS

PHYS 315 Computational Biology (Same as Computer Science 315 and INTR 315) (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
This course will provide an overview of Computational Biology, the application of computational, mathematical, and physical problem-solving techniques to interpret the rapidly expanding amount of biological data. Topics covered will include database searching, DNA sequence alignment, phylogeny reconstruction, RNA and protein structure prediction, microarray analysis, and genome assembly using techniques such as string matching, dynamic programming, suffix trees, hidden Markov models, and expectation-maximization.
Format: lecture, three hours per week; laboratory, 1.5 hours per week. Evaluation will be based on weekly problem sets, programming assignments, and a few quizzes.
Prerequisites: programming experience (e.g. CSCI 136), mathematics (PHYS 210 or MATH 105), and physical science (PHYS 142 or 151, or CHEM 151 or 153 or 155), or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 10). Preference given to students based on seniority.

PHYS 316 Protecting Information: Applications of Abstract Algebra and Quantum Physics (Same as Mathematics 316) (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
Living in the early decades of the information age, we find ourselves depending more and more on codes that protect messages against either noise or eavesdropping. We begin this course by studying the history of this subject, including, for example, the story of the enigma code from World War II. We then examine some of the most important codes currently being used to protect information, including linear codes, which in addition to being mathematically elegant are the most practical codes for error correction, and the RSA public key cryptographic scheme, popular nowadays for internet applications. Looking ahead by a decade or more, we show how a “quantum computer” could crack any RSA code in short order, and how quantum cryptographic devices will achieve security through the Heisenberg uncertainty principle.
Evaluation will be based on homework sets and exams.
Prerequisites: Physics 210 or Mathematics 211 (possibly concurrent) or permission of the instructors. (Students not satisfying the course prerequisites but who have completed Mathematics 200 or Mathematics 251 are particularly encouraged to ask to be admitted.)

PHYS 319(F) Integrative Bioinformatics, Genomics, and Proteomics Lab (Same as Biology 319, Chemistry 319, Computer Science 319 and Mathematics 319) (Q)
(See under BIOL 319 for full description.)

PHYS 402T Applications of Quantum Mechanics (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
This course will explore a number of important topics in the application of quantum mechanics to physical systems, including perturbation theory and the semiclassical interaction of atoms and radiation. The course will finish up with an investigation of quantum optics including an experimental project on non-classical interference phenomena. Applications and examples will be taken mostly from atomic physics with some discussion of precision measurements and fundamental symmetries.
Format: tutorial, 1 and 1/4 hours per week; lecture, one hour per week. Evaluation will be based on weekly problem sets, tutorial participation, presentations, and a final exam or final project, all of which have a substantial quantitative component.
Prerequisites: Physics 301. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Not available for the Gaudino option.
K. JONES

PHYS 405(F) Electromagnetic Theory (Q)
We will review Maxwell’s equations and use them to study a range of topics—electric fields and matter, magnetic materials, light, radiation—exploring phenomena and the tricks of the trade used by physicists to gain an intuitive understanding of these sometimes complicated fields. We will also learn some useful approximation techniques and some beautiful mathematical tools.
The class will meet for two hours per week, on Monday and Wednesday from 1:00-2:25 P.M. There will be some homework between meetings, but there will be no weekly exams.
No enrollment limit (expected: 15).

PHYS 411T Classical Mechanics (Not offered 2011-2012) (Q)
The course will investigate advanced topics in classical mechanics including phase space plots, non-linear oscillators, numerical solutions, approximation methods, the calculus of variations, the Lagrangian and Hamiltonian reformulations of mechanics, rotating frames of reference (with emphasis on the implications for physics on the Earth) and scattering cross sections. The course involves the study of classical mechanics in other areas of physics will be explored. The class as a whole will meet once per week for an introductory lecture/discussion. A second tutorial meeting between the instructor and a pair of students will be scheduled later in the week. Students will turn in homework assignments which will be due on a timely basis.
Format: tutorial, 1 and 1/4 hours per week; lecture, one hour per week. Evaluation will be based on weekly problem sets, tutorial participation, presentations, and a final exam or final project, all of which have a substantial quantitative component.
Prerequisites: Physics 202 and Physics 210 or Mathematics 210. Enrollment limit: 10 per section (expected: 10). Not available for the Gaudino option.

SEIFERT
PHYS 418(S)  Gravity (Q)
This course is an introduction to the currently accepted theory of gravity, Einstein’s general relativity. We begin with a review of special relativity, emphasizing geometrical aspects of Minkowski spacetime. Working from the equivalence principle, we then motivate gravity as spacetime curvature, and study in detail the Schwarzschild geometry around a spherically symmetric mass. After this application, we use tensors to develop Einstein’s equation, which describes how energy density curves spacetime. With this equation in hand we study the Friedmann–Robertson–Walker geometries for an expanding universe, and finally, we linearize Einstein’s equation to develop the theory of gravitational waves.
Format: lecture, three hours per week. Evaluation will be based on weekly problem sets, a midterm exam, and a final exam, all with a substantial quantitative component.
Prerequisites: Physics 301 or Physics 405 or Physics 411 (students with strong math backgrounds are invited to consult with the instructor about a possible waiving of the prerequisites.) No enrollment limit (expected: 19).
Not available for the Gaudino option.
Hour: 9:30-9:50 MWF

PHYS 493(F)-W31, W31-494(S)  Senior Research
An original experimental or theoretical investigation is carried out under the direction of a faculty member in Physics, as discussed above under the heading of The Degree with Honors in Physics.
Prerequisites: permission of the department. Senior course.
Hour: TBA

ASPH 493(F)-W31, W31-494(S)  Senior Research in Astrophysics
(See under ASPH 493 for full description.)

PHYS 497(F), 498(S)  Independent Study
Hour: TBA

PHYS 499(F,S)  Physics and Astronomy Colloquium (Same as Astronomy 499)
Physics and Astronomy researchers from around the country come to explain their research. Students of Physics and Astronomy at any level are welcome. This is not a for-credit course. Registration is not necessary to attend.
Hour: 2:35-3:50 F

POLITICAL ECONOMY (Div. II)
Chair, Professor DAREL E. PAUL
Advisory Committee: Professors: GOLLIN, MAHON, MARCUS, MONTIEL, SWAMY. Associate Professors: BAKIJA, PAUL.

The Political Economy major is designed to give students a grasp of the ways in which political and economic forces interact in shaping public policy. The major includes substantial study of the central analytical approaches in both Political Science and Economics and seeks to surmount the sometimes artificial barriers of specialization that may characterize either discipline taken by itself. Three of the required Political Economy courses undertake a conscious merging of the approaches in the two fields. (These courses are designed by, and usually are taught jointly by, political scientists and economists.) Political Economy 250 examines major theoretical texts in political economy and analyzes economic liberalism and critiques of economic liberalism in the context of current policy issues. Political Economy 401 examines contemporary issues in political economy in their domestic, comparative and international contexts. Political Economy 402 asks students to research and make proposals in policy areas of current importance. Background for the two senior courses is acquired through courses in international economics, public finance, and domestic and international/comparative politics and policy.

Students in Political Economy 402 visit Washington, D.C. Sunday night through Wednesday of the first week of spring vacation to conduct interviews relating to their Political Economy 402 group projects. This is a course requirement and thus a requirement for the major.

MAJOR
(Note: Beginning with the class of 2012, Political Economy majors must complete one course with a substantial experiential education component and related to public policy.

Four Introductory Courses.
ECON 110  Principles of Microeconomics
ECON 120  Principles of Macroeconomics
PSCI 201  Power, Politics, and Democracy in America
or PSCI 203  Introduction to Political Theory
PSCI 202  World Politics: An Introduction to International Relations
or PSCI 204  Introduction to Comparative Politics: State, Nation, and Democracy

Four Political Economy Program Courses.
POEC 250  Economic Liberalism and Its Critics
POEC 253  Empirical Methods in Political Economy
or ECON 555  Econometrics
POEC 401  Contemporary Problems in Political Economy
POEC 402  Political Economy of Public Policy Issues

Three Elective Courses
(NOTE: students may not take all three of their electives in the same department.)

One Comparative Political Economy/General Public Policy course:
ECON/ENV 204  Economics of Developing Countries
or ECON/ENV 213  Introduction to Environmental and Natural Resources Economics
or ECON 225T  Global Financial Crisis and African Economic Development (not offered 2011–12)
or ECON/ENV 228T  Water as a Scarcity Resource
or ECON 378  Long-Run Perspectives on Economic Growth
or ECON/ENV 386  Environmental Policy and Natural Resource Management
or ECON 389  Tax Policy in Emerging Markets (not offered 2011–12)
or ECON 390T  Financial Crises: Causes and Cures (not offered 2011–12)
or ECON 392  Institutions and Governance
or ECON 503  Public Economics
or ECON 505  Finance and Development
or ECON 517  Tax Policy in Emerging Markets
or ECON 520T  Inclusive Growth
or PSCI 301/ENVI 309/HSCI 309/SCST 309  Understanding Public Policy
or PSCI 351  The New Left and Neoliberalism in Latin America
or PSCI 352T  Comparative Political Economy
or WIOX 323  Command and Transitional Economies
or WIOX 324  Economics of Developing Countries
or WIOX 326  Public Economics
or WIOX 328  Labour Economics and Industrial Relations
or WIOX 375  Political Economy of the European Union

One U.S. Political Economy and Public Policy course:
ECON 205  Public Economics (not offered 2011–12)
or ECON 220  American Economic History (not offered 2011–12)
THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN POLITICO-ECONOMY

POEC 250(F) (formerly 301) Economic Liberalism and Its Critics (Same as Economics 299 and Political Science 238)

Economic liberalism holds that society is better off if people enjoy economic freedom. Its critics point to what they believe this position ignores or what it wrongly assumes, and hence, how it would make bad policy. This course explores the relationship between politics and economics by surveying influential works of political economy. Its first part examines major thinkers in relation to the historical development of capitalism in Western Europe and the United States: the classical liberalism of Adam Smith, Karl Marx’s revolutionary socialism, and the reformist ideas of John Stuart Mill, R. H. Tawney, and John Maynard Keynes. The second part considers more recent writings that revise and critique liberalism from a variety of perspectives, and then illustrates the contrasting perspectives with reference to important policy areas. The historical focus of the course permits you to appreciate the ongoing dialogue between classical and contemporary views of political economy, while classroom discussion involves frequent reference to current public policy issues.

Format: lecture/discussion/lecture format. Requirements: eight 2-page papers and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Economics 110 and 120 or equivalent; Political Science 201 or 203 (may be taken concurrently with POEC 250) or AP credit in American Politics (or permission of instructor). Enrollment limit: 35 (expected: 30). Preference given to Political Economy majors and sophomores intending a Political Economy major.

Required in the Political Economy major but open to non-majors.

Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR

MAHON and BAKIJA

POEC 253(F) Empirical Methods in Political Economy (Same as Economics 253) (Q)

This course introduces students to common empirical tools used in policy analysis and implementation. The broad aim is to train students to be discriminating consumers of public policy-relevant research. The emphasis in the course is on intuitive understanding of the central concepts. Through hands-on work with data and critical assessment of existing empirical social scientific research, students will develop the ability to choose and employ the appropriate tool for a particular policy analysis they will do in POEC 402.

Format: lecture and discussion. Requirements: problem sets, group projects, short essays, and three quizzes.

Prerequisites: Mathematics 103 or its equivalent and one course in Economics; not open to students who have taken Economics 255.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR

SWAMY

POEC 379(F), 398(S) Independent Study

Open to juniors or seniors majoring in Political Economy, with approval of a faculty supervisor and the chair.

POEC 401(F) Contemporary Problems in Political Economy

This course examines contemporary problems in political economy at and across diverse spatial scales. Using both Economics and Political Science methods of analysis, students study the exercise of power and the accumulation of wealth in the world today as well as central public policy debates around those processes. We begin with a theoretical discussion of economic policy. Then we move through three course sections organized around contemporary problems at three distinct scales: the global political economy, the United States political economy, and comparative political economy with an emphasis on the advanced capitalist countries. We end by taking issues usually studied at a single scale and exploring their innate interconnections through an integrated political-economic and public policy analysis of immigration. The goal of this course is both to build upon theoretical debates encountered in POEC 250 as well as to prepare students for the public policy analysis they will do in POEC 402.

Format: seminar. Requirements: two 8- to 10-page papers; one 12- to 15-page paper rewrite; class presentations; class participation.

Prerequisites: Economics 110 and 120; Political Science 201 or 203, or equivalent; Political Science 202 or 204, or equivalent; open to non-majors. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 15). Preference given to Political Economy majors. Required in the Political Economy major but open to non-majors.

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR

PAUL and GOLLIN
The Political Science major is structured to allow students either to participate in the established ways of studying politics or to develop their own foci. To this end, the department offers two routes to completing the major, each requiring nine courses. We invite students either to organize their major through the subfields that structure the discipline of political science (American politics, international relations, political theory, and comparative politics), or to develop individual concentrations reflecting their particular interests, regardless of subfields.

MAJOR

SUBFIELD CONCENTRATION ROUTE: Upon declaring a major, students choose one subfield: American politics, international relations, political theory, or comparative politics. The subfield concentration draws at least four (4) of the nine courses from one subfield including the appropriate core course from 201-204, two electives of the student’s choice at the 200 or 300 level and the senior seminar (or an individual project) in the student’s subfield. Students selecting political theory as the subfield concentration must take Political Science 231 or Political Science 232 as one of their four subfield courses, in addition to taking Political Science 203 and prior to taking Political Science 430. With permission of the department chair, students may take a senior seminar in a different subfield, providing they take a third elective in the subfield of concentration. In addition, students must take courses in two subfields outside the subfield of concentration to satisfy the breadth requirement (all courses at the 100 level and all methods courses also count toward the breadth requirement). The faculty advisor must approve the student plan. All students must take at least one 300-level course and one research course to complete the major. (Most senior seminars are also research courses but, especially in political theory, not all are.) In addition, no more than two 100-level courses can count toward the major.

INDIVIDUAL CONCENTRATION ROUTE: Alternatively, students may devise a concentration of their own. In this event, the student prepares a curricular plan in consultation with a faculty advisor, explaining the nature of the concentration and the courses the student will take. The individual concentration also requires, with at least five subfield credits, the appropriate core concentration. Of these five courses, four are electives at the 200 or 300 level, including one from 201-204, and one is a senior seminar or individual project. In addition, students pursuing an individual concentration must take at least two other courses that illustrate breadth in political science. To complete the requirement, the student has his or her choice of any two other courses within the Political Science Department. The faculty advisor and the department chair must approve the student plan. All students must take at least one 300-level course and one research course to complete the major. (Most senior seminars are also research courses but, especially in political theory, not all are.) In addition, no more than two 100-level courses can count toward the major.

ADVICE

When a student chooses to major in Political Science (usually at the end of the sophomore year), he or she may register with any Political Science faculty member. The registering faculty member will ask for preferences for a permanent faculty advisor and will assist undecided students in finding an advisor. In all cases, students will be paired by the end of the sophomore year with an advisor who will continue with them through graduation.

COURSE NUMBERING

The course numbering used by the Political Science Department reflects the format and specialization of a course. The 100-level courses are designed to address political topics from multiple subfield perspectives; many are seminars designed for first-year students. The 200-level courses are divided between our core courses and our electives. The core courses, numbered from 201-204, serve as introductions both to the substance of politics and the subfields organizing the study of politics. The introductory subfield courses must be taken before the senior year. The 200-level elective courses delve into political processes, problems and philosophies. 100-level and 200-level courses have no prerequisites, 300-level courses are more specialized and have prerequisites. 400-level courses are senior seminars offered for students in the major; senior seminars also are open to juniors and to non-majors if space permits.

WINTER STUDY PROJECT

The department welcomes relevant WSP 99 proposals that can make important contributions to the student’s understanding of public affairs and politics. Majors and non-majors and students without previous WSP 99 experience have preference.

THE JUNIOR YEAR ABROAD

A major in Political Science can be readily and usefully combined with study off-campus. Generally, only one course taken per semester abroad in a program approved by the College may be counted toward the requirements for a degree in Political Science.

PREPARATION FOR GRADUATE STUDY

The Department recommends that students contemplating graduate school, especially if they plan to study fields outside political theory, take a course in research and quantitative methods, such as PSCI 300 or, if it is not taught, ECON/POEC 253.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

To become a candidate for honors the student must (1) apply in the second semester of the junior year, (2) submit a research proposal acceptable to the department’s honors committee and for which an appropriate advisor is available, (3) have a record of academic excellence in Political Science. The last includes not only the student’s cumulative GPA in Political Science, generally 3.5 or above, but also demonstrated research and writing skills, evidenced by one or two examples of graded work submitted along with the thesis proposal. Along with the successful completion of a high-quality thesis, the degree with honors in Political Science requires enrollment in the year-long senior thesis seminar, in addition to the other nine (9) courses of the regular major requirements.

ADVANCED STUDY IN AMERICAN POLITICS

The Department of Political Science provides the opportunity for an unusually gifted student to engage in an entire year’s advanced research in American politics under singularly favorable conditions. Supported by income derived from an endowment fund, the student, designated the Sentinels of the Republic Scholar (after the name of the fund), receives a substantial research stipend to cover costs associated with the proposed project.

This unique research course (Political Science 481-W33-482) is designed to acquaint students with the pursuit of excellence among the most talented Williams students of Political Science. Admission to it is awarded to the most distinguished candidate on the basis of demonstrated capacity for outstanding work and of the project’s promise for creative contributions to the understanding of American politics, political institutions and thought.

PSCI 100 Asia and the World (Same as Asian Studies 201 and International Studies 101) (Not offered 2011-2012)

Asia looms large in contemporary world politics. Japan is gradually assuming an expanded regional national security role; The People’s Republic of China is emerging as a multifaceted Great Power; India is challenged by rising ethno-nationalism. This course will explore both the historical background and current dynamics of political and economic issues in these three countries, dealing on themes of imperialism, nationalism, and globalization. It is an introductory class and, therefore, no prior coursework in political science or Asian studies is necessary.

Format: predominately lecture. Requirements: two short papers and a final exam.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 35 per section (expected: 35 per section).

Comparative Politics and International Relations Subfields
PSCI 101 The Study of Politics: Democracy (Not offered 2011-2012)
Winston Churchill called it ‘the worst form of government, except for all the others.’ H.L. Mencken described it as ‘the art of running the circus from the monkey cage.’ Dave Barry defined it as a governmental system ‘in which you say what you like and do what you’re told.’ Yet, for all its critics (both serious and satirical), democracy—the once radical, now commonplace political idea that governmental power should be vested in “the people” lives and (in some cases) thrives in every corner of the globe. What are the virtues of democracy as a political system, and what are its limitations? How is it practiced in America, and how does it vary around the world? How—or how well—does it balance bottom-up grassroots activism with top-down elite leadership? How does it relate to economic development, social strife, and military conflict? Examining questions such as these with both empirical analysis and normative theorizing and with reference to both history and current events, this course will simultaneously serve as an introduction to the subject of democracy, to the discipline of political science, and to the members of the Political Science Department, with more than ten different faculty teaching at least one class session.

Requirements: short (3 page) weekly writing assignments, a take-home final exam, and class participation (including four mandatory discussion sections).
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 35 (expected: 35). Only open to first-year students. CROWE and members of the department

PSCI 110(S) Seminar: The Politics of Place in America (W)
What does it mean when someone says they’re a Midwesterner? A New Englander? A Texan? Is there importance attached to being an urban resident versus a suburbanite? What about a rural resident? What’s the significance of living in a border town? This course explores the politics of place. The country’s politics have always been keyed, in important ways, to geography: representation in national government is defined in terms of geographic areas; resources from the national government are distributed unequally around the country; state and local governments, which have an influential role in our political system, vary tremendously from place to the next; and the country’s history has been marked by the violence of geographic conflicts as well as the acquisition of new territory. Much of its social and economic life can also be understood in terms of geography. Patterns of settlement, immigration, slavery, agriculture, education, religion, and cultural production have left and continue to leave different patterns of sediment throughout the country; these patterns and their interactions form the bedrock of American politics. We will spend the semester thinking about the significance of place in politics by exploring the ways that culture, economy, and political institutions vary throughout the country. Topics covered will include urbanization and urban politics, the development of the suburbs, regional differences, and the effects of globalization on local differences.
Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, weekly 1-page reading responses, two 5-page papers, one 15-page research paper.
Prerequisites: open only to first year students. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference to first-year students. Hour: 11-12:35

PSCI 120(S) Seminar: America and the World After September 11 (W)
The terrorist attacks of September 11 and the war in Afghanistan raised fundamental questions about the past and future course of American foreign policy. While virtually no one defended the terrorist attacks, many academics argued that the root causes of September 11th were to be found in the flaws of the American approach to the world. In this view, America is an arrogant, unilateralist country that ignores the views and perspectives of the rest of the world community, relies far too much on its overwhelming military power, and often acts against its ideals and values by supporting repressive and unpopular regimes. This course has three primary objectives. First, we will assess important critiques of contemporary American foreign policy from both the left and right of the political spectrum. Second, we will examine the historical and intellectual background of both supporters and critics of American foreign policy in the post Vietnam War era. Third, in the aftermath of September 11 we will attempt to answer the most important question of all for any analysis of American foreign policy: What is to be done? While current issues of American foreign policy will be addressed in this class, potential students should note that its primary focus is not on the technical/military elements of combating terrorism. Particular attention will be paid to constructing policy relevant arguments.
Format: seminar. Requirements: assignments will include short response papers and three 5- to 7-page papers
No prerequisites; not open to juniors and seniors. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to first-year students and potential Leadership Studies concentrators.
International Relations Subfield
Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

PSCI 125(F) Power, Leadership and Legitimacy: An Introduction to Leadership Studies (Same as Leadership Studies 125)
(See under AFR 125 for full description.)
C. CHANDLER

PSCI 132 Contemporary African Social and Political Philosophy (Same as Africana Studies 132) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
(See under AFR 132 for full description.)

PSCI 140(F) Seminar: Religion and Capitalism (Same as Religion 283) (W)
Up through the 1960s it was popular to claim that the world was becoming increasingly and inevitably secular, with the development of modern capitalist social relations as a signature cause. Forty years hence the ‘secularization thesis’ is largely defunct. Instead one sees the vibrant return of religion to social, economic and political prominence in most parts of the world. Why are we experiencing the same backdrop of the so-called ‘third industrial revolution’ the most recent economic advance in a century? This course seeks to investigate and answer one simple yet encompassing question: what is the relationship between these two signature forces of religion and capitalism—one cultural, one material—which have constructed and continually define our world? In investigating this theme, we will discuss both the origins of capitalist society as well as its more recent transformations through the rise of the welfare state, consumerism and globalization. In the course of this study, the ‘God gap’ between largely theist Africa, South and West Asia, and the Americas on the one hand and largely atheist Europe and East Asia on the other, as well as investigate what has replaced organized religion in the latter regions. The focus of the course is on Christianity in Western countries both historically and in the present, but we will spend time discussing religion (particularly Pentecostalism) and capitalism in the contemporary Global South as well.
Format: seminar. Requirements: regular discussion questions, two medium-length papers, in-class paper workshops, final research paper incorporating first two papers.
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF

PSCI 201(F,S) Power, Politics, and Democracy in America
Begun as an experiment over 200 years ago, the United States has grown into a polity that is simultaneously praised and condemned, critiqued and mythologized, modeled by others and remodeled itself. This course introduces students to the dynamics and tensions that have animated the American political order and that have complicated assessments of the American system. Notably, we will study the American system in the broadest possible terms that include the Constitution and the Federalist Papers, the primary institutions of national government and then and now (Congress, the Presidency, and the Supreme Court) and the politics of policy-making in the United States. We study structures, processes, key events, and primary actors that have shaped American political development. In investigating these topics, we explore questions such as these: How is power allocated? What produces political change? Is there a trade-off between democratic accountability and effective governance? How are tensions between liberty and equality resolved? Do the institutions produce good policies, and how do we define what is good?
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: depending on the section, some combination of response papers, short-to-medium length papers, exams, and class participation.
No prerequisites. This is an introductory course, open to all, including first-year students. Enrollment limit: 35 per section (expected: 35 per section). Preference given to first- and second-year students.
American Politics Subfield
Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR 11:00-12:15 MWF, 8:30-9:45 TR

PSCI 202(F,S) World Politics: An Introduction to International Relations
Whereas the field of comparative politics looks at what goes on inside various countries, international relations considers the actions of sovereign states toward one another and the patterns and institutions that they create. International politics differs from domestic politics in the absence of centralized, legitimate institutions. Anarchy characterizes the world of sovereign states—there is no world government, nor agreement that one is desirable or even possible. This lack of a common authority means that any dispute among countries is up to the countries themselves to settle, by negotiating, appealing to shared norms, or using force.
For this reason, while international relations involves many of the same topics that consume domestic politics—ethnic antagonisms, spending on aid, war, national identity, inequality, weapons manufacture, finance, loans, pollution, migration—it shares few of the same processes for dealing with them. This course covers...
theories and problems central to international relations. It considers the importance that this radical decentralization has for achieving values we hold, and examines processes that might undermine or support the anarchical system in which we live. Format: lecture. Requirements: some combination of short papers, midterm exam/paper, final exam, and class participation.

No prerequisites; this is an introductory course, open to first-year students and sophomores. Juniors and seniors may enroll only with permission of instructor, and only under special circumstances. Enrollment limit: 35 per section (expected: 35 per section). Preference given to first-year students and sophomores intending to major in Political Science.

International Relations Subfield

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR
1:10-2:25 MR
First Semester: Shanks
Second Semester: Mccallister

Psci 203(FS) Introduction to Political Theory
Is politics war by other means? Is it merely a practical way to meet our needs? Or is it, rather, the activity through which citizens pursue justice and the good life? And what is justice? How can it be established and secured? What are the powers and obligations of citizenship? Who should rule? Who decides? On what basis? Political theory addresses questions such as these as it investigates the fundamental problems of how we can, do, and ought to live together. The questions have sparked controversy since the origins of political thinking; the answers remain controversial now. This course addresses the controversies, focusing on major works of ancient, modern, and contemporary theory by such authors as Plato, Aristotle, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Rousseau, Hegel, Mill, Marx, Nietzsche, Arendt, Rawls, and Foucault. Themes may include authority, obligation, power, war, violence, freedom, justice, equality, democracy, liberalism, capitalism, community, and the emphasis will vary from semester to semester.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: two or three papers; some sections also have a final exam.

No prerequisites. This is an introductory course, open to all, including first-year students. Enrollment limit: 25 per section (expected 25). Preference given to first- and second-year students.

American Politics Subfield

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR, 11:20-12:35 TR, 9:55-11:10 TR
First Semester: Njoya
Second Semester: J Adams

Psci 204(FS) Introduction to Comparative Politics: State, Nation, and Democracy
Whereas the field of international relations focuses upon the actions of sovereign states toward one another, the comparative study of politics looks mainly at what goes on inside countries, the domestic dynamics of political power and institutions. It asks, for example, where sovereign states come from, why political life differs so much from one country to another, and how political regimes, structures and institutions change, sometimes suddenly. This comparative politics is often the study of countries with stable and relatively effective governments take for granted (and why they may take it for granted).

In this course, we will examine several broad historical-political themes: the rise of modern state structures; the emergence of capitalism; the articulation of national identities; the spread of liberalism and democracy; and the meaning of these concepts. Meanwhile answers will require us to look at them theoretically, historically, comparatively, and through contemporary developments.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: two 5- to 7-page papers and a final exam.

No prerequisites; this is an introductory course, open to all, including first-year students. Enrollment limit: 35 (expected: 23). Preference given to first-year students and sophomores.

Comparative Politics Subfield

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR, 1:10-2:25 MR
First Semester: Macdonald, Crane
Second Semester: Munemo

Psci 205 Contemporary American Conservative Political Thought (Not offered 2011-2012)
Conservative thinkers claim to be leading an intellectual transformation away from the tired nostrums of liberalism. They see themselves as original, dynamic, serious. This course will read leading conservative political thinkers with a view to identifying their central tenets, both negative and positive. What is it that they oppose and what is it that they support? What, if anything, defines contemporary conservative thinking? Is it a coherent body of thought, a doctrine, or a collection of disparate and conflicting thinkers? What is the relationship of thinkers who emphasize the market, order, and traditional values?

Format: seminar. Requirements: one 3-page paper, one 5- to 7-page paper, and one 10-page paper.


American and Theory Subfields

M. Macdonald

Psci 206 Foundations of Afro-Caribbean Thought (Same as Africana Studies 180) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under Afr 180 for full description.)

Robert's

Psci 207 Political Elections (Not offered 2011-2012)
The National and state elections taking place this fall, 2010, will be “interesting”. Historically, mid-term elections, elections without the dominant consideration of who will be the President, generate less attention and less involvement of the public. But, while midterm elections often seem to have less at stake, in 2010 much is at stake. The 21st century in the United States has had a very turbulent beginning and the American public is very divided over how best to respond to much of what is at stake. The 21st century in the United States has had a very turbulent beginning and the American public is very divided over how best to respond to much of what is at stake. The 21st century in the United States has had a very turbulent beginning and the American public is very divided over how best to respond to much of what is at stake. The 21st century in the United States has had a very turbulent beginning and the American public is very divided over how best to respond to much of what is at stake. The 21st century in the United States has had a very turbulent beginning and the American public is very divided over how best to respond to much of what is at stake. The 21st century in the United States has had a very turbulent beginning and the American public is very divided over how best to respond to much of what is at stake. The 21st century in the United States has had a very turbulent beginning and the American public is very divided over how best to respond to much of what is at stake. The 21st century in the United States has had a very turbulent beginning and the American public is very divided over how best to respond to much of what is at stake. The 21st century in the United States has had a very turbulent beginning and the American public is very divided over how best to respond to much of what is at stake. The 21st century in the United States has had a very turbulent beginn

Format: lecture. Requirements: a midterm, a final, and a research paper.


American Politics Subfield

Marcus

Psci 208(S) Wealth in America (W)
The pursuit of wealth is an important feature of American political identity, captured by the ideas of the American dream and the Protestant work ethic. The accumulation of wealth has been lauded as both a worthy individual activity and a vital component of the nation’s public interest. Yet inequality in wealth may conflict with the political equality necessary for democratic governance and public trust, leading to concerns that we are sacrificing community, fairness, and opportunity for benefits to a small portion of the population. This tutorial focuses on questions about the public value of wealth and its accumulation, which have become more pressing now that the richest one percent of Americans own 34 percent of privately held wealth. Some readings will be historical, particularly those focusing on American political thought and the politics of the Gilded Age, such as Andrew Carnegie’s “Gospel of Wealth”. Most of the readings, such as Graetz and Shapiro’s Death by a Thousand Cuts and Person and Hacker’s Winner-Take-All Politics, will focus on contemporary political debates about the accumulation, concentration, and redistribution of wealth, prompted by concerns about high—and increasing—inequality in both income and wealth.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: five essays (5 pages each), five critiques (2 pages each), and one final paper.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to sophomores with an interest in social sciences and junior political science and political economy majors.

American Politics Subfield

Taylor's

Psci 209 Poverty in America (Not offered 2011-2012)
Although some lament that the U.S. is heading toward socialism, social welfare programs in the U.S. differ in important ways from those in other wealthy and democratic nations. This course focuses on the adoption and development of policies to address poverty and inequality in the U.S. The issues we will explore include: What is poverty and who is poor? What economic, historical, and sociological theories have been advanced to explain poverty? Why has the U.S. adopted some approaches to reduce poverty but not others? What enduring political conflicts have shaped the U.S. welfare state?

Format: discussion/seminar. Requirements: class participation, two or three short papers, and a final paper.

No prerequisites; open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 25). Preference given to Political Science, Political Economy, and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies majors.
PSCI 210(F) Culture and Incarceration (Same as Africana Studies 210, American Studies 210, INTR 210 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 210)

This course examines the role of incarceration, immigration detention centers, and the death penalty from historical and contemporary perspectives. Students will study and examine interdisciplinary texts as well as primary sources (legislative and criminal codes and writings by the incarcerated). The emphasis will be on the study of social attitudes concerning ethnic groups, gender/sexuality and class as they pertain to a “penal culture” in the United States. 

Format: seminar. Requirements: attendance and active participation (10%); collective/group presentations (30%); four 3- to 5-page double spaced e-papers (60%).
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 20. Preference given to juniors and seniors, or sophomores with permission of instructor.
Hour: 7:40-9:40 p.m. M JAMES

PSCI 211(F) Public Opinion and Political Behavior

The focus of this course is the role of public opinion in democratic regimes. The influence of public opinion on public affairs and popular governments is a relatively new phenomenon in the history of governments (largely subsequent to the American and French revolutions). We can see from recent events the importance of public opinion. In the early 1990s, the American public quickly became interested in drought and starvation in Somalia pressing the American government to intervene, if briefly and unsuccessfully. Some have claimed that American journalists successfully provoked the American public to go to war (the Spanish-American War, creating the slogan, “Remember the Maine”), and to withdraw from war (Viet Nam). More recently, public support to commence the Iraq war was generated in the United States while at the same time democratic publics in other nations strongly opposed the war. We see political leaders make use of the “bully pulpit” to rally support for their agendas, efforts that sometimes succeed and other times fail. We shall explore public opinion in American politics. There are many interesting questions awaiting us this semester. How do events and crises influence public opinion? Which psychological, sociological, and political factors impact public opinion formation? When and under what circumstances do pressure groups influence public opinion? Do mass beliefs alter individual voters' choices? When and how do political leaders influence public opinion and how does public opinion influence political leaders?

Format: lecture/discussion. In addition, we will have direct access to the holdings of the Roper Center, using IPOLL, which enables direct exploration of the thousands of polls on American public opinion from 1937 to today. Requirements: 8- to 12-page research paper, a midterm and final examination. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 14 (expected 14).

American Politics Subfield
Research Course
Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR MARCUS

PSCI 213(F) Theory and Practice of Civil Rights Protest (Same as Africana Studies 213)

Analysis of the ideas, leadership, tactics, and pivotal episodes of the American Civil Rights Movement. The course will focus on the period from World War II through the late 1960s. Attention will be given to primary writings about race segregation, civil disobedience, mass political action, and the conditions that promote or hinder the effective exercise of citizenship rights by racial minorities.

Requirements: a midterm, a paper, and a final exam.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 35.

American Politics Subfield
Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF A. WILLINGHAM

PSCI 216(F) American Constitutionality I: Structures of Power

How has the American Constitution been debated and understood over time? What is the relationship between constitutional and political change? This course examines the historical development of American constitutional law and politics from the Founding to the present. Our focus is on structures of power—the limits on congressional lawmaking, growth of presidential authority, establishment of judicial review, conflicts among the three branches of the federal government, and boundaries between the federal and state and local governments. The specific disputes under these rubrics range from secession to impeachment, gun control to child labor, waging war to sparring commerce; the historical periods to be covered include the Marshall and Taney Court years, the Civil War and Reconstruction, the Progressive era, the New Deal, the Warren Court, and the conservative ascendancy of the late twentieth century. Readings are drawn from Supreme Court opinions, presidential addresses, congressional debates and statutes, political party platforms, key tracts of American political thought, and secondary scholarship on constitutional development. Throughout the semester, our goal will be less to remember elaborate doctrinal rules and multi-part constitutional “tests” than to understand the changing nature of, and changing relationship between, constitutional power and constitutional meaning in American history.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: three 5- to 7-page essays, a final exam, and class participation.

American Politics Subfield
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF CROWE

PSCI 217 American Constitutionality II: Rights and Liberties (Not offered 2011-2012)

How has the American Constitution been debated and understood over time? What is the relationship between constitutional and political change? This course examines the historical development of American constitutional law and politics from the Founding to the present. Our focus is on rights and liberties—freedom of expression, property, criminal justice, and equality. The specific disputes under these rubrics range from abortion to affirmative action, hate speech to capital punishment, school prayer to same-sex marriage; the historical periods to be covered include the early republic, the ante-bellum era, the Civil War and Reconstruction, World Wars I and II, the Warren Court, and contemporary America. Readings are drawn from Supreme Court opinions, presidential addresses, congressional debates and statutes, political party platforms, key tracts of American political thought, and secondary scholarship on constitutional development. Throughout the semester, our goal will be less to remember elaborate doctrinal rules and multi-part constitutional “tests” than to understand the changing nature of, and changing relationship between, constitutional rights and constitutional meaning in American history.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: three 5- to 7-page essays, a final exam, and class participation.

American Politics Subfield
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF CROWE

PSCI 218 The American Presidency (Same as Leadership Studies 218) (Not offered 2011-2012)

To study the presidency is to study human nature and personality, constitution and institution, strategy and contingency. This course will examine the problems and issues that confront the exercise of the most powerful political office in the world’s oldest democracy: Can an executive office be constructed with sufficient energy to govern and also be democratically accountable? How much do we attribute the shaping of politics to the agency of the individual in the office and to what extent are politics the result of structural, cultural, and institutional factors? Are the politics of the presidency different in foreign and domestic policy? How are national security concerns balanced with domestic priorities such as the protection of civil liberties? How is the office and purpose of the president shaped by an economic order predicated on private capital? How do events and crises influence public opinion? Which psychological, sociological, and political factors impact public opinion formation? When and how do political leaders influence public opinion and how does public opinion influence political leaders?

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: attendance and active participation (10%); collective/group presentations (30%); four 3- to 5-page double spaced e-papers (60%).
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 20. Preference given to juniors and seniors, or sophomores with permission of instructor.
Hour: 7:40-9:40 p.m. M JAMES

PSCI 219(F) Women in National Politics (Same as INTR 219 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 219) (W)

This course examines the most important political and diplomatic divide in the Western Hemisphere. The first half is a historical survey of US-Latin American foreign relations from the early Spanish American independence movements through the end of the Cold War, with some emphasis on the latter. We consider how US history confirms or undermines influential views about US foreign relations and international relations generally. We also compare historical US foreign policy toward the hemisphere to current policy globally. The second half covers the most important current issues in hemispheric relations: the embargo on Cuba, economic integration, the war on drugs, immigration, and border security. At the end we reconsider current US policies, in view of the economic and political evolution of Latin America, in historical perspective.

Format: lecture/discussion, with more lecture in the first half, more discussion and several in-class debates in the second. Requirements: a map quiz; a 6-page
midterm paper; one 4-page policy paper; and either a second policy paper and the regular final exam, or a medium-length (12-page) research paper and an abbreviated final exam.


Comparative Politics Subfield

MAHON

PSCI 223(S) International Law

International law embodies the rules that govern the society of states. It spells out who can be a state and how to become one, what states can do, what they cannot do, and who can punish transgressions; it also determines the status of other actors, like international organizations, heads of state, refugees, transnational religious interests, and multinational corporations. International law is like domestic law in one respect: it is an institution that makes the law enforceable. But in another respect it is the same: it protects the status quo, including the distribution of power among its members; it spells out legitimate and illegitimate ways of resolving conflicts of interest; it is based toward the powerful; it tells its members how to act to coordinate their interests and minimize direct conflict; some of it is laughable and purely aspirational, some of it of necessity for survival. And like domestic law, it is enforced only some of the time, and then against the weak more than the strong. Where we look first for justice: This course will examine the historical basis of contemporary international law, its development since World War II in the context of the Holocaust and decolonization, and current dilemmas in its practice. Students will study primary materials (treaties, order, memos and cases). This is not a law-school course, but an academic course in liberal arts.

Format: lecture. Requirements: two midterms, one final exam.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 30). Preference given to Political Science majors.

International Relations Subfield

Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF

SHANKS

PSCI 225(F) International Security

This course provides an introduction to international security, a field that is fundamentally about how states and non-state actors use force to achieve their political and economic objectives? We will seek answers to questions such as: when do states threaten to use force and for what purposes? Do alliances and multilateral institutions such as the United Nations help promote peace? Does the spread of nuclear weapons make the world a safer or more dangerous place? How do terrorists use violence to realize their objectives and when is it effective? Can intervention in civil wars prevent bloodshed and bring stability to failed states? How will "non-traditional threats" such as environmental scarcity, migration, and climate change shape international security in the twenty-first century? Throughout this course, students will be encouraged to consider the normative question of who should provide security in international politics and who should benefit from this protection.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: midterm exam, one medium length final paper, three short memorandums, in-class debate, and class participation.


International Relations Subfield

Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

GREEN

PSCI 228 International Organization (Not offered 2011-2012)

Tens of thousands of international organizations populate our world. IGOs, whose members are governments of sovereigns, range from the UN and NATO to the Nordic Association for Reindeer Research; NGOs, whose members are private groups and individuals, include the International Association of Esperantist Bankers as well as the International Committee of the Red Cross. Who are they? What do they do? What do they have in common? And do they have any effect at all? They are, after all, bureaucracies. This survey class will cover the history, structures and functions of international organizations, using case studies.

Class Format: lecture

Requirements/Evaluation: two short papers, a midterm exam, or a longer paper.

Prerequisite: at least one subfield introductory course (201, 202, 203, or 204) or 101; open to first-year student if they have the prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 30). Preference given to Political Science majors.

International Relations Subfield

Hour: 1:00-2:25 MR

SHANKS

PSCI 229(S) Global Political Economy

This course offers a broad introduction to the workings of contemporary global capitalism, emphasizing the inherent and inseparable intertwining of politics and economics, power and wealth, the state and the market. It begins with an overview of the recent history of globalization and its continuous creation and destruction of asset bubbles. The core of the course is made up of a broad analysis of global trade and global finance, with special attention to subjects such as free trade, the WTO, development, money, and financial crisis. We conclude the course with a close look at the global economic crisis, its politics, and its implications for the future of global capitalism.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: two short papers, two medium-length papers, one discussion section, final exam.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 35 (expected: 35). Preference given to Political Science and Political Science majors.

International Relations Subfield

Hour: 11:00-12:25 TR

PAUL

PSCI 230 American Political Thought (Not offered 2011-2012)

What makes political thought "American"? Is there something distinct about the American political imagination that shapes how we think about liberty, equality, and government? And who exactly is the "we"? This course examines these questions and others by exploring the evolving relationship between conception of "the frontier" and the idea of representation throughout American history. We shall see that debates over how to represent the community lead almost inescapably to the question of the proper boundary of the community - of who gets included or excluded from membership in the polity. We will explore the Frontier's political detail, and then move on to examine several expansions of the public sphere in the 19th and 20th centuries, including those related to race, gender, class, and nationality. How do these openings in the political realm reflect differing notions of freedom, justice, and property? In conclusion we will ask how the meaning of "America" may be affected by recent debates over immigration and "la frontera" to the south.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: class participation, presentation, three 5- to 7-page papers.


PSCI 231 Ancient Political Thought (Same as Philosophy 231) (Not offered 2011-2012)

The core activity of this seminar is the careful reading and sustained discussion of selected works by Plato and Aristotle, but we will also engage such other thinkers as Epicurus and Augustine. And, from a political and theoretical point of view, selections from the Hebrew Bible and New Testament. Among the questions that we will address: What is justice? How can it be known and pursued? How is political power generated and exercised? What are the social and ethical prerequisites—and consequences—of democracy? Must the freedom or fulfillment of some people require the subordination of others? Does freedom require (or disallow) a political life? What distinguishes that kind of life from others? What does it mean to be "philosophical" or to think "theoretically" about politics? Although we will attempt to engage the readings on their own terms, we will also ask how the vast differences between the ancient world and our own undercut or enhance the texts' ability to illuminate the dilemmas of political life for us.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: three 6- to 8-page papers.


REINHARDT

PSCI 232(F) Modern Political Thought (Same as Philosophy 232)

This course offers an overview of major thinkers and texts in modern political thought by considering their relationship to a defining theme of the modern era: Enlightenment. Although the Enlightenment is often identified simply as a historical period—the eighteenth century—Enlightenment can also be understood in terms of the revolutionary projects, political ideals, republican institutions and liberal aspirations that came to the fore during this period. Course readings will
begin with early modern texts that mark the shift away from medieval power structures towards more rationalized forms of political organization. We will then turn our attention to new conceptions of the state, society, and public life, with a particular focus on the emergence of the individual as the subject of political theory and practice. Conflicts between Enlightenment and counter-Enlightenment positions will be highlighted, with extended discussions of key theorists who put forward a critique of the Enlightenment either from the right or the left. The thinkers we will read include Niccolo Machiavelli, Thomas Hobbes, John Locke, Adam Smith, Jean-Jacques Rousseau, Immanuel Kant, Edmund Burke, David Hume, Justus Möser, Joseph de Maistre, Mary Wollstonecraft, Olympe de Gouges, John Stuart Mill, Friedrich Hegel, and Karl Marx.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: active class participation, and three 6- to 8-page papers.


Political Theory Subfield
Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR

MAHON

PSCI 233(F) Marx Beyond Marxism

“I am not a Marxist.” Karl Marx made this famously enigmatic statement in the late 19th century, in response to an accusation by French social reformers that a group of revolutionary communists who described themselves as “Marxists” had taken their orders directly from him. Much to the contrary, he suggested, transformed material conditions are always simply commanded by the top-down by a single prominent thinker. And yet, in the wake of the Soviet Union and similar socialist experiments, it cannot be denied that particular versions of “Marxism,” often centered around a single charismatic leader or vanguard elite, have wielded considerable influence over popular attempts to overcome capitalism. If it is possible then, that just as in the 19th century, much of the 20th century socialist ideologies were also irreducible to “Marx himself,” what might be gained by rethinking the “Marxist” in a more creative manner today? We broach this question by revisiting the dialogues Marx participated in, so as to consider their effect on political thought, and to think through how they might inform new inquiries today. In keeping with Marx’s own emphasis on actually existing situations, in each meeting we will juxtapose a selection from his work with a reading from a modern or contemporary interlocutor. By doing so, we will learn from the context from which his thought emerged and later developed in a multiplicity of directions: addressing the “good” Marx and the “bad” Marx alike will allow for us to develop a sense of what went wrong with much of 20th century socialism as well as what might remain salvageable in alternate approaches today. Those we will consider in dialogue with Marx include Kant, Hegel, Engels, Proudhon, Stirner, Feuerbach, Lenin, Mao, Pannekoek, Bernstein, Benjamin, Gramsci, Luxembourg, Kollontai, Althusser, Marcuse, Negri, Debord, Deluze, Foucault, Zizek, Badiou, Ranciere and Agamben.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: class discussion and three essays (6-8 pages).


Political Theory Subfield
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

J. ADAMS

PSCI 234 Rastafari: Dread, Politics, Agency (Same as Africana Studies 302 and Religion 261) (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under AFR 302 for full description.)

ROBERTS

PSCI 236(S) Sex, Gender, and Political Theory (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 236)

This course offers a feminist reading of some of the most important concepts and theoretical concerns in the study of politics: freedom, justice, equality, obligation, alienation and oppression. Each of these terms will be evaluated from the perspective of its potential to address social inequities of sex, gender, race and class. Is welfare a problem for freedom theory? In what way might a pregnancy be experienced as a form of alienation, and how does this pose a challenge for theories of justice? Is it possible to treat another person as equal at the same time an object of one’s sexual desire? We will identify the analytical tools and strategies that feminist theorists have employed in order to bring these and other concerns into political theory scholarship, reconstructing traditional ideas of politics and public life in the process. Theorists whose work we will read include Susan Moller Okin, Nancy Hirschmann, Martha Nussbaum, Iris Marion Young, Drucilla Cornell, Gayatri Spivak, Dorothy Roberts, Judith Butler, Linda Zenilli and Catherine Mackinnon.

Format: discussion. Requirements: one oral presentation and three papers (3 pages, 7 pages and 8-10 pages).


Political Theory Subfield
Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF

Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 21). Preference to Political Science majors and concentrators in Political Theory.

Political Theory Subfield
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

J. ADAMS

PSCI 237(F) Just War Theory, Terrorism, and Weapons of Mass Destruction (Same as Philosophy 238) (W)

(See under PHIL 238 for full description.)

WHITE

PSCI 238(F) Economic Liberalism and Its Critics (Same as Economics 299 and Political Economy 250)

(See under POEC 250 for full description.)

BAKJA and MAHON

PSCI 240 America and the Vietnam War (Same as Leadership Studies 242) (W)

Every American president from Franklin Roosevelt to John F. Kennedy sought to avoid a commitment of ground forces to Vietnam. Lyndon Johnson also feared the consequences of a massive American commitment, but he eventually sent over half a million men to Vietnam. Richard Nixon hoped to conclude a peace with honor when he assumed the presidency, but the war lasted for another four years with many additional casualties. This course examines the complex political processes that led successive American presidents to get involved in a conflict that all of them desperately wanted to avoid. We will examine both the international and domestic context of the war, as well as pay close attention to both South and North Vietnamese perspectives on the war. In addition, we will examine the long-standing arguments among both historians and political scientists over how to explain and interpret the longest and most controversial war in American history.

Format: seminar. Requirements: two 7-page papers, one 8- to 10-page paper, and active class participation.


International Relations Subfield
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF

MCALLISTER and LAWRENCE

PSCI 247 Political Power in Contemporary China (Not offered 2011-2012)

The People’s Republic of China presents us with two grand political narratives: socialism and democracy. In the Maoist era, a distinctive understanding of socialism, which claimed to be a more genuine democracy, brought hope and, ultimately, tragedy to hundreds of millions of people. In the post-Mao era, processes that led successive American presidents to get involved in a conflict that all of them desperately wanted to avoid. We will examine both the international and domestic context of the war, as well as pay close attention to both South and North Vietnamese perspectives on the war. In addition, we will examine the long-standing arguments among both historians and political scientists over how to explain and interpret the longest and most controversial war in American history.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: two short papers and a final exam.


Comparative Politics Subfield

CRANE

PSCI 248T The USA in Comparative Perspective (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

This course considers politics and society in the United States comparatively, from a variety of viewpoints and by authors foreign and American, historical and contemporary. Important topics of comparison include: the colonial experience and independence; race relations and the African diaspora; nationalism and national identity; war and state-building; American exceptionalism, religion, and foreign policy; the role of political and economic institutions; and the origins and shape of the welfare state. (As the list suggests, the most common comparisons are with Latin America and Western Europe, but several of our authors look beyond these regions.) Along the way, we also read short descriptive accounts by foreign observers, from Crèvecoeur and Tocqueville to José Martí, Martí Weber, and Suyyid Qutb.

Format: tutorial. A lecture in the first week; then weeks of tutorial; then a discussion class in the final week. Requirements: five 5- to 6-page papers, five 1- to 2-page responses, and one 0-page essay for the final class.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to sophomores.

American and Comparative Politics Subfields

MAHON
PSCI 250  Theories of Comparative Politics (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course will deal with the debate between Karl Marx and Max Weber that organizes much of the contemporary study of comparative politics. The course is divided into four sections. First, it begins with a close reading of Marx and Weber and a comparison of their modes of political analysis. It will engage the debate between them about the source and nature of power. What is it, and where does it come from? Is it primarily “material” in content or largely “ideal”? What does each think about the origins of capitalism, and what is at stake theoretically in their respective interpretations? Second, the course will consider how Marx and Weber have influenced 20th century thinking about the relationship between capitalism and modernity. Is modernity intimately linked with capitalism, as Marx would argue, or is it separate from it, as Weber would have it? To get at this question, we will read Karl Polanyi and Barrington Moore in this section. Third, the course will address Marxist and Weberian treatments of states. What are they? Where do states come from? Do they originate in consent? In war? Are they autonomous from or captured by social forces? In this section, we will read Charles Tilly, Theda Skocpol, Alfred Stephan, and Karl Schmitter. Finally, the course will consider what comparative politics has to say about the nature and origins of collective political identities (national, ethnic, cultural). What are they and where do they come from? Are they artifacts of the economy, as Marxists suggest, or do they come from states and religions, as Weber has it?

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: three papers.

Comparative Politics Subfield

M. MACDONALD

PSCI 254  Democracy in Comparative and Theoretical Perspective (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course deals with what democracy means and how it is achieved. It begins by weighing competing definitions of democracy. Democracy increasingly is being defined procedurally: democracies are societies that democratize, that is, they change over time in ways, regardless of the substance of decisions. While this view has deep roots in democratic theory and practice, it has competed historically with more substantive definitions of democracy, which emphasize outcomes and, particularly, progress towards equality of outcomes. This course will examine this debate and consider the reasons why procedural definitions currently are ascendant. Then the course considers what it means to understand democracy to be universally available. What does it mean to ditch the “pre-conditions” that formerly were considered to be necessary prior to the making of democratic government and to conceive of democracy as a global force? Does that mean that democracy is available to all societies or does that mean that the expansion of capital globally is being called “democracy”?

To get at the stakes in this question, the course will consider democracy in the United States and South Africa and democratic stirrings in Iran.

Format: seminar and lecture. Requirements: one 3-page paper, one 5- to 7-page paper, and one 10-page project.

Comparative Politics Subfield

M. MACDONALD

PSCI 256(F)  Politics of Africa (Same as Africana Studies 256)

This course provides a broad introduction to the politics of contemporary Africa, emphasizing along the way the diversity of African politics. It seeks to challenge the widespread image of African politics as universally and inexplicably lawless, violent, and anarchic. This course begins by examining the nature and legacies of colonial rule and nationalist movements. From there, we consider the African state, highlighting the factors that have made some states weak and others strong. This includes how ethnicity, class and civil society operate as bases of political mobilization. Finally, the course analyzes the causes, consequences and limitations of the recent waves of political and economic liberalization across Africa.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: class participation, four short papers and final exam.

Comparative Politics Subfield

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

MUNEMO

PSCI 257  Leaders in Africa: Prophets, Autocrats Tyrants (Same as Africana Studies 257 and Leadership Studies 257) (Not offered 2011-2012)

Independence across Africa produced an impressive list of first-generation rulers (Nkrumah, Nyerere, Senghor, Mandela, Banda, Houphouet-Boigny, Kaunda, Kenyatta, Khanna, to name a few). These courageous, charismatic and well-educated figures embodied the promise and hope of self-determination. Although theoretically and in practice in state and party, they failed in their mission to end the suffering and challenges of the past, in state and party, and many succumbed to coups. Only a few succeeded. What went so terribly wrong? Why did the promise of freedom turn so quickly into limited participation or outright repression? To answer these questions, this course examines the lives, political ideas and leadership of several first-generation rulers in Africa.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: two 6-page papers and one 15-page research paper.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 27). Preference will be given to sophomores, Political Science majors and Leadership Studies concentrators.

MUNEMO

PSCI 262  America and the Cold War (Not offered 2011-2012)

This course examines the rise and fall of the Cold War, focusing on four central issues. First, why did America and the Soviet Union become bitter rivals shortly before the defeat of Nazi Germany? Second, was one side primarily responsible for the length and intensity of the Cold War in Europe? Third, how did the Cold War in Europe lead to events in other areas of the world, such as Cuba and Vietnam? Finally, could the Cold War have been ended long before the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1989? Political scientists and historians continue to argue vigorously about the answers to all these questions. We examine both traditional and most recent explanations of the Cold War, as well as the latest scholarship from the partial opening of Soviet and Eastern European archives. The final section of the course examines how scholarly interpretations of the Cold War continue to influence how policymakers approach contemporary issues in American foreign policy.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: one medium length paper, an in-class midterm and final exam, and a series of short assignments.
No prerequisites. Political Science 202 is recommended but not required. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to Political Science majors and Leadership Studies concentrators.

International Relations Subfield

MCCALLISTER

PSCI 264(F)  Politics of Global Tourism

A decade ago, tourism passed oil to become the world’s most valuable export. This arguably frivolous activity accounts for more than 10 percent of global GDP and the travel and tourism industry is now the world’s number one industry. In the midst of these claims, however, are some of the poorest countries in the world. Ministers of nuclear-capable countries beg on TV for visitors. Where are the politics in this complicated industry and why is no one paying attention? This class explores various types of tourism, asking what happens in a tourist encounter, who benefits, who loses, and what changes. We will examine cases—Antigua vs. Auschwitz, Angkor Wat vs. Alaska—to help us understand the process from the points of view of the tourists, the toured-upon, and the governments and international organizations that oversee this industry. Our readings range from academic anthropology, economics, political science, and sociology (MacCannell, Veblen) to magazine accounts (Kincaid, Krakauer).

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: two essays, one major presentation with accompanying write-up, active and constructive class participation.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 30). Preference given to Political Science majors.

International Relations Subfield

MCCALLISTER

PSCI 265(S)  The International Politics of East Asia

This course examines the political, economic, and cultural determinants of conflict and cooperation in East Asia. Throughout the semester, we will examine three distinct but inter-related aspects of international relations in East Asia: Security, economy, and culture by using some core concepts and theoretical arguments widely accepted in the study of the central questions and issues in the current debate on East Asia. Do East Asian countries seek for security and prosperity in a way fundamentally different from the Western system? Is there a single best way to maintain regional order and cooperation? Will North Korea be able to survive? What role will China play in the region? Will a strong China inevitably claim its traditional place under the Sun? Will Japan continue to live as a nation without military strength but with economic power but no military means? What is the choice for South Korea between security alliance with the United States and national reconciliation with the North? Will North Korea survive? What should be done to dissuade the totalitarian regime in North Korea from acquiring nuclear capabilities and lead it to democratic and national survival? By the end of the seminar, you will gain both a general perspective and substantial knowledge on East Asia.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: midterm exam, team debate, take-home final exam, class participation and other assignments.

International Relations Subfield

SHANKS

PSCI 268  The International Politics of East Asia

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International Relations Subfield

CRANE
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challenges—of American democracy and examining any disconnect between that experience and the ideals that undergird it. Among the many specific questions

we will consider are the extent to which America is a religious nation, whether recent changes in higher education have affected the health of democratic politics,

research. From the Founding to the present, the American political order has undergone incredible, cataclysmic and thoroughgoing transformations, yet it has also proven

to be remarkably enduring. How can this be? Where do we find continuities and where upheavals? What accounts for the continuities, and what for the

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discussion. Format: discussion. Requirements: two experiential projects with accompanying write-ups of at least 5 and 7 pages, six 2- to 3-page ethnographic reflections, and class participation.

Prerequisites: a previous course in American politics or political theory or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). American Politics Subfield Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR MELLOW

PSCI 310(F) Political Psychology (Same as Psychology 345) Political psychology studies human nature so as to understand politics. For example, many political philosophers begin their political programs by asserting some foundational claims about "human nature" which turn led them to their justification for their vision of politics. For example, the enlightenment thinkers held that science and technology would strengthen rationality and thereby making democracy more viable. On the other hand, those who defend authoritarian regimes often do so by proclaiming that the general public is incapable of rationality and of self-rule and should therefore accept rule by their betters. Many of these arguments turn on how rational people are and on their capacity for and willingness to pursue justice for all people. We explore what psychology tells us about people as citizens and as leaders. The course pays special attention to the powerful, and surprising, roles that emotions play in all aspects of politics. Central to politics is the general issue of judgment, and its more important variants, moral and political judgment. If we are to trust ourselves to rule ourselves, how well will we secure justice and liberty for one and all among us? Political psychology is one of the very oldest disciplines (it can be dated back to at least back to the early classic Greeks, among them Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle). The issue of citizen competence for self and collective rule, then as now, was at the center of their attention. So, it shall be in this course.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: a midterm, a term paper, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: a Political Science elective at the 200 or 300 level OR Psychology 101, 212, 221, 232, 242, 251, or 300-level course. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected 13). American Politics Subfield Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR CROWE

PSCI 311 Congress (Same as Leadership Studies 211) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) The world is high and fall hard. Some members of Congress establish political legacies while others serve and are forgotten. Some lead without holding leadership positions but never lead. In an organization comprised of equals, how and why do some senators and representatives acquire more power and authority than others? How does Congress, often considered to be the most powerful assembly in the world, organize itself so that it can act as an institution and not just a platform for 535 individuals? And how does this institution promote, or hinder, the legitimacy, responsiveness, and representativeness of a democratic governing institution?

Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, several short papers, research paper.

Prerequisites: Political Science 201 or permission of instructor; not open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 14 (expected: 14). Preference given to political science majors, political economy majors, and leadership studies concentrators.

American Politics Subfield Research Course C. JOHNSON

PSCI 314T Leadership in American Political Development (Same as Leadership Studies 314T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) From the Founding to the present, the American political order has undergone incredible, cataclysmic and thoroughgoing transformations, yet it has also proven to be remarkably enduring. How can this be? Where do we find continuities and where upheavals? What accounts for the continuities, and what for the changes? What sorts of transformations have been possible, and who or what has made them possible? Finally, what are the costs of change (and of continuity)—and who pays them? This tutorial is an introduction to American political change, and to gain a sense of the role that individual leaders have played in driving change. We will examine when and how individual agency and leadership has mattered vis-à-vis broader historical and contextual factors, including economic developments, demographic change, and constitutional and institutional parameters. After examining general models of change and of leadership, we will consider specific case studies, such as civil rights for African-Americans, gender equality, labor demands, and social conservatism. We will consider some of the complicated legacies of change, such as the persistence of certain types of arguments that have been used for leadership at all. We will assess whether the decision to focus on the role of individual leadership — or, unlike other countries — as well as critiques of these arguments, to help us gain an understanding of future prospects for political transformation.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: five lead essays, five critiques, one revision, and one final paper.

Prerequisites: previous course in American politics or American history. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to Political Science majors. American Politics Subfield MEYER

PSCI 315(S) Parties in American Politics (W) Political parties have played a central role in extending democracy and organizing power in the United States, yet their worth is a continuing subject of debate. In order to function properly, parties not only link citizens to their government, they also provide the coherency and unity needed to govern in a political system in which power is widely dispersed. But there is also an American tradition of antipathy toward parties. They have been criticized by some for inflaming divisions among the people and for grid-locking the government. For others, political parties fail to offer citizens meaningful choices; the Republican and Democratic parties are likened to a choice between "tweedledee and tweedledum." This course will investigate this debate over parties by examining their nature and role in American political life,
both past and present. Throughout the course, we will explore such questions as: What constitutes a party? How have the parties changed over time? For whom do they function? Why a two-party system, and what role do third parties play? Is partisanship good or bad for democracy? For governance? We will seek answers to these questions both in seminar discussion and through substantial independent research projects.

Format: seminar. Requirements: weekly writing assignments, two 5-page papers, one 15- to 20-page paper, class presentation, and class participation.

Prerequisites: Political Science course at the 200 or 300 level or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 14 (expected: 14). Preference given to Political Science majors.

American Politics Subfield
Research Course
Hour: 2:35-5:30 MR

PSCI 316(S) Policy Making Process (W)
Politics as usual. It's a phenomenon we all love to hate. But what does it mean? When government policy is decided by politics, does that mean the policy is necessarily bad? Can we get rid of politics in policy making, or improve on it somehow? What would "politics as unusual" look like anyway? This class examines the policy making process with particular emphasis on the United States: How do issues get defined as problems worthy of government attention? What kinds of alternatives are considered as solutions to these problems? Why do we end up with some policies but not others? Do certain kinds of processes yield better policies than others? How should we decide what constitutes a good policy?

Format: seminar. Requirements: several short papers, research paper, class participation.

Prerequisites: one course in political science or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 14 (expected 11). Preference given to students majoring in political science, political economy, and to students with an interest in public policy.

American Politics
Research Course
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

PSCI 317(F) Environmental Law (Same as Environmental Studies 307)
(See under ENVI 307 for full description.)

CASSUTO

PSCI 318 Voting Rights and Voting Movements (Same as Africana Studies 318) (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course is about the effort to establish and secure voting rights in the United States. It involves inquiry into parallel activities: the legal status of voting as sought in court rulings through litigation, and community level activism organized to protest restrictive practices often at state and local levels where pivotal decisions about voting policy originate. This course is an overview of this process and the pivotal convergences between the legal and organizing aspects. We seek to better understand the main pillar in popular participation by study focused on distinctive moments in national development in an advanced democratic state looking at the contest of suffrage policy, the struggle to democratize, and the uneven results.

Format: discussion. Requirements: five short papers.

Prerequisites: Political Science 201 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected 19). Preference given to Political Science majors

American Politics Subfield
A. WILLINGHAM

PSCI 319(FS) Marine Policy (Same as Environmental Studies 351 and Maritime Studies 351) (Offered only at Mystic Seaport.)
(See under MAST 351 for full description.)

HALL

PSCI 323T Henry Kissinger and the American Century (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
Perhaps no single individual has influenced the course of American foreign policy over the last fifty years more than Henry Kissinger. A refugee from Nazi Germany, Kissinger emerged during the 1950’s as one of America’s most important scholars of international relations and nuclear strategy. During the 1960’s and 1970’s, as National Security Advisor and later secretary of State, Kissinger was at the center of some of the important events of the Cold War. This tutorial will examine Kissinger’s thoughts on American policy and international relations as well as record in the Nixon and Ford administrations. In addition, we will also look at how other scholars have assessed Kissinger’s scholarship and his stewardship of American foreign policy at crucial moments in the history of the Cold War.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: five 6-page papers and five 2-page responses for alternate sessions. In the tutorial session, essays will be read aloud or presented in outline form.

Prerequisites: any one of the following: Political Science 120, 202, or 261. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected:10) Preference given to students with a strong background in political science, history, and or prior coursework in the area of American foreign relations. The course is not open to first year students.

International Relations Subfield
MCALLISTER

PSCI 325T Grand Strategy (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
What goals should states seek in international politics? What instruments should they use? Does economic wealth always translate to power and influence? These questions are central to grand strategy; the policy a state adopts to link the means it possesses with the ends it seeks. This course examines the theory and practice of grand strategy through a careful examination of classic strategic theorists, including Sun Tzu, Thucydides, Clausewitz, Jomini, Bismarck, Mahan and Mao. It aims to identify common elements of grand strategy throughout history, while also highlighting the myriad ways in which the practice of grand strategy has evolved over time.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: five 5-page tutorial papers and five 1- to 2-page responses.

Prerequisites: any one of the following: PSCI 201, 202, 203, 204, 223, 225, 229, 242 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to Political Science majors. Not available for the Gaudino option.

International Relations Subfield

P. MACDONALD

PSCI 326 Empire and Imperialism (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
This course provides a critical overview of empire and imperialism in international politics from the eighteenth century to the present day. Key questions include: why do states establish empires? Do empires provide political or economic gains? How are empires governed? What role does technology play in driving and sustaining empires? How do empires end? What are the legacies of empire? The first section of the course examines these questions by consulting the classic theoretical works on empire by Smith, Marx, Lenin, Seeley, Mackinder, Hobson, and Schumpeter. The second section explores these theories through a structured historical comparison of imperial expansion and contraction in North America, Latin America, Asia and Africa. The final section explores the contemporary relevance of the concept of empire for understanding American post-war foreign policy, including issues such as overseas basing, humanitar-

ien intervention, nation building and military occupation.

Format: discussion. Requirements: short response memos, midterm paper, final research paper, and class participation.

Prerequisites: one course in political science or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 14 (expected: 14). Preference given to Political Science and Political Economy majors.

International Relations Subfield
Research Course
P. MACDONALD

PSCI 327 The Global Politics of Development and Underdevelopment (Same as Environmental Studies 329) (Not offered 2011-2012)
Consider a photograph taken from space of the Earth at night. What will you see? Great agglomerations of light in some parts of the world (North America, Western Europe, parts of East Asia) contrasted with vast expanses of darkness in others (much of Central and South America, Southeast Asia and nearly all of Africa). This pattern of light and darkness depicts a vastly unequal global distribution of technology, urban infrastructure, capital accumulation—in short, the global patterns of development and underdevelopment. What makes some areas ‘light’ and some areas ‘dark’? More importantly, how are these areas connected—both within and across national boundaries—through trade and capital flows, political authority, violence and the natural environment? What are the relations between development and underdevelopment?

This course is an investigation of political, economic, and societal growth (or lack thereof) and change in the Global North and Global South through the lenses of Political Economy and Political Ecology. We will focus in particular on the global factors influencing development and underdevelopment, political-e-
nomics connections across national borders, and the intersections of power, production and nature. During our course of study we will cover: global patterns of inequality and their history; development strategies; the politics of population control; the intersections of power, violence, and nature; and finally, the prospects of development for all.

Format: discussion. Requirements: two medium-length papers, one research paper, daily discussion questions, class participation.

Prerequisites: one course in international relations or development economics. Enrollment limit: 18 (expected: 18). Preference given to juniors and seniors.

International Relations Subfield
Research Course

PSCI 328(F) Global Environmental Politics (Same as Environmental Studies 328)
(See under ENVI 328 for full description.)

PSCI 331T(F) Non-Profit Organization and Community Change (Same as Africana Studies 330T) (W)

Two converging realities create a political and intellectual problem: an evolving recognition of the vitality of private sector supported community organization work; and the challenge that such organizations may have to assume a larger role due to reductions in public agency support and declining participation among the poor, minorities, and racial minorities. In the United States these agencies-essentially NGOs-play important roles in communities and movements, often modeling the very programs adopted by the government. Some, like the Highlander Center, have near-mythical status in our memories about what it means to struggle for social change; others, including HARYOU, were critical in structuring thought about anti-poverty strategies. In recent years some like Teach for America have plunged into the thick of the effort to keep public education a viable option. This tutorial examines the role of non-profits and social justice work in the United States focusing on the non-profit as a type, governance and staffing, fund-raising and persecution.


Prerequisites: an interest in and experience with community-based organizations involved in advocacy work with adult citizens on race, economics, equity, or other issues.

Enrollment limit: 10 (expected 10). Preference given to Political Science majors.

American Politics Subfield
Research Course

PSCI 332 Rethinking the Political (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

What is politics? The question, an important part of political theory at least since Socrates, has taken on renewed significance in recent years, as theorists have sought to rethink the political in response to the most disastrous of twentieth century political developments, to assorted identity-based struggles that have challenged prevailing political terms and arrangements, and to the transformations wrought by “globalization.” This seminar engages some of the major attempts at rethinking produced in the 20th and 21st centuries, particularly at those that challenge, rework, or seek to move beyond liberalism. We will pay particular attention to the work of Carl Schmitt, probably the most probing and significant authoritarian thinker of the twentieth century, and to such figures as Sheldon Wolin, Jacques Derrida, Jacques Rancière and, especially, Hannah Arendt. Among our questions: Can liberal pluralism be transcended or supplemented without producing something akin to the fascism embraced by Schmitt? Does the tradition of radical democracy offer a distinctive and credible conception of justice, a conception that is not tied up with a liberalism we can no longer call “the political”—and why is there such a preoccupation with the political now? Does this preoccupation help us better to engage the forces and circumstances that structure politics in the contemporary world, or does it lead us to obscure them?

Format: discussion. Requirements: regular, engaged class participation and three 7- to 8-page papers.

Prerequisites: at least one prior course in political theory or philosophy, or permission of the instructor; not open to first-year students.

Enrollment limit: 19 (expected 14). Preference given to juniors and seniors concentrating in political theory.

Political Theory Subfield

PSCI 334(S) Theorizing Global Justice

While economic exchanges, cultural convergence, and technological innovations have brought people in different parts of the world closer together than ever before, globalization has also amplified differences in material wealth and social inequalities. Ill health, inadequate sanitation, and lack of access to safe drinking water remain commonplace. Yet, more than ever before, the political centers of the world to alleviate the worst forms of suffering and enhance the well-being of the poorest people. How are we to understand this contradiction as a matter of justice? What is the relationship between justice and equality, and what do we owe one another in a deeply divided world? Course readings will engage your thinking on the central debates in moral philosophy, normative approaches to international political economy, and grassroots efforts to secure justice for women and other severely disadvantaged groups. Key theorists include John Rawls, Onora O’Neill, Thomas Pogge, Paul Farmer, Amartya Sen, Martha Nussbaum, Manfred Steger, Saskia Sassen, Susan George, Vandana Shiva, Majid Rahnama and Gustavo Esteva.

Format: discussion. Requirements one oral presentation and three papers (3 pages, 7 pages and 8-10 pages).

Prerequisites: at least one course in political theory or philosophy or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 14). Preference to Political Science majors and concentrators in Political Theory.

Political Theory Subfield

Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR

PSCI 335 Public Sphere/Public Space (Same as American Studies 302) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
(See under AMST 302 for full description.)

PSCI 336(S) Biopolitics and Governmentality in Ancient Political Thought

The turn towards theories of biopolitics and governmentality in contemporary theories of state power and the increasingly diverse identities they administer is often motivated by a desire to understand how liberal democracy exercises social and political control precisely in the name of freedom, equality, and recognition. The ability of contemporary forms of power to produce identities rather than simply repress them means that not only normalized citizen identities but also raced, gendered and otherwise deprivileged subjectivities are products of power, even while they seek and attain greater inclusion and self-determination. Most theorizing of such biopolitical and governmental processes are centered on the modern and contemporary eras, while courses on ancient political thought tend to ignore such issues altogether. But in order to make sense of power and its increasingly complex applications and techniques, it is crucial to examine the context of biopolitics and governmentality in ancient Greece and Rome as well. In this course, we will do just that, revisiting the archive of ancient political thought as well as the primary contemporary theorists who have considered its relevance. In particular, we will engage the tension between Stoic and other pre-Platonic concepts of civic virtue ("dynamis") and the Platonic and early-Christian emphasis on "knowing thyself" ("gnothi sauton"). We will also consider a topic that has been of concern for biopolitical theorists in the post-9/11 period, the ancient Roman legal category of Homo Sacer ("bare life"); "he who can be killed without committing a crime"). Philosophers and theorists we will read will include Plato, Aristotle, Seneca, Cassian, Epictetus, Laertius, Plutarch, Paul, Augustine, Aquinas, Foucault, Arendt and Agamben.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: class discussion and three medium-length essays (6-8 pages).


Political Theory Subfield

Hour: 7:00-9:40 p.m.

PSCI 337(F) Digital Political Theory: Technoculture and the 21st Century

After the Internet, how have the substantive concerns of political theory and activist thought changed with the rise of a public sphere structured less like a traditional hierarchy and more like a decentralized network? Has the emergence of a cultural and political-theory blogosphere, beyond academic books or journal articles, transformed the nature of this textual community, by giving rise to an emergent mode of real-time “live theory”? In what ways have network-centric technologies contributed to the transformation of contemporary power relations and the consolidation of technoculture, thereby producing new objects of investigation? Is there a distinctive 21st century political theory? In this course, we will consider these and related questions vis-à-vis a range of recent theory texts that illuminate the major events, social movements and aesthetic interventions that have shaped and been shaped by post-millennial technoculture. We begin the seminar with an introductory survey of technology and the public sphere as well as critical responses to them, most of which occurred prior to the intensification of the Internet’s influence after the 1990s. We then read current theoretical texts concerned with the relationship between politics and technoculture, considering celebratory texts as well as more critical ones. Finally, we engage a range of events and movements that have been central to the emergence of today’s “digital public sphere,” including the Zapatas of the 1990s, the anti-globalization movement at the turn of the millennium and today, the Arab Spring. Theorists considered include Kant, Rousseau, Marx, Habermas, Heidegger, Fraser, Warner, Benhabib, Berlant, Dean, Der Derian, De Land, Cleaver, Harth, Kroeker, Kittler, Lovink,
PSCI 338  Governance and Globalization (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Governance and Globalization

This course will address the problem of the governance of the new economic and political order (or orders) that has emerged since the end of the Cold War. The course will focus on the role of international institutions, both governmental and non-governmental, in the regulation of economic and political processes, and on the role of states in this process. The course will also consider the implications of these developments for the study of political science, and for the study of the world itself.

PSCI 339  Politics and Aesthetics (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Politics and Aesthetics

This course will examine the relationship between politics and aesthetics, and the role of aesthetics in political thought. We will look at a variety of political texts, from ancient to modern, and consider their role in shaping political thought and practice. We will also consider the role of politics in shaping aesthetic judgments.

PSCI 340  Intolerance and Justice (Not offered 2011-2012)

Intolerance and Justice

This course will examine the relationship between intolerance and justice, and the role of justice in political thought. We will look at a variety of political texts, from ancient to modern, and consider their role in shaping political thought and practice. We will also consider the role of justice in shaping aesthetic judgments.

PSCI 345T(F) Cosmology and Rulership in Ancient Chinese Political Thought (W)

Cosmology and Rulership in Ancient Chinese Political Thought

This course will examine the relationship between cosmology and rulership in ancient Chinese political thought. We will look at a variety of political texts, from ancient to modern, and consider their role in shaping political thought and practice. We will also consider the role of cosmology in shaping aesthetic judgments.

PSCI 351(S) The New Left and Neoliberalism in Latin America (W)

The New Left and Neoliberalism in Latin America

This course will examine the relationship between the new left and neoliberalism in Latin America. We will look at a variety of political texts, from ancient to modern, and consider their role in shaping political thought and practice. We will also consider the role of neoliberalism in shaping aesthetic judgments.

PSCI 352T(S) Comparative Political Economy

Comparative Political Economy

This course will examine the relationship between comparative political economy and political thought. We will look at a variety of political texts, from ancient to modern, and consider their role in shaping political thought and practice. We will also consider the role of comparative political economy in shaping aesthetic judgments.

PSCI 353(F) Why States Fail: Political Violence at the End of the 20th Century

Why States Fail: Political Violence at the End of the 20th Century

This course will examine the relationship between political violence and state failure at the end of the 20th century. We will look at a variety of political texts, from ancient to modern, and consider their role in shaping political thought and practice. We will also consider the role of political violence in shaping aesthetic judgments.
Nationalism in East Asia (Same as Asian Studies 245 and History 318)

Nationalism is a major political issue in contemporary East Asia. From anti-Japanese demonstrations in China, to tensions on the Korea peninsula, to competitive elections in Taiwan, to debates in Japan about the possibility of a woman ascending the Chrysanthemum Throne, national identity is hotly debated and politically mobilized all across the region. This course begins with an examination of the general phenomena of nationalism and national identity. It then considers how nationalism is manifest in the contemporary politics and foreign relations of China, Japan, South Korea, North Korea and Taiwan.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: two 5-page papers, class participation, final exam.


Comparative Politics Subfield

Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR

CRANE

PSCI 357 Realism (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Realism in politics is both an approach to international relations and a political sensibility. As a sensibility, it values limits, questions good intentions, and worries about grand ambitions. It takes the basic contours of human behavior as given and beyond the control of actors to alter, perhaps giving rise to a kind of passivity in response. The realist sensibility tends to doubt the efficacy of human action, to believe that attempts to improve the terms of human interaction not only are doomed to fail but also are likely to make things worse. Realists are not necessarily conservative—a few are radical—but they have learned much from conservatives. By temperament, they are not confident of the capacities of human agencies. Realism also is a distinct approach to the conduct and the study of international relations. Realists have basic tenets—states are primary actors and operate to increase their relative power in a world in which anarchy puts a premium on self-help—that guide their thinking about international relations, but the readings on international relations will highlight the underlying politics of realists. We will consider the realist emphasis on power, the status of morality, the relationship between power and morality, what critics of realists have to say about the realist treatment of these issues, and how realism in international relations connects with realism as a political sensibility. We will read works by Carr, Greene, Kissinger, Lenin, Machiavelli, Mearsheimer, Orwell, and Waltz.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: five 7-page papers, alternating weeks with tutorial partner.

No prerequisites. Political Science 202 or 203 is recommended. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to Political Science majors.

International Relations Subfield

M. MACDONALD

PSCI 360 The Political Thought of Frantz Fanon (Same as African Studies 402 and Philosophy 360) (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under AFR 402 for full description.)

ROBERTS

PSCI 365(S) U.S. Grand Strategy (Same as Leadership Studies 365) (W)

This course examines how U.S. leaders have conceived of the nation’s place in the world and sought to use power to achieve national objectives. We will consider military affairs, economics, and diplomacy, but the class is mostly concerned with ideas. How have leaders from James Madison to George W. Bush thought about U.S. vulnerabilities, resources, and goals, and how have those ideas influenced foreign policy decisions? How did key leaders balance competing objectives and navigate difficult international circumstances? Which leaders were successful in managing U.S. statecraft, and which were not? Which leaders developed coherent grand strategies? What lessons might we derive for our own times from studying this history? The course will sweep across American history but will not attempt to be exhaustive in any way. Rather, it will focus on certain moments that highlight changing grand strategic thought. We will carefully consider, for example, the drafting of the U.S. Constitution, continental expansion in the Manifest Destiny period, the Civil War, overseas expansion in the late nineteenth century, the presidency of Woodrow Wilson, the Second World War, and the Cold War, and the “War on Terror.” Possible texts include Hamilton, Madison, and Jay, The Federalist Papers; Alfred Thayer Mahan, The Influence of Sea Power Upon History; George Kennan, American Diplomacy; Richard Immerman, Empire for Liberty; Henry Kissinger, Diplomacy; James McPherson, Tried by War: Abraham Lincoln as Commander in Chief; and a collection of primary sources.

Format: seminar. Requirements: attendance and active participation in class; two short essays and one longer research paper (approximately 15 pages).

Prerequisites: PSCI 120 or PSCI 202 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 14 (expected: 14). Preference given to PSCI majors and Leadership Studies concentrators.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF

LAWRENCE

PSCI 369 (formerly 269) Human Rights in International Politics and Law (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

The idea that all humans have rights simply because they are human-independent of anything they might do or achieve-has transformed local and international politics, probably permanently. This concept’s place in international politics, its strengths and limitations, depend on how people use it. Beginning with the 18th-century’s transatlantic movement to abolish slavery, we will examine international movements and institutions that have affected what human rights mean, to whom, and where. Readings draw on philosophy (what are rights), history (who acted?) and international politics (how does one affect politics elsewhere), but as a political science class we emphasize politics. Who benefits from the idea of human rights? Who loses?

Format: seminar. Requirements: two essays on common topics, a term as class discussion leader, an independent research paper; active and constructive participation in class.

Prerequisites: Political Science 202 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 18 (expected 18). Preference: open to Political Science majors or those with permission of instructor.

International Relations Subfield Research Course

SHANKS

PSCI 371 Women Activists and Social Movements (Same as Africana Studies 371, INTR 371, and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 370) (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under INTR 371 for full description.)

JAMES

PSCI 382 The Art of Political and Historical Inquiry: American Foreign Relations (Not offered 2011-2012)

How do political scientists, historians, and international relations theorists construct their argument effectively? This course seeks to introduce students to the practical methods of political and historical inquiry. Working almost exclusively with primary sources and recently declassified documents, this class will examine selected aspects of American foreign relations. Rather than simply reading existing scholarly literature in this area, the goal of this class is to enable students to produce original scholarship based on an examination of primary documents instead of through a reliance on secondary sources. In consultation with the professor, students will have the option of pursuing either individual or engaging in collective research projects.

Format: research seminar. Evaluation will be based on weekly research assignments, class participation, and a final research paper of 25-30 pages.

Prerequisites: any of the following courses: Political Science 262, Political Science 242, History 262, History 263, History 358 or permission of instructor.

Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to upper-level Political Science and History majors, as well as students with a demonstrated interest in American foreign policy and international studies.

International Relations Subfield Research Course

MCCALLISTER

PSCI 397(F), 398(S) Independent Study

Open to junior majors with permission of the department chair.

SENIOR COURSES

PSCI 410(F) Senior Seminar in American Politics: Interpretations of American Politics

Current assessments of the state of American politics vary widely. Though recent polls show that as many as 60 percent of Americans think that the country is headed down the wrong-track, it is not clear what that means. Critics on the left worry that the United States is on an imperial quest, extracting resources from the global many for the advantage of an elite few. Critics on the right worry that the U.S. has abandoned the traditions that made it strong and has entered a period of moral decline. What are we to make of these different assessments? What do left and right see when they survey the nation, and why is what they see so different? Any diagnosis of contemporary maladies is premised on a vision of what a healthy functioning republic looks like. Our task in the seminar is to uncover and interrogate those visions. We will do this by exploring different interpretations of American politics, each with its own story of narrative tensions and possible resolutions. We will then use our investigation of how different authors, and different traditions, understand the nation to help us assess contemporary politics and come to our own conclusions about what animates it.
Prerequisites: junior or senior standing and prior coursework in political theory, cultural theory, or visual studies; or permission of instructor.

Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, two short papers and a research paper, and a 15-page final essay.

Enrollment limit: 16 (expected 15). Preference given to senior Political Science majors concentrating in International Relations.

International Relations Subfield
Research Course
Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF

Paul

PSCI 430(F) Senior Seminar in Political Theory: Visual Politics (Same as ArtH 329)
Even casual observers know that appearances matter politically and that the saturation of politics by visual technologies, media, and images has reached unprecedented levels. Yet the visual dimensions of political life are at best peripheral topics in contemporary political theory. This new course explores both why that is and how our understanding of politics and political theory might change if visuality were made central to our inquiries. The visual dimension of politics changes the way we approach power and who we consider to be in control of the political process. This course will allow students to explore the issue of visuality in politics and to approach it by making use of works from a range of disciplines that might normally be considered to be peripheral to political science.

Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, two short papers and a research paper, and a 15-page final essay.

Enrollment limit: 16 (expected 15). Preference given to senior Political Science majors with concentration in Political Theory, and then other Political Science and Art History majors.

Research Course
Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF

Paul

PSCI 440(F) Senior Seminar in Comparative Politics: The War in Iraq
This senior seminar will consider rival explanations for why the United States went to war in Iraq and why the venture did not go as planned. Why did the U.S. government opt for war in Iraq? Was it fear of weapons of mass destruction and ties to al-Qaeda or the appeal of oil or the pursuit of geostrategic advantage? And are the problems with the invasion the result of American mismanagement or the inherent defects of the invasion itself?

Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, two short papers and a research paper, and a 15-page final essay.

Enrollment limit: 15 (expected 15). Preference given to senior Political Science majors with concentration in Political Theory, and other Political Science and History majors.

Research Course
Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR

M. Reinhardt

PSCI 481(F)-W33-482(S) Advanced Study in American Politics
A year of independent study under the direction of the Political Science faculty, to be awarded to the most distinguished candidate based upon competitive admissions. The candidate, designated the Sentinels of the Republic Scholar, receives a research stipend to cover costs associated with the proposed project. The Sentinels Scholar may submit her/his essay for consideration for honors in Political Science. Admission is awarded on the basis of demonstrated capacity for distinguished work and on the proposal’s promise for creative contributions to the understanding of topics on the federal system of government. Anyone with a prospective proposal should contact the department chair for guidance.

Research Course
Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF

MacDonald

PSCI 493(F)-W31-494(S) Senior Thesis
This senior seminar will be open to those senior Political Science majors who are not candidates for honors, yet who wish to complete their degree requirements by doing research—rather than taking the Senior Seminar—in their subfield of specialization. The course extends over one semester and the winter study period. The research results must be presented to the faculty supervisor for evaluation in the form of an extended essay.

Prerequisites: two elective courses in the major’s subfield specialization.

Research Course
Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF

Mahon

PSCI 497(F), 498(S) Independent Study
Open to senior Political Science majors with permission of the department chair.

PSYCHOLOGY

(Div. II, with some exceptions as noted in course descriptions)

Chair, Professor BETTY ZIMMERBERG

Professors: FEIN, HEATHERINGTON, KASSIN*, KAVANAUGH**, KIRBY, M. SANDSTROM, SAVITSKY**, P. SOLOMON**, ZAKI, ZIMMERBERG. Associate Professor: N. SANDSTROM. Assistant Professors: CROSBY*, HANE, KORNELL, STROUD. Senior Lecturer: ENGEL. Visiting Assistant Professors: PERILLOUX, A. SOLOMON.

Major
For the degree in Psychology, students must complete a minimum of nine courses as outlined below:

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1) PSYC 101 Introductory Psychology
2) PSYC 201 Experimentation and Statistics
3) Three 200-level courses, with at least one from each of the following groups.

Group A
- COGS/PHIL/PSYC 222 Minds, Brains, and Intelligent Behavior: An Introduction to Cognitive Science
- NSCI 201/BIOL 212/PSYC 212 Neuroscience
- PSYC 221 Cognitive Psychology

Group B
- PSYC 232 Developmental Psychology
- PSYC 242 Social Psychology
- PSYC 252 Psychological Disorders
- PSYC 272 Psychology of Education

Either PSYC 221 or 222, but not both, can count towards the three required 200-level courses.

4) Three 300-level courses from at least two of the areas listed below:

Area 1: Behavioral Neuroscience (courses with middle digit 1)
Area 2: Cognitive Psychology (courses with middle digit 2)
Area 3: Developmental Psychology (courses with middle digit 3)
Area 4: Social Psychology (courses with middle digit 4)
Area 5: Clinical Psychology (courses with middle digit 5)
Area 6: Other/Interdisciplinary Psychology (courses with middle digit 6)
Area 7: Educational Psychology (courses with middle digit 7)

At least one of these courses must be from among those carrying the format designation Empirical Lab Course.

5) PSYC 401 Perspectives on Psychological Issues

Students who place out of Psychology 101 are still required to take nine courses to complete the major.

The department recommends that students take Psychology 201 in their sophomore year. The department requires that 201 be completed by the end of the junior year.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN PSYCHOLOGY

Students who are candidates for honors need take only two 300-level courses from two different areas, but they must enroll in Psychology 493-W31-494 and write a thesis based on original empirical work. Presentation of a thesis, however, should not be interpreted as a guarantee of a degree with honors. Guidelines for pursuing the degree with honors are available from the department.

STUDY ABROAD

With some advance planning, studying abroad (especially for one semester) can easily be worked into the psychology major. To facilitate this, we recommend that students:

1) meet with the Study Abroad advisor (Professor Heatherington) as soon as they decide that they are interested in studying abroad
2) take Psychology 201 (Experimentation and Statistics) in the sophomore year
3) think ahead to the 300-level courses they are interested in taking so that they can fulfill the 200-level prerequisites before they go away or, if possible, while they are away. In our experience, study abroad programs in the following places are most likely to offer psychology courses: England, Ireland, Scotland, Spain, Australia, New Zealand, Hawaii, and Scandinavia. Students should procure the descriptions of the psychology courses they are considering and bring them to their meeting with the advisor.

There are some costs to studying away, particularly for the year. This limits students’ opportunities to choose the particular 300-level courses they would like to take and they must sometimes settle for those that are open, those which happen to be offered, or those for which they have the prerequisites, once they return in their senior year. Many students who are keen on psychology begin doing research with professors during their junior year, and for some this leads to an honors thesis in the senior year, summer research, etc. If you are going away for the entire year and do not make such connections with a professor ahead of time (i.e., before you go), you may lose out on some of these opportunities to deepen your involvement in the major on campus. On the other hand, studying abroad can be an invaluable learning experience, so you need to think carefully, in consultation with your advisor and/or the Study Abroad advisor, about the costs and benefits of it. Very occasionally, a student who just begins taking psychology courses late in the sophomore year and wishes to go abroad for the year finds that he/she is not able to do both, or is restricted in the choice of study-abroad programs.

COURSE NUMBERING RATIONALE

As is the case in all departments, the first digit of a Psychology course number indicates the relative level of the course. Where appropriate, the second digit corresponds to the Areas listed above.

PSYC 101(PS) Introductory Psychology
An introduction to the major subfields of psychology: behavioral neuroscience, cognitive, developmental, social, personality, psychopathology, and health. The course aims to acquaint students with the major methods, theoretical points of view, and findings of each subfield. Important concepts are exemplified by a study of selected topics and issues within each of these areas.
Format: lecture. Requirements: two lab reports, unit quizzes, and a final exam.
No prerequisites. No enrollment limit (expected: 160).
Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF Members of the Department

PSYC 201(FS) Experimentation and Statistics (Q)
An introduction to the basic principles of research in psychology. We focus on how to design and execute experiments, analyze and interpret the results, and write research reports. Students conduct a series of research studies in different areas of psychology (e.g., social, personality, cognitive) that illustrate basic designs and methods of analysis.
Format: lecture/lab. Requirements: papers, exams, and problem sets.
Prerequisites: Psychology 101, Enrollment limit: 22 per section. Not open to first-year students except with permission of instructor. Preference given to Psychology majors. Two sections each semester—students must register for the lab and lecture with the same instructor.
Not available for the Gaudino option.
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR, 1:10-2:25 MWF
8:30-9:45 TR, 8:30-9:45 MWF Lab: 1:10-3:50 W First Semester: FEIN, KORNELL
Second Semester: M. SANDSTROM, P. SOLOMON

PSYC 212(F) Neuroscience (Same as Biology 212 and Neuroscience 201)
A study of the relationship between brain, mind, and behavior. Topics include a survey of the structure and function of the nervous system, basic neurophysiology, development, learning and memory, sensory and motor systems, language, consciousness and clinical disorders such as schizophrenia, Parkinson’s disease, and Alzheimer’s disease. The laboratory focuses on current topics in neuroscience.
Format: lecture; three hours a week; laboratory, every other week. Evaluation will be based on a lab practical, lab reports, two hour exams and a final exam.
Prerequisites: Psychology 101 or Biology 101; open to first-year students who satisfy the prerequisites, or by permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 72 (expected: 72). Preference given to sophomores and to Biology and Psychology majors.
Satisfies one semester of the Division III requirement.
Not available for the Gaudino option.
Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR Lab: 1-4 M,T,W N. SANDSTROM and H. WILLIAMS (lecture) MARVIN (labs)

PSYC 221(S) Cognitive Psychology
This course will survey the properties and processes that make up normal human cognition. Topics include perception, attention, learning, memory, language, judgment, decision making, reasoning, and problem solving.
Format: lecture. Requirements: one in-class midterm and a final exam.
Prerequisites: Psychology 101 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 50 (expected: 50).
Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF KORNELL

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PSYC 222(F) Minds, Brains, and Intelligent Behavior: An Introduction to Cognitive Science (Same as Cognitive Science 222 and Philosophy 222)

Satisfies one semester of the Division II requirement.

PSYC 232(F) Developmental Psychology

An introduction to the study of human growth and development from conception through emerging adulthood. Topics for discussion include prenatal development, perceptual and motor development, language acquisition, memory and intellectual development, and social and emotional development. These topics form the basis for a discussion of the major theories of human development, including early experience, social learning, psychoanalytic, cognitive-developmental, and ethological models.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: participation in on-line discussion, one short paper on children's television, two midterm exams and a cumulative final exam.


Hour: 11:20-12:55 TR Lab: 1:10-3:50 W ZAKI

PSYC 242(S) Social Psychology

A survey of theory and research in social psychology. Topics include the self, social perception, conformity, attitudes and attitude change, prejudice, aggression, attraction and personality disorders, alcoholism, and others. The course emphasizes an integrative approach which incorporates and analyzes theories and research from family, biological, genetic, and sociocultural perspectives.

Format: lecture. Requirements: two hour exams and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Psychology 101. Enrollment limit: 50 (expected: 50). Open to first-year students.


PSYC 252(FS) Psychological Disorders

A study of the phenomenology, etiology, and treatment of the major forms of psychological disorders: the schizophrenias, dissociative disorders, affective disorders, anxiety disorders, personality disorders, alcoholism, and others. The course emphasizes an integrative approach which incorporates and analyzes theories and research from family, biological, genetic, and sociocultural perspectives.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: two exams and a final project.

Prerequisites: Psychology 101; open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 50 (expected: 50).

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR First Semester: STROUD

Second Semester: HEATHERINGTON

PSYC 272(S) Psychology of Education

This course introduces students to a broad range of theories and research on education. What models of teaching work best, and for what purposes? How do we measure the success of various education practices? What is the best way to describe the psychological processes by which children gain information and expertise? What accounts for individual differences in learning, and how do teachers (and schools) address these individual needs? How do social and economic factors shape teaching practices and the educational experiences of individuals? The course will draw from a wide range of literature (research, theory, and first hand accounts) to consider key questions in the psychology of education. Upon completion of the course, students should be familiar with central issues in pre-college education and know how educational research and the practice of teaching affect one another.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: two exams and a final project.


Hour: 11:20-12:55 TR ENGEL

PSYC 315(S) Hormones and Behavior (Same as Neuroscience 315)

In all animals, hormones are essential for the coordination of basic functions such as development and reproduction. This course studies the dynamic relationship between hormones and behavior. We will review the mechanisms by which hormones act in the nervous system. We will also investigate the complex interactions between hormones and behavior. Specific topics to be examined include: sexual differentiation; reproductive and parental behaviors; stress; aggression; and learning and memory. Students will critically review data from both human and animal studies. All students will design and conduct an empirical research project.

Format: Empirical Lab Course. Requirements: presentations and participation in discussions, short papers, midterm and final exams, written and oral presentation of the research project.

Prerequisites: Psychology 212 (same as Biology 212 or Neuroscience 201). Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 16). Preference given to Psychology majors and Neuroscience concentrators.

Satisfies one semester of the Division III requirement.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 MWF Lab: 1:10-3:50 T N. SANDSTROM

PSYC 316 Clinical Neuroscience (Same as Neuroscience 316) (Not offered 2011-2012)

Diagnosing and treating neurological diseases is the final frontier of medicine. Recent advances in neuroscience have had a profound impact on the understanding of diseases that affect cognition, behavior, and emotion. This course provides an in-depth analysis of the relationship between brain dysfunction and disease state. We will focus on neurodegenerative disorders including Alzheimer’s disease, Parkinson’s disease, and Huntington’s disease. We will consider diagnosis of disease, treatment strategies, as well as social and ethical issues. The course provides students with the opportunity to present material based upon: (1) review of published literature, (2) analysis of case histories, and (3) observations of diagnosis and treatment of patients both live and on videotape. All students will design and conduct an empirical research project.

Format: Empirical Lab Course. Evaluation will be based on position papers, class participation, and research project report.

Prerequisites: Psychology 212 (same as Biology 212 or Neuroscience 201). Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 16). Satisfies one semester of the Division III requirement.

PSYC 318(F) Image, Imaging and Imagining: The Brain and Visual Arts (Same as INTR 223 and Neuroscience 318)

This course will study the intersections of neuroscience and art. The brain interprets the visual world and generates cognitive and emotional responses to what the eyes see. It is also responsible for creating mental images and then directing the artist's motor output. We will first examine the neural mechanisms of how we perceive what we see. We will investigate how visual artists have used or challenged perceptual cues in their work. Understanding how the brain perceives faces will be used to analyze portraiture. We will consider the influence of neurological and psychological disorders on artistic work. We will examine neuroimaging studies questioning whether the brains of visual artists are specialized differently from non-artists. Finally, we will explore how contemporary artists are using brain images in their artwork, and how "outsider" artists have portrayed brain syndromes and mental states. Students will create their own artwork in response to the course material, culminating in a class exhibit. The class will include field trips to local museums.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on a midterm, several presentations, and a final project.

Prerequisites: PSYC 101, ArtH 101-102 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 12). Preference: for registration under INTR, Studio Art majors, majors in Psychology and Neuroscience concentrators.

Satisfies one semester of the Division III requirement.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF P. SOLOMON

PSYC 322(F) Concepts: Mind, Brain, and Culture

Every time we see something as a kind of thing, every time that we decide that an object is a cup rather than a glass, when we recognize a picture of a familiar face as a picture of ourselves, or even when we understand speech, we are employing categories. Most categorization decisions are automatic and unconscious, and therefore have the illusion of simplicity. The complexity of these decisions, however, becomes apparent when we attempt to build machines to do what humans perform so effortlessly. What are the systems in place that allow us this extraordinary ability to segment the world? Are they universal? How does conceptual knowledge differ across cultural groups? How do concepts affect our perception? How do the categories of experts differ from the categories of novices? Do children have the same kind of conceptual knowledge as adults? How are categories represented in the brain? In this course, we explore various empirical findings from cognitive psychology, cognitive neuroscience, and anthropology that address these questions.

Format: Empirical Lab Course. Requirements: short papers, class presentation, and research paper.

Prerequisites: Psychology 221 or 222 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 16). Preference given to Psychology majors and Cognitive Science concentrators.

Hour: 11:20-12:55 TR Lab: 1:10-3:50 W ZAKI

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PSYC 324T Great Debates in Cognition (Not offered 2011-2012)
The field of cognition is filled with controversies about how the mind really works. For example, is there sufficient evidence for a system in vision that can become aware of things without actually "seeing" them? Is it necessary to assume that babies come into the world armed with innate linguistic knowledge? Are humans inherently rational? Can we make inference about the mind using neuroimaging? These debates, and others that we will consider, help fuel scientific discovery in cognition in interesting ways. In this class, we will consider some of these contemporary debates, weigh evidence on both sides, and discuss the implications for what we know about the mind.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: Students will meet in pairs with the instructor for an hour each week. Evaluation will be based on weekly papers and oral arguments.
Prerequisites: Psychology 221 or 222 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to Psychology majors and Cognitive Science concentrators. ZAKI

PSYC 326(S) Choice and Decision Making
One aspect of "being human" is that we often make choices that we know are bad for us. In this course we survey theoretical and experimental approaches to understanding our strengths and weaknesses as decision makers. Topics include normative decision theories, biases in probability judgments, "fast and frugal" heuristics, impulsiveness and self-control, addictions and bad habits, gambling, and moral decision making.
Format: seminar. Requirements: essay papers and class participation.
Prerequisites: Psychology 221 or 222 or permission of instructor. Permission is typically given to students who have successfully completed Economics 110. Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 16). Preference given to senior Psychology majors who need the course to fulfill the major. Satisfies one semester of the Division II requirement.
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR, 1:10-3:50 W KIRBY

PSYC 327 Human Learning and Memory (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course covers the principles underlying human learning and memory. One of the major themes will be what people can do to make their learning more efficient and long-lasting. In addition to "what works," we will also examine what people think works. Memory is complex and often unintuitive, and we will examine people's misconceptions, particularly about how to study. We will approach these issues from a theoretical perspective and a practical perspective (e.g., by discussing the implications of cognitive psychology for education). Consistent with what is known about learning and memory, students will be expected to be active participants in their own learning.
Format: Empirical Lab Course; seminar with scheduled lab. Requirements: seminar and lab attendance, an original empirical research project (conducted in small groups), a written report of the research project (written individually), shorter written assignments, an in-class presentation of the research project, midterm and final exams, and class participation.
Prerequisites: Psychology 201 and Psychology 221 or 222, or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 14). Preference given to Psychology majors.
KORNELL

PSYC 331T Risk and Resilience in Early Development (Not offered 2011-2012)
Children are often viewed as vulnerable members of our society, worthy of great care and protection. Paradoxically, equally commonplace is the perception that children are hearty and resilient individuals who more readily adapt to change than adults. This contradiction is most evident during early development, when the remarkable plasticity of the rapidly developing brain offers infants and young children an exquisite sensitivity to contextual forces, both positive and negative. This tutorial explores the risk and protective factors both within and outside of the young child, that give rise to continuity and change in early development and focuses on the challenges of translating risk and resilience research into programs that optimize development. Evidence drawn from theories of early experience and developmental psychopathology will frame our review of the literature on prenatal risk factors, including teratogens and maternal stress; genetic influences, including gene-by-environment interactions; infant risk factors, including medical fragility and temperament; caregiving risk factors, including maternal depression and anxiety; sociocultural influences; and child-caregiver dynamics and neglect. Tutorial assignments will focus on critical evaluation of the quality of the research and to the translation of the research to applied programs.
Format: tutorial. Requirements: Students will meet in pairs with the instructor for one hour each week. Each week, students will either compose a position paper based on the week's readings, or respond to the position paper of their partner.
Prerequisites: Psychology 201 and Psychology 221 or 222 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to Psychology majors.
HANE

PSYC 332(F) Cognitive Development
In this course we consider how mental abilities, such as language, memory, thinking and imagination develop during the childhood years. We begin by asking how infants, who do not have language, make sense of their world and then move on to examine the development of language, memory, reasoning, and imagination. Throughout these discussions, we consider the impact of biology (e.g. changes in the brain) and culture on cognition, as well as the similarities and differences in the cognitive abilities of normally developing children and children with developmental problems (e.g., autism).
Format: seminar. Requirements: two hour exams, thought papers, and a final 10- to 15-page paper.
Prerequisites: Psychology 201 and Psychology 232 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 16). Preference given to Psychology majors.
KIRBY

PSYC 334T Magic, Superstition, and Belief (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
In the 2008 presidential campaign, Barack Obama played a ritual game of basketball on each election day while John McCain kept a lucky feather in his pocket throughout the election season. These are but two striking examples of the millions of people who regularly engage in ritualistic or superstitious behavior. But why? How did the mind evolve to support both logical reasoning and magical thinking? In this tutorial, we explore that question by examining how beliefs, emotions, and imagination have interlocked in the course of human development. We will discuss and debate how the capacity to imagine facilitates problem solving, why magical thinking continues in to adulthood, and how our beliefs in both natural and supernatural phenomena are related to the evolutionary forces that shaped the human mind.
Format: tutorial. Requirements: Students will meet in pairs with the instructor for one hour each week and be fully prepared to discuss the material. Each week, one student in each pair will either write a 6- to 8-page paper (five papers in total), or respond to the partner’s paper. Emphasis will be placed on constructing critical written and oral arguments.
Prerequisites: Psychology 221 or 222 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to Psychology majors.
KAVANAUGH

PSYC 335(S) Early Experience and the Developing Infant
The period from conception to age three is marked by impressive rapidity in development and the plasticity of the developing brain affords both fetus and infant an exquisite sensitivity to context. This course delves into the literature that highlights the dynamic interactions between the developing fetus/infant and the environment. The course readings span a range of disciplines and cover a diversity of hot topics in the study of prenatal and infant development, including empirical research drawn from the developmental, neuroscience, psychopathology, and pediatric literatures.
Format: empirical lab course. Requirements: active class participation, regular thought papers and class presentations, and a written report and accompanying presentation of an independent research project.
Prerequisites: Psychology 201, Psychology 212, and Psychology 232 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 16). Preference given to Psychology majors and Neuroscience Concentrators.

PSYC 336 Adolescence (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
Why do we define adolescence as a distinct stage of development? What are its perils and accomplishments? What internal and external forces make adolescence such a volatile and formative stage of life? The course considers a range of empirical and theoretical material, as well as fiction and film, in order to identify and understand the behavior and experience of adolescents. Topics include: identity, sexuality, romantic love, intellectual growth, family relationships, peer relationships, education, and variation between cultures.
Format: seminar. There will be a midterm paper and a group project that will involve several pieces of writing.
Prerequisites: Psychology 232 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 16). Preference given to Psychology majors and those who plan to become teachers.
ENGEL
PSYC 340(TS) Interdisciplinary Approaches to Social Psychology (W)
This tutorial will examine new and emerging interdisciplinary approaches to the study of important social psychological issues. Its focus will be on the conncetions between social psychology and disciplines such as neuroscience, biology, cognitive psychology, political science, organizational behavior, educational psychology, and cross-cultural and multi-cultural psychology. Examples of topics to be examined include: Neuroscience and prejudice; culture and the self; education and diversity; biology and altruism; politics and attitude change. We will explore the benefits and challenges of taking interdisciplinary approaches to studying these issues.
Format: tutorial. Requirements: tutorial papers and responses to partner's tutorial papers, in alternating weeks; participation in tutorial discussions.
Prerequisites: Psychology 242. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to Psychology majors.
FEIN

Tutorial meetings to be arranged.
PSYC 341 Stereotypes, Prejudice, and Discrimination (Same as Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 339) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (W)
This course will examine social psychological theories and research that are relevant to the understanding of stereotypes, prejudice, and discrimination. We will take a variety of social psychological perspectives, emphasizing sociocultural, cognitive, personality, or motivational explanations. We will examine the impact that stereotypes and prejudice have on people's perceptions of and behaviors toward particular groups or group members and will explore a variety of factors that tend to exacerbate or weaken this impact. We also will consider some of the sources of stereotypes, prejudice, and discrimination and some of the processes through which they are maintained, strengthened, or revised. In addition, we will examine some of the effects that stereotypes, prejudice, and discrimination can have on stereotyped groups, as well as some implications of the social psychological research findings for issues such as education and business and government policies. A major component of this course will be the examination of classic and ongoing empirical research.
Format: Empirical Lab Course. Requirements: weekly brief papers, oral reports, two longer papers.
Prerequisites: Psychology 201 and 242. Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 16). Preference given to senior; then junior Psychology majors.
FEIN

PSYC 344 Advanced Research in Social Psychology (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course will focus on the process of doing original, empirical social psychological research on specific topics in the field. We will concentrate on two content areas of research: (1) stereotypes and prejudice, particularly as they touch on issues concerning the academic achievement of women and people of color, and on the role of self-esteem in stereotyping and prejudice, and (2) interpersonal suspicion, including an examination of factors that might reduce suspicion in interracial or cross-cultural dyads or groups. Students will research and critically analyze and integrate the relevant literatures concerning these topics, and will design and conduct original research to test empirically several hypotheses that emerge from these literatures. We will examine a variety of types of research design and statistical techniques.
Format: Empirical Lab Course. Requirements: a series of papers, written and oral reports of research.
FEIN

PSYC 345(F) Political Psychology (Same as Political Science 310)
(See under PSCI 310 for full description.)
MARKUS

PSYC 346(S) Environmental Psychology (Same as Environmental Studies 346)
This is a course in social psychology as it pertains to the natural environment. We will consider how the environment influences aspects of human psychology (e.g., the psychological implications of humans’ disconnect with nature), as well as how human psychology influences the environment (e.g., why some people engage in environmentally destructive behaviors despite holding pro-environmental attitudes). At the core of this course is an attempt to examine various ways in which research and theory in social psychology can contribute insights to understanding (and encouraging) environmentally responsible behavior and sustainable practices, both here at Williams and globally. Because human choice and behavior play such an important role in environmental problems, a consideration of human psychology may therefore be an important part of the solution.
Format: empirical lab course. Requirements: a series of papers, written and oral reports of research.
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF Lab: 1:10-3:50 T SAVITSKY

PSYC 347 Psychology and the Law (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course deals with applications of psychology to the legal system. Relevant psychological theory and research address the following controversies: scientific jury selection, jury decision-making, eyewitness testimony, child witnesses in abuse cases, hypnosis, lie-detector tests, interrogations and confessions, the insanity defense, and the role of psychologists as trial consultants and expert witnesses. Observations are made of videotaped trials, demonstrations, and mock jury deliberations.
Format: seminar. Requirements: two hour exams and class participation.
KASSIN

PSYC 348(F) Evolutionary Psychology
This course will provide a solid theoretical foundation for the study of psychology from an evolutionary perspective. We will apply to humans the same lens that evolutionary biology has applied to other species. This analysis allows us to explore human behavior at multiple levels of causation. During this course, we will survey topics ranging from mating to menopause, jealousy to food preferences, and cheater-detection to kinship. The course will begin with an introduction to the underpinnings of evolutionary theory and will then delve into more specific areas of human functioning. As part of the course, students will have an opportunity to conduct original research in the area.
Format: Empirical Lab Course. Evaluation will be based on class participation, short written responses, a research proposal, and written and oral reports of research.
Prerequisites: Psychology 242 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 12). Preference given to Psychology majors.
Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR Lab: 1:10-3:50 T PERILLOUX

PSYC 349 Progress and Problems in Intergroup Interaction (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course will examine literature on intergroup interaction, ranging from classic work on “the contact hypothesis” to recent work that traces the physiological correlates of intergroup interaction. We will discuss the current challenges of intergroup interaction, and the ways in which good intentions can sometimes backfire. We will focus on interactions across specific group-based differences, such as race/ethnicity, sexuality, and disability, and in specific settings, such as schools and workplaces.
Format: seminar. Requirements: twice weekly reaction papers, periodic oral presentations, research paper.
Prerequisites: Psychology 201 and 242 or consent of instructor. Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 16). Preference will be given to Psychology majors.
CRISBY

PSYC 351(F) Childhood Peer Relations and Clinical Issues
An exploration of the important ways peer relationships influence children’s emotional, cognitive, and social development. We consider various aspects of childhood peer rejection, including emergence and maintenance of peer difficulties, short- and long-term consequences, and intervention and prevention programs. A variety of research methodologies and assessment strategies will be considered. All students will design and conduct an empirical research project based on the concepts discussed.
Format: Empirical Lab Course. Requirements: weekly response papers, midterm exam and a written/oral report of research.
Prerequisites: Psychology 201 and either Psychology 232 or 252. Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 16). Preference given to Psychology majors.
Hour: 7:00-9:00 p.m. M Lab: 1:10-3:50 W M. SANDSTROM

PSYC 352(F) Clinical and Community Psychology
A study of the theory, methods, and professional issues in clinical and community psychology. In addition to academic work (primary source readings and class discussions), the course aims to enable students to apply their experience in academic psychology to field settings and to use their fieldwork experience to critically evaluate theory and research. The course includes a supervised fieldwork placement arranged by the instructor in a local mental health or school service agency.
Format: seminar. Requirements: field work (six hours per week), two 5-page position papers, and a 12- to 15-page final paper.
Prerequisites: Psychology 201 and either Psychology 232 or 252. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). Preference given to senior; then junior; Psychology majors; you MUST have permission of instructor to register for this course.
Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR HEATHERINGTON
**PSYC 356S (S)** Advanced Topics in Personality and its Disorders

This course explores whether normative and extreme personalities can be explained within a single integrative theory. We begin by building an evidence-based account of 'human nature' — i.e., of those tendencies and capacities that all normal humans share, across diverse cultures and life histories. Next we study how genes, life events, and cognition may modify those tendencies and capacities to produce the individual differences that we call personalities. Finally we consider whether the personality disorders are qualitatively different from normative personality styles, or differ merely by degree. Material will be drawn from many psychological subdisciplines, including biological, trait, evolutionary, comparative, cognitive, psychodynamic, and social psychology.

Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, frequent short research papers, a midterm exam, and a capstone paper.

Prerequisites: Psychology 252 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference to Psychology majors.

Hour: 11:00-11:50 MWF

A. SOLOMON

**PSYC 357(S)** Depression

This course will provide students with a comprehensive understanding of depression. Topics will include assessment, models of etiology and course, effective approaches to prevention and intervention, and depression in specific populations. Readings will expose students to seminal works in the field as well as current methods and research findings. All students will design and conduct an empirical research project based on the readings and concepts discussed. Throughout the course, students will evaluate current research based on theory, methodological rigor, and potential impact on prevention and intervention efforts.

Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, in-class short written responses, weekly response papers, midterm exam, an original empirical research project, a written report of the research project, and an oral presentation of the research project.

Prerequisites: Psychology 201 and Psychology 252. Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 16). Preference will be given to Psychology majors.

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

Lab: 1:10-3:50 W

STROUD

**PSYC 361 Psychology of Nonviolence (Not offered 2011-2012)**

Nonviolence refers to choice behavior in interpersonal interactions in which physical and psychological injury to others is rejected as an option. In this course we will study the psychological, sociological, and ethical dimensions of nonviolence, and evaluate the empirical support for their central empirical claims of moral psychological benefits to the practitioner, attitude change in the adversary, and positive exemplary effects on social interaction. Topics include anger and self-control, aggression, evil, conflict resolution, empathy, and forgiveness.

Format: discussion/seminar. Requirements: class attendance and participation, discussion leadership, weekly response papers, short essays, and a final paper.

Any 200-level course in Psychology or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 10). Preference given to Psychology majors.

**KIRBY**

**PSYC 372(F)** Advanced Seminar in Teaching and Learning

This seminar will give students an opportunity to contribute to the field of educational psychology and social policy. Students will be introduced via popular books or films, and we will analyze them more deeply with original research articles from across multiple perspectives and subdisciplines of psychology. The course will primarily be discussion-based, and the students will be leading these discussions.

Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, in-class short written responses, weekly response papers, midterm exam, an original empirical research project, a written report of the research project, and an oral presentation of the research project.

Prerequisites: Psychology 232 or Psychology 272 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 16 (expected: 16). Preference given to Psychology majors and those who plan to become teachers.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 W

ENGEI

**PSYC 397(F), 398(S) Independent Study**

Open to upperclass students with permission of the instructor and department. Students interested in doing an independent study should make prior arrangements with the appropriate professor. The student and professor then complete the independent study proposal form available at the Registrar’s Office and should submit it to the department chair for approval prior to the beginning of the drop/add period.

**PSYC 401(F) Perspectives on Psychological Issues**

This psychology major seminar focuses on several important contemporary topics from diverse psychological perspectives. These topics will be introduced via popular books or films, and we will analyze them more deeply with original research articles from across multiple perspectives and subdisciplines of psychology. The course will primarily be discussion-based, and the students will be leading these discussions.

Format: seminar. Requirements: participation in class discussions, choosing relevant research articles, and three position papers.

Prerequisites: only open to seniors. No enrollment limit (expected: 15 per section). This course is required of all senior Psychology majors.

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR

Members of the Department

**PSYC 493(F)-W31-494(S) Senior Thesis**

This course provides research experience for two semesters or a winter study period under the guidance of one or more members of the department. After exploring the literature of a relatively specialized field of psychology, the student will design and execute an original empirical research project, the results of which will be reported in a thesis. Detailed guidelines for pursuing a thesis are available from the department and on our web site.

Prerequisites: permission of the thesis advisor.

**PUBLIC HEALTH**

Coordinator, Associate Professor LOIS BANTA

**Advisory Committee:** Professors: DARROW, D; GOLLIN***, C; JOHNSON, SHANKS, SHORE-SHEPPARD*, ZIMMERMANN. Associate Professors: BANTA, GEHRING, KLINGENBERG, WATSON. Assistant Professors: DUBOW, HANE, MUNEMO, WILSON. Adjunct Associate Professor: HONERICH, Visiting Assistant Professor: J. PEDRONI. Lecturer: GUTSCHEW***.

Public health seeks to understand, and also to protect and improve, health at the level of a community or population. Communities make decisions and allocate resources that, intentionally or not, fundamentally shape human life. For example, great reductions in sickness and early death have come from social interventions with relatively low financial cost, such as physically separating drinking water from sewage, or distributing aspirin, condoms, mosquito nets, vaccines or soap, or sharing new ideas about life’s possibilities. The way a society is organized affects the way that social and scientific knowledge is distributed within it; access to that knowledge shapes health at the individual level. At its heart, the study of public health focuses on questions about relationships between science and society, and between reality and possibility: what effective public health policy is and how we can measure its effectiveness; what the relationship is, and ought to be, between economic and policy; how we value those that compete with maximizing health; what counts as disease, over time and among cultures; how we think about cause and responsibility; what constitutes a healthy environment; how our fundamental beliefs determine our approaches to health decisions; and how such decisions ought to be made.

Public health draws on theory and applied research in the social sciences, natural sciences and humanities. Specialized subjects within public health include epidemiology, population history, environmental health, disease prevention, aging, biostatistics, reproductive and family health, health policy, health education, and the politics of health-related research. A good foundation in the study of public health would include at least one course devoted to the field as a whole and one course in statistics, supplemented by courses that provide grounding in demographic history and processes, decision-making, science and health, and humanitarian and ethical dimensions of the field. It also would include field experience. The advisory committee on public health suggests that the following categories of courses serve as a bridge guide for students interested in acquiring a foundation in the field.

**Core Course**

**INTR 150 Dimensions of Public Health (Not offered 2011-2012; to be offered 2012-2013)**

**Courses in Statistics**

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   ANTH 243  Dilemmas of Humanitarian Interventions
   ECON 205  Public Economics
   ECON/WGST 207  Economics of HIV/AIDS
   ECON 230  Economics of Health and Health Care
   ECON 381T  Health in Poor Countries
   ECON 468  Your Money or Your Life: Health Disparities in the United States
   [ECON 469  Economics of Global Health and Population – last offered Spring 2009]
   ECON 503  Public Economics
   PSCI 209  Poverty in America
   PSCI 229  International Organizations
   PSCI 316  Policy Making Policy
   PSYC 242  Social Psychology
   PSYC 326  Choice and Decision Making
   SOC 265  Drugs and Society

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   ANTH/REL/WGST 272  Sex in Society: The Cultural Construction of Reproduction
   BIOL 132  The Human Genome
   BIOL 133  The Biology of Exercise and Nutrition
   BIOL/ENVI 134  The Tropics: Biology and Social Issues
   BIOL 313  Immunology
   BIOL 315  Microbiology
   CHEM 112  Chemistry of Tropical Diseases: Charting the Course from Traditional to Modern Medicines
   CHEM 115  AIDS: The Disease and Search for a Cure
   CHEM/ENVI 341  Toxicology and Cancer
   HIST 374  American Medical History
   HIST/WGST 376  The History of Sexuality in America
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   PSYC 317T  Nature via Nuture
   PSYC 331T  Risk and Resilience in Early Development
   PSYC 335  Early Experience and the Developing Infant
   PSYC 353  Behavioral Medicine

Bioethics and Interpretations of Health
   COMP 242T  Reading and Writing the Body
   [HIST 336  Victorian Psychology – last offered Spring 2008]
   PHIL 227  Death and Dying
   PHIL 231  Biomedical Ethics
   PHIL/WGST 228  Feminist Bioethics
   PHIL 229  Ethics and Genetics
   PHIL 247T  Ethics of Human Experimentation
   [PHIL/WGST 311T  Power, Pain & Pleasure – last offered Fall 2007]
   PHIL 337  Justice in Health Care
   REL/ASST/WGST 248  Body Politics, Gender, and Religion in South Asia
   RLS 301  Cervantes's Don Quixote
   SOC 204  Health, Illness, and Biomedicine
   WGST/PHIL 212  Ethics and Reproductive Technologies

Field Experience (Winter Study Classes)
   ANSO 13  Epidemiology, Public Health and Leadership in the Health Professions
   BIOL 11  Global Health: Why We Should Care
   BIOL 12  Pathophysiology of Diseases of the Heart
   ECON 25  Gender & Social Activism in Senegal
   PSCI 15  Infectious Diseases, Public Health Crisis and Human Development
   PSCI 21  Fieldwork in Public and Private Nonprofits
   PSCI 25  Williams in New Orleans
   SPEC 14  Emergency Medical Technician
   SPEC 19  Medical Apprenticeship
   SPEC 24  Eye Care and Culture in Nicaragua

RELIGION (Div. II)

Chair, Professor DENISE K. BUELL

Professors: BUELL, DARROW, DREYFUS. Associate Professor: HAMMERSCHLAG*, Assistant Professors: HIDALGO, JOSEPHSON**, SHUCK. Lecturer: GUTSCHOW***.

MAJOR

The major in Religion is designed to perform two related functions: to expose the student to the methods and issues involved in the study of religion as a phenomenon of psychological, sociological, and cultural/historical dimensions; and to confront students with the beliefs, practices, and values of specific religions through a study of particular religious traditions. It is a program that affords each student an opportunity to fashion his/her own sequence of study within a prescribed basic pattern constructed to ensure both coherence and variety. It consists of at least nine semester courses as follows:

Required sequence courses

Religion 101  Introduction to Religion

Two seminars, one that explores a central topic of contemporary critical inquiry in the study of religion (courses numbered 270-299) and one that explores a phenomenon (e.g., ritual, symbol-formation, mysticism, theology, etc.), there is the opportunity to undertake independent study or, with the approval of the department, to pursue a thesis project.

For those who wish to go beyond the formally-listed courses into a more intensive study of a particular religious tradition, methodological trend, or religious phenomenon (e.g., ritual, symbol-formation, mysticism, theology, etc.), there is the opportunity to undertake independent study or, with the approval of the department, to pursue a thesis project.

The value of the major in Religion derives from its fostering of a critical appreciation of the complex role religion plays in every society, even those that consider themselves non-religious. The major makes one sensitive to the role religion plays in shaping the terms of cultural discourse, of social attitudes and behavior, and of moral reflection. But it also discloses the ways in which religion and its social effects represent the experience of individual persons and commu-
nities. In doing these things, the major further provides one with interdisciplinary analytical tools and cross-cultural experience and opens up new avenues for dealing with both the history of a society and culture and the relationships between different societies and cultures. Whate learnes as a Religion major is therefore remarkably applicable to a wide range of other fields of study or professions.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN RELIGION

The degree with honors in Religion requires the above-mentioned nine courses and the preparation of a thesis of 75+ pages with a grade of B+ or better. A thesis may combine revised work done in the above-mentioned nine courses and the preparation of a thesis of 75+ pages with a grade of B+ or better. A thesis may combine revised work done in the above-mentioned nine courses and new material prepared while enrolled either in Religion 493-W31 or Religion W31-494. Up to two-thirds of the work in the thesis may be such revised work, but at least one-third must represent new work. The thesis must constitute a coherent whole either by means of the student's own choice or by a focus on a particular historical tradition. Candidates will also be expected to present the results of their thesis orally in a public presentation. Students who wish to have the opportunity to work with a thesis advisor in Religion will submit proposals and at least one paper that may be included in the thesis to the department in the spring of their junior year. Students must normally have at least a 3.5 GPA in Religion to be considered for the honors program.

The chair will serve as advisor to non-majors.

STUDY ABROAD

The Williams College Religion Department encourages potential majors to study abroad in order to enhance their education and gain international perspectives on religious studies. There are many excellent study abroad opportunities offering students a variety of possible experiences; among them cultural immersion, intensive language learning, independent study, participation in another educational system. Many of our majors study in the Williams College Oxford Program, but our majors also regularly pursue a semester or year-long study in other programs.

REL 101(FS) Introduction to Religion

An examination of the structure and dynamics of certain aspects of religious thought, action, and sensibility—employing psychological, sociological, anthropological, and philosophical modes of inquiry—the course offers a general exposure to basic methodological issues in the study of religion, and includes consideration of multiple cultural types of religious expression.

Format: lecture/discussion. Assessment will be based on brief essays, a more substantial midterm paper and final essay-based exercise.

Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 15-25).

Hour: 8:30-9:45 MWF; 2:35-3:30 MR

First Semester: DREYFUS, SHUCK


Second Semester: DARROW

THE JEWISH TRADITION

REL 201(F) The Hebrew Bible (Same as Comparative Literature 201 and Jewish Studies 201)

The Hebrew Bible is perhaps the single most influential work in the Western philosophy, literature, and art. But the overwhelming presence of the text in nearly every aspect of modern culture often obscures the sheer brilliance of its narrative technique as well as the complex interplay between law, history, prophecy, and myth in which it occurs. This course offers a comparative study of several Hebraic and Biblical passages from the Hebrew Bible with an eye towards developing a sophisticated understanding of the text in its ancient context. Through the close reading of substantial portions of the Hebrew Scripture in translation and the application of various modern critical approaches to culture and literature, students will explore fundamental questions about the social, ritual, and philosophical history of ancient Israel, as well as the fundamental power of storytelling that has resonated across two millennia.

Format: lecture/exam. Evaluation will be based on class participation, short written assignments, and two to three longer papers.


Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

DEKEL

REL 202(S) Moses: Stranger in a Strange Land (Same as Comparative Literature 214 and Jewish Studies 202)

As chieftain, priest, prophet, and lawgiver all in one, Moses occupies the central place in the history of Israelite and Jewish leaders. However, he is a somewhat unlikely candidate for such an important role. He is God’s chosen leader among the enslaved Israelites, but he is raised as an Egyptian prince. He is a spokesman for his people, but he is slow of speech. He is the lawgiver and first judge of his nation, yet he is quick-tempered and impatient. The story of the most revered figure in the Jewish tradition will remain an outsider to the very end, has fascinated commentators and inspired countless artistic and literary interpretations.

This course will engage in a close study of the figure of Moses by examining the biblical narrative of his life and career from Exodus through Deuteronomy with an eye towards understanding the complex and often contradictory portrait of this self-described “stranger in a strange land.” We will also examine some of the ancient legendary and folkloric accounts about Moses, as well as philosophical and allegorical treatments in Hellenistic Jewish, early Christian, and Muslim biographies. We will then proceed to investigate key modern reconfigurations and critiques of Moses in several genres, which may include renaissance visual depictions, literary works by Sigmund Freud, George Eliot, Thomas Mann, and Zora Neale Hurston, and even musical and cinematic renditions. All readings are in translation.

Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, short written assignments, and two to three longer papers.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to students who have already taken a course in biblical literature.

Hour: 9:55-11:10 TR

DEKEL

REL 203 Judaim and Innovation Tradition (Same as Jewish Studies 101) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

What is the relationship between modern notions of Jewish identity, thought and practice and the Hebrew Bible? How does the modern Reform movement look at the rabbis? How consistent has Jewish moral thought been throughout its history? What elements of the Jewish tradition have enabled its elasticity and historic persistence? By providing an introduction to the traditions of Jewish thought and practice through the ages, this course will undertake these questions. Though the course’s method of progression will be primarily chronological, commencing with myths of Israel’s beginnings and culminating with contemporary debates over Jewish identity, we will additionally emphasize the strong ties between methods of Jewish thought and practice and surrounding cultural environments in which they developed. We will approach the tradition not only with historical concerns, but with literary and philosophical aims as well. We will analyze the interpretive strategies, theological presuppositions, and political aims that accompany the tradition both in its continuities and its ruptures. Finally, we will consider the extent to which we can speak of Judaism under the category of religion, considering as well the other categories that have been proposed for Judaism, Jews and Jewishness, such as nation, people, race and ethnicity, and the motivations behind such designations. Texts will include the Hebrew Bible, Holtz (ed), Back to the Sources; Halberstam, People of the Book; Mendelsohn, Jerusalem; Hertzberg (ed), The Zionist Idea; Levi, Survival in Auschwitz; as well as excerpts and articles available in a course packet.

Format: lecture/discussion. Assignments will include participation in class discussion, three short papers (5-7 pages) and a take-home final exam.


HAMEMSELCHAG

REL 204 Endtimes: Messianism in Modernity (Same as Jewish Studies 204 and Philosophy 204) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

The sociologist Zygmunt Bauman has described modernity as the period of the world’s disenchantment, when God absconded and religion was either rationalized or reduced to the category of superstition. Ironically, this very disenchantment might help to explain the persistence of the concept of the messianic in even the most secular of modern European thought. On Judaism’s most powerful and elastic concepts, the notion of the messianic was a variety of radically different interpretations between the 17th and 20th centuries. This course will consider the range of modern interpretations of the messiah, taking as its concrete starting point the Sabbathian Heresy of the 17th century and concluding with Derrida’s philosophical development of the concept of the messianic as pure interruption. The course’s aim is to use messianism as a focal point around which to consider the dynamic relationship between philosophy and Judaism in modernity. This course will expose the mutual influences of these two forces, illustrating both how Enlightenment conceptions of progress helped to create the notion of “messianism” understood as an abstract idea, and how the modern/post-modern philosophical conception of the “messianic” as a force that interrupts time is dependent upon historical studies of the messianic dimension of traditional Judaism. The readings for each class will not generally exceed 40 pages but will require close attention. Authors to be read include GWF Hegel, Immanuel Kant, Hermann Cohen, Franz Rosenzweig, Gershom Scholem, Walter Benjamin, and Jacques Derrida.

Format: seminar. Requirements include regular participation, weekly writing assignments of 2-3 pages, and a final 12- to 15-page paper approved by the instructor. No student’s choice.


HAMEMSELCHAG

REL 205 Ancient Wisdom Literature (Same as Classics 205, Comparative Literature 217 and Jewish Studies 205) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

The Biblical books of Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Job are often grouped together under the Hebrew category of hokhmah, ‘wisdom’. Although these books are very different in content, they can all be interpreted as meditations on ethical and practical philosophy. In this way, they represent the Hebrew Bible’s canonical embrace of a widespread Near Eastern literary phenomenon. From the instructional literature of Egypt and Mesopotamia to Greek didactic poetry and fables,
ancient Mediterranean cultures offer a wide range of texts that engage the issues of personal behavior, leadership, and justice. Starting with the central wisdom books of the Hebrew Bible and moving through relevant material from the Apocrypha, New Testament, and the Egyptian and Babylonian traditions, this course will examine the literature of wisdom throughout the ancient world with an eye toward understanding its various social, political, and philosophical contexts. We will then consider the Greek wisdom tradition in such texts as Hesiod’s Works and Days, Aesop’s fables, and fragments from the pre-Socratic philosophers. Finally, we will explore the influence of these ancient sources on later expressions of wisdom in medieval European literature, as well as more recent examples such as Benjamin Franklin’s Poor Richard’s Almanack. All readings are in translation.

Format: lecturediscussion. Requirements: evaluation will be based on class participation, short written assignments, and two longer papers.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference will be given to students who have already taken a course in ancient literature.

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REL 206 The Book of Job and Joban Literature (Same as Comparative Literature 206 and Jewish Studies 206) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
The Book of Job has often been described as the most philosophical book of the Hebrew Bible. The story of one man’s struggle to understand the cause of his suffering and his relationship to God represents the finest flowering of the Near Eastern wisdom literature tradition. Through its exploration of fundamental issues concerning human suffering, fate and divinity, and the nature of philosophical self-examination, Job has served as a touchstone for the entire history of existential literature. At the same time, the sheer poetic force of the story has inspired some of the greatest artistic and literary meditations in the Western tradition. This course will engage in a close reading of the Book of Job in its full cultural, religious, and historical context with special attention to its literary, philosophical, and psychological dimensions. We will then proceed to investigate key modern works in several genres that involve Joban motifs, themes, and text both explicitly and implicitly. These texts will include Franz Kafka’s The Trial, Archibald MacLeish’s J.B., Robert Frost’s ‘Masque of Reason,’ Carl Jung’s Answer to Job, and William Blake’s Illustrations to the Book of Job. All readings are in translation.
Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, weekly short written assignments, and two longer papers.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19).

REL 207 From Adam to Noah: Literacy Imaginatıon and the Primeval History in Genesis (Same as Classics 207, Comparative Literature 250 and Jewish Studies 250) (Not offered 2011-2012)
How long did Adam and Eve live in the Garden of Eden? What was the mark of Cain? Why did Enoch not die? Who was Noah’s wife? How did Giants survive the Flood? These are only a few of the fascinating questions that ancient readers and interpreters of the Book of Genesis asked and attempted to answer. The first ten chapters of Genesis present a tantalizingly brief narrative account of the earliest history of humankind. The text moves swiftly from the Creation to the Flood and its immediate aftermath, but this masterful economy of style leaves many details unexplained. This course will explore the rich and varied literary traditions associated with Genesis, through a close reading of the primeval histolical sources such as the Book of Enoch, Jubilees, and the Life of Adam and Eve, as well as Jewish traditions represented in Josephus, Philo, and Rabbinic literature and other accounts presented in early Christian and Gnostic texts, we will investigate the ways in which the elliptical style of Genesis generated a massive body of ancient folklore, creative exegesis, and explicit literary re-imagining of the early history of humankind. We will then turn to several continuations of these variant traditions in medieval and early modern literature, with particular attention to the extensive material on the figures of Cain and Noah. All readings are in translation.
Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation and several writing assignments.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference will be given to students who have already taken a course in Biblical literature.

DEKEL

REL 209 The Legend of the Wandering Jew (Same as Comparative Literature 209 and Jewish Studies 209) (Not offered 2011-2012)
The story of the Jewish man who drove Christ away when he stopped to rest for a moment on his way to the Crucifixion and was doomed to roam the earth until the Advent is one of the most enduring and productive tales of the Middle Ages. Alternately a shoemaker, carpenter, or even doorkeeper to Pontius Pilate, the Wandering Jew appears in the folklore, literature, and visual arts of every region and era in European history. This course will explore the rich and varied literary traditions associated with this legend from its pre-history in the Hebrew Bible and the Gospels up through its early modern and Romantic heyday. In readings ranging from medieval chronicles and Reformation pamphlets to works by Chaucer, Schiller, Shelley, and Hans Christian Andersen, we will trace the evolution of this mysterious wanderer from reviled figure of anti-Jewish polemic, to righteous convert and missionary, to learned sage. Along the way we will also examine the intersection of the tale with such legendary figures as Cain, Prest John, and the Wild Huntsman. We will then turn to several modern literary reflections and contemporary artistic renderings of the story. All readings are in translation.
Format: discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation and several writing assignments.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference will be given to students who have already taken a course in Biblical literature.

THE CHRISTIAN TRADITION

REL 210 Reading Jesus, Writing Gospels: Christian Origins in Context (Same as Classics 210 and Comparative Literature 213) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
What were the religious and cultural landscapes in which Christianity emerged? How did inhabitants of the ancient Mediterranean world speak about the concept and significance of religion? How have scholars of early Christianity answered these questions? What are the implications of their various readings of early Christian history? In the first half of this course, we shall address these questions by examining the formation of Christianity from its origins as a Jewish movement until its legalization, using a comparative socio-historical approach. In the second half of the course, we shall examine the earliest literature produced by the Jesus movement and consider it within a comparative framework developed in the first half of the course.
Format: lecturediscussion. Requirements: one class presentation; three 3-page papers, one 5- to 7-page paper, and a final paper (15 pages).
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 10). Preference given to sophomores but is open to all classes.

BUELL

REL 211 The New Testament (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course examines the twenty-seven writings that constitute the distinctively Christian portion of Christian scriptures, known as the New or Christian Testament (see Religion 201 for a course on the Hebrew Bible, the portion of the Christian Bible whose writings are scripture for both Jews and Christians). This course introduces students to a range of methods of biblical interpretation, to cultivate an understanding of the texts in the ancient historical and literary contexts of Judaism, Christianity, and emerging Christian communities in which individual New Testament writings were composed and interpreted. The course also explores the process by which this collection of writings became authoritative for Christians.
Format: lecture and discussion. Evaluation will be based on class participation, brief weekly writing exercises, 5- to 7-page historical exegesis paper, and a final exam.
No prerequisites, open to all classes. No enrollment limit (expected: 25).

BUELL

REL 212(F) The Development of Christianity: 30-600 C.E. (Same as History 324) (W)
This class will introduce you to the history, writings, practices, and structures of early Christians between 30-600 CE. Who were “Christians” and how did they understand and define themselves in this time period? What historical and cultural factors influenced the ways in which Christians were perceived, could imagine themselves, and lived? While this class addresses the basic flow of events and major figures in early Christian history, it will also require you to develop a critical framework for the study of history in general. In addition, you will gain significant experience in the critical analysis of primary source materials. Special attention will be paid to the incredible diversity of early Christian thought and practice.
Format: lecturediscussion. Requirements: evaluation based on attendance, active participation in class, regular brief writing exercises; two textual analysis papers (3 pages each); one historical analysis paper (5 pages); essay-based take-home final exam.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to sophomores considering a major in Religion or History, then senior and junior majors in these departments.
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MWF

REL 213 Divine Kingship in the Ancient Mediterranean (Same as Anthropology 258, Classics 394, and History 394) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under CLAS 394 for full description.)
REL 217 Apocalypsis Now and Then: A Comparative History of Millenarian Movements (Same as History 476) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
(See under HIST 476 for full description.) BERNHARDSSON

REL 218(S) Gnosis, Gnostics, Gnosticism (Same as Classics 218, Comparative Studies 218 and History 331) (W)
What is gnosia and Gnosticism? Who were the Gnostics? Salvation by knowledge, arch-heresy, an eternal source of mystical insights and experiences, secret esoteric teachings available only to a few. Are there more than claims made about gnosia, gnostics, and gnosticism. This course will introduce you to the key ancient texts and ideas associated with Gnostics as well as to the debates over and claims made about Gnosticism in modern times. We shall explore neoplatonism, Jewish, and Christian thought, as well as modern spiritualization of esotericism. We shall also study how ancient gnostics relate to later religious groups such as the Knights Templar and modern Theosophists. Readings include: Nag Hammadi writings in English, Irenaeus, Against All Heresies; David Brakke, The Gnostics; Elaine Pagels, The Gnostic Gospels; Karen King, What is Gnosticism? and The Secret Revelation of John.
 Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: periodic reflection papers, 2 textual analysis papers, 2 historiographical analysis papers, and a final paper that entails a revision and expansion of an earlier paper. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to students with prior coursework in biblical or other ancient literature or history.
Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF BUELL

REL 220(S) The Reformation in Early Modern Europe (Same as History 330)
This course tracks the major developments in Christian thought from the Reformation to the nineteenth century. We will begin by examining the background to the Reformation and the Reformation in Europe and across denominations of Christianity, showing how the Reformation along with their precursors indirectly helped to usher in a world that placed greater emphasis on the value of selfhood and moral autonomy, encouraged the emergence of the Enlightenment and scientific rationality, and helped to fuel the cultural and political re-organization of nation-states. Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will consist of several short papers (1500 words), a final paper (3000-3500 words), and thoughtful interaction. No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20).
Hour: 2:53-3:50 MR SHUCK

REL 221 Post-Enlightenment Christian Thought (Not offered 2011-2012)
Christianity in the Western world has undergone numerous changes since the early eighteenth century. Many thinkers have turned inward, developing pietistic theologies compatible with the modern world, while others have searched for an adequate expression of Christianity after the “Death of God.” Another, remarkably resilient strand has actively turned against the Enlightenment in ironic ways, appropriating modern technologies, for example, while repudiating scientific discoveries that undermine their belief. This course will examine these issues, along with a careful consideration of the way gender, identity, and community have come to play a powerful role in contemporary expressions of Christian belief.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will consist of several short response papers, thoughtful interaction, a midterm, and a 10-page final paper. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 15). SHUCK

REL 222(F) Europe From Reformation to Revolution: 1500-1815 (Same as History 226)
(See under HIST 226 for full description.) WOOD

NORTH AMERICAN RELIGIONS
REL 224(S) U.S. Latin/o/Religions (Same as American Studies 224 and Latina/o Studies 224) (D)
(See under LATS 224 for full description.) HIDALGO

REL 225 Religions of North America (Same as American Studies 225) (Not offered 2011-2012)
Scholars have written much about the history of religion in North America, but the effort has been fraught with many oversights. Recent scholarship has begun to highlight the fact that most religions in North America either did not emerge from European sources, or have existed long before the arrival of Europeans. Indeed, many religions have grown out of the American soil during the past several centuries-what some would call the product of religious “cross-fertilization,” and what others would deem as religious and cultural thievery, i.e. colonialism. This course follows a modified historical trajectory, one that strives to allow the voices of forgotten “others” to speak, bringing questions of colonialism, identity, and the importance of religious community to the forefront.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will consist of several short response papers, thoughtful interaction, a midterm, and a 10-page final paper.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 15). Open to all. SHUCK

REL 226(F) New Religions in North America (Same as American Studies 226)
This course explores contemporary North America religions from a historical, sociological, and philosophical perspective. We will examine the historical and contemporary experiences of America’s ever-expanding religious diversity, prominently featuring the voices of those traditionally excluded from older, Protestant-informed accounts of American religion. The focus of the course will be the exploration of the ever-expanding variety of new religions in North America, challenging students to engage the numerous cultural, philosophical, and methodological issues involved with the study of marginal religions. New religions often highlight cultural anxieties, e.g. loss of identity in contemporary secular societies, responses to new technologies, changing gender roles, globalization, etc. The study of new religions becomes, then, a closer, reflexive examination of contemporary American culture and its underlying tensions. For example, the Raelian Movement claims to have cloned the first human, Wicca, on the other hand, offers critiques of environmental degradation and traditional gender roles. In sum, we will explore the historical roots of the current boom in new religions, detail contemporary issues, and outline the possible forms new and emerging religions may assume in the coming years. This course will also have a website dedicated to the exploration of new religions, providing links to interesting sites, basic resources, and student essays/projects.
Format: lecture/discussion. Students will be evaluated on the basis of their writing and presentation projects, three 5- to 7-page essays, along with their thoughtful discussion of the key issues raised in the course.
Open to all classes without prerequisite. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 15).
Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF SHUCK

REL 227(S) Utopias and Utopias (Same as American Studies 227, Environmental Studies 227 and Latina/o Studies 227)
Where does the term “New World” come from? What do we mean by “utopia,” “utopian,” and “utopianism”? What relationships exist between the people who imagine communities that they cannot live in, and the lands they inhabit? How do the different peoples as they have created, participated in, been excluded from, and lived under the governments and cultures of the Western Hemisphere and the United States of America in particular? This course considers the relationship between the utopian imaginations and the imaginations of the lands and peoples in the Western hemisphere. We will spend some time studying utopian theory, ancient proto-utopias, and utopias in Latin America, though our main focus will be particular examples of utopianism in the U.S.A. While the U.S.A. is the main focus of the class, students are encouraged to pursue and bring to class utopian perspectives from other parts of the Americas. Students are also strongly encouraged to take questions from class and engage utopian images not listed on this syllabus but pertinent to our classroom learning.
Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on class participation, short weekly writing assignments, a 5-page midterm paper, and a 10- to 15-page final research paper examining an American utopia.
No prerequisites. Enrollment: 19 (expected: 12).
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR HIDALGO

REL 228(T) North American Apocalyptic Thought (Same as American Studies 228T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
Apocalyptic thought pervades much of contemporary American culture, whether among Protestant evangelicals, new religions, novelist and filmmakers, or even scientists and environmentalists who warn of ecological catastrophe and the deadly consequences of nuclear proliferation. This course will introduce, using historical, sociological, and philosophical accounts, how North Americans have thought about and continue to think about questions of the End, both in a cultural and in a personal sense.
Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based upon written work, critiques, and thoughtful participation. Requirements: each student will write and present orally, five 1,000-word essays every other week on the readings for the week and a final 2,000- to 2,500-word essay. Students not presenting will be expected to critique their colleague’s work.
No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). SHUCK
THE ISLAMIC TRADITION

REL 230 Reading Reading: An Introduction to the Qur'an and Islam (Same as Comparative Literature 260) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
One of the two greatest consequential texts in human history, the Qur’an is more conscious of itself as text and the work of interpretation that is part of the life of a text. Because the Qur’an is God’s most important sign (and also because its relatively short) millions have memorized it and the art of Qur’anic recitation is one of the supreme Islamic performing arts. Nevertheless it is primarily as a text that the Qur’an exists in itself and in the minds of Muslims. The text of the Qur’an will thus be the focus of this course, reading it extensively, intensively and repeatedly throughout the semester. We will attend to the structure and variety of styles and topics in the text and to the Qur’an’s understanding of itself in relation to other forms of literary expression. We will place the form and content in the context of the seventh century C.E. Arab society and attend to the life of the Prophet (PBUH) that provides one crucial framework to the text. Through the lens of tafsir, Qur’anic commentary, we will also use the text to give an initial survey of some of the main theological, philosophical, mystical and legal developments in the Islamic tradition. Finally we will explore some of the aspects of the place of the text in the life of Muslims, including the development of calligraphy and recitation.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: three essays (6-8 pages) based on class materials (at least one will have a revision process). Students able to read the Arabic text may substitute work in a colloquial reading group of the Qur’an in Arabic for one of the essays. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 10). Open to all.

DARROW

REL 231(S) The Origins of Islam: God, Empire and Apocalypse (Same as Arabic 231 and History 209)
The rise of Islam in the seventh-century C.E. is usually seen, by both Muslim and non-Muslim historians, as a total break with the past. This course will challenge that assumption by placing the rise of Islam in the context of the history of late antiquity (c. 300-700 C.E.). The first half of the course will examine the impact of Judaism, Christianity, Zoroastrianism and Manicheanism. We shall examine the conversation of these traditions with classical paganism and philosophy, the internal struggle within traditions to define rules of interpretation, the impact of ascetic, iconoclastic and apocalyptic ideas and, finally, polemics among the traditions. Special attention will be given to borderlands (Armenia, Syria, and Arabia), where the problems of regionalism and religious diversity were prominent. We will then examine the career of Muhammad (PBUH) in the context of Arabia, the spread of the Islamic empire into Christian and Iranian worlds, the impact of apocalyptic expectations, the fixation of religious decision-making within the tradition and the question of conversion and religious diversity within the commonwealth of Islam. The course will end with the flourishing of the Abbasid empire in the ninth century. This course will make use of the Antioch 2000 exhibit at the Worcester Art Museum.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: four 5- to 7-page papers based on the readings and reviewed in editing workshops. No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19).

DARROW

REL 233 Islamic Mysticism: The Sufis (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
Studying Sufism, the mystical tradition of Islam, is an excellent introduction to the Muslim world. The Sufis represent a delightful and many-faceted spiritual tradition that both enriches and criticizes orthodox Islam. This course will explore the origins of Sufism in the ascetic and revolutionary pietry of the early Islamic community; the systematization of the Sufi path to God; Sufi themes in art and poetry; the development of the Sufi orders and techniques of ecstasy, both at high and popular levels. We will read in the classics of Sufi poetry and thought, including Rumi, Attar, Suhrawardi, and Ghazali; we will also explore the Sufi theosophy of Ibn Arabi. We will conclude with an examination of contemporary Sufi life in Pakistan, Egypt and Turkey.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: four 5- to 7-page papers based on the readings and revised in editing workshops. No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19).

DARROW

REL 234(F) Shi`ism Ascendant? (Same as Arabic 234)
This course will be a survey of Islamic history from the Shi`ite perspective or better perspectives. The purpose is to provide a survey of issues in Islamic social and intellectual history from the Shi`ite margin. On that margin, Shi`ism has always been an alliance of the dispossessed and the intellectuals (assuming the latter are not among the former) and functioned in Islam to provide a vocabulary of revolution, a developed ideology of religion, and a pietistic fervor in contrast to which Sunnism emerged. One consequence, intended or not, of recent U.S. actions in the Middle East has been to inflame the Sunni/Shi`ite conflicts and raise fears of Shi`ite ascendency. But sectarian conflict is, in fact, the exception rather than the rule in Islamic history because Sunnis and Shi`a have in most places been separated or lived relatively peacefully together where they intermixed. This is the fourth time in Islamic history when the specter of an ascendant Shi`ism has threatened an Islamic community. This course will compare the three earlier putative episodes of Shi`ite ascendency in the eighth (in Iraq), tenth (in Egypt) and sixteenth centuries C.E. (in Iran) and set these in conversation with contemporary developments. We will focus on the role of early Shi`ism as the vocabulary of an alternative vision of the legitimacy of the Islamic state, the aims of the innovators and martydom, the emergence of Isma`ili and Twelver versions of Shi`ism, the conversion of Safavid Iran to Shi`ism, ecumencial efforts in the mid twentieth century, the Iranian revolution of 1979 and after.
Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation based upon class participation and two short (4-6 page) essays and a final research paper (12-15 pages).
No prerequisites, open to all. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 15).
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

DARROW

REL 235 Muhammad and the Rise of Islam (Arabic 206 and History 206) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
(See under HIST 206 for full description.)
BERNHARDSSON

REL 236 The Greater Game? Central Asia and its Neighbors Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow (Same as Asian Studies 236 and History 216) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
The collapse of the Soviet Union, the recognition of untapped mineral wealth, and Islamic resurgence have all led to an increased focus on Central Asia and its neighbors, Russia, China, the Middle East. This course will be an introduction to the Caucasus, the Central Asian Republics, Xinjiang and Mongolia and the interests of their neighbors, including now the United States in these areas. This will be a lecture course that will introduce the salient themes and issues that are necessary for understanding these areas. The course will inevitably be deeply comparative focusing on themes such as the clash of civilizations, the construction of national identities, the treatment of ethnic minorities, resurgent religious movements, and the relation of state and civil society. This course will also function as an introduction to doing social scientific research on these areas and special attention will be devoted to the preparation of a research paper.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: weekly responses, three short essays (4-6 pages), and one research paper (12-15 pages).
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 15). Preference given to first-year students and sophomores.

DARROW

REL 238 Gender Remade: Muslim Women and Narratives of Subjection (Same as Anthropology 257 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 257) (Offered 2011-2012) (W)
(See under ANTH 257 for full description.)
LOAN

REL 239(F) The Modern Middle East (Same as History 207 and Jewish Studies 217) (D)
(See under HIST 207 for full description.)
BERNHARDSSON

THE SOUTH-ASIAN TRADITIONS

This introductory course examines Buddhism from a double perspective. On the one hand, it studies the tradition descriptively, examining some of its religious, philosophical, historical and sociological aspects. On the other hand, this course also seeks to draw out the personal relevance of Buddhist ideas, ensuring that they are not just considered as objects but also as partners in an ongoing conversation. We start by examining the Theravada tradition of South and South-East Asia through which we seek to understand some of the basic Buddhist ideas such as non-self, its origin, and the possibilities for freedom. We then move to the Indian and Tibetan Mahayana traditions, which are characterized by an increase in the importance of compassion on the basis of the bodhisattva ideal. In dealing with Buddhism in Tibet, we focus more particularly on the tantric aspects of its tradition. Throughout the course, we are careful to consider Buddhism not just as a set of thought provoking ideas that can be studied in abstraction from their implementation, but as being based on socially inscribed practices. We examine a broad range of practices, ranging from so-called popular rituals to the practices of virtuosos. In particular, we examine meditation in the
Theravada and Tibetan Tantric traditions. In this way, we gain a realistic appreciation of the nature, role and difficulties of such a practice, and dispel some of its misunderstandings.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: full attendance and participation and two 4-6 page essays.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 30).
DREYFUS

REL 244(F) Mind and Persons in Indian Thought (Same as Asian Studies 244)
In this course, we follow the conversation among Indian philosophers concerning the self and the nature of consciousness. We start with some of the Hindu views about the self and the mind and their ethical implications. We then consider a range of Buddhist critiques of these views, focusing more particularly on the Madhyamakas’ views, which radicalizes the critique of the self into a global anti-realist and skeptical stance. We also examine the Yogacara school, which offers a process view of reality focusing on the analysis of experience. We conclude by considering some of the later Hindu holistic views of the self as responses to the Buddhist critique. In this way we come to realize that far from being the irrational foil of “the West,” Indian tradition is a rich resource for thinking through some of the central ideas that have challenged philosophers in both traditions.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: full attendance and participation, three 6 page essays.
Prerequisite: prior exposure to Buddhism or philosophy, or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 18 (selection on the basis of relevant background) (expected: 18).
Hour: 7:00-9:40 p.m. M
DREYFUS

REL 245(S) Tibetan Civilization (Same as Asian Studies 247) (D)
Often depicted as Shangrila, a mythical and ideal country, Tibet has had the dubious privilege of being a focus of Western fantasies. One cannot but wonder about the motives and sources of this mythology. Although this course examines these representations, its main focus is an immersion in the cultural and historical aspects of Tibetan civilization, which give students the tools with which to understand Tibetan culture from the inside. As such this course is part of the Exploring Diversity Initiative. We first consider the early history of Tibet, the introduction of Buddhism, the relations between Buddhism and the indigenous religion, and some of the stages in the development of Tibetan Buddhism. We also examine the historical developments that led to the development of the institutions (such as the Dalai-Lama) unique to Tibet and some of the aspects of the culture that these institutions helped to create (such as gender roles, family structure and social stratification). Finally, we consider the more recent tragic events and examine the profound transformations that they have brought. Throughout the course, we consider the central role of the complex interaction between Buddhism and politics in Tibetan history, both in the pre-modern period and in more recent times, when the Tibetan people have faced the challenge of how to use their institutions and culture to resist oppression. In this way, we get a footing in the Tibetan world, and the indispensable assessment of Western representations of Tibet becomes not just an exercise in self-reflection but also a gate to a better understanding of a remarkable but tragically threatened civilization.
This course, which explores in depth the Tibetan cultural and the tragic cross-cultural misunderstanding that threaten its integrity, is part of the Exploring Diversity Initiative.
Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: full attendance and participation, three 6-page essays.
No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 30).
Hour: 8:30-9:45 MWF
DREYFUS

REL 246 India’s Identities: Religion, Caste, and Gender (Same as Anthropology 246 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 246) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
India is a nation based on difference whose multiple and fragmenting identities are often framed as unified opposites: Hindu/Muslim, Rich/Poor, Secular/Religious, Male/Female. This course will deconstruct the media’s popular representations of these and other identities in order to complicate the notion of a diverse India. It will highlight the range of identities having political uses of differentiation such as gender, caste, ethnicity, and religious sect. It begins by considering how the colonial principle of “divide and rule” provides an object lesson in the ways that difference can be used to sustain both social hierarchy and political rule. It describes how this logic of difference produced the tragedy of Partition and its legacy for the operation of gender and religion on the subcontinent. We critically examine the class and religious divisions that led to the birth of three nations, India, Pakistan, and subsequently Bangladesh—and the particular logic of communalism and religious violence in modern India. Throughout the course attends to the subjective experience of being Hindu, Muslim, or Sikh, untouchable or upper caste, as well as male or female as a way of understanding the way that difference shapes individual agency and lives across India. It seeks to empathize or at least understand the perspective of both victims and perpetrators of communal and gendered forms of violence in India today. This course fulfills the Exploring Diversity Initiative by theorizing the ways in which difference has been used to effect profound historical, social, and individual changes in the Indian subcontinent.
Format: seminar. Requirements: participation in bi-weekly class blog, class discussion, oral presentation, final paper.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20). Preference given to seniors, as well as those in Religion, Anthropology, and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies.
GUTSCHEW

REL 248(F) Body Politics, Gender and Religion in South Asia (Same as Anthropology 248, Asian Studies 248 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 249) (D)
This course examines the relationship between body, gender, and religion or community in South Asia, using three countries—India, Sri Lanka, and Bangladesh—and three major religions—Hinduism, Buddhism, and Islam—as its focus. It begins by unpacking the critical theories in which the human body serves as map for society and vice versa. It then examines the South Asian discourses linking body with nation, population, or purity. It explores a South Asian sociology of the body that occasions solidarity as well as social suffering and structural violence. Along the way, it looks at a diverse set of practices that count or control bodies to produce social cohesion including yoga, sex selection, family planning, monasticism, and fundamentalism. The body emerges as a lens through which to view the production of a politics of identity as much as fragmentation or social hierarchy.
Format: seminar. Requirements: writing on class blog, final paper, participation in class discussion and presentations.
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR
GUTSCHEW

REL 249 Spiritual Crossroads: Religious Life in Southeast Asia (Same as Anthropology 233 and Asian Studies 233) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
(See under ANTH 233 for full description.)
JUST

EAST ASIAN TRADITIONS
REL 250(S) Scholars, Saints and Immortals: The Religious Life in East Asia (Same as Asian Studies 250) (D)
In East Asian cultures, as in the United States, popular conceptions of morality typically take their shape, not from explicit rules, but from moral paragons—stylized figures that are said to embody a distinctive cluster of virtues. For example, American Christians invoke not only Jesus, but also a pantheon of “secular saints” as diverse as Martin Luther King Jr. and General Patton, George Washington and Cesar Chavez. This course will explore the cultural functions of moral paragons and philosophies of virtue in East Asia by introducing students to examples from Chinese and Japanese history, ranging from Confucian articulations of the ideal scholar-bureaucrat to Buddhist conceptions of the Bodhisattva to Taoist immortals. It will also address the history of ethical thought in East Asia, focusing particular attention on conceptions of “Virtue Ethics.” This approach has come to be seen by some contemporary analytic philosophers as a way out of the impasse produced by ethical relativism and the loss of theological rationales for moral action. Readings will include works by Chinese and Japanese moral theorists such as Nietzsche and Machiavelli as well as primary texts in translation by Chuang-tzu, Confucius, Shantideva and others. This course fulfills the Exploring Diversity Initiative by providing students with tools for cross-cultural analysis of ethics and moral paragons, as part of how societies manage difference and articulate hierarchies of privilege and power.
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MW
JOSEPHSON

REL 251 Zen Buddhism: History and Historiography (Not offered 2011-2012)
Because mystifying references to Zen are strewn throughout American popular culture—from episodes of the Simpsons to names of perfumes and snack foods—most Americans have an image of Zen Buddhism that is disconnected from anything actually practiced in East Asia. This course offers a corrective to this image by familiarizing students with both the history of Zen and the historiographical roots of these popular perceptions. This course will examine the origins of Zen (Ch’an) in China, trace its transmission to Japan, and cover its development in both cultural contexts. It will conclude with an examination of Zen’s unique
role in American popular culture. The course will enrich the conventional image of Zen by addressing its involvement with power and governance, gods and demons, mummies and sacred sites, sex and violence, nationalism and scholarship. Texts will include selections from primary works in translation (The Platform Sutra of the Sixth Patriarch, The Gateless Barrier, The Lancet of Seated Meditation) as well as selections from secondary literature including Suzuki, Zen and Japanese Culture, Victoria, Zen at War, and Faure, The Rhetoric of Immediacy.

Format: lecture/discussion. Assignments will include participation in class discussion, short response papers (2-3 pages), a mid term exam, and a take-home final exam.


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REL 252(S) The Path to Enlightenment: Zen and Zen Art In China and Japan (Same as Arth 376 and Asian Studies 376) (W)
(See under ARTH 376 for full description.)

JANG

REL 255 Buddhism in Society (Same as Anthropology 255) (Not offered 2011-2012)
Rather than focus on abstract and disembodied ideas, this course examines Buddhism as lived by actual people in particular social contexts. After an initial introductory section on the main ideas and practices of the tradition, we examine the roles that Buddhism has played in the traditional societies of Sri Lanka and Thailand, where it is often connected with the complex and shifting relation that Buddhism has entertained with the political realm, focusing more particularly on the place of statecraft in the Buddhist ethical universe. We then move to consider the transformations that Buddhism undergoes in contemporary Thai and Sri Lankan societies, examining the changing role of monks and laity, the resurgence of the run order as well as the rise of Buddhist socialist activism. Throughout the course we track key issues and themes in the development and transformation of Buddhism over time-from the ancient to the modern world-and in relation to its changing social contexts. We conclude by examining some of the transformations of Buddhism in the West.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: Full attendance and active participation; three 6 page papers.

No prerequisites. Enrollment: 30 (expected: 25).

DREYFUS

REL 256 Engendering Buddhism: How Women and Men Shape and Are Shaped by Buddhism (Same as Anthropology 256, Asian Studies 256 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 256) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)
This course looks at how gender has shaped Buddhism as well as how Buddhism has shaped gender. Most generally, it considers the myriad ways that Buddhist soteriology and practice produce the very gender differences they purport to overcome. How have the Buddha and his far-flung disciples institutionalized gender difference and male supremacy and how have they allowed for a realm of transcendental duality? We examine the varying experiences of women and men in Buddhist societies and literatures as a lens by which to analyze the pervasive operation of social and gender hierarchies. Last but not least, we discuss how well feminist and American revisions of Buddhism have transformed gender and other forms of difference. Our analysis revolves around several interdependent themes. (1) How do female and male bodies become the subject of a specific set of Buddhist gazes? What does Buddhist discourse say about the possibility of gaining enlightenment in the female body? (2) How do gender divisions reflect deeper social divisions such as class and race in Buddhist discourse? (3) How have feminist deconstructions of Buddhism transformed gender and social hierarchies in the contemporary world? This course fulfills the Exploring Diversity Initiative by seeking to theorize the ways that Buddhism has produced and reinscribed gender differences and social hierarchies.

Format: seminar. Requirements: two midterm papers, weekly Blackboard participation, final research papers, and class participation.


GUTSCHOW

REL 257 Gods and Demons in East Asian Religion (Not offered 2011-2012)
Schorler who is often connected with three different religious traditions in East Asia: Buddhism, Confucianism, and Daoism (with Shinto standing in for Daoism in the Japanese case). Yet, this tradition-based approach ignores the rich landscape of East Asian religion, which encompasses another world of gods and demons only loosely connected with established institutions. Even today, at popular sites all over China, Taiwan, Japan and Korea, people offer incense to a heterogeneous collection of supernatural entities-sometimes called gods, goddesses, demons, immortals, ancestors or even buddhas. The “same” entity can be simultaneously a beneficent god to one group and a malevolent demon to another. Rather than being static, this rich tapestry is constantly in evolution, elevating historical heroes (or philosophers) to godhood, while other once popular deities are demoted and dismissed as monsters. This course will address this stratum of “popular” religion in East Asia. Focusing on contemporary scholarship on China and Japan, we will take a multi-disciplinary approach to this material to provide a very different picture of East Asian religion as a lived tradition.

Format: seminar. Requirements: active participation, class presentations, one 15-page research paper.


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REL 259 Japanese Religions and the State (Same as History 214) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
For most of Japanese history religion and government have been closely intertwined. This course will examine the parallel evolution of political structures and religious institutions in Japan, beginning with the articulation of the mythological narrative of divine sovereignty in the Kojiki (712) and ending with the separation of Shinto from the state after World War Two. It will situate concepts such as law, punishment, emperor and nation within the context of wider politico-religious discourse. We will address issues of religion and violence, nationalism and utopian imagery, and raise larger questions about the relationship between religion, politics, and power.

Texts to be considered will include selections from law codes and primary works in translation (the Kojiki, The Constitution of Prince Shotoku, The Tale of the Heike, The Propagation of Zen for the Protection of the State, and The Constitution of the Empire of Japan) as well as secondary works (Botsman, Punishment and Power in the Making of Modern Japan, Hankaku, Shinto and the State, Victoria, Zen at War).


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TRADITIONS OF AFRICA AND THE AFRICAN DIASPORA (See also courses listed REL 311-315)

REL 261 Rastafari: Dread, Politics, Agency (Same as Africana Studies 302 and Political Science 234) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under AFR 302 for full description.)

ROBERTS

REL 262(F) Music in African Religious Experience (Same as Africana Studies 121 and Music 129) (D)
(See under MUS 129 for full description.)

OKIGBO

REL 265(S) Sacred Cinema: Black Religion and the Movies (Same as Africana Studies 316)
(See under AFR 316 for full description.)

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COMPARATIVE INQUIRY

REL 2701(F) Father Abraham: The First Patriarch (Same as Jewish Studies 270) (W)
The story of Abraham in the Hebrew scriptures is fascinating for at least two reasons: it comes first and seems more universal rather than particular. He first received the covenant and the promise of the land of Israel, but before the full revelation of the Torah to Moses. He fathers both the Jewish people and the Arabs and the significance of that wider identity was later captured both by Christianity in the work of Paul and in the Qur’an where Muhammad identified with Abraham as the prototypical and non-sectarian monotheist prophet. This course will trace the figure of Abraham by a close and multidisciplinary reading of the Jewish, Pagan, Christian and Muslim sources on Abraham. Our task is not to decide on the historicity of Abraham, but rather to explore the history of the figure and his continuing relevance for today in understanding Jewish/Christian/Muslim conflict and cooperation. We will begin with an intensive reading of the Genesis material on Abraham (12-25), where the issues of idolatry and monotheism, the covenant and circumcision, relations of the patriarch to his women and sons, and primal model of faith all are articulated. We will then turn to later Jewish developments in the figure of Abraham in midrash and apocalypse. We will then explore the figure of Abraham in the classical world, and in the rise of the rabbis, who broke things out of the emerging Rabbinic Judaism and the development of Abraham’s specific connection with the view of the afterlife. We will then treat the figure of Abraham in the Qur’an and later Islamic traditions. We will conclude with an examination of the cult surrounding Abraham in the city of Hebron, a currently contested site on the West Bank where we will consider the current religious and political context of Abraham by both Jews and Muslims.

The purpose of this tutorial is to read closely a variety of primary religious texts and to explore the variety of tools available for the reading of these texts.
REL 286 (formerly 308) Shopping: Desire, Compulsion and Consumption (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)
If the workplace was the essential site of modernity, then the shopping mall is the quintessential site of postmodernity; the place where consumption trumps production and, if it has been argued, our only remaining public space. This course will focus on the experience of shopping, focusing on three themes. First we will explore the manufacturing of desire on which consumption must depend. We will critique the tired critiques of advertising and explore in more depth the neurotic and erotic dimensions of the creation of desire for objects. We will then turn to some comparative and historical analysis contrasting the experience of consumers. That is in part a consequence of the continuing shift from a production to a service economy, but also is intimately connected with the fortunately increasing discussion of the desire and leisure that are becoming the hallmark of both our current consumer economy and workplace. These competing issues leave us with the central split in American society between the slightly larger part of Americans who say they ‘get a sense of identity from their jobs’ and the remaining significant minority who describe their jobs as ‘just what they do for a living.’ This course will explore some of the reasons for this fundamental cleavage.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF
DARROW

REL 287 The Dynamics of Globalization: Society, Religion and the Environment (Same as Environmental Studies 287) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
This course offers a theoretical reflection on the social, cultural and environmental dynamics of globalization and their consequences for the nature and place of religion. Rather than argue for or against globalization, we examine the nature of this new configuration and its relation to (post-)modernity, asking questions such as: What are the cultural and social dynamics of globalization? What are the effects on the nature of the state and the political practices that take place in the globally gowned and girded context of modernity? We will shift our focus to examine the role of culture in general and religion in particular, arguing that its renewed relevance is a function of the socio-cultural transformations that globalization brings about, particularly the loss of community and the atomization of individuals in an ever more interconnected world. In this way, we come to understand some of the dominant features of the global age, the role of cultural differences and the growing concern for questions of meaning and personal identity. We conclude by examining some of the perspectives created by the new religious expressions that attempt to respond to this situation, from personal spiritual quests as manifested in Buddhism, ecology or mountain clim-
REL 288(S) The Embodied Mind: A Cross-Cultural Exploration (Same as Philosophy 288)

This course examines some of the central questions raised by the study of the consciousness: the place of intentionality, the role of emotions, the relation with the body, the nature of subjectivity, the scope of reflexivity, the nature of perceptual presence, etc. In confronting these difficult questions, we do not proceed purely theoretically or methodologically. Under the contributions of the structure of the mind and of the cognitive sciences to phenomenology, we begin by examining some of the central questions raised by the study of the consciousness: the place of intentionality, the role of emotions, the relation with the body, the nature of subjectivity, the scope of reflexivity, the nature of perceptual presence, etc. In confronting these difficult questions, we do not proceed purely theoretically or methodologically. Under the contributions of the structure of the mind and of the cognitive sciences to phenomenology.

Requirements: seminar. Requirements: regular practice of meditation, a class presentation, a short essay (6p) and a long final research paper (15 p.).

Prerequisites: some background in either psychology, cognitive sciences, philosophy or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 18 (expected: 12). Selection on the basis of relevant background.

Hour: 7:30-9:40 p.m. M

DREYFUS and CRUZ

REL 289T (formerly 309) Exile, Homecoming and the Promised Land (Same as Comparative Literature 309T and Jewish Studies 491T (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)

In a setting of vocabulary and metaphor, the Jewish experience of exile pervades modern, western discourse on the experience of being alienated, severed, and separated from one’s national and national homeland. Thus in this course we will take the Jewish experience of exile (galut) as our point of departure for a broader discussion of these themes as they relate to other diasporic communities. As a consequence of increased mobility, political instabilities, economic insecurity and the proliferation of means of communication, the state of Diaspora increasingly characterizes populations across the globe, from Africa, Asia, South America, and Europe. While we will not focus specifically on these communities, one of our tasks will be to discover how the Jewish experience shapes the Israeli narrative on exile and Diaspora that pervades modern discussions of displacement and emigration. We must further consider what is at stake politically and philosophically in privileging the Jewish experience, especially given the post-1948 community of Palestinian refugees. To illuminate this discussion we will draw on the literature of the Jewish tradition from the Hebrew Bible and rabbi to Twentieth Century accounts and reflections of Franz Kafka, Walter Benjamin and Emmanuel Levinas, as well as materials that reflect the voices of other refugee communities. We will then move to examine the relationship of the notion of the Jewish Diaspora to the idea of the promised land. We will consider the Bible, the Mishnah, the Talmud, the Shabbat, the Kabbalah and the Zohar, the Rabbinic midrash in the nineteenth and twentieth century concerning discourse of blood and soil, and the consequent possibility that exile and rootlessness could signal positively.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: meeting in pairs, each student will either write and present a paper or respond to their partner’s paper. Each student will write and present a 3-page paper on alternating weeks. On the weeks in which the student is not presenting, she will be expected to write a 1- to 2-page critique/re- vision of the partner’s paper. The final assignment will be an 8- to 10-page paper that expands on an issue or question raised in class.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to Religion majors. This course will also serve as the capstone course for senior Jewish Studies Concentrators.

HAMMERSCHLAG

REL 290T Explorations of the Afterlife (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

From Heaven to Hell, Valhalla to Hades, the Fields of Aur for the Land of Yellow Springs, all cultures have generated images of other worlds that lie beyond death. By considering examples from a range of different cultures, this tutorial will guide students on an exploration of the topographies of these shadow-lands. In an effort to map the continuities and discontinuities between these visions of the hereafter, we will consider them as reflections of existing social hierarchies, examining their underlying assumptions about punishment and redemption, family, and ethics. Along the way, we will discuss culturally specific notions of death and mourning, attitudes towards the bodies of the dead, and controversies about the nature of the soul. Texts will include selections from primary works in translation, such as Virgil’s Aeneid, Dante’s Inferno, and The Tibetan Book of the Dead, as well as selections from secondary literature, including Teiser’s The Scripture on the Ten Kings, Gauker’s The Desenchantment of the World, and Bremmer’s The Rise and Fall of the Afterlife.


JOSEPHSON

REL 296(F) The History of the Holocaust (Same as History 338 and Jewish Studies 338)

(See under HIST 338 for full description.)

GARBARINI

REL 300(S) Dialectics and the Archaeology of Knowledge

How might one perform a philosophical study of history? How do ideas (including philosophical, artistic and religious movements) advance over time? What makes something “thinkable” in one era, but inconceivable in another? What contemporary philosophical foundations rest on false universals?

This course will address these questions and provide students with methods for exploring the historical dimension of religion. It will focus on two approaches to the philosophy of history inspired by Kant. One school (Hegel, Marx) has focused on tracing dialectical formations as the background against which all history unfolds. Another school (Foucault, Agamben) performs “archaeological philosophy,” which Foucault described as “the history of that which renders necessary a certain form of thought.”

This course will introduce students to these intertwined bodies of philosophy, which promise to do nothing less than expose bare the very foundations of knowledge and transform the study of history from the stringing together of events into a philosophical enterprise. Thinkers to be considered may include: Kant, Hegel, Marx, Engels, Nietzsche, Foucault, Agamben, and Jameson.

Format: seminar. Requirements: regular participation and attendance, short writing assignments, class presentations, 10- to 15-page final paper.


Hour: 1:10-3:50 W

JOSEPHSON

REL 301 Word Virus: Linguistic Theory after the Linguistic Turn (Same as Comparative Literature 301) (Not offered 2011-2012)

“My general theory since 1974 has been that the Word is literally a virus, and that it has not been recognized as such because it has a achieved a state of relatively stasis in its human host’s genome.” The final assignment in S. Burroughs’s novel (known popularly as “the linguistic turn”) led to an interdisciplinary emphasis on the way in which language constitutes reality. Language could no longer be thought of as simply a mechanism for the transmission of “facts.” Increasingly, theorists recognized that differences in language created incommensurable worlds of meaning; that specialized forms of linguistic discourse are both determined by and constitutive of their putative objects. Accordingly, linguistic philosophy has taken center stage not only in philosophy, but also in the study of culture and society. The influx of these new theories of language has also dramatically reshaped the discipline of religious studies. By examining the linguistic turn and its implications for the study of cultural phenomena, this course will introduce advanced students to some of the most important theoretical approaches to come out of this movement. Authors whose work will be considered include: Ludwig Wittgenstein, Ferdinand de Saussure, Benjamin Whorf, George Lakoff, Claude Lévi-Strauss, Jacques Derrida, Roland Barthes, Paul Ricoeur, Michel Foucault, Richard(Dawe), and Richard Dawkins.

Format: seminar. Requirements: active participation, class presentations, short writing assignments, and a take-home final exam.

Prerequisites: Religion 101 or Comparative Literature 117 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). Preference given to Religion and Comparative Literature majors.

JOSEPHSON
REL 302T Philosophy of Religion (Same as Philosophy 281) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

(See under PHIL 281 for full description.)

BARRY

REL 303 (formerly 280) The Turn to Religion in Post-Modern Thought (Same as Jewish Studies 280 and Philosophy 282) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

As thinkers of the 20th century came to question the Enlightenment ideal of human self-sovereignty, both for its intellectual and political consequences, many turned to religious imagery and concepts in pursuit of alternate modes of conceptualizing the human being. This course will examine some such endeavors in the fields of philosophy, psychoanalysis and literature. While none of the texts we examine will be explicitly theological, all will, in some form or another, make use of theological notions such as revelation, redemption, or sacrifice. In examining these texts we will be asking some fundamental questions: What meaning do religious concepts have when employed of dogmatic content? How effective are these concepts when employed in the service of cultural critique? How might such efforts reflect back on the theorizing and practice of religions in contemporary society? We will, furthermore, analyze the very category of the post-modern by considering its relationship to the Enlightenment, debating whether this relationship is one of continuity, rupture or both, and dissecting the critique that post-modern philosophy’s concern for religion is a sign of its nostalgic or reactionary nature. Readings will include Immanuel Kant’s Religion within the Limits of Reason Alone, Friedrich Nietzsche’s Twilight of the Idols, Jacques Lacan’s Feminine Sexuality, as well as essays by Lucie Irigaray, Georges Bataille, Emmanuel Levinas, Jean-Francois Lyotard and Jacques Derrida.

Format: seminar. Requirements: regular participation and four writing assignments: three shorter papers of 3-5 pages on a question assigned by the instructor and a longer essay of 12-15 pages on an approved topic of the student’s choice.


HAMMERSCHLAG

REL 304 From Hermeneutics to Post-coloniality and Beyond (Same as Comparative Literature 344 and English 386) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

This course explores and critiques some of the resources offered by “Theory” for making sense of our contemporary situation, focusing on the nature of interpretation as both a mode of articulating our situation in the context of the self in a global world. We start with Gadamer’s hermeneutics, which offers a classical formulation of the philosophy of liberal arts education, stressing the importance of questioning one’s prejucdices. Although this approach offers important resources for understanding ourselves in a world of cultural differences, it also has limitations, which we explore through the works of Derrida, Foucault and Said. In this way, we question some of the notions central to understanding ourselves such as identity and difference, suggesting some of the difficulties in the ever more important yet problematic project of knowing oneself. We also suggest that representation is not innocent. In this always implicitly political world of power and power complexes, particularly within the colonial and postcolonial contexts explored by Said. We conclude with a critique of the constructivist paradigm central to this course done from the point of view of cognitive sciences and suggest that the future of “Theory” may well be in a dialogue with the emerging mind sciences. This course, which theorizes the possibilities of cross-cultural understanding, is part of the Exploring Diversity Initiative.


Format: seminar. Requirements: full attendance and participation, three essays (6 pages).

Prerequisite: some familiarity with philosophy and/or theory is recommended. Enrollment limit: 18 (expected: 18). Selection based on the basis of relevant background.

DREYFUS

REL 308(S) (formerly 284) Foucault (W)

Michel Foucault was first and foremost a scholar of power. His ironic “genealogies” of how the Enlightenment promised freedom but instead delivered innate and contingent power to society became a touchstone for social scientists interested in the control of the body. His analyses of power as an omnipresent and ubiquitous force which infuses all aspects of life and produce their own society have been taken up by political scientists, cultural historians, and sociologists across the globe. His singular and unique interpretation of the history of modernity was a seminal project of knowing oneself. We also suggest that representation is not innocent. In this always implicitly political world of power and power complexes, particularly within the colonial and postcolonial contexts explored by Said. We conclude with a critique of the constructivist paradigm central to this course done from the point of view of cognitive sciences and suggest that the future of “Theory” may well be in a dialogue with the emerging mind sciences. This course, which theorizes the possibilities of cross-cultural understanding, is part of the Exploring Diversity Initiative.


SHUCK

REL 306 Feminist Approaches to Religion (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 307) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)

What does feminist theory have to offer the study of religion? How have participants in various religious traditions helped to produce and enact feminism? Feminists, in their efforts to understand religion as a historical and cultural phenomenon, have made and continue to make a major contribution to the study of religion. In this course, we will trace the historical roots of the feminist movement in the works of Nineteenth Century German theologian Karen Berger, among others, and develop new concepts such as “theological incorrectness” and “systematic anthropomorphism.” By examining the cutting-edge work produced by members of this movement on both sides of the Atlantic, this seminar will examine the ways in which religious ideas have been applied to the study of religious traditions and practices. We will also consider the role of feminism in enlightenment, examining the relationship between feminism and other social movements such as the civil rights movement and the women's movement.

Format: seminar. Requirements: evaluation based on attendance, active participation in class, 3-page “position” paper for seminar discussion; 5-7 page analytical essay; peer-review of analytical essay draft; presentation of final paper-in-progress; 15 page final research paper or equivalent project.

Prerequisites: either WGST 101 or REL 101, or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10). Preference given to majors and prospective majors in Religion and/or Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies.

BUELL

REL 307 Thinking Gods: Cognitive Theories of Religion (Not offered 2011-2012)

Although it is still in its infancy, the so-called “cognitive turn” has already become one of the most exciting developments in the study of religion. During the last two decades, scholars influenced by cognitive science have begun to formulate new models of religious cognition about human religiosity and its relationship to the mind. In so doing, they have articulated theories about the evolutionary origins of religious concepts, reassessed the role of memory and of counterintuitive explanations in the perpetuation of religious ideas, and developed new concepts such as “theological incorrectness” and “systematic anthropomorphism.” By examining the cutting-edge work produced by members of this movement on both sides of the Atlantic, this seminar for advanced students will trace the historical roots of the cognitive turn and introduce some of its most important recent products. Authors to be considered include Sigmund Freud, Ludwig Feuerbach, Jean-Pierre Dupuy, D. Jason Stone, Pascal Boyer, Veikko Anttonen, Scott Atran, Richard Dawkins, Dan Sperber, and Ilkka Pyysaainen.

Format: seminar. Requirements: active participation, class presentations, short writing assignments, and a take-home final exam.


JOSEPHSON

REL 308 Nietzsche and Religion (Not offered 2011-2012)

Few thinkers have been as controversial or as outspoken about religion as the nineteenth century German theorist/philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche. His work was not understood during his lifetime, or so he thought, and there are definitely controversies surrounding the way the writings of Nietzsche ought to be applied in the early twenty-first century. We will see Nietzsche as a lonely curmudgeon who hated his rigid, Lutheran upbringing, as well as his sister, Elisabeth Förster-Nietzsche. But we will also see the many fruitful dialogues created by his fractured personality and vitriolic words which, perhaps despite his intentions, speak to us in constructive and constructive ways, both as to later thinkers.

Format: seminar. Evaluation will consist of 2-5 to 6-page response papers, a midterm exam, and a 10- to 15-page final paper, and thoughtful participation.

No prerequisites; open to all. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 15). Preference given to Religion majors.

SHUCK

REL 309 (formerly 273) Scriptures and Race (Same as Africana Studies 309 and Latina/o Studies 309) (Not offered 2011-2012)

What are “scriptures” and what is “race”? What do we presume when we use the word “scriptures”? What do we now mean and what has often been meant by the term “race”? How and why did these two terms come to have any relationship to each other? Why, in the violent encounters of peoples, did these categories come to implicate each other? How and why do peoples engage “scriptures”? In what ways have “scriptures” informed how peoples imagine themselves and others? How did “scriptures” and “race” inform each other in modern colonialisms and imperialisms? In this course, we will examine the ways that “scriptures”
have been employed in order to understand and develop notions of "race," and we will examine how ideas about "race" have informed the concept of "scriptures" as well as practices of scriptural interpretation. While this course will focus on the relationships between constructions of "race" in the post-1492 American world and "Christian scriptures," we will also consider other historical moments and places where "race" is engaged, as well as other texts and practices identified with "scriptures." We will be especially attentive to dynamics of power, especially in the contexts of modern colonialism and imperialism. This course will be mostly discussion-based, with grading based upon participation, short writing exercises, a 5-8 page take-home midterm essay, and a 10-15 page final review essay.

No prerequisites.

HIDALGO

REL 310(F) Womanist/Black Feminist Thought (Same as Africana Studies 310 and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 310) (D)
(See under AFR 310 for full description.)

This course will fulfill the body of theory seminar requirement for Religion majors.

R. MANIGAULT-BRYANT

REL 311 Black Ministerial Imaginations: Griots, Athletes, and Maestros (Same as Africana Studies 311) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under AFR 311 for full description.)

This course does not fulfill the body of theory seminar requirement for Religion majors; this course will count as an elective towards the major in Religion.

J. MANIGAULT-BRYANT

REL 315(S) The Sociology of Black Religious Experience (Same as Africana Studies 305 and Sociology 305)
(See under AFR 305 for full description.)

This course does not fulfill the body of theory seminar requirement for Religion majors; this course will count as an elective towards the major in Religion.

J. MANIGAULT-BRYANT

REL 397(F), 398(S) Independent Study

REL 401(F) Issues in the Study of Religion
To be conducted as a working seminar or colloquium. Major issues in the study of religious thought and behavior will be taken up in a cross-cultural context enabling the student to consolidate and expand perspectives gained in the course of the major sequence. Topics will vary from year to year. In keeping with the seminar framework, opportunity will be afforded the student to pursue independent reading and research.

Requirements: class reports, papers, and substantial research projects. Topic for 2011-12 to be determined.

Prerequisites: senior Religion major status or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15).

Hour: 1:10-2:50 W

HIDALGO

REL 405(F) Kings, Heroes, Gods, and Monsters: Historical Texts and Modern Identities in the Middle East (Same as Arabic 410, History 410 and Jewish Studies 410) (D) (W)
(See under HIST 410 for full description.)

This course will fulfill an elective towards the major in Religion.

BERNHARDSSON

REL 493(F)-W31; W31-494(S) Senior Thesis

REL 497(F), 498(S) Independent Study

See French, Italian, Spanish for searchable course listings!

ROMANCE LANGUAGES (Div. I)

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FRENCH

MAJOR—French Language and Literature

The French major seeks to provide training in literary and cultural analysis and linguistic expression through the study of selected texts from the French-speaking world. Emphasis is placed on the changes in form and subject matter from the early modern period to the contemporary era.

The major consists of nine courses above the 102 level. One of these courses must be the 400-level senior seminar during the student’s final year at the College.

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THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN FRENCH

Honors candidates are required to have maintained a GPA of 3.5 in the major to qualify for submitting a thesis proposal. By May 15th of their junior year, candidates will have found a thesis advisor, and given the Department a three- to five-page proposal and a preliminary bibliography. (In some cases, and upon consultation with the Department, candidates will have the option to choose a second reader in addition to their primary advisor; for example, when the thesis is interdisciplinary enough in nature that it requires the expertise of an additional reader).

This proposal will be discussed by the Department; by June 1st, the candidate will be informed whether he/she can proceed with the thesis, and if so, what changes need to be made to the focus and scope of the project. The summer before the senior year will be spent compiling a more detailed bibliography and relating to the study abroad.

Upon their return to Williams, candidates will devote to their theses two semesters of independent study (beyond the nine courses required for the major) and the winter study period of their senior year (493-W31-494). The thesis will be written in French and will usually not be shorter than fifty pages. By the end of the Fall semester, students will normally have a clear outline of the project, have done substantial research, and produced the draft of at least the first half of the
project. During January this draft will be suitably rewritten and edited with a view to a final version, while the candidates will also begin work on remaining chapters.

Candidates will submit what they have written to the department on the last day of Winter Study.

On the Tuesday of the first week of the spring semester candidates will make a presentation of the project at a departmental colloquium in French. The thesis will be promptly discussed and evaluated to determine whether or not the student should continue in the honors program. The second semester of independent thesis work will be spent writing more chapters, as well as revising, rewriting, and polishing the project where necessary. The completed thesis in its final form will be due on April 25th. At the end of the Spring term, the student will present and defend the final project before members of the Department and others by invitation. The grade will be awarded once members of the Department have consulted after the defense.

THE CERTIFICATE IN FRENCH

The Certificate in French Language and Cultures consists of a sequence of seven courses for which the student must earn a cumulative grade average of B or higher. Each student must take a proficiency test and achieve a score of “Advanced.” The test must be administered by the department once a year during the month of April to all students desirous of obtaining the Certificate. Those interested should express their intent to the chair of the department by March 1 or earlier.

For students with no prior study of French, the course sequence will consist of RLFR 101-102, RLFR 103, RLFR 104, and three additional courses, with at least one of these at the 200-level or higher taken at Williams. For students starting the sequence at RLFR 105, five additional courses must be taken, including at least three French courses at the 200-level or higher. For all students starting at the French 103 level or higher, two electives may be taken in other departments: one elective should be in French or Francophone culture (art, literature, theatre, music) and the other in French or Francophone civilization (history, political science).

See French Studies Major description above for list of possible electives in other departments.

PLACEMENT

A placement test in French is administered at Williams during the fall semester. Incoming first-year students who register for any French course above the 101-102 level must take this test, regardless of their previous preparation.

STUDY ABROAD

French majors are strongly advised to complete part of the requirements for the major by studying abroad either during the academic year or the summer. Most Academic Affairs, the Office of Study Abroad, and other French programs require students to have completed French 108, or, for example, before they go abroad. A special affiliation with the Hamilton Junior Year in France program enables Williams students who have completed 105 to participate in a comprehensive academic and cultural experience in a French-speaking environment. Credit for up to four courses towards the major can be granted at the discretion of the Department: normally 2 major credit for one semester and up to 4 major credits for a full year or two semesters. The final assignment of credit will be at the discretion of the Department in consultation with the student’s advisor. Students must complete the program and have the credits approved before the end of the term. In addition, work materials, and evidence of satisfactory academic performance. Students interested in studying abroad need to consult with faculty members in French by the second semester of their first year. Early planning is essential. Because the academic quality of certain programs of study in France may well be below the national standards normally associated with a Williams education, students will receive major credit for only those programs recommended by the Department. Please consult a faculty member to determine which programs are acceptable.

Normally, the Department does not administer proficiency exams (for study abroad) to any student who has not completed a French course at Williams.

LANGUAGE AND CIVILIZATION COURSES

RLFR 101(F)-W088-102(S) Introduction to French Language and Francophone Cultures

This year-long course offers a complete introduction to the French language and is designed to help you become fully conversant in French by focusing on four fundamental language skills: listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Through daily practice, class activities, interactive discussion, listening exercises, written work, reading assignments, video-observations, and film-viewing, you will quickly gain confidence and increasing facility with your abilities to speak and understand both spoken and written French. In addition, our study of grammar, vocabulary, and communication skills will be organized around an engaging and dynamic introduction to a variety of French-speaking cultures around the world, from France and Belgium, to Quebec and Martinique, to Senegal and Morocco. Format: the class meets five hours a week. Evaluation in both semester-long courses will be based on active class participation, workbook exercises and compositional writing, oral class presentations, core and final exams. Students registered for 101-102 are required to attend and pass the sustaining program during the winter study period. Credit granted only if both semesters are taken. For students who have taken less than two years of high school French. Conducted in French. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20). If overenrolled, preference will be given to first- and second-year students and those with compelling justification for continuation. Hour: 9:00-9:50 MTWR 9:00-9:50 MTWR

First Semester: MARTIN Second Semester: BROSSILLON

RLFR 103(F) Intermediate Studies in French Language and Francophone Cultures

As a continuation of French 101-102, this first-semester intermediate course is designed to help you improve your French, while at the same time learning more about the French language and Francophone cultures, politics, literature, and film. Through the active study and daily practice of listening, speaking, reading, and writing in French, you will: continue developing communicational skills necessary to function in daily life; learn to express your opinions and ideas; improve your command of the five major French-speaking countries in the world, from France to Belgium, to Quebec and Martinique, to Senegal and Morocco. Format: class meets five hours a week. Conducted in French. Requirements: active class participation, workbook exercises and compositions, short papers, chapter tests, midterm, and final exam. Prerequisites: French 102-103 or equivalency placement. NOTE: Students should seriously consider taking French 103 AND 105 if they intend to enroll in more advanced French literature courses at the 200-level and above, or if they anticipate studying in France or a Francophone country during their junior year. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20). If overenrolled, preference will be given to first- and second-year students and those with compelling justification for admission. Hour: 10:00-10:50 MTWR

BROSSILLON

RLFR 104(S) Intermediate French II: Studies in French Language and Francophone Culture

As a continuation of French 103, this course explores the diverse cultural and political identities in the Francophone world through short literary texts and films from France, Africa, the Caribbean and the Middle East while building on linguistic skills in French. The course will provide an in-depth advanced review of grammar structures, and will reinforce and expand the use of those structures in activities of composition, reading, oral presentation and discussion. After successfully completing French 104, students may register for French 201. Conducted in French. Format: class meets three hours a week plus a fourth conference hour with French teaching associates. Requirements: class participation, short papers, oral class presentations, quizzes and exams. Prerequisites: French 103. This course is primarily for continuing French 103 students. Students who have placed at the advanced intermediate level on the placement exam should register for French 105. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20). If overenrolled, preference will be given to continuing 103 students and potential French majors. Hour: 10:00-10:50 TWRF

BROSSILLON

RLFR 105(F) Advanced French: Advanced Studies in French Language and Francophone Culture

In this course, we will concentrate on expanding your vocabulary and polishing your written and oral skills while focusing on the analysis and discussion of different aspects of the Francophone world. In addition, we will study French literature and film from this perspective. Prerequisite: French 105 or equivalent. Conducted in French. Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, short papers, presentations, quizzes and final exam. Prerequisites: RLFR 103, or examination placement. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20). Preference given to students continuing their French studies at Williams and first and second year students. Hour: 11:20:12:35 TR Conference: 11:10:2 W

PIEPRZAK


This course is designed as a continuation of RLFR 105 for students wishing to develop their ability to converse and write in idiomatic French with ease and fluency. Students will review linguistic structures in depth as well as expand their range of vocabulary, since special attention will be given to writing and speaking. At the same time, students will exercise their analytical and critical thinking on the works of a variety of Francophone writers such as Philippe Delerm, Amélie Nothomb, Marguerite Duras, Gabrielle Roy, Guy de Maupassant, Albert Camus, Mariama Bâ, Annie Ernaux and Nathalie Sarraute while examining and exploring how relationships are done and undone, how passions such as jealousy, love, greed, hatred enter into a variety of characters and circum-
stances. Conducted in French.

Requirements: regular attendance; active class participation; quizzes, short papers and oral presentations; a mid-term and a final test.

Prerequisites: French 103 (with instructor’s permission) or 105 or examination placement. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected 20). Preference will be given to students continuing RLFR 105 or those admitted by placement.

NOTE: See RLFR 105 for more information on the sequencing of French 105/106.

DESROISERS

LITERATURE COURSES


This course introduces students to the richly diverse literary landscape of metropolitan and non-metropolitan France as recorded in major works of prose, poetry, and theater from the Middle Ages to the present. Particular attention will be given to the ways in which culture, society, and the individual’s relationship to them are mirrored and interpreted in various literary genres, contexts, and registers. Each work to be studied develops a unique language that serves not only to interpret the culture from which it emerges, but to frame that culture within the larger issues of self and identity. Among the authors and works to be examined are Christian de Troyes’ Perceval (excerpts), La Chanson de la Rose (excerpts), selected sonnets by Ronsard, Molière’s Le Misanthrope, Rousseau’s Réveries d’un promeneur solitaire (excerpts), France’s national anthem La Marseillaise (Rouget de Lisle), Flaubert’s Madame Bovary, poems of Hugo and Baudelaire, short stories of Gustave Flaubert and Albert Camus, Mariama Bâ’s Une sède longue lettre, Linda Lê’s Lettres mortes (selections), Honoré Beaugrand’s La Chasse-galerie, and, last but not least, the comic pachyderm, Babzat Conducted in French.

Format: Seminar. Requirements: class participation, three short papers, an oral presentation, and a final oral presentation. Prerequisites: RLFR 104 or RLFR 105 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected 20).

BROSSILLON

RLFR 202(F) (formerly 110) War and Resistance: Two Centuries of War Literature in France, 1804-2004 (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 201)

In 1883, Maupassant called on his fellow war veterans and writers to join him in speaking out against warfare and violence, crying “Let us dishonor war!” From this moment on, wars against Caesar (during the first century BC) to France’s controversial recent war, the “War on Terror” (at the opening of the twenty-first century), the French literary tradition is rich in texts that bear witness to war and speak out against its monstrous inhumanity. While war literature in France can be traced back to ancient and medieval texts on Vercingétorix, Charlemagne, William the Conqueror, and Joan of Arc, this course will focus specifically on literary representations of war during the nineteenth- and twentieth-centuries, from the Napoleonic Wars, to the First and Second World Wars, to the Algerian and Cold Wars, and the “War on Terror.” Discussions will examine the impact of war on soldiers and civilians, patriotism and pacifism, history and memory; the implications of war as invasion and conquest, occupation and resistance, victory and defeat; the relationship of war to gender, sexuality, and ethnicity; and the role of the war in colonialism and genocide. Readings to include novels, short stories, and poems by Balzac, Stendhal, Hugo, Rimbaud, Daudet, Maupassant, Zola, Cocteau, Wielis, Duras, Camus, and Fanon. Films to include works by Resnais, Renoir, Carion, Jeunet, Malle, Angélo, Pontecorvo, and Duras. Conducted in French

Format: Seminar. Requirements: active class participation, two short papers, an oral presentation, and a final paper. Prerequisites: French 105 or 106; 201 or 203; or by permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected 20). Preference will be given to French majors and those with compelling justification for admission.

NORTON

RLFR 203(S) Introduction to Francophone Studies (Same as Africana Studies 204) (D)

The Francophone world, stretching across Europe, Africa, the Middle East, Asia, the Caribbean and the Americas, has often been described as a family joined by language, home, and history. In this seminar, we will examine work by authors born in colonial colonies, but brought up in France, and those born and raised in France or by those who have come from the former colonies. By exploring texts that span several centuries, we will examine how contemporary authors have charted the cultural identities of people born and raised in the colonies, as well as those born and raised in France. The Francophone world is rich with cultural production, but this course will focus on the works of authors who have lived either in France or in the Francophone world, especially those who have lived and worked in Africa. Films to include works by Resnais, Renoir, Carion, Jeunet, Malle, Angélo, Pontecorvo, and Duras. Conducted in French

Format: Seminar. Requirements: active class participation, two short papers, an oral presentation, and a final paper. Prerequisites: French 105 or 106; 201 or 203; or by placement test, or by permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected 20). Preference will be given to French majors or certificate candidates, and Africana Studies concentrators.

Hour: 2:55-3:50 MR PEPZRAK

RLFR 208(F) Love and Death in Seventeenth, Eighteenth, and Nineteenth-Century France

Reflecting on loneliness and a life without anyone to love and be loved by, Maupassant declared in 1884: “It is better to love, but terrible.” This introductory course in French literature will focus on this “terrible” aspect of love. The themes of instincts and passions, desires and fears, death and sexuality, death and love have been explored in art—literature, painting, music—for centuries. Why do so many authors create an erotic bond between love and death? In this course, we will explore this connection born of colonial history. Through fiction and film, this course will examine what it means to be Francophone, and how writers and filmmakers from the Francophone world have approached the idea of the family both literally and metaphorically in order to explore questions of identity, origins, colonialism, resistance, and interconnection in a global community. This course invites students to enter into critical engagement with cultural constructions of difference, colonial and post-colonial constructions of subjectivity, culturally contested imaginations and treatments of gender and race, and the very idea of the Francophone itself. Authors we will read include: Driss Chraibi (Morocco), Dany Laferrière (Haiti), Maryse Condé (Guadeloupe), Aimé Césaire (Martinique), Linda Lê (Vietnam) and Fatou Diome (Senegal). Films studied include Moolaadé (Ousmane Sissoko) and Aboouna (Mahamet-Saleh Haroun). Conducted in French.

Format: Seminar. Requirements: active class participation, informal response papers, two short papers, and final paper. Prerequisites: French 105 or above, or results of College Placement Examination, or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected 20). Preference given to French majors or certificate candidates, and Africana Studies concentrators.

Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR MARTIN

RLFR 210 Fantastic Spaces and Imaginary Places: Literary Text and Image in Late Medieval and Early Modern France (Not offered 2011-2012)

When Antoine speaks of Homer’s powers of language, he describes the poet’s skill as a dimension of energy and eye, the capacity to “represent everything as moving and living” and thus to be “graphic”, to make the audience actually see things through words. Medieval and Renaissance French writers based their literary imagination on a perception that the written word was a period of intense literary creativity that encouraged a kaleidoscope of issues conveying both on poetic and painting as well as on concepts of architectural and landscape design. This capacity to imagine is at the heart of writing about travel, exploration, discovery, spatial and natural description, phantasmagoric quests, poetic “madness”, and the contemplation of mind. The primary vehicle through which we will examine these issues is the literary text and its supporting manuscript illuminations and book illustrations; namely, selected texts from Boccaccio’s Trionfo della Fama and the allegory of love, Guillaume de Deguillen’s Roman de la rose, and the allegory of love, Guillaume de Deguillen’s Roman de la rose, and the allegory of love, Jean de Meun’s Le Roman de la Rose and the allegory of love, Jean de Meun’s Le Roman de la Rose and the allegory of love, François Rabelais’s grotesque epic of Gargantua and Pantagruel, and Pierre de Ronsard’s sonnet cycles on love and nature (Les Amours). We will examine how these overarching literary issues intersect with parallel developments in the visual arts (Burgundy in the 15th century, the Myth of the Golden Age, The School of Fontainebleau, Clouet), ecclesiastical and domestic architecture, including the development of the chateau, landscape and garden design and its allegorical configurations. Conducted in French.
In his futurist novel *Paris in the Twentieth Century* (1863), Jules Verne envisions an era of technological superiority, complete with hydrogen cars and high-speed trains, televisions and skyscrapers, computed tomography and telescopes. But in Verne’s vision of modernity, technological sophistication gives way to intellectual stagnation and social indifference, in a world where poetry and literature have been abandoned in favor bureaucratic efficiency, mechanized surveillance, and the merciless pursuit of profit. To contest or confirm this dystopic vision, we will examine a broad range of twentieth-century novels and their focus on adversity, resistance, and revolution.

During the 1830s, Balzac described Paris as a “surprising assemblage of movements, machines, and ideas, a city of one hundred thousand novels, the head of the world.” But also characterized the French capital as a “land of contrasts,” a “monstrous wonder,” a “morose moral.” Similarly, writers from Hugo to Zola have simultaneously celebrated Parisian elegance and condemned the appalling misery of Paris’s urban poor. Since 1889, Paris has been fitted as the “City of Light” for its Enlightenment legacy, its Eiffel Tower modernity, and its luminous urban energy, captured in countless paintings, photographs, and film. However, Paris is also the historical site of revolution, resistance, and riots. From revolutionary revolts (1830, 1848, 1871), to wartime resistance (1870, 1914-18, 1940-44), to reformist and race riots (1968 and 2005), Paris has repetitively sparked with incendiary passion and political protest. As fires raged during the recent riots in November 2005, Paris has repetitively sparked with incendiary passion and political protest. As fires raged during the recent riots in November 2005, Paris has repetitively sparked with incendiary passion and political protest. As fires raged during the recent riots in November 2005, Paris has repetitively sparked with incendiary passion and political protest.

During the past decade, literature has emerged in both French and Arabic examining the effects of globalization: unequal modernization, unemployment, cultural change and cultural resistance. In this course, we will read short stories that address these issues as well as analyze films, sociological texts and Moroccan, Algerian and Tunisian newspapers on the web in order to explore contemporary transformations of life in North Africa. Readings by Moncef Laskri, Zenza Takhir and Abdelkhalik Kehay and Abdelhak Serhane among others. Conducted in French

**Requirements:** active class participation, reading journal, two short papers, an oral presentation and a final paper.


**Hour:** 11:20-12:35  TR  **BROSSILLON**
Within this historical context, we will discuss the role of the novel in confronting war and disease, challenging poverty and greed, and exposing urban isolation and cultural alienation in twentieth-century France. Readings to include novels by Colette, Genet, Camus, Duraz, Eurnaux, Guibert, and Begug. Lectures to include discussions of Gide and Proust, Satre and Beauvoir, Cixous and Foucault, Jelnoon and Djbel. Films to include works by Fassbinder, Annaud, Lioret, Duccastel, Martinax, Téchiné, and Charef.

Format: seminar. Conducted in French. Requirements: class participation, two short papers, an oral presentation, and a final paper.

Prerequisites: French 201, 202, or 203, or by placement test, or by permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20). Preference given to French, Comparative Literature, and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies majors, and those with compelling justification for admission.

MARTIN

RLFR 370(S) Displaying, Collecting and Preserving the Other: Museums and French Imperialism (Same as Africana Studies 370 and Comparative Literature 370)

This course will explore relationships between culture and imperialism in France by exploring how the colonial “Other” has been conceived, displayed and collected in French museums, world’s fairs and galleries from the 19th century to the present. Through readings in museum history and theory, we will explore the imperial histories of the Louvre and the Musée de l’Homme, the role of Parisian World’s Fairs in ordering the colonial world, French colonial photography and the consumable subject(s), and the discourse of collection and preservation in French colonial architecture. Drawing on museum theory, we will also critically examine contemporary Parisian museums such as the Musée du Quai Branly, the Institut du Monde Arabe and the Cité nationale de l’histoire de l’immigration. In addition to readings and discussion, the class will engage in a semester-long group project to design a new museum of French history and identity. The group will present all aspects of their museum including location, design, exhibit concept, narrative, and more. This course will be conducted in English. For students seeking RLFR credit, research will be conducted primarily in French.

Format: seminar. Requirements: active class participation, response papers, 2 short essays and a final group project.

Prerequisites: for students taking the course as RLFR: French 201 or above, or permission of instructor; for students taking the course as COMP or AFR: no prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). Preference given to French and Comparative Literature majors, and concentrators in Africana Studies.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 W PIEPRZAK

RLFR 408(S) Senior Seminar: Mortal Combat and Wounded Hearts: Codes of Honor, Love, and Quest in Medieval and Early Modern French Literature (Not offered 2011-2012)

French literature and literary language could be said to begin with the 11th-12th-century epic, La Chanson de Roland, a narrative of knightly audacity, betrayal, and fraternal love centered on Charlemagne’s campaign in Saracen Spain and the monumental defeat of his bravest knight, Roland, at Roncaves. The Chanson de Roland inaugurates an exciting and uplifting literary cycle that is both an artistic and a cultural window on the Middle Ages and its narrative traditions. This cycle’s works are Godefroi de Vries’s Le Chevalier au Lion, Lancelot ou le Chevalier de la Charette, and the unfinished Perceval ou le Conte du Graal. During a period often associated with great spiritual and moral orthodoxy, authors are not reluctant to entwine epic narrative with the issues of adultery, interracial love, and sexual emancipation as in Chrétien’s Lancelot and in the 13th-century romance Aucassin et Nicolette, a tale of adventure centered on a Christian knight in love with a Saracen slave girl. The motifs of heroism and love culminate later on in the encyclopedic Roman de la Rose, a medieval theme park that embraces a vigorous and licentious summons to live for love and to abandon all restraint. The unabashed sensual indulgence of this work will be studied in relation to the proto-feminist history of women in Christine de Pisan’s Le Livre de la Cité des dames (1405). This seminar will examine many of the key literary, linguistic, and artistic aspects of this literary heritage, including the concepts of allegory, symbolic expression, invention, imagination, the evolution of the French language, and the corrosive way in which later Renaissance authors such as Rabelais interrogate the medieval tradition. All readings will be in modern French. Conducted in French.

Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, three 5-page papers, and an oral presentation.

Prerequisites: French 201 (formerly 109), or French 202 (formerly 110), or French 203 (formerly 111), or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected 10). Preference given to French and Comparative Literature majors.

NORTON

RLFR 410 Seminar: Landscapes of Movement and Migration in France (Not offered 2011-2012)

How do migration and movement construct and disrupt landscapes of identity—home, city and nation—in the French-speaking world? How do migration and movement constitute such fundamental and essential questions as how to read the relation between the global and the local, the myriad connections between a language and a land, and the boundless ability to echo the historical past and reverberate in the cultural present. Desperate housewives, sex in the city, queer eyes for straight guys, and extreme makeovers fill the pages of the nineteenth-century novel. From the Romanticism of Stendhal and Hugo, and the Realism of Balzac and Flaubert, to the Naturalism of Maupassant and Zola, the novel became an extraordinary forum for examining illicit sexuality, institutional misogyny, social injustice, criminal passions, revolutionary struggles, and Parisian pleasures in nineteenth-century France. Characters such as the imprisoned housewife Emma Bovary, the reluctant revolutionary Jean Valjean, the social-climbing lover Julien Sorel, the ambitious undergraduate Rastignac, the basically-abused Gervaise, and the man-eating courtesan Nana became synonymous with France’s turbulent social and political landscape from the 1830s to the 1880s. And as recent film adaptations make clear, these characters continue to haunt our twenty-first century present. Reinterpreted by such contemporary actors as Gérard Depardieu, Isabelle Huppert, Uma Thurman, Or students seeking RLFR credit, this course will be open to advanced students of French. Reading include novels such as Balzac, Stendhal, Hugo, Flaubert, and Zola. Films to include adaptations by Clément, Berri, August, Arta, Letouch, and Chabrol.

This course will be conducted in French. Format: seminar. Requirements: weekly 1-page response papers, short midterm paper and a final research paper.

Prerequisites: any course in French above 203, or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10). Preference given to seniors who are French majors, or minors, to whom the Certificate in French, but open to advanced students of French. Qualified students in first, second, or third year of their career at Williams can enroll in the Senior Seminar with the permission of the instructor. However, this will not replace the senior seminar requirement in the senior year of French majors.

 PIEPRZAK

RLFR 412(S) Senior Seminar: Nineteenth-Century Novel: From Desperate Housewives to Extreme Makeovers (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 408)

In 1834, Balzac wrote that “Paris is a veritable ocean. Sound it: you will never know its depth.” The same can be said of the French nineteenth-century novel and its boundless ability to echo the historical past and reverberate in the cultural present. Desperate housewives, sex in the city, queer eyes for straight guys, and extreme makeovers fill the pages of the nineteenth-century novel. From the Romanticism of Stendhal and Hugo, and the Realism of Balzac and Flaubert, to the Naturalism of Maupassant and Zola, the novel became an extraordinary forum for examining illicit sexuality, institutional misogyny, social injustice, criminal passions, revolutionary struggles, and Parisian pleasures in nineteenth-century France. Characters such as the imprisoned housewife Emma Bovary, the reluctant revolutionary Jean Valjean, the social-climbing lover Julien Sorel, the ambitious undergraduate Rastignac, the basically-abused Gervaise, and the man-eating courtesan Nana became synonymous with France’s turbulent social and political landscape from the 1830s to the 1880s. And as recent film adaptations make clear, these characters continue to haunt our twenty-first century present. Reinterpreted by such contemporary actors as Gérard Depardieu, Isabelle Huppert, Uma Thurman, Or students seeking RLFR credit, this course will be open to advanced students of French. Reading include novels such as Balzac, Stendhal, Hugo, Flaubert, and Zola. Films to include adaptations by Clément, Berri, August, Arta, Letouch, and Chabrol.

This course will be conducted in French. Format: seminar. Requirements: active class participation, two short papers, an oral presentation, and a final paper.

Prerequisites: a 200-level or 300-level French literature course at Williams, or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10). If overenrolled, preference will be given to French majors and certificate students; Comparative Literature majors; Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies majors; and those with compelling justification for admission.

Hour: 2:55-3:50 MR MARTIN

RLFR W30 Honors Essay

RLFR 493(F)-W31-494(S) Senior Thesis

RLFR 497(F), 498(S) Independent Study

RLFR 511(F) Intensive French Grammar and Translation

This course is designed to offer students a thorough and systematic review of sentence structures and grammar. Through this intensive study, students will learn to decipher the subtleties of the written language, and as they become more confident they will start translating a variety of short excerpts. Students are also expected to learn and develop a wide lexical range centered on art history and criticism, but not limited to it. For advanced classes, text will be read and conducted in English. Evaluation will be based on class participation, papers, a midterm, and a final examination.

Prerequisites: a strong interest and need to learn French.

Enrollment: although this course is to serve the needs of students enrolled in the Graduate Program in the History of Art, undergraduates may enroll by permission of the instructor.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR DESROSIEUX
ITALIAN

RLFR 512(S) Readings in French Art History and Criticism
This course is designed to provide Graduate Program students and interested others with knowledge of French acquired through translation and interpretation. The course will include a study of the history of art from the 18th century to the present day, focusing on the works of notable artists and architects. Evaluation will be based on participation in class discussions and presentations, a final examination, and a term paper. Credit granted only if both semesters are taken.

Enrollment limit: 22. The course is open to those who have had one year or more of high school Italian. Instructor: FACULTY
Hour: 9:00-11:00 MTWRF

RLFR 513(S) Readings in Modern and Contemporary French
This course is designed to provide Graduate Program students and interested others with knowledge of French acquired through translation and interpretation. The course will include a study of the history of art from the 18th century to the present day, focusing on the works of notable artists and architects. Evaluation will be based on participation in class discussions and presentations, a final examination, and a term paper. Credit granted only if both semesters are taken.

Enrollment limit: 22. The course is open to those who have had one year or more of high school French. Instructor: FACULTY
Hour: 9:00-11:00 MTWRF

SPANISH

The Spanish major consists of nine courses above the 103-104 level. These nine courses include 105, 106, any 200 level or above (excluding RLSP 205 and RLSP 303), and 403. At least one 200-level course must be completed at Williams. In addition, one course must be focused primarily on literature of the period prior to 1800 C.E. Other courses, taken at overseas programs, may be used to satisfy the requirements of the major, with approval of the department.

The Spanish faculty strongly suggests that students take 201 and 205 at some point in their studies, and especially recommends that they do so before rather than after studying abroad.

The major seeks to provide training in literary analysis and linguistic expression, as well as an appreciation of Hispanic civilization, through the study of the major writers of the Spanish-speaking world.

Students majoring in Spanish may elect one of their Spanish electives with a course in Comparative Literature, with one course in Latin-American Studies that is 200-level or higher, or with a course in Linguistics or Latin-American Studies.

Inasmuch as all courses in Spanish assume the active participation of each student in discussions conducted in the foreign language, regular attendance at class meetings is expected.

Courses numbered in the 100s are language courses, with 105 and 106 combining grammar and literature. RLSP 200 and RLSP 201 focus on civilization and culture, while other 200-level classes serve as gateway courses for literary study, in ascending order of difficulty; they are thus suitable for first-years and sophomores. Courses in the 300s require both serious grounding in the study of literature and an advanced command of the language. The 400-level course offered annually is the senior seminar, serving as "capstone course" to the Spanish major.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN SPANISH
Candidates for a senior thesis must have maintained a 3.5 GPA in the major by the time of proposal submission. Two alternative routes are available to those who wish to apply for the degree with honors.

The first of these involves the writing of a senior thesis. Honors candidates are required to have maintained a GPA of 3.5 in the major to qualify for submitting a thesis proposal.

By May 15th of their junior year, candidates will have found a thesis advisor, and given the Department a three- to five-page proposal and a preliminary bibliography. In some cases, and upon consultation with the Department, candidates will have the option to choose a second reader in addition to their primary advisor; for example, when the thesis is interdisciplinary enough in nature that it requires the expertise of an additional reader.

This proposal will be discussed by the Department; by June 1st, the candidate will be informed whether he/she can proceed with the thesis, and if so, what changes need to be made to the focus and scope of the project. The summer before the senior year will be spent compiling a more detailed bibliography and reading.

Upon their return to Williams, candidates will devote to their theses two semesters of independent study (beyond the nine courses required for the major) and the winter study period of their senior year (493-494). The thesis will be written in Spanish and will usually not be shorter than fifty pages. By the end of the fall semester, students will normally have a clear outline of the project, have done substantial research, and produced the draft of at least the first half of the project. During January this draft will be suitably rewritten and edited with a view to a final version, while the candidates will also begin work on remaining chapters.

Candidates will submit what they have written to the department on the last day of Winter Study.

On the Tuesday of the first week of the spring semester candidates will make a presentation of the project at a departmental colloquium in Spanish. The thesis will be discussed and evaluated to determine whether or not the student should continue in the honors program. The second semester of independent thesis work will be spent writing more chapters, as well as revising, rewriting, and polishing the project where necessary. The completed thesis in its final form will be due on April 25th. At the end of the Spring term, the student will present and defend the final project before members of the Department and others by invitation. The grade will be awarded once members of the Department have consulted after the defense.

The second route is a group of three clearly related courses (offered by the Department of Romance Languages or by other departments, such as History, Art, Philosophy, English, etc.), one only of which may be counted in the nine courses comprising the major. One of the courses will be an Independent Study (plus senior year WSP 300) in the spring of the senior year, at the end of which the student will write an essay that synthesizes the content of the three related courses. Students may apply for this route by November 2 of the senior year.

In the case of both routes to the degree with honors, the department’s recommendation for graduation with honors will be based on the originality and thoroughness of the finished project.

THE CERTIFICATE IN SPANISH
The Certificate in Spanish Language and Culture consists of a sequence of seven courses for which the student must earn a cumulative grade average of B or higher. In addition, the student must take a proficiency test and achieve a score of “Advanced.” The test will be administered by the department once a year during the month of April to all students desiring of obtaining the Certificate. Those so interested should express their intent to the chair of the department by March 1 or earlier.

For students with no prior Spanish background, the course sequence will consist of Spanish 101-102, Spanish 103 and 104, and three courses in Spanish above the 104 level, with at least one of these courses at the 200-level or higher taken at Williams. If the student starts out the sequence at Spanish 103, in addition to the three courses in Spanish beyond the 104 level (including a 200-level course or higher), two electives may be taken in other departments. One elective should be in Spanish or Latin-American cultural history (art, literature, drama, music) and the other in Spanish or Latin-American intellectual, political, or social history. Spanish 200, 201, or 208 can be counted for the elective requirement.

Electives may be considered from a variety of departments and programs. However, students should consult with the chair of Romance Languages before making any enrollment decisions.
turbulent shifts of power within the country, Spanish regional identities, and the cultural and intellectual movements that shaped Spain on the eve of the Civil War.

Requirements: two essays on assigned topics, one oral presentation, active discussion of the ideas and the facts presented in class, a midterm, and a final exam.

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Tutorial meetings to be arranged. ROUHI

RLSP 202T(S) 1898: Spain's Fin de Siglo and the Crisis of Ideas (W)

Hour: 11:00-11:50 MWF FOX

Hour: 2:35-3:25 TF GOODBODY

This course is a continuation of Spanish 101-102. It is designed to help students improve their proficiency in each of the major skill-groups (listening, speaking, reading and writing) while providing an introduction to the cultures of the Spanish-speaking world. Classroom activities and homework are designed to increase vocabulary and improve your ability to handle daily life in a Spanish-speaking country, to express your views on complex subjects such as art and politics, and to increase your knowledge of the cultural traditions of Latin America and Spain. Film screenings and readings in Hispanic literature, culture and politics will provide material for in-class discussion and some writing assignments. This course provides the linguistic and cultural training that is necessary to engage the diverse Spanish-speaking communities of Latin America, Spain and the US; it will help to prepare students for further literary and cultural studies as well as provide skills that are increasingly essential in fields such as medicine, law, and education. Conducted in Spanish.

Format: class meets three hours each week with the professor, plus an additional fourth hour with a teaching assistant from Latin America or Spain. Requirements: regular attendance and active in-class participation, workbook exercises and weekly compositions, quizzes, midterm and final exams.

Prerequisites: Spanish 101-102 or placement exam results. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20).

Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF, 11:00-11:50 MWF Conference: 1:10-2 W, 2:10-3 W BELL-VILLADA, PITCHER

RLSP 104(S) Upper Intermediate Spanish

This course is a continuation of Spanish 103. It focuses on the review of grammar as well as on refining writing and speaking skills. Films and reading selections will enable students to deepen their understanding of Hispanic cultures.

Format: class meets four hours a week. Requirements: weekly 1- to 2-page compositions, regularity of class participation, oral reports, frequent quizzes, a midterm and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Spanish 103 or the results of the Williams College placement exam. Enrollment limit: 22 (expected: 22).

Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF, 11:00-11:50 MWF Conferences: 1:10-2 W, 2:10-3 W FOX, PITCHER

RLSP 105(F) Advanced Composition and Conversation

This course involves intensive practice in speaking and writing. Students are also expected to participate actively in daily conversations based on the study of our grammar book, as well as selected short stories by Latin American and Peninsular writers. In addition, they will write frequent compositions and perform regular, written grammar exercises. Conducted in Spanish.

Format: lecture/discussion. Evaluation will be based on homework, class participation, compositions, a midterm, and a final exam. This course requires students to have produced 15-20 or more pages of writing by the end of the semester.

Prerequisites: Spanish 103, Spanish 104 or results of the Williams College placement exam. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20). Preference is given to first-years, then sophomores, then juniors, and then seniors, with priority to those considering a major in Spanish.

Hour: 12:00-12:50 MWF, 10:00-10:50 MWF Conferences: 3:10-4 W, 1:10-2 W GOODBODY

RLSP 106(S) Advanced Composition and Conversation

This course may be taken separately or as a continuation of Spanish 105. Written and oral work will be based on selected short stories by Latin-American writers.

Weekly compositions, plus regular exercises in the language laboratory.

Requirements: a weekly essay based on the stories read in class, written laboratory exercises, participation in the grammatical and literary discussions, quizzes, a midterm, and a final exam.

Prerequisites: Spanish 103, Spanish 104 or results of the Williams College placement exam. Enrollment limit: 20. Preference is given to first-years, then sophomores, then juniors, and then seniors, with priority to those considering a major in Spanish.

Hour: 11:00-11:50 MWF Conferences: 3:10-4 W BELL-VILLADA

RLSP 200(S) (formerly 112) Latin-American Civilizations

An introduction to the multiple elements constituting Latin-American culture. Class assignments include readings from selected Latin-American essayists and screenings of classic films. Particular focus on the conflict between local and foreign cultural traditions. Areas to be considered: Spanish Catholicism, the influence of European liberalism and U.S. expansion, the Indian and African contribution, and the cultural impact of social revolution in Mexico and Cuba. Conducted in Spanish.

Requirements: two essays on assigned topics, one oral presentation, active discussion of the ideas and the facts presented in class, a midterm, and a final.

Prerequisites: Spanish 105 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20).

Hour: 2:35-3:25 TF GOODBODY

RLSP 201(F) The Cultures of Spain

Each of the many cultures and civilizations that has settled in Spain has left its mark. Linguistically, culturally, and historically Spain is a composite of the groups that have inhabited the peninsula in the past, which include Iberians, Celts, Phoenicians, Greeks, Carthaginians, Romans, Visigoths, Arabs, and Jews. The contributions of these different groups, combined with other factors such as geography and climate, will be our starting point in understanding Spain’s past. Today, Spain’s cultural diversity also reflects the many distinct autonomous regions of which the country is composed, such as Catalonia and the Basque country, and the recent influx of immigrants from all over the world. In this course we will consider Spain past and present. We will study periods of tolerance and cultural brilliance, such as the co-existence of Arabs and Jews in Medieval Cordoba, as well as times of violence, censorship and repression such as the Inquisition, the Civil War and the post-war under Franco. Materials will include representative works from literature, art, architecture, music, and film. Secondary texts will also be provided for historical and socio-political background and reference. Conducted in Spanish.

Format: seminar. Requirements: active participation in class discussions, an oral presentation, several short writing assignments; a midterm and a final.

Prerequisites: Spanish 105 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20). Preference given to French majors and certificate candidates.

Hour: 11:00-11:50 MWF FOX

ROUHI

RLSP 202(S) 1898: Spain’s Fin de Siglo and the Crisis of Ideas (W)

In this tutorial we will read the works of some of modern Spain’s influential writers from the late part of the nineteenth century and the first three decades of the twentieth, focusing on how the changes in society and philosophy represented this significant time in Spain’s history. The role of the war with the U.S. in 1898, the turbulent shifts of power within the country, Spanish regional identities, and the cultural and intellectual movements that shaped Spain on the eve of the Civil War are among the key issues we will address. Our primary sources—largely fiction and poetry by artists such as Miguel de Unamuno, Azorín, Ramiro de Maeztu, Antonio Machado, Pío Baroja—will be complemented with a rigorous study of the cultural landscape of Spain at that time. Our principal engagement with philosophy will be through José Ortega y Gasset, in particular his output from the 1920s.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: Students will be teamed in groups of two, and alternate in writing essays and critiquing these each week. Essays will be 5-8 pages long. Evaluation is based on the essay and the critique of the essay, as well as punctuality with submission of weekly assignments.

Prerequisites: RLSP 105, or results of the Williams College Placement Exam, or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10).

Tutorial meetings to be arranged.
RLSP 203 (F) From Modernismo a El Boom de la Novela (W)
A survey of some of the leading imaginative writers of Hispanic America. Readings will begin with the modernista poets and go on to include fiction of Mexico by Rulfo, a wide sampling of verse by Pablo Neruda, and narratives of the "Boom" period by authors such as Borges, Cortázar, Lisspector, and García Márquez.
Conducted in Spanish.
Prerequisites: Spanish 105 or higher. Enrollment limit: 22.
Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR

BELL-VILLADA

RLSP 204 Icons and Imaginaries: Culture and Politics in Latin America (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
This course provides an overview of Latin American culture and politics by focusing on some of the most recognizable names and faces from the continent’s turbulent history: Christopher Columbus, Hernán Cortés and Malintzin, Simón Bolívar, José Martí, Pancho Villa, Eva Perón, Frida Kahlo, Che Guevara, Rigoberta Menchú, and Hugo Chávez. In addition to her or his influence within a specific historical context, we’ll also unpack some of the overarching issues of Latin American culture and politics: How are nations and nationalism constructed through processes of representation, and what roles do specific iconic figures play in that process? How can popular culture challenge elite representations of the nation and its heroes/heroines, and how durable are the images it produces as expressions of collective will? What opportunities are available to women and sexual minorities in a political culture that has been historically dominated by macho military types? This course fulfills the EBL requirement by enabling students to appreciate the figures that have influenced generations of Latin American women and men and their sense of what is politically possible, while challenging the class to identify the operations of power at work in the construction of the figures themselves.
Format: lecture/discussion. Assignments will include political and cultural essays, literature and films. Three 5-page papers. Conducted in Spanish.
Prerequisites: RLSP 105 or 106 or the equivalent. Enrollment limit: 21 (expected: 20). Preference given to Spanish majors and qualified first-year students.

FRENCH

RLSP 205 (S) The Latin-American Novel in Translation (Same as Comparative Literature 205)
A course specifically designed to enable students who have no knowledge of Spanish to read and discover those Latin-American authors who, in the twentieth century, have attracted world-wide attention. Among the texts to be discussed: Borges, Labyrinths; Cortázar, Blow-up and Hopscotch; Lisspector, The Hour of the Star; lesser works by Fuentes and Puig; and by Nobel Prize-winner Gabriel García Márquez, One Hundred Years of Solitude.
Format: seminar. Requirements: class participation, two brief papers, a midterm, and a final exam.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 22 (expected: 22).
Does not carry credit for the Spanish major or the certificate.
Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR

BELL-VILLADA

RLSP 208 (S) The Spanish Civil War in Literature and Film
The Spanish Civil War (1936-1939) has generated a vast bibliography and filmography that to this day reflect widely antagonistic interpretations of the conflict itself, its roots, and its impact. From the Spanish perspective, the war is the most important single event in understanding modern Spain. The ideals, passions, and consequences of the Spanish Civil War still divide Spaniards and have been recreated and relived by writers, artists, and filmmakers, and debated by historians. The war is often portrayed in a historical introduction to the original development and outcomes of each figure and the cultural struggle played out on Spanish soil? Along with studying internal Spanish political divisions, we will also consider the impact of the foreign policy positions of other countries—including Germany, Italy, the United States, and Russia—vis-a-vis Spain, as well as the role of the thousands of foreign volunteers who formed the International Brigades and came from all over the world to fight against Franco. With this historical basis, we will see how the themes and issues of the war are reflected in Spanish poetry, short fiction, novels, and films from the time of the war up through the present day. Readings will include works by Ayala, Cernuda, Neruda, Goytisolo, Sender, Fernandez-Gomez, and Matute. Films will include documentaries as well as classic and contemporary features. Conducted in Spanish.
Evaluations will be based on lively class participation, an oral report, short written assignments, and two papers.
Prerequisites: Spanish 111, permission of instructor, or results of the Williams College Placement Exam. Enrollment limit: 20.
Hour: 11:00-12:15 MW

S. FOX

RLSP 209 Spanish for Heritage Speakers: Introduction to Latina/o Cultural Production (Same as Latina/o Studies 209) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under LATS 209 for full description.)

CEPEDA

RLSP 211 Survey of Medieval and Golden Age Spanish Literature (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course will introduce the student to some of the major works of Spanish literature from its beginnings through the Golden Age. We will study the historical context in which the works were written as well as the literary history of the periods in question. Students will learn methods of textual analysis through readings of relevant literary criticism. Readings will include epic and lyric poems, a picturesque novel, several additional prose selections, and selected plays. Conducted in Spanish.
Evaluation will be based on class participation, short paper assignments, and a final paper.
Prerequisites: Spanish 105 or permission of instructor.

ROUHI

RLSP 217 Love in the Spanish Golden Age (Not offered 2011-2012)
The principal focus of this course is the Spanish “comedia” of the seventeenth century (with supplemental readings from prose and poetry) to provide us with a dynamic and critical understanding of the theme of love as constructed by the greatest dramatists and authors of the period. Works by Lope de Vega, Tirso de Molina, Calderón, Cervantes, San Juan de la Cruz, and others will show us how the theme was treated from diverse perspectives, and how it related to key concepts such as honor, religion, and artistic creativity. Conducted in Spanish.
Evaluations will be based on meaningful participation and frequent short written assignments with one longer composition.
Prerequisites: Spanish 105 and above or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 20. Preference given to students with a background in literature.

ROUHI

RLSP 219 Humor in Spanish-American Literature (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
From the sixteenth century to the twenty-first, humor has been an essential element of Spanish-American cultural discourse, frequently mixing entertainment with sharp criticism of repressive political regimes and social institutions. This course will examine the role of humor in Spanish-American literature with emphasis on the colonial period and the nineteenth century, considering the use of satire, parody and farce to diagnose social ills ranging from the oppression of indigenous and African Americans to administrative corruption, promiscuity and sexual hypocrisy, and sadism among medical practitioners. Drawing on theorists including Erasmus, Wylie Sypher and Mikhail Bakhtin, we will discuss various categories of literary comedy and their functions as subversive or transgressive discourses, Spanish-American authors to be read may include Juan Rodríguez Freile, Sir Juan Inés de la Cruz, Catalina de Erauso, Juan del Valle Caviedes, Alonso Carrió de la V andera, and Ricardo Palma. For students with little or no background in early Spanish-American literature, we will also read selected works of "serious," canonical literature. We will conclude by considering colonial and nineteenth-century satire as precursors of the anti-authoritarian discourse in contemporary texts such as Gabriel García Márquez’s Los funerales de la Marquita Grande.
Format: lecture. Evaluation will be based on contribution to class discussions, three short papers, and mid-term and final exams.
Prerequisites: Spanish 105 or above, or permission of instructor, or results of the Williams College placement exam. Enrollment limit: 22 (expected: 22).

FRENCH

RLSP 220 Women in Twentieth-Century Spain (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 222) (Not offered 2011-2012)
From the early twentieth century to the present day, the radical changes in the lives of Spanish women have clearly reflected the tug of war between progress and tradition in recent Spanish history. The Spanish women who have marked and transformed the lives of women to such a great extent that one can often gauge the political and social climate of any given historical moment by considering how the role of women was defined by the law, the Catholic church, education, and other social and political institutions. Using literary and historical texts as well as films and graphic materials, this course will look at the transformations in the public and private lives of Spanish women during the following periods: the turn of the century, the Second Republic, the Spanish Civil War, the Franco years, and the transition to democracy.
Format: seminar.
Prerequisites: Spanish 201, permission of the instructor, or acceptable results of the Williams College Placement Exam. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 20). Preference given to Spanish and Comparative Literature majors.

S. FOX
The massive, mechanized wars of the 20th century often overshadow earlier conflicts, the 19th century was also a period of widespread bloodshed in Latin America. Even after the carnage of the Independence Wars came to an end, the new republics continued some of the most violent pursuits of the colonial period: indigenous people were conquered, their lands settled by whites or used for grazing cattle, and blacks (often despite the official abolition of slavery) continued to suffer exclusion, oppression, and abuse. It was a century of civil wars (Mexico, Argentina, Uruguay, Peru, Colombia, Venezuela) and of two bitter international wars, the Paraguayan War (1864-1870), and the Pacific War (1879-1883), each of which would have a lasting impact on the countries involved. In this tutorial we will explore the literary links between some of the violent conflicts listed above and the foundation of national identities in Latin America, reading texts that probe the social and ethical implications of state-sponsored violence. Issues to be explored include militarism and the development of nationalism; genocide and the national community; torture, truth and testimony; and the nature of “civilization.” We will read a variety of 19th century texts by authors like José Eustasio Rivera, Octavio Paz and Ricardo Palma; in addition we will also read a few contemporary texts written in the aftermath of the most recent dictatorships in the Southern Cone and elsewhere, that actively reflect on the long history of state-sponsored violence in Latin America. This course fulfills the EDI requirement by encouraging students to examine the ways that national identities have been constructed in Latin America (and, by extension, elsewhere) emphasizing the forms of violence that have been part of that process.

Format: tutorial. Students will decide whether they prefer to take the course in Spanish (for Spanish/COMP credit) or in English (for COMP credit). Students will work in pairs throughout the semester, each group meeting with the instructor once a week. Each week one of the students will present a 5-page paper on the assigned reading and the other will critique the paper orally.

Prerequisites: Spanish 200 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to Spanish and Comparative Literature majors.

RLSP 272 Literature of the Americas: Transnational Dialogues on Race, Violence and Nation-Building (Same as American Studies 256, Comparative Literature 272 and Latina/o Studies 272) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (W)

This course will examine the history of Latin American literatures from the beginning of the 18th century to the present. We will study some of the most significant chronicles of first contact and the conquest, as well as works by Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz and other writers from the colonial period. Our methodological focus will be on the problems of representation, ethics and epistemology presented by the literature of the time, that is, the impossibility of arriving at morally reliable knowledge of historical events given the scarcity of accounts, particularly by indigenous authors, and the propagandistic inclinations of the European writers. This course fulfills the EDI requirement because our reading of canonical Latin American literature is explicitly focused on issues of power, violence and exclusion, including the historical exclusion of women and indigenous peoples from Latin American literature and politics. Conducted in Spanish.

This course will address one work or set of works per week. A student will bring, written out in full, an oral presentation focusing on the artistic features and sociocultural context of the reading. Questions of the presenter, on the part of the second tutee and the tutor, will follow. The course is designed to accommodate both Spanish and English speaking students; for Spanish majors it is to be conducted in Spanish. A student able to read and speak Spanish will be paired with another student of similar proficiency. Students who neither read nor speak Spanish will be paired together.

Format: tutorial. Requirements: five short oral presentations/papers (about 20-25 minutes) and a final longer one.

Prerequisites: some previous course work beyond the 100 level is helpful. Students selecting the Spanish option for credit toward the Spanish major must have taken at least one 200-level Spanish course or seek permission of the tutor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19).

Tutorial meetings to be arranged.

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RLSP 308 Latin American Literature of the Colonial Period (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

Beyond Columbus’ errant journey into the abyss and the ensuing quest for El Dorado, or Darwin’s Voyage of the Beagle, Latin America’s interior has often enticed its own learned population. Their travels, in space, time and thought, do not merely present a physical confrontation with alterity, with the continent’s supposed heart of darkness, but an intellectual clearing, an origin, from which a more equitable politics may begin. To name but one example, Alejo Carpentier’s Los pasos perdidos, the tale of a New York composer’s journey to the beginning of society and music, is often seen as the touchstone of Latin American identity. Through accounts of real and fictitious travels, from Carpentier to the crassest of guidebooks, we will study such quests for self. These domestic departures will frame debates on ethics, representation, and epistemology. Readings will include work by Gorrí, Martínez, Vásconceles, Borges, Sarmento, Cé Geruera, Allende, Sepúlveda, and Bory Casares. For comparison’s sake, there will be occasional primary and secondary texts in English. Conducted in Spanish.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: two 5-page papers and one 10-page final essay.

Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 10). Preference given to majors in Spanish.

FRENCH

RLSP 319 Latin American Travel Writing (Not offered 2011-2012)

Disappearing rain forests, melting glacier ice, sprawling garbage dumps, toxic fields and water: the state of environmental crisis is as real in Latin America as it is elsewhere on the planet, and its impact on the region’s poor, marginalized and indigenous communities is extremely severe. This seminar explores the socio-cultural context and ramifications of the current crisis by examining Latin America’s environmental literature of the 20th and 21st centuries. Readings will range from literary classics by writers like José Eustasio Rivera, Octavio Paz and Ricardo Belliño; to contemporary environmental activists. Keeping in mind the role of neo-colonialism and globalization in accelerating environmental degradation, we’ll explore the influence of Latin America’s heterogeneous cultural traditions on the relationship between human groups and the natural world, the significance of race, gender, class and ethnicity for an individual or collective sense of place, the phenomenon of environmental trauma, and the representational challenges and strategies available to environmentally-engaged writers and artists.

Conducted entirely in Spanish.

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5–7 page paper and one 15–20 page paper) students will also be evaluated on the basis of their regular participation and performance as discussion leaders.

Format: seminar. Requirements: regular, active participation in class discussion, discussion-leading, one 5–7 page paper and one 15–20 page paper.

Prerequisites: one 300-level Spanish course or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 12). Preference given to Senior Spanish majors.

Hour: 1:10–2:25 M RF

RLSP 403 Senior Seminar: Power, Repression, and Dictatorship in the Latin-American Novel (Not offered 2011-2012)
Military dictatorship is among the most crucial factors in Latin-American society and history, and some of the continent’s leading novelists have taken it upon themselves to depict the experience in their work. In this course we will examine both the fact of dictatorship itself and the diverse representation thereof in Spanish-American fiction. Novels by García Márquez, Vargas Llosa, Pontiawotksa, and Tomas Eloy Martinez will be closely studied. Students will also read Absalom! Absalom! by Faulkner, whose influence on Latin-American authors’ techniques of representation has been decisive and profound. Conducted in Spanish.

Requirements: three papers based on the readings, one oral report on the life and personality of a given dictator, and a final exam.

Prerequisite: any 300-level course or two 200-level courses or permission of the instructor,

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RLSP W30 Honors Essay

RLSP 493(F)-W31-494(S) Senior Thesis

RLSP 497(F), 498(S) Independent Study

RUSSIAN (Div. I)

Chair, Professor GAIL NEWMAN

Professors: CASSIDAY, GOLSTEIN. Associate Professor: VAN DE STADT*. Visiting Assistant Professor: SECKLER. Teaching Associate: KRIVCHENKOVA.

LANGUAGE STUDY

The department provides language instruction to enable the student to acquire all four linguistic skills: understanding, speaking, reading, and writing. Russian 101-W88-102 covers the basics of Russian grammar. Russian 151 through 252 offer additional instruction in grammar and provide extensive practice in reading and conversation.

STUDY ABROAD

The department strongly encourages students desiring to attain fluency in Russian to spend a semester or year studying in Russia or one of the former Soviet republics. Students generally apply to one of several approved foreign study programs. Russian 152 or the equivalent and junior standing are normally prerequisite for study abroad.

LITERATURE AND CULTURE IN TRANSLATION

The department regularly offers courses on Russian literature and culture in English for those students who have little or no knowledge of Russian, but who wish to become acquainted with the major achievements in Russian literary and cultural history.

THE CERTIFICATE IN RUSSIAN

To enhance a student’s educational and professional profiles, the Certificate in Russian offers a useful tool for using the language in a wide variety of disciplines. The sequence of language and culture courses is designed to supplement a student’s major at Williams by enabling the student to expand his or her knowledge in a related field.

Students who enter Williams with previous training in Russian may substitute more advanced courses for all the 100-level courses; they can also be exempted from up to two of the required courses. Thus, in order to earn a certificate a student must take no fewer than five courses (including three courses in Russian) after enrolling at Williams. The student must achieve proficiency at the level of a B in RUSS 251 or the equivalent.

Required Courses

101
102
151
152
one additional course conducted in Russian

Electives

— at least one course on Russian cultural history
— at least one course on Russian intellectual, political, or social history, or post-Soviet economics

THE MAJOR

The Russian major offers students an interdisciplinary approach to the intellectual and cultural history of Russia and the former Soviet republics. Students complete the major by combining courses in Russian language and literature with courses in history, political science, music, economics, and art. The major requires a minimum of ten courses of which at least six must be conducted in Russian, at least two must be at the 300-level, and one at the 400-level. In addition, students may take up to four related courses offered by other departments and taught in English.

Examples of appropriate courses in other departments are:

History 140 Fin-de Siècle Russia: Cultural Splendor, Imperial Decay
History 240 Muscovy and the Russian Empire
History 241 The Rise of the Soviet Union
History 440 Reform, Revolution, Terror: Russia, 1900-1939
Sociology 332 Communism and its Aftermath

Students selecting the major must typically complete Russian 152 or the equivalent by the end of the junior year. Majors will normally be expected to take the 400-level seminar offered in their senior year, even if they have previously taken another version of it. Russian majors may receive major credit for summer language study (in consultation with the department) and for as many as four courses taken during study abroad.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN RUSSIAN

At the beginning of the second semester of the senior year, students may nominate themselves to candidacy for the degree with honors. By the end of the junior year at the latest, however, they will have established in consultation with the department their qualifications for embarking on the project, the pattern of study to be followed, and the standards of performance.

Students earn a degree with honors by submitting a senior thesis (493-W31-494) of honors quality.

RUSS 101(F)-W88-102(S) Elementary Russian

An introduction to contemporary standard Russian, this course provides opportunities to acquire basic proficiency in all four language skills: listening comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing, through intensive use of authentic written materials and a strong emphasis on the spoken word in all class activities. Greater emphasis is placed on writing in the second semester. For students who have studied Russian in secondary school, consultation with the instructor is required before registering for any Russian language course in the sequence 101 through 252.

Format: the class meets five hours a week. Requirements: active class participation, completion of all assignments, quizzes, tests, and a final exam.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 12). Credit granted only if both semesters are taken. Students electing this course are required to attend and pass the sustaining program in the winter study period.

Hour: 10:00-10:50 MWF and 9:55-11:10 TR First Semester: CASSIDAY 10:00-10:50 MWF and 9:55-11:10 TR Second Semester: SECKLER

RUSS 151(F), 152(S) Continuing Russian

This course develops all four skills-conversation, listening comprehension, reading, and composition—for students who have completed at least one year of college-level Russian. Coursework includes a systematic review of Russian grammar, as well as an examination of a variety of materials from Russian and Soviet culture, current events, and daily life. Intermediate students will concentrate on expanding their vocabulary, while more advanced students will focus on reading

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and writing about unabridged texts in Russian. Students who complete the yearlong sequence of RUSS 151 and RUSS 152 should be well prepared to undertake study abroad in Russia and are encouraged to do so. Each year this course is custom designed to meet the needs of those students who enroll, so that both intermediate and advanced students can benefit from taking RUSS 151 and/or RUSS 152 more than once, which may be done with the permission of the instructor.

Format: the class meets four hours a week, three with the professor and the fourth with the Russian Teaching Associate (time to be arranged). Requirements: active class participation, completion of all reading assignments, quizzes, and final exam.

Prerequisites for 151: completion of at least one year of college-level Russian (RUSS 101-102) or permission of the instructor. Prerequisites for 152: Russian 151 or permission of the instructor. No enrollment limit (expected: 6-10).

Hour: 11:00-11:50 MWF
First Semester: SECKLER
Second Semester: CASSIDAY

RUSS 203(F) 19th-Century Russian Literature in Translation (Same as Comparative Literature 203)

Whereas 18th-century Russian literature was largely derivative and imitative, 19th-century Russian literature—literature of The Golden Age—developed into a distinct national literature. It acquired its own style, developed along its own trajectory, and engaged with local social and political topics. Organized more or less chronologically, this course is designed to present a survey of Russian literature by Karamzin, Pushkin, Lermontov, Turgenev, Gogol, Goncharov, Dostoevsky, Tolstoy, and Chekov that highlights each author’s distinctive style as well as the development of dominant themes among the writers. Also, students will be introduced to the theory of the novel (i.e., Lukács, Bakhtin, Ortega y Gasset). Short introductory lectures will provide the dual contexts of Russian literary and political history in order to help students better understand the milieu in which this literature developed. The vast majority of in-class time, however, will be devoted to the students’ analysis of stylistic idiosyncrasies and arguments with regard to style, genre, narration, and literary symbolism. Knowledge of Russian is not required.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: active daily participation, three short papers, peer review of written work, one term paper, and a final exam.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 25 (expected: 20). Preference given to students with a strong interest in 19th-century literature and/or Russian culture.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR
SECKLER

RUSS 204 Twentieth-Century Russian Literature: Manuscripts Don’t Burn (Same as Comparative Literature 204) (Not offered 2011-2012)

The line, “Manuscripts don’t burn,” from M. Bulgakov’s Master and Margarita obliquely responds to the tragic fates suffered by scores of writers under the Soviet regime: whereas humans are destructible, literature is not. The clandestine publishing and circulation of censored texts, though extraordinarily dangerous, hints at the esteemed status of literature within Soviet culture. This course places authors repressed by the Soviet government (Zamyatin, Babel, Olesha, Bulgakov, Solzhenitsyn) alongside Soviet poets and socialist-realist novelists (Mayakovsky, Gorky, Polevoi) in order to scrutinize the role of the author and of literature under a dictatorship. We will also read Russian writing on Tolstoy, Pushkin, Persekevskaya, Erleffov, and Felevin. In addition to gaining familiarity with the styles of individual writers and literary movements, students will consider the following broad questions over the course of the semester: What is or should be the relationship of the writer to the state? How does literature function in (de)constructing Soviet identity, space, and ideology? What is meant by revolutionary literature—is it a question of aesthetics or politics? All readings will be in English.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: completion of all reading assignments, four short response papers, one in-class presentation, and a final term paper.

Prerequisites: none. Enrollment limit: none (expected: 20). Open to first-year students.

SECKLER

RUSS 206(S) Topics in Russian Culture: Feasting and Fasting in Russian History

This course will use the methodology of food history to explore the broader historical, economic, and artistic conditions that gave rise to Russian culture. We will examine culinary practice as well as the social context of cooking and eating in Russia. In order to elucidate the important interplay between culture and cuisine, we will discuss such issues as the domestic roles of women and serfs, the etiquette of the table, the role of drinking and temperance movements, and the importance of festivals and fasts in the Russian Orthodox Church calendar. Short stories, memoirs, and cookery books will provide insight into class and gender differences, as well as the specific tastes that characterize Russian cuisine. This class will present Russian culture from a predominantly domestic point of view that originates from the wooden spoon as much as from the scepter.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: active class participation, weekly response papers, one 6-page paper, midterm and final exams, and participation in a communal feast.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 19). Preference given to students who can demonstrate an interest in Russian culture.

Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR
GOLSTEIN

RUSS 208(S) Twentieth-Century Russian Art and the Birth of Abstraction (Same as ArtH 266)

Russian revolutionary artistic movements as Cubo-Futurism, Suprematism, and Constructivism profoundly influenced the development of twentieth-century art throughout the Western world—just as the 1917 Russian Revolution upset the world’s political balance. This course will investigate Russian art within a cultural framework and explore the relationship between artistic production and politics. We will begin with a brief overview of important developments in Russian art that prefigured the twentieth-century artistic revolution: the introduction of icons from Byzantium, the founding of St. Petersburg and the rise of Western-style portrait photography, the influence of mid-nineteenth-century movements that united painting with music and ballet. However, the focus of the course will be 1910-1938, when radical innovation was the order of the day and revolutionary ideas sparked entirely new conceptions of art. We will then look at the Socialist Realist style of the Stalin era, Soviet dissident art and Moscow conceptualism, ending the semester with an exploration of current trends in post-Soviet Russian art.

Format: lecture/discussion. Requirements: active class participation, two 5- to 8-page papers, and a final 10-page paper or exam.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 12-15). Preference given to students who can demonstrate an interest in Russian culture.

Hour: 2:35-3:50 MR
GOLSTEIN

RUSS 210F(S) Tolstoy: The Major Novels (Same as Comparative Literature 207T) (W)

This tutorial will focus on Lev Tolstoy’s four novelistic masterpieces—War and Peace, Anna Karenina, Resurrection, and Hadji Murat—placing them in their appropriate historical, social, and philosophical context. For each week of class, students will read a significant portion of a novel by Tolstoy, as well as a selection of secondary literature taken from those works that inspired the author, reactions that arose at the time of the novel’s publication, and scholarship that seeks to explain the power and enduring significance of these novels. Students will meet with the professor in pairs, with one student writing a five-page paper for each class session and the other student providing a critique of the paper. For those students without Russian language skills, all works will be read in English translation. For those students who have completed at least three years of college-level Russian, all primary readings, a significant portion of secondary readings, discussion, and writing assignments will be completed in Russian.

Format: tutorial. Evaluation will be based on completion of weekly reading and writing assignments and active discussion during tutorial sessions.

Prerequisites of students taking the tutorial in English: none; for students taking the tutorial in Russian: either Russian 252 or the permission of instructor.

Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to Russian, Comparative Literature, and Literary Studies majors.

Tutorial meetings to be arranged.

CASSIDAY

RUSS 251(F),252(S) Continuing Russian

The same course as RUSS 151/152, but for students at the advanced level. See RUSS 151/152 for full course description. Prerequisites for 251: Russian 152 or permission of the instructor.

Prerequisites for 252: Russian 251 or permission of the instructor.

Hour: 11:00-11:50 MWF
First Semester: SECKLER
Second Semester: CASSIDAY

RUSS 275 Russian and Soviet Cinema (Same as Comparative Literature 275) (Not offered 2011-2012)

The Soviet avant-garde directors of the 1920s called for the death of narrative cinema. Just a decade later, the Stalinist-era film industry hoped to build a Soviet Hollywood to produce adventure films and musical comedies—simple narrative-driven movies for the masses. This course examines how the pendulum of twentieth-century Soviet politics results in an ongoing alternation between the production of avant-garde cinema and popular movies and how cinema, therefore, acts as an aesthetic indicator of political and social change. Screenings will include internationally recognized cinematic masterpieces (Eisenstein’s Battleship Potemkin and Ivan the Terrible, Vertov’s Man with a Movie Camera, Kalatozov’s The Cranes Are Flying, and Tarkovsky’s Ivan’s Childhood), as well as many of the most popular films among Russian audiences (the Vasiliev Bros’ Chapayev, Aleksandrov’s Circus, Men’shov’s Moscow Doesn’t Believe in Tears, and Balabanov’s Brother). All readings will be in English and all films will be viewed with English subtitles.
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY STUDIES (Div. II)

Chair, Professor DONALD deB. BEAVER

Advisory Committee: Professors: ALTSCHLER, D. BEAVER, DETHIER, KAPLAN, THOMAN. Associate Professor: MLADENOVIC.

Science and Technology Studies (SCST) is an interdisciplinary program concerned with science and technology and their relationship to society. In addition to being concerned with the historical development and a philosophical understanding of the ideas and institutions of science and technology, Science and Technology Studies also examines their ethical, economic, social, and political implications. The role that science and technology have played in shaping modern industrial societies is generally acknowledged, but few members of those societies, including scientists and engineers, possess any understanding of how that process has occurred or much knowledge of the complex technical and social interactions that have occurred in the history of science and society. The purpose of the Science and Technology Studies Program is to create a coherent course of study for students interested in these questions by providing a broad range of perspectives. At present, courses are offered which examine the history or philosophy of science and technology, the sociology and psychology of science, the economics of research and development and technological change, science and public policy, technology assessment, technology and the environment, scientometrics, and ethical-value issues.

To complete the requirements of the program, students must complete six courses. The introductory course and senior seminar are required and three elective courses are chosen from the list of designated electives. Students may choose to concentrate their electives in a single area such as technology, American studies, philosophy, history of science, economics, environment, current science, or current technology, but are encouraged to take at least one elective in history, history of science, or philosophy. The sixth course necessary to complete the program is one semester or field science in addition to the College’s three-course science requirement. Other science courses of particular interest include Chemistry 110 and Biology 134.

The program is administered by a chair and an advisory committee of faculty who teach in the program. Students who wish to enroll normally register with the chair by the fall of their junior year.

SCST 101(S) Science, Technology, and Human Values (Same as History of Science 101) (See under HSCI 101 for full description.)

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SCST 309(S) Environmental Policy (Same as Environmental Studies 309, History of Science 309 and Political Science 301)
(See under ENVI 309 for full description.)

SCST 401(F) Senior Seminar: Critical Perspectives on Science and Technology
A research-oriented course designed to give students direct experience in evaluating and assessing scientific and technological issues. Students initially study particular techniques and methodologies by employing a case study approach. They then apply these methods to a major research project. Students may choose topics from fields such as biotechnology, computers, biomedical engineering, energy, and other resource development. Students will apply their background of historical, philosophical, and technological perspectives in carrying out their study.

Format: Seminar. Requirements: research paper or project.
Enrollment limit: 5. Satisfies one semester of the Division II requirement.
Hour: TBA

Students can check with the department coordinator to see if other courses not listed here might count as electives.

Elective Courses
ASTR/SCIENCE 338 The Progress of Astronomy
ASTR/HSCI 336 Science, Pseudoscience, and the Two Cultures
BIOLOGY/ENVI 134 The Tropics: Biology and Social Issues
CHEM 113 Chemistry and Crime: From Sherlock Holmes to Modern Forensic Science
ENVI 307/PSCI 317 Environmental Law
ENVI 402 Ethics and the Environment
HIST 374 American Medical History
HSCI 240/HIST 295 Technology and Science in American Culture
PHIL 209 Philosophy of Science
SOC 204 Health, Illness, and Biomedicine
SOC 368 Technology and Modern Society

Courses of Related Interest
ANSO 205 Ways of Knowing
ARTH/ENVI 201 American Landcape History
ARCH 257 Architecture 1700–1900
ENVI 302 Environmental Planning Workshop
GEOS/ENVI 103 Global Warming and Natural Disasters
HIST 165 Going Nuclear: American Culture in the Atomic Age
HIST 475 Modern Warfare and Military Leadership
HSCI 224/HIST 294 Scientific Revolutions: 1543–1927
HSCI 320/HIST 293 History of Medicine
INTR 150 Dimensions in Public Health
PHYS 107 Newton, Einstein, and Beyond (Q)

SOCIOLGY (Div. II)—see ANTHROPOLOGY AND SOCIOLOGY

STATISTICS (Div. III)—see MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS

WILLIAMS PROGRAM IN TEACHING

Director, SUSAN ENGEL

The program in teaching is designed to enable Williams Undergraduates to study the ideas, questions, and practices involved in good teaching at all levels. The program seeks to promote and facilitate an exchange of ideas about teachers, learners and schools, within and beyond the Williams campus. The program offers a range of opportunities including courses on education, intensive supervised student teaching, workshops, advising, lecture series, and ongoing peer groups for those who teach. Students may participate in a variety of ways, ranging from taking one course to a sustained in-depth study of teaching and learning geared to those who want to become teachers, or educational psychologists. We seek to connect students with one another, to bring in expert teachers to provide mentoring, and to create links across the curriculum so that students can see the vital connections between what they study (French, Algebra or Biology for instance) and the process of teaching those topics to elementary and high school students. The program is open to any student interested in education and offers opportunities for all levels of interest, including those who want to find out about certification and graduate study.

The following provides a sample outline of the sequence of courses and experiences that an interested student might take

- PSYC 101 Intro to Psych (required for further psychology courses);
- PSYC 232 Developmental Psychology and/or
- PSYC 242 Social Psychology;
- PSYC 272 Psychology of Education;
- PSYC 327 Optimizing Learning and Memory
- PSYC 336 Adolescence;
- PSYC 372 Advanced Seminar in Teaching and Learning
- At least one Winter Study in an intensive teaching practicum. The major programs are in Berkshire County (under PSYC) or in New York City (under SPEC), although other opportunities may be listed elsewhere in the Winter Study section of the course catalogue.

No specific major is required to participate in the program—although some lend themselves easily to certification, such as Mathematics, English, Biology, American history, or French, almost all of our majors can provide the basis of teacher certification. Alternatively, students can major in Psychology, take a concentration of courses in a different field, and then pursue that content area more intensively in graduate work.

Other courses of interest include:
- LATS/AMST 332 Latinos and Education: The Politics of Schooling, Language, and Latino Studies
- MATH 285 Teaching Mathematics
- PHIL 242 Philosophy of Education: Why Are You Here?
- PHIL 331 Contemporary Epistemology
- PHIL/AMST 370 American Pragmatism
- PSYC 331T Risk and Resilience in Early Development
- PSYC 332 Cognitive Development
- PSYC 341/WGST 339 Stereotypes, Prejudice, and Discrimination
- PSYC 351 Childhood Peer Relations

THEATRE (Div. I)

Chair, Professor ROBERT BAKER-WHITE

Professors: BAKER-WHITE, EPPEL. Assistant Professors: SANGARE, HOLZAPEL**, MORRIS. Lecturers: BROTHERS**, CATALANO. Visiting Lecturer: ERICKSON. William Dwight Whitney Professor of Arts and Theatre: BUCKY***

As a reflection of the theatre’s historical relationship to literature and the arts, stage production is studied in the context of the literary and artistic movements which have informed theatrical endeavor. The major in Theatre emphasizes the collaborative nature of the discipline by drawing upon courses offered by faculty of the Language, Literature, Music, and Art Departments. Although students will be equipped to proceed to graduate and professional schools in theatre, the major is primarily directed toward those interested in studying the theatre as an artistic phenomenon and as an interpretive tool. Because a deep understanding of theatre requires training and experience with the synthesis on stage, the major includes curricular study of production and performance, as well as continued participation in departmental stage production.

Williams Theatre, the production arm of the Department of Theatre, operates under the supervision of the departmental faculty. Major departmental productions as well as laboratory and experimental productions of all kinds are mounted on the new stages of the ’62 Center for Theatre and Dance. Participation in acting or...
technical work is open to all members of the Williams College community. Students majoring in Theatre will be asked to consult regularly with departmental advisors in devising the sequence of courses and production participation that will constitute their major.

MAJOR
The Major in Theatre consists of nine courses.
Six required courses are:

- Theatre 104(F) Critical Approaches to Theatre and Performance
- Theatre 103(S) Acting I
- Theatre 201 Theatrical Staging and Design: The Collaborative Process
- Theatre 244 Introduction to Theatre Technology (formerly THEA 102)
- Theatre 248 The Modern Theatre: Plays and Performance
- Theatre 250 Senior Seminar

Three elective courses must be taken from the department’s other offerings. One elective must be a course within the department that culminates in departmental production. Substitutions of other Williams’ courses, or of Study Abroad courses, will be made only with the consent of the department Chair. Students should consult with the department Chair regularly in planning a balance of practice and scholarship in their elective choices.

Production experience is required of the major. All department productions in addition to the laboratory requirement for Theatre 244. Participation in at least two of the four must be in technical production and one of those two must be in stage management. Assignment to productions is normally made in consultation with the department Chair.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN THEATRE
Candidates for Honors will apply for admission through the submission of a portfolio to the Department Chair by February of their junior year, as well as a description of their proposed project. The portfolio will be comprised of four parts:

1. The first part will include a list of the courses students have taken relevant to their work towards the major. This list will include courses offered by the Theatre Department, but may also include classes taken in other Departments. Students should also list and describe relevant independent studies and production credits.

2. The second part of the portfolio will include a selection of materials developed for these courses and productions listed in Part 1. The selection should include at least three papers or samples of other written work, and might also include design projects, director’s notebooks, studio art projects, actor’s journals or other forms of documentation of the candidate’s work. For students who have taken a semester away, it is particularly important that they provide the Department with a detailed picture of their activities while studying off-campus. Course descriptions and syllabi should be submitted in addition to a list of courses taken and activities performed.

3. The third part of the portfolio is an annotated bibliography of approximately twelve dramatic or critical texts the student has read, and that he or she feels have had particular relevance in his or her Theatre education to date. Annotations should be based upon a particular angle of engagement with the text, that is, upon a section or area that the student has chosen to emphasize in his or her training. For instance, one might choose to write from the point of view of an actor, a designer, a director, a playwright, or a dramaturg. Generally annotations should be one or two paragraphs long.

4. The portfolio should conclude with a retrospective essay that reflects on the materials that are being submitted. Students should look for connections between the various aspects of their work, state any theoretical positions that they have come to embrace, assess their strengths and weaknesses, and describe their educational goals for their work with the Department during their Senior year.

The portfolio will be examined alongside the student’s record and his or her project description; a determination will then be made as to admission into the Honors program. Students intending to apply for Honors should meet with the Department Chair or designated Honors Coordinator by the end of the fall semester of their junior year. Once a student is admitted to the Honors program, the department Chair will assign an Honors Project Advisor, who will work with the student to specify a timeline and work program for the completion of the Honors Project. At a minimum, this will entail enrollment in Theatre 493 or 494, plus W 276, the Honors Project course offered either within the department or elsewhere that the candidate and thesis advisor designate as contributing specifically to the overall goals of the honors work. This honors elective may not fulfill any other portion of the Theatre Major, or any other major the student may be pursuing. All honors candidates will present their completed projects to the Department Honors Committee for evaluation.

STUDY ABROAD
The Theatre Department attempts to work individually with majors and prospective majors who desire to study abroad. In general, with careful planning it is usually possible for students to complete their major while studying abroad. In rare cases, an individual student may be able to conclude their major at Williams College while studying abroad. In all cases, students should consult with the department Chair regularly in planning a balance of practice and scholarship in their elective choices.

MAJOR COURSES

THEA 103E(S) Acting I
This course deals with the development of intellectual and emotional resources required for the actor and will explore an acting technique based on the work of Russian actor and director Constantin Stanislavsky. Students will examine the power of public presence through theory and practice while expanding their talents, sensitivity, and imagination.
Format: studio. Evaluation will be based on committed participation in class, preparation and performance of assigned material, and some modest written assignments.
No prerequisites. Enrolment limit: 18 (expected:18). Preference given to first-year students or sophomores considering the Theatre major.

THEA 104(S) Critical Approaches to Theatre and Performance (Same as Comparative Literature 104) (D)
This introductory critical survey course will explore a variety of theatre and performance traditions from around the globe, from antiquity to the present day. Through close analysis of select texts and performance practices, the course will consider what role theatre plays in the establishment and growth of culture, politics, and aesthetics. Topics may include: Ancient Greek theatre, Classical Indian performance, Renaissance English theatre, Japanese Noh and Kabuki, popular American traditions, modern European theatre, and postmodern performance. Films and other media will be utilized when relevant. This course meets the criteria of the Exploring Diversity Initiative as it engages in a cross-cultural investigation of performance and explores how theatre is deeply embedded in power relations.
Format: lecture/seminar. Requirements: two 5- to 7-page papers, as well as a 10 page revised final paper; short quizzes; in-class participation, writing and discussion; all students enrolled in the course are required to attend the departmental theatre production.
No prerequisites. Enrolment limit: 18 (expected: 14). This course is a requirement for and is suggested as an introduction to the major in Theatre.

THEA 201(S) Theatrical Staging and Design: Process of Collaboration (Same as ArtS 201)
This course examines the designer’s and director’s creative process and collaborative roles in the creation of theater. Over a series of practical projects in staging and design, students will learn design and staging techniques as well as scenic, costume, and lighting design. Students will try different techniques for eliciting an initial creative response to a text, developing that response into a point-of-view, and solving the practical needs of the production. Particular emphases will be placed on how directors and designers work together to imagine the fictional world(s) of theatrical productions, how design elements synthesize with one another, with the work of the actors and director, and with the larger intellectual, emotional, and physical context of the work as a whole. The course will be team-taught with the dual perspectives of directing and design prompting students to adopt various creative roles throughout the series of assigned projects. Basic presentation skills and technique, as well as methodologies for critical feedback, will be taught as crucial elements of staging and design development.
Format: studio. Requirements: evaluation will be based upon committed class participation and thoughtful, timely completion of all assignments and projects. Prerequisites: none. Enrolment limit: 14 (expected:12). Preference given to Theatre majors.
Material and Lab Fees: materials and copying $125 to be added to the students’ term bill. This course is a prerequisite for upper-level design and directing courses; this course does not count toward the Art major.

THEA 204(S) Acting II
Students will continue to develop technical skills, and the emotional and intellectual resources, required for the actor. The focus will be on the issues of characterization, textual understanding and emotional depth. The means of study and experimentation will be intense scene work requiring thorough preparation and beneficial collaboration. Improvisation and other exercises will be used to complement the textual work. The dramatic texts providing scenes for class will be from the early realist works onward.

THEA 248 The Modern Theatre: Plays and Performance
THEA 205 The Culture of Carnival (Same as Comparative Literature 208) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

Carnival is a regenerative festival as well as a transgressive one. It is a time for upheavals and recreating for one day, a new world order. Men dress as women, women dress as men, the poor become kings; drink and sex and outrageous behavior is sanctioned. We will look at festivals in such places as New Orleans, Venice, and Rio. Central to this course are the cultural and religious lives of these societies, and how these festivals exist politically in a modern world as theatre and adult play. A variety of sources will be used, such as newspaper accounts, films, photography, personal memoirs and essays on the subject. Students will be expected to share in regular class participation, one 15-page research paper. No prerequisites. Enroll limit: 18. Preference given to sophomores and first-year students.

THEA 214A Playwriting (Same as English 214) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

A studio course designed for those interested in writing and creating works for the theatre. The course will include a study of playwriting in various styles and genres, a series of set exercises involving structure and the use of dialogue, as well as individual projects. We will read and we will write, beginning with small exercises and working toward a longer final project. Students will be expected to share in each other’s work on a weekly basis, and to collaborate with students enrolled in Directing. At the end of the term, we will share our collaborative work with the community as part of a One-Act Playwriting Festival. Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on attendance, completion of class assignments, and class participation. No prerequisites. Enroll limit: 15. Preference given to Theatre and English majors.

THEA 228(F) Theatrical Self-Production: The Cartographic Imagination

In today’s theater world, self–production can be a vital, engaging, and necessary method of creating and producing theatrical works. This course examines theatrical self–production and the ways in which artists exploit this model in pursuit of their individual and collective ambitions. Through an examination of innovative, non–traditional models for performance creation, this class will form its own unique structure for developing and producing a new theatrical performance for public presentation. Open to women concerned constraints, students will share equally the administrative, artistic, and production roles in the public presentation on stage. Thus, a major emphasis of this course will be on the social, political, and educational, which provides an invaluable opportunity to encounter firsthand the highly complex relationship between artistry and production. To best advise and mentor students in all levels of design, direction and performance, the course will include additional guest classes with practitioners from the profession, as well as the Department of Theater who can help to provide the full range of skills necessary for students to realize their goals. Group presentations of the creative development process will provide opportunities for guidance, critique, and sustained mentorship on the path to a final performance. This year, 228 will investigate the performance possibilities contained in the idea of The Map, and in the act of mapping space and spatial relationships.

Format: seminar. Evaluation: Students will contribute to the creation of a final performance piece by the group as a whole. Grading will be based on committed class participation, contribution to the collective work of the class, group and individual presentations, and self-evaluation.

No prerequisites. Students from a broad range of curricular disciplines are welcome, but some prior experience in theater or theatre studies is preferable. Enroll limit: 16. Upon overenrollment, the instructors will seek to balance the course by level of prior theatrical experience.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 MR

EPPEL and MORRIS

THEA 229(S) Modern Drama (Same as Comparative Literature 202 and English 202) (See under ENGL 202 for full description.)

(Not offered 2011-2012)

THEA 233 Physical Theatre Japan (Same as Japanese 223) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

(See under JAPN 223 for full description.)

THEA 236 Political Theatre Making (Not offered 2011-2012)

Placing twentieth-century theatricality in the context of its historical roots in Western theatre, this course will examine a broad range of types of protest movements. From the biting observations of the British class system by playwrights such as Oscar Wilde, Noel Coward, and John Osborne, to mid-century American political writers such as Clifford Odets and Edward Albee, and Italy’s Dario Fo, to the relentless satire of contemporary South African performers such as Pieter Dirk-Uys, we will investigate dramatic writing and performance style as aspects of social and political resistance. Other groups studied may include the protest theatre of Johannesburg’s Market Theatre, Luis Valdez’s Teatro Campesino, and a younger generation of post-apartheid experimentation in multi-ethnic South African theatre.

Format: seminar. Requirements: semester-length research project, including a substantial paper, based on the hypothetical creation of a theatre company devoted to political drama. In the course will include additional guest classes with practitioners from the profession, including self–production using techniques of thought and taut action. The comprehensive scope is designed to provide a context for understanding social and cultural issues in the modern world. The course will include additional guest classes with practitioners from the profession, as well as the Department of Theater who can help to provide the full range of skills necessary for students to realize their goals. Group presentations of the creative development process will provide opportunities for guidance, critique, and sustained mentorship on the path to a final performance. This year, 228 will investigate the performance possibilities contained in the idea of The Map, and in the act of mapping space and spatial relationships.

Evaluation: Students will contribute to the creation of a final performance piece by the group as a whole. Grading will be based on committed class participation, contribution to the collective work of the class, group and individual presentations, and self-evaluation.

No prerequisites. Students from a broad range of curricular disciplines are welcome, but some prior experience in theater or theatre studies is preferable. Enroll limit: 16. Upon overenrollment, the instructors will seek to balance the course by level of prior theatrical experience.

Hour: 1:10-3:50 MR

EPPEL and MORRIS

THEA 241(F) Performing Race: From Shakespeare to Spike Lee (Same as Africana Studies 241 and Comparative Literature 241) (D)

Students will work on a script of the text. The course is to engage students in the role of creating their own portrayals of race—whether it be on their work on stage. Thus, a major emphasis of this course will be on the social, political, and educational, which provides an invaluable opportunity to encounter firsthand the highly complex relationship between artistry and production. To best advise and mentor students in all levels of design, direction and performance, the course will include additional guest classes with practitioners from the profession, including self–production using techniques of thought and taut action. The comprehensive scope is designed to provide a context for understanding social and cultural issues in the modern world. The course will include additional guest classes with practitioners from the profession, as well as the Department of Theater who can help to provide the full range of skills necessary for students to realize their goals. Group presentations of the creative development process will provide opportunities for guidance, critique, and sustained mentorship on the path to a final performance. This year, 228 will investigate the performance possibilities contained in the idea of The Map, and in the act of mapping space and spatial relationships.

Evaluation: Students will contribute to the creation of a final performance piece by the group as a whole. Grading will be based on committed class participation, contribution to the collective work of the class, group and individual presentations, and self-evaluation.

No prerequisites. Enroll limit: 15. First-year students must get permission of instructor.

Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR

THEA 243T Strategies of Political Theatre (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

"Change the world; it needs it," is the German playwright Bertolt Brecht’s famous clarion cry. In this tutorial, we will take a critical look at the strategies employed in the twentieth century by several dramatists who have attempted to heed Brecht’s exhortation. After a brief glance at Aristophanes and Shakespeare to correct any possible misconception that political theatre is a twentieth-century invention, the course will proceed, of course, to the plays and essays of Brecht himself (and his predecessor Erwin Piscator). Students will read Brecht’s Mother Courage on war, War and The Measure Taken on political morality; Peter Weiss’s Marat/Sade on revolution and The Investigation on the Holocaust; Marc Blitzstein’s The Cradle Will Rock on corruption and corporate greed; Arthur Miller’s The Crucible on modern witchhunts; Harold Pinter’s The Birthday Party, Mountain Language, The New World Order, and One for the Road on terrorism; Bertolt Brecht’s Statements After an Arrest Under the Immorality Act on Apartheid; Barbara Garson’s MacBird on Vietnam; Caryl Churchill’s Cloud Nine on gender and sexuality; and Anna Deavere Smith’s The New World Order and Twentieth Century in America. On the History of a Suicide, and Bamboozled. This is an Exploring Diversity Initiative (EDI) course because, in the context of racial difference, we will confront forthrightly the negative realities and critically assess the possibilities for productive change and hope in cross-racial interactions.

Format: discussion. Evaluation: Based on active participation in class discussion, short papers, final exam.


Hour: 8:30-9:45 TR

P. ERICKSON
THEA 248(S)  The Modern Theatre: Plays and Performance (Same as English 234 and Comparative Literature 248)
A survey of major trends in playwriting and performance practice from the late nineteenth century to the end of the twentieth. We will read major playwrights from a variety of national traditions, always considering their works in the context of evolutionary and revolutionary transformations of theatre practice. Artists and movements may include Realism and Naturalism (Stanislavsky, Antoine, Ibsen, Strindberg, Chekov, Shaw), the Epic Theatre (Brecht, Piscator), The Theatre of Cruelty (Artaud), the "Absurd" (Beckett, Genet, Pinter) the collective avant-garde (Grotowski, Living Theatre, Open Theatre), and more recent playwriting.
Lecture/discussion format will focus on dialectical interplay between dramatic writing and trends in acting, directing, design, theatre architecture and the actor/audience relationship. Requirements: active participation in class discussion, midterm exam, one major paper.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 18 (expected:14). If overenrolled, preference given to Theatre majors.
Hour: 1:10-2:25 TR  

THEA 250(S)  Gender, Sexuality and the Modern Stage (Same as English 253 and Women and Gender Studies 250) (W) (D)
This course explores aspects of gender identity, sexuality, performativity, and representations of the body in modern and contemporary theatre. While our focus will be on the still understudied role of women in theatre, we will seek to define gender and sexual identity as unstable categories that transcend binary divisions. Close analysis of texts by dramatists such as Sophie Treadwell, Caryl Churchill, Nozake Shange, Tim Miller, Naomi Iizuka, Suzan–Lori Parks, Sarah Kane, Sarah Ruhl, and others, will occur alongside discussion of performative bodies in modern and contemporary media, from Karen Finley to Lady Gaga. Our approach to the material will be enriched by readings of select work by contemporary theorists such as Judith Butler, bell hooks, Cherrie Moraga, Donna Haraway, and others. This course meets the criteria of the Exploring Diversity Initiative as it draws focus towards the diversity of race, class and ethnicity represented by the subjects of our study as well as towards the political power of theatre and performance.
Format: seminar. Requirements: three 8- to 10-page papers and a final performance project; in-class participation. Emphasis will be placed on developing skills in writing, reading, interpretation, critical argumentation, and oral response.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). Preference if over-enrolled: Majors in Theatre, English or Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies.
Hour: 11:20-12:35 TR  
EPPEL

THEA 262  Performing Greece and Rome (Same as Classics 262 and Comparative Literature 270) (Not offered 2011-2012)
(See under CLAS 262 for full description.)
HOPPIN and BUCKY

THEA 263  Scenic Design (Same as ArtS 221) (Not offered 2011-2012)
This course focuses on the artistic, intellectual, and practical roles of a set designer in the development of works of theatre. Grounded in textual analysis and research, a range of techniques will be explored and utilized to create theoretical stage designs for several plays, musicals and/or operas over the course of the semester. Emphasis will be on 3-dimensional modeling: as the primary means of process and presentation, but also an important factor in course work. Unique, diverse, and strong points of view will be encouraged. Lab fee: $125.
Format: studio. Evaluation will be based on committed class participation and thoughtful, timely completion of all assignments and projects.
Prerequisites: Theatre 201 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 8). If overenrolled, preference to Theatre majors.
This course does not count toward the Art major.
MORRIS

THEA 278(F)  Writing for Film, Video, and Performance (Same as Arts 284) (W)
(See under ARTS 284 for full description.)
L. JOHNSON

THEA 290(S)  Costume Design (Same as ArtS 200)
This course is both an introductory and an intensive study of the art of costume design. The course focuses on the designer's process: script analysis, collaboration, research, color theory, basic design principles, rendering techniques, fabric research, organizational skills and presentation of designs. Evaluation will be based on multiple design assignments including a detailed final design project, costume labs, image and research files, costume sketchbook, short papers, committed participation, and attendance. Students are required to attend at least one rehearsal and one department theatre performance during the semester. Students will also be expected to partake in intelligent critiques of fellow classmates' design work.
Prerequisite: successful completion of any 200-level course in any of the fine or performing arts or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 8). If overenrolled, preference to Theatre majors.
Hour: 1-10-3:50 TF  BROTHERS

THEA 300(S)  Acting III: Variable Topics Acting Studio: Physical Theatre
This course is both an introductory and an intensive study of the art of costume design. The course focuses on the designer's process: script analysis, collaboration, research, color theory, basic design principles, rendering techniques, fabric research, organizational skills and presentation of designs. Evaluation will be based on multiple design assignments including a detailed final design project, costume labs, image and research files, costume sketchbook, short papers, committed participation, and attendance. Students are required to attend at least one rehearsal and one department theatre performance during the semester. Students will also be expected to partake in intelligent critiques of fellow classmates' design work.
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Hour: 1-10-3:50 TF  BROTHERS

THEA 301(S)  Costume Design (Same as ArtS 200)
This course is both an introductory and an intensive study of the art of costume design. The course focuses on the designer's process: script analysis, collaboration, research, color theory, basic design principles, rendering techniques, fabric research, organizational skills and presentation of designs. Evaluation will be based on multiple design assignments including a detailed final design project, costume labs, image and research files, costume sketchbook, short papers, committed participation, and attendance. Students are required to attend at least one rehearsal and one department theatre performance during the semester. Students will also be expected to partake in intelligent critiques of fellow classmates' design work.
Prerequisite: successful completion of any 200-level course in any of the fine or performing arts or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 8). If overenrolled, preference to Theatre majors.
Hour: 1-10-3:50 TF  BROTHERS

THEA 307(F)  Stage Direction
An introduction to the resources available to the Stage Director for translating interpretive concepts into stageworthy physical realization. Kinetic and visual directorial controls, as well as textual implications and elements of dramatic structure, and strategies of working with actors and other collaborators will be studied in detail. Most assignments will involve hands-on directing projects presented in class for collective critique.
THEA 308  Directing Workshop (Not offered 2011-2012)
This is a studio workshop dealing with the preparation, performance, and evaluation of brief dramatic exercises and one-act plays. The emphasis will be on the director's confrontation with the text, the actors, and the directorial controls chosen in support of interpretative concept.
Prerequisites: Theatre 201, 204, 307 or permission of the instructor.

THEA 317(S)  Black Migrations: African American Performance at Home and Abroad (Same as Africana Studies 317, Comparative Literature 319, Dance 317 and English 317)
(See under AFR 317 for full description.)

THEA 338  Facing the Music (Not offered 2011-2012)
Music has accompanied theatrical performance since the birth of drama. Over time music on stage has served many dramatic functions: sometimes it merely serves to embellish the emotive temperature but, more consequentially, music can also constitute the major source of dramatic articulation. In this course we will study the specific dramatic function of music in such works as Mozart's Cosi Fan Tutte, Wagner's Die Meistersinger, Verdi's Otello, Brecht's Mahagonny and Company and Sweeney Todd, and Glass and Wilson's postmodern opera Einstein on the Beach. The course will also study the variety of working relationships that musicians have enjoyed with their collaborators in theatrical production.
Format: discussion/seminar. Requirements: Energetic and committed participation is required. Written exercises will include a midterm report on the role of music in a live performance, and a final paper on a dramatic work to be chosen in consultation with the instructor.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 20 (expected: 10).

THEA 339  Introduction to Dramaturgy: The Art of Classical Adaptation (Not offered 2011-2012)
The dramaturg is an important collaborator in the theatrical production process, playing the multi-faceted role of historian, cultural critic, audience educator, and overall supporter of the production team. Working closely with the director, the dramaturg helps to shape a production and facilitate the demanding process of creating a world on stage. This course will introduce students to the fundamentals of production dramaturgy, applying our study of the practice to the text of classical adaptation and translation. Sophocles Antigone and Euripides' Hippolytus will serve as two of our foundational texts, from which we'll consider adaptations by Racine, Anouilh, Brecht, Gambard, and LeCompte. We'll also view how modern directors have interpreted the classics through unique productions such as Breuer's The Gospel at Colonus, Brook's Mahabharata, Mnouchkine's Les Arides, and Ninagawa's Medea.
Format: seminar. Requirements/Method of evaluation: Assignments will be project-based and will range from making image boards to writing program notes. As a final assignment, students will research and write their own mini-adaptations of classical works and present their material to one another through informal, staged readings.
Prerequisites: This course will serve as the Junior Seminar for majors in the Department of Theatre. Enrollment for non-majors is possible with permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference if over-enrolled: Required for majors and preference of instructor for non-majors.

THEA 342  Solo Performance (Not offered 2011-2012)
This is an acting course in which students will study the art and skill of monologue. We will look at the concepts of soliloquy and monologue and “one-person performance”, both from the points of view of content, and context—that is the relationship between the performer and the work, and between the performer and the audience. The course will culminate in a performance during the Theatre Department’s annual Dialogue One Festival. Students will identify an historical figure on which to base their final monologues, and the work will involve intensive study of that person.
Prerequisite: Theatre 103 or permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to Theatre majors.

THEA 345  Contemporary Drama and Performance (Same as English 349 and Comparative Literature 355) (Not offered 2011-2012)
As Gertrude Stein once remarked, “The hardest thing is to know one’s present moment.” What is going on in today’s theatre? What are the hot topics? Who are the writers and directors of our recent past and present moment? This seminar course will consider both experimental and mainstream drama and performance from the past twenty years, focusing on topics such as: auteur-directors, new realism, identity theatre, environmental theatre, performance art, cyber-plays, and the “virtuosic theatre” of the new century. Artists to be included may include: The Wooster Group, Richard Foreman, Robert Wilson, Edward Albee, Sam Shepard, David Mamet, Rachel Rosenthal, Caryl Churchill, Mac Wellman, Tony Kushner, Michele Lanyi, David Henry-Hwang, Suzan-Lori Parks, Sarah Kane, Richard Maxwell, Christoph Marthaler, Naomi Iizuka, Rinne Groff, Zakyyeh Alexander, and others.
Format: seminar. Evaluation will be based on written and dramatical-based assignments as well as in-class discussions.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15 (expected: 15). If overenrolled, preference given to Theatre majors.

THEA 346  To Be Or Not To Be: Theatrical Decision-making (Not offered 2011-2012)
In this advanced acting course, students will examine a wide range of motivations, decisions, mistakes, and consequences that dramatic characters encounter. Through discussions and analysis of selected play, students will find key moments that define tragedy, and will explore the ways in which characters change their behavior to resolve conflict. How do characters respond to problems? Could they make better choices? What can we change about our own decision-making? How do we protect ourselves from mistakes? Fundamental dilemmas will be examined through theory and improvisation. The results of our exploration will be presented in a final performance. This theatrical experience will prepare students for future challenges on the stage of life.
Format: studio. Requirements: evaluation will be based on committed participation in class, and preparation and performance of assigned material.
Prerequisites: Theatre 204 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 10 (expected: 10). Preference given to Theatre majors.

THEA 397(F), 398(S)  Independent Study

THEA 406(F)  Senior Seminar: Twentieth Century Struggle Theatre (Same as Comparative Studies 406)
This seminar course is required of all senior Theatre majors. The course is a revolving topics seminar. The subject matter and reading list for each iteration of the course will be determined by the instructor, but will in each instance focus on a current or historical question of theatre theory and practice. It is understood that the subject addressed in the course will be broad enough to engage the varied interests of each senior class. The specific requirements for the class may vary, but in all cases students will be required to present original research and analysis in a public seminar presentation at the end of the semester.

THEA 409(F), 498(S)  Senior Honors Thesis
THEA W31 Senior Project

THEA W32 Senior Honors Thesis
(See description of Degree with Honors.) Of interest to advanced students:

THE NATIONAL THEATRE INSTITUTE
The Department of Theatre is affiliated with the National Theatre Institute, which offers additional theatre study through its resident semester program. The Institute is fully accredited by Connecticut College and is a member of the Twelve-College Exchange. Limited numbers of Williams students can therefore be selected to take a full semester of intensive theatre study at the NTI, located at the Eugene O'Neill Memorial Theatre Centre in Waterford, Connecticut. During the semester, students from participating colleges live and work as members of a theatre company gaining experience with professional theatre artists in a workshop environment. Early application is essential.

WOMEN’S, GENDER and SEXUALITY STUDIES (Div. II)
Chair, Professor KATHRYN KENT

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Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies can be defined as the study of how gender is constructed, how it is reflected by differences of race, ethnicity, sexuality, class, and so on, how gender affects the experiences and situations of men and women, and how assumptions about gender influence the construction of knowledge and experience. Scholarship in Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies has brought neglected material into established fields and raised important methodological questions that cross disciplinary boundaries and challenge established intellectual frameworks. The program in Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies thus includes courses from a wide variety of disciplines that focus in a coherent way on gender issues, and/or sexuality issues, as well as core courses that acquaint students with the interdisciplinarity of the field.

THE MAJOR
The Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies major encourages exposure to the interdisciplinary character of feminist and sexuality-focused scholarship. In addition, majors are required to gain some knowledge of methods within a field or discipline (3 courses in one of the categories listed below), to appreciate the importance of diversity (racial, sexual, class, ethnic, national, etc.) in scholarship on gender and sexuality, to gain exposure to feminist and/or queer theory, and to pursue work at an advanced level (3 courses at the 300-level).

In order to ensure that students reflect on the paths that they choose through the major, each major will be assigned to an advisor in the spring of the sophomore year. With the advisor, the student will establish a revisable course of study for the following two years. Students interested in declaring a major should contact the chair of the Program (Kent, x2549).

Required Courses
The major consists of at least 9 courses. The following are required:

WGSS 101 Introduction to Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies
WGSS 402 Junior/Senior Seminar in Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies (The seminar explores topics in Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies, and varies from year to year. Majors may take more than one seminar, space permitting.)

Students can check with the department coordinator to see if other courses not listed here might count as electives.

Distribution Requirements
1. One of the following feminist theory courses:
   - ENGL/WGSS 341 American Genders, American Sexualities
   - ENGL/WGSS 371 Feminist Theory and the Representation of Women in Film
   - HIST/WGSS 356 Race, Gender, and Sexuality in U.S. History
   - HIST/WGSS 457 Gender, Law, and Politics in U.S. History
   - PHIL/WGSS 271T Woman as “Other”
   - PHIL/WGSS 327T Foucault
   - PSYC/WGSS 336 Sex, Gender, and Political Theory
   - REL 306/WGSS 307 Feminist Approaches to Religion
   - WGSS/HIL 225 Classics in Western Feminist Thought
   - WGST 310 Womanist/Black Feminist Thought
   - WGSS 355 Feeling Queer: Theories of Emotion and Affect in Literary and Cultural Studies

   Or students may petition to have a course not on the list considered.

2. Racial, Sexual, and Cultural Diversity
   Majors must take at least one of the following:
   - ECON/WGSS 211 Gender in the Global Economy
   - ENGL/WGSS 341 American Genders, American Sexualities
   - ENGL/WGSS 342 Representing Sexualities: U.S. Traditions
   - ENGL/COMP/AMST/WGSS 355 Feeling Queer: Theories of Emotion and Affect in Literary and Cultural Studies
   - HIST/WGSS 147 Women and Men in Twentieth-Century Latin America
   - HIST/AFR/WGSS 308 Gender and Society in Modern Africa
   - HIST/ASST/WGSS 319 Gender and the Family in Chinese History
   - HIST/WGSS 356 Race, Gender, and Sexuality in U.S. History
   - HIST/WGSS 378 The History of Sexuality in America
   - HIST/AFR/WGSS 379 Black Women in the United States
   - HIST/LAT 382 Latino/a Politics
   - HIST/WGSS 383 History of Whiteness in the United States
   - INTR/AFR/WGSS 300T Black Gender Theory: Intimacy, Memory and Violence
   - INTR 326/AFR 326PSCI 306/WGSS 326 Black Women in National Politics, 1964-Present
   - LATS/HIST/WGSS 396 Latinos in the Global Economy: Work, Migration, and Households
   - REL/ANTH/WGSS 256 Engendering Buddhism: How Women and Men Shape and Are Shaped by Buddhism
   - WGSS/COMP 200 Nordic Lights: Literary and Cultural Diversity in Modern Scandinavia
   - WGSS 202 Introduction to Sexuality Studies
   - WGSS/AFR/ENTR 211(T)S Racial-Sexual Violence
   - WGSS 246 India's Identities: Religion, Caste and Gender
   - WGSS 239 Body, Politics, Gender and Religion in South Asia
   - WGSS 310 Womanist/Black Feminist Thought
   - WGSS 313 Gender, Racism, Beauty, and Power in the Age of Transnational Media
   - WGSS 469 Race, Class, and Gender in American Immigration History

   Or students may petition to have a course not on the list considered.

3. Thematic Cluster
   At least three of the seven electives, with at least one at the 300-level, should be identified by majors as comprising a thematic group. This requirement aims to have majors create some focus and depth within their interdisciplinary study by forming a cluster sharing common approaches, themes, or issues.
   a. Literary or artistic expression
b. Historical perspectives
c. Forms of political and social organization
d. Theorizing gender across cultural differences and/or disciplines
e. Queer Studies
f. Ethnicity and Race

4. Interdisciplinary electives must be taken in at least three departments/programs and at least two divisions.

5. Three of the seven electives must be at the 300 level.

THE DEGREE WITH HONORS IN Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies

Harvard College Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies may be granted to majors after an approved candidate completes an honors project, delivers a public presentation of the work, and is awarded honors by the Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies Committee.

A student may become a candidate for honors in Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies after the following criteria are met:

1. in April of the junior year, submission and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies Committee approval of a 4- to 6-page project proposal, in which the ideas, aims, general methodology, and preliminary bibliography for the project are outlined and a faculty advisor is named; prior to submission of this proposal, students must consult with a reference librarian.
2. by the end of the junior year, cumulative grade point average of 3.5 from courses taken in the major;
3. in the first week of classes of the senior year, submission and approval by the faculty advisor and second reader of a 5- to 10-page "Plan of Action" (an overview of what has already been completed and a schedule of what needs to be accomplished to finish the project). Where appropriate, students pursuing honors will continue to consult with the second reader over the course of the semester(s).

All honors work, including the public presentation, will be evaluated by the Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies Committee. It will decide on the awarding of honors; the advisor will assign the grade(s).

STUDY ABROAD

The Williams College Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies Program encourages potential majors to study abroad in order to enhance their education and gain international perspectives on gender and women’s issues and feminism. There are many excellent study abroad opportunities offering students a variety of possible experiences: among them cultural immersion, field work, intensive language learning, independent study, participation in another educational system. There are several semester-long programs with a specific focus on women and/or gender administered by other U.S. Colleges that would especially enrich the educational experience of our majors;

- Antioch College: Comparative Women’s Studies in Europe fall semester
- Augsburg College: Center for Global Education: Crossing Borders: Gender and Social Change in Mesoamerica fall semester; and Social and Environmental Justice in Latin America spring semester
- School for International Training: The Balkans: Women and Democratization, fall or spring semester
- Jamaica: Gender and Development, fall or spring semester
- Mali: Gender and Development, fall or spring semester
- The Netherlands: Identity, Gender and Sexuality, fall or spring semester

CROSS-LISTED COURSES (INCLUDING SEQUENCE COURSES)

WGSS 101(F,S) Introduction to Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies (W) (D)
This course introduces a range of feminist issues, theories, and controversies. It has several aims: to provide critical and analytical tools for thinking about gender; to explore key issues facing women in U.S. (and other) societies, and to discuss strategies for confronting them. The course will examine issues such as: body politics, sexuality, reproductive rights, sexual violence, gender and work, motherhood and family. Above all, the course is intended as an exploration of the tremendous diversity of thought contained under the general rubrics of feminist and gender studies and as a vehicle for developing skills in writing and research, as well as analytical tools for further work in the field. This course meets the requirements of the Exploring Diversity Initiative in that its main emphases are on challenging the notion of one universalizing category of “woman,” and to recognize the diverse ways in which national, sexual, ethnic, racial, and class and other kinds of differences produce multiple and often divergent relations of gendered power. It also whenever possible contextualizes within a global frame the central issues that have made up and continue to define the U.S. feminist tradition, in order to encourage students to recognize the role cultural difference plays in a variety of feminist issues and to decenter the U.S. as a reference point for all feminist theory and politics.

Format: Seminar. Requirements: regular short essays, class presentations, and a longer paper, with revisions; evaluation will be based on these assignments and class participation.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19 per section (expected: 19 per section).
Required course for the Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies major.

Hour: 2:35-3:50 TF; 9:55-11:10 TR
First Semester: CASE, HONDERICH

WGSS 152(F) The Fourteenth Amendment and the Meaning of Equality (Same as History 152) (W)
(See under HIST 152 for full description.)

WGSS 178T(S) Marriage and the American Nation (Same as History 178T) (W)
(See under HIST 178T for full description.)

WGSS 200 Nordic Lights: Literary and Cultural Diversity in Modern Scandinavia (Same as Comparative Literature 212) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)
(See under COMP 212 for full description.)

WGSS 201(F) War and Resistance: Two Centuries of War Literature in France, 1804-2004 (Same as French 202)
(See under RLFR 202 for full description.)

WGSS 202(F) Introduction to Sexuality Studies (D)
This course will offer an introduction to the burgeoning interdisciplinary field of gay/lesbian/bisexual/transgender/queer studies, in part through examining historical, legal, literary, filmic, cultural studies, sociological, and popular texts, as well as work done under the umbrella of queer theory. Subjects covered may include the following: histories of sexualities in the U.S., feminism and its relation to queer studies; how sexuality is racialized; transgender and intersex theory and activism; globalization and sexuality; and strategies of resistance and visibility such as those evidenced by AIDS activism/theory and debates over gay marriage. An essential part of the course will be exploring race, class, religion, and nationality contribute to the construction and lived experience of modern gender and sexual identities. Readings may include works by Foucault, Sedgwick, Warner, Berlant, Stryker, Manalaslan, Hammonds, Crimp, Lorde, Bechdel, McBride, and Massad. This course meets the requirements of the Exploring Diversity Initiative in that it emphasizes empathetic understanding of gender and sexual diversity; studying relations of power and privilege as they apply to sexual, gender, racial, class and national identities and practices; and foregrounds critical theorization of gender and sexuality.

Format: Discussion. Research: active participation in discussion, critical responses, 2 short papers (3–5 pages), annotated bibliography, final paper (9 pages).
Hour: 1:10-2:25 MR

WGSS 203(F) Chican/ano Film and Video (Same as Arth 203 and Latina/o Studies 203)
(See under LATS 203 for full description.)

WGSS 210(F) Culture and Incarceration (Same as Africana Studies 210, American Studies 210, INTR 210 and Political Science 210)
(See under PSCI 210 for full description.)

WGSS 211(F) Gender in the Global Economy (Same as Economics 211)
This course will present a feminist economic analysis of the global economy, and some of the urgent issues facing women in poor countries. The course will start by developing theoretical resources: these will include feminist critiques of economics theory, work on care labor and the shifting boundaries between markets, governments and households, theories of household bargaining, and discussions of intersectionality and difference. Then we will discuss a series of
interlinked issues which may include the contradictory effects of structural adjustment and its successors; the informal sector and the "invisible assembly line": the economics of sex work and global sex trafficking; microcredit; the economics of the HIV/AIDS pandemic. We will finish by looking at community-based activism, non-governmental organizations, and the possibilities for first-world/Third-World alliances.

Requirements: reaction papers, midterm exam, research paper; participation in class discussion will count for part of the grade; two oral responses to seminar papers; two 2-page seminar response papers; one response to a peer's final paper.

Prerequisites: Economics 110. Enrollment limit: 30 (expected: 20).

Hour: 1:10-2:25 TF

HONDERICH

WGSS 212 Ethics and Reproductive Technologies (Same as Philosophy 212) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

In her groundbreaking book, The Tentative Pregnancy, Barbara Katz Rothman writes that "[t]he technological revolution in reproduction is forcing us to confront the very meaning of motherhood, to examine the nature and origins of the mother-child bond, and to replace—or to let us think we can replace—chance with choice." Taking this as our starting point, in this course we will examine a number of conceptual and ethical issues in the use and development of technologies related to human reproduction, drawing out their implications for such core concepts as "motherhood" and "parenthood," family and genetic relatedness, exploitation and commodification, and reproductive rights and society's interests in reproductive activities. Topics will range from consideration of "mundane" technologies such as in vitro fertilization (IVF), preimplantation genetic screening and testing, and surrogacy, to the more extraordinary, including pre-implantation diagnosis (PID), post-menopausal reproduction, post-mortem gamete procurement, reproductive cloning and embryo splitting, and in utero medical interventions. Background readings include sources rooted in traditional modes of bioethical analysis as well as those incorporating feminist approaches.

Format: discussion. Requirements: active participation in class discussions, four to five short reflection papers, and two longer papers (5-10 pages).

No prerequisites; but introductory-level course in Philosophy and/or Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies highly recommended.

J. PEDRONI

WGSS 219(F) Women in National Politics (Same as INTR 219 and Political Science 219) (W)

(See under INTR 219T for full description.)

JAMES

WGSS 221T Racial-Sexual Violence (Same as Africana Studies 221 and INTR 221) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

(See under INTR 221 for full description.)

JAMES

WGSS 222 Women in Twentieth-Century Spain (Same as Spanish 220) (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under RSLSP 220 for full description.)

S. FOX

WGSS 224(S) Sexuality and Seduction in Nineteenth and Twentieth-Century France (Same as French 224) (D)

(See under RLFR 224 for full description.)

MARTIN

WGSS 225 Classics in Western Feminist Thought (Same as Philosophy 225) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

This course provides an introduction to feminist thought through readings of seminal feminist texts from the Enlightenment to the present. Special attention will be given to feminist revisions (including those by woman of color) of traditional and contemporary emancipatory theories such as liberalism, Marxism, psychoanalysis, poststructuralism, and queer theory as well as transnational feminism. Authors read may include the following: Mary Wollstonecraft, John Stuart Mill, Elizabeth Cody Stanton, Alexandra Kollontai, Sojourner Truth, Harriet Jacobs, Emma Goldman, Charlotte Perkins Gilman, Adrienne Rich, Marilyn Frye, Gloria Anzaldua, Andre Lorde, Catherine MacKinnon, Judith Butler, Iris Young, Nancy Fraser, Gayatri Spivak, and Chandra Mohanty. We conclude the course with an exploration of the wide range of feminist analyses of issues concerning prostitution and pornography.

Format: discussion. Requirements: several 2-page essays, one 4-page essay, one 6-page essay (including a draft) and participation in in-class exercises including short oral presentations.

Prerequisites: Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 101, or Philosophy 101, or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 19 (expected: 10). Satisfies the Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies theory requirement for the major.

SAWICKI

WGSS 228 Feminist Bioethics (Same as Philosophy 228) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)

(See under PHIL 228 for full description.)

J. PEDRONI

WGSS 234(S) Masculinities (Same as Anthropology 234)

(See under ANTH 234 for full description.)

JUST

WGSS 236(S) Sex, Gender, and Political Theory (Same as Political Science 236)

(See under PSCI 236 for full description.)

NIOYA

WGSS 237(F) Gender and Desire 1200-1600 (Same as Comparative Literature 237 and English 237) (W) (D)

(See under ENGL 237 for full description.)

KNOPP

WGSS 239 The Construction of Gender in Ancient Greece and Rome (Same as Classics 239 and History 322) (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under CLAS 239 for full description.)

CHRISTENSEN

WGSS 245 (Re)presenting Sex: Shakespeare on Page and Stage (Same as EXPR 245 and Theatre 245) (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under EXPR 245 for full description.)

BAKER-WHITE, ERICKSON

WGSS 246 India's Identities: Religion, Caste, and Gender (Same as Anthropology 246 and Religion 246) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D)

(See under REL 246 for full description.)

GUTSCHOW

WGSS 248T The Tale of Carmen, 1845-Now (Same as Music 246) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W)

(See under MUS 246 for full description.)

BLOXAM

WGSS 249(F) Body Politics, Gender and Religion in South Asia (Same as Anthropology 248, Asian Studies 248 and Religion 248) (D)

(See under REL 248 for full description.)

GUTSCHOW

WGSS 250(S) Gender, Sexuality and the Modern Stage (Same as English 253 and Theatre 250) (W) (D)

(See under THEA 250 for full description.)

HOLZAPFEL

WGSS 252(S) Modern Women Writers and the City (Same as Comparative Literature 243)

(See under COMP 243 for full description.)

DRUXES

WGSS 253 Art in the Age of the Revolution, 1760-1860 (Same as ArtH 253) (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under ARTH 253 for full description.)

OCKMAN

WGSS 254(F) Manet to Matisse (Same as ArtH 254) (Not offered 2011-2012)

(See under ARTH 254 for full description.)

OCKMAN

WGSS 256 Engendering Buddhism: How Women and Men Shape and Are Shaped by Buddhism (Same as Anthropology 256, Asian Studies 256 and Religion 256) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D)

(See under REL 256 for full description.)

GUTSCHOW
WGSS 257  Gender Remade: Muslim Women and Narratives of Subjection (Same as Anthropology 257 and Religion 238) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under ANTH 257 for full description.)

WGSS 259T  Adultery in the Nineteenth-Century Novel (Same as Comparative Literature 259T and English 261T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (See under COMP 259 for full description.)

WGSS 262(S)  Confession and Catharsis in the Poetry of Sylvia Plath and Ted Hughes (Same as English 262) (Gateway) (W) (See under ENGL 262 for full description.)

WGSS 271(T)  Woman as "Other" (Same as Philosophy 271T) (D) (W) (See under PHIL 271 for full description.) (Satisfies the Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies theory requirement for the major.)

WGSS 272(F)  Sex in Society: Cultural Constructions of Reproduction (Same as Anthropology 272) (See under ANTH 272 for full description.) (Satisfies the Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies theory requirement for the major.)

WGSS 307  Feminist Approaches to Religion (Same as Religion 306) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (D) (See under REL 306 for full description.) (Satisfies the Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies theory requirement for the major.)

WGSS 308  Gender and Society in Modern Africa (Same as Africana Studies 308 and History 308) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under HIST 308 for full description.)

WGSS 309(F)  New Soviet Man and His Discontents (Same as Comparative Literature 311 and Russian 309) (D) (See under RUSS 309 for full description.)

WGSS 310(F)  Womanist/Black Feminist Thought (Same as Africana Studies 310 and Religion 310) (D) (See under AFR 310 for full description.) (R. MANIGAULT-BRYANT)

WGSS 313  Gender, Race, Beauty, and Power in the Age of Transnational Media (Same as American Studies 313, Comparative Literature 313 and Latina/o Studies 313) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (See under LATS 313 for full description.)

WGSS 315  Paris on Fire: Incendiary Voices from the City of Light (1830-2005) (Same as French 316) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under RLFR 316 for full description.)

WGSS 319  Gender and the Family in Chinese History (Same as Asian Studies 319 and History 319) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (See under HIST 319 for full description.)

WGSS 322T  Foucault (Same as Philosophy 322T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (W) (See under PHIL 322 for full description.) (Satisfies the Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies theory requirement for the major.)

WGSS 328(F)  Jane Austen and George Eliot (Same as English 328) (See under ENGL 328 for full description.)

WGSS 329(F)  Gender and Intellectual Life in Seventeenth Century Europe (Same as History 329) (See under HIST 329 for full description.)

WGSS 330(S)  The Nineteenth-Century British Novel (Same as English 330) (See under ENGL 330 for full description.)

WGSS 334(S)  Sex and Psyche: A Cultural History of Fin-de-Siècle Europe (Same as History 334) (See under HIST 334 for full description.)

WGSS 339  Stereotypes, Prejudice, and Discrimination (Same as Psychology 341) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (W) (See under PSYC 341 for full description.)

WGSS 341(F)  American Genders, American Sexualities (Same as English 341) (D) (See under ENGL 341 for full description.)

WGSS 355T(S)  Feeling Queer: Theories of Emotion and Affect in Literary and Cultural Studies (Same as American Studies 356, Comparative Literature 356 and English 356) (W) (D) (See under ENGL 356 for full description.)

WGSS 356  Race, Gender, and Sexuality in U.S. History (Same as History 356) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under HIST 356 for full description.) (Satisfies the Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies theory requirement for the major.)

WGSS 370  Women Activists and Social Movements (Same as Africana Studies 371, INTR 371, and Political Science 371) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under INTR 371 for full description.)

WGSS 378  The History of Sexuality in America (Same as History 378) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under HIST 378 for full description.)

WGSS 379(S)  Black Women in the United States (Same as Africana Studies 379 and History 379) (D) (See under HIST 379 for full description.)

WGSS 382  Latina/o Politics (Same as History 382 and Latina/o Studies 382) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (See under LATS 382 for full description.)

WGSS 383  History of Whiteness in the United States (Same as History 383) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (See under HIST 383 for full description.)
A few CRAAS courses are restricted to advanced students, but the majority are open to all, and some are specifically targeted for first year students. Most have wide application in other fields as well as outside of the academy: scientific reckoning, expository writing, rhetorical analysis, oral presentation, and so on. Courses offered under the CRAAS initiative foreground such analytical skills. While each CRAAS class covers a different topic, all are aimed particularly at developing the processes necessary for excellence in a range of fields: techniques for analyzing ideas, data, texts or artworks; approaches to interpreting, synthesizing, and developing arguments; strategies for presenting ideas and results.

To one degree or another, every class at Williams goes beyond its subject—be it mathematics, Machiavelli, or modernism—to teach intellectual skills that have wide application in other fields as well as outside of the academy: scientific reckoning, expository writing, rhetorical analysis, oral presentation, and so on. CRITICAL REASONING AND ANALYTICAL SKILLS (CRAAS) COURSES

EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION COURSES

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SEMMESTER COURSES:

WGSS 386 Latinas in the Global Economy: Work, Migration, and Households (Same as History 386 and Latina/o Studies 386) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (See under HIST 386 for full description.) WHALEN

WGSS 389(F) The Fiction of Virginia Woolf (Same as English 389) (See under ENGL 389 for full description.) CASE

WGSS 395 Fashioning Bodies: Dress, Consumption, and Gender from the Renaissance to the Present (Same as History 395) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under HIST 395 for full description.) FISHZON

WGSS 402(S) Transformations and Entanglements: Identity and Agency How are we human? What does it mean to speak “for yourself,” for others, or about the “self”? How ought we to live? Throughout the course, we shall ask how identity, agency, and ethics are enacted and revealed in and through practices and ideas about change and difference (or lack of difference). In this seminar we shall explore and evaluate contributions by feminists as well as gender and sexuality scholars, activists, and artists to questions about agency, identity, difference, power, relationality and responsibility. Format: seminar. Requirements: weekly reading preparations, active participation, final paper or project. Prerequisites: Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 101, junior/senior major in WGSS, or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 12 (expected: 10). Preference given to Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies majors. Required course for the Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies major. Not available for the Gaudino option. Hour: 1:10-3:50 W BUell

WGSS 406T Coming of Age in the Polis (Same as Greek 406T) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (See under CLGR 406 for full description.)

WGSS 408(S) Nineteenth-Century Novel: From Desperate Housewives to Extreme Makeovers (Same as and French 412) (See under RLR 408 for full description.) MARTIN

WGSS 426 Pictures That Rocked the Nation: Courbet and Manet in Second Empire France (Same as ArtH 426) (Not offered 2011-2012) (D) (See under ARTH 426 for full description.) OCKMAN

WGSS 432 Domestic Visual Culture in Renaissance Florence (Same as ArtH 432) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under ARTH 432 for full description.) SOLUM

WGSS 451 Ideal Bodies: The Modern Nude and Its Dilemmas (Same as ArtH 451) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under ARTH 451 for full description.) OCKMAN

WGSS 452 Women in America, 1620-1865 (Same as History 452) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under HIST 452 for full description.) LONG

WGSS 457 Gender, Law, and Politics in U.S. History (Same as History 457) (Not offered 2011-2012) (See under HIST 457 for full description.) DUBOW Satisfies the Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies theory requirement for the major.

WGSS 461T Writing about Bodies (Same as ArtH 461 and INTR 461) (Not offered 2011-2012) (W) (See under ARTH 461 for full description.) OCKMAN

WGSS 469(F) Race, Class, and Gender in American Immigration History (Same as History 469) (D) (See under HIST 469 for full description.) WONG

WGSS 491(F)-W30, W30-494(S) Senior Thesis (See under CLGR 491 for full description.)

WGSS 497(F), 498(S) Independent Study

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A few CRAAS courses are restricted to advanced students, but the majority are open to all, and some are specifically targeted for first year students. Most have strictly limited enrollment. Because these classes cultivate the general strategies of effective scholarship, students are encouraged to consider taking a CRAAS course early in their academic careers.

ARTH 105 Picturing God in the Middle Ages: An Introduction

ARTH 110 Reading the Renaissance: Interpreting Italian Renaissance Art and History (W)

ENG 133(F) New Poetry (W)

[ENGL 218 Forms of Violence (W)—last offered Spring 2009]

MUS 402(S) Senior Seminar in Music: Bach’s Legacy (W)

PHIL 201(F) Continental Philosophy: Reading the Critics of Reason

PHIL/CLAS 330 Plato (W)

SOC 316 Consumer Society and Its Critics in the Modern World

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SEMMESTER COURSES:

AFR 245/MUS 242(F) Monk and the Bebop Revolution

AMST 201(FS) Introduction to American Studies

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EXPLORING DIVERSITY INITIATIVE

THE EXPLORING DIVERSITY INITIATIVE REQUIREMENT—Williams College is committed to creating and maintaining a curriculum, faculty, and student body that reflects and explores a diverse, globalized world and the multi-cultural character of the United States. Courses designated “(D)” in the
Courses that comprise the Exploring Diversity Initiative may fall under a variety of categories, including (but not limited to) the following:

1. **Comparative Study of Cultures and Societies.** These courses focus on the differences and similarities between cultures and societies, and/or on the ways in which cultures, peoples, and societies have interacted and responded to one another in the past.

2. **Empathetic Understanding.** These courses explore diverse human feelings, thoughts, and actions by recreating the social, political, cultural, and historical contexts in which they occurred. The ultimate aim of the requirement is to lay the groundwork for a life-long engagement with the diverse cultures, societies, and histories of the United States and the rest of the world.

3. **Power and Privilege:** These courses link issues of diversity to economic and political power relations, investigating how cultural interaction is influenced by various structures, institutions, or practices that enable, maintain, or mitigate inequality among different groups.

4. **Critical Theorization:** These courses focus on ways scholars theorize the possibilities of cross-cultural understanding and interaction; they investigate the ways that disciplines and paradigms of knowledge both constitute “difference” and are reconfigured by the study of diversity-related questions.

5. **Cultural Immersion:** In various ways these courses immerse students in another culture and give them the tools with which to understand that culture from the inside. They include those foreign language courses that explicitly engage in the self-conscious awareness of cultural and societal differences, traditions, and customs as an integral aspect of language study.

All students are required to complete ONE course that is part of the Exploring Diversity Initiative. Although this course, which may be counted toward the divisional distribution requirement, may be completed any semester before graduation, students are urged to complete the course by the end of the sophomore year.

By immersing students in foreign cultures, and often by furthering language acquisition, study abroad programs can offer a robust way to study cultural diversity. Students wishing to fulfill the EDI requirement via the completion of a study abroad program must submit a petition before departure proposing EDI credit for a particular course on their program, for particular experiences (such as independent research or a homestay), or for a specific language training program they will undertake while abroad. The petition will require students to describe how they believe their proposed study abroad experience will meet one or more of the goals of the Exploring Diversity Initiative; it will be considered by the Director of the Exploring Diversity Initiative working in concert with the Committee on Academic Standing.

The one-course EDI requirement must be met by all members of the classes of 2012 and 2013; members of the class of 2011 who have already completed a course designated “People’s and Cultures” do not need to complete an EDI course.

### AMST Courses

- AMST 203(S): Introduction to Native American Studies (Same as Anthropology 203) (D)
- AMST 224(S): U.S. Latina/o Religions (Same as Latina/o Studies 224 and Religion 224) (D)
- AMST 225(S): Race and Transformations in American Life, 1845-Present (Same as English 225) (D)
- AMST 240(F): Latina/o and Language: Hybrid Voices (Same as Comparative Literature 210 and Latina/o Studies 240) (D)
- AMST 264(F): Topics in Asian American History (Same as Asian Studies 264 and History 264) (D)
- AMST 320(S): Cities of the Anglophone Chinese Imagination (Same as Asian Studies 320, Comparative Literature 303 and English 374) (D)
- AMST 331(S): Gender, Race, Beauty, and Power in the Age of Transnational Media (Same as Comparative Literature 320, Latina/o Studies 331 and Women’s and Gender Studies 333) (D)
- AMST 339(S): Latin/as and the Media: From Production to Consumption (Same as Comparative Literature 359 and Latina/o Studies 340) (W) (D)
- AMST 356(F): Feeling Queer: Theories of Emotion and Affect in Literary and Cultural Studies (Same as Comparative Literature 356, English 356 and Women’s and Gender Studies 355) (W) (D)
- AMST 390(F): Transnational Lives in Global Context (Senior Seminar) (Same as Latina/o Studies 409) (W) (D)
- ANTH 101(ES): The Scope of Anthropology (D)
- ANTH 213(S): Introduction to Native American Studies (Same as American Studies 213 and Anthropology 213) (D)
- ANTH 221(S): Ethnic Minorities in China: Past and Present (Same as Chinese 221) (D)
- ANTH 248(F): Body Politics, Gender and Religion in South Asia (Same as Asian Studies 248, Religion 248 and Women’s and Gender Studies 249) (D)
- SOC 211(F): Race and the Environment (Same as African Studies 211 and Environmental Studies 211) (D)
- SOC 267(S): Race in the Americas (Same as African Studies 267) (D)
- ARAB 222(F): Photography in/from the Middle East (Same as ArtH 222) (D)
- ARTH 205(S): Picturing Race: From Early Modern Europe to Now (Same as African Studies 207) (D)
- ARTH 222(F): Photography in/from the Middle East (Same as Arabic Studies 222) (D)
- ARTH 470(S): Image-making, Orientalism and Visual Culture (D)
- CHIN 101(F)-W88-102(S): Elementary Chinese (D)
- CHIN 401(F), 402(S): Advanced Chinese (D)
- CHIN 101(F)-W88-102(S): Basic Chinese (D)
- CHIN 201(F), 202(S): Intermediate Chinese (D)
- CHIN 261(S): Teaching Chinese to Young Children (Same as Anthropology 261, Education 261 and Women’s and Gender Studies 261) (D)
- CHIN 286(F): Topics in Asian American History (Same as Asian Studies 286 and History 286) (D)
- CHIN 305(S): Cities of the Anglophone Chinese Imagination (Same as American Studies 305, Comparative Literature 303 and English 374) (D)
- CHIN 310(F): Womxn’s/Black Feminist Thought (Same as Religion 310 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 310) (D)
- CHIN 311(F): Francophone Islands (Same as Comparative Literature 312 and French 312) (D)
- CHIN 316(S): Latin/as and the Media: From Production to Consumption (Same as Comparative Literature 359 and Latina/o Studies 340) (W) (D)
- CHIN 320(S): Cities of the Anglophone Chinese Imagination (Same as Asian Studies 320, Comparative Literature 303 and English 374) (D)
- CHIN 331(S): Gender, Race, Beauty, and Power in the Age of Transnational Media (Same as Comparative Literature 320, Latina/o Studies 331 and Women’s and Gender Studies 333) (D)
- CHIN 339(S): Latin/as and the Media: From Production to Consumption (Same as Comparative Literature 359 and Latina/o Studies 340) (W) (D)
- CHIN 356(F): Feeling Queer: Theories of Emotion and Affect in Literary and Cultural Studies (Same as Comparative Literature 356, English 356 and Women’s and Gender Studies 355) (W) (D)
- CHIN 390(F): Transnational Lives in Global Context (Senior Seminar) (Same as Latina/o Studies 409) (W) (D)
- CHIN 470(S): Image-making, Orientalism and Visual Culture (D)
- CHIN 486(F): Teaching Chinese to Young Children (Same as Anthropology 486, Education 486 and Women’s and Gender Studies 486) (D)
- CHIN 490(F): Transnational Lives in Global Context (Senior Seminar) (Same as Latina/o Studies 490) (W) (D)
- CHIN 501(F): Topics in Asian American History (Same as Asian Studies 501, Comparative Literature 501 and English 501) (D)
- CHIN 502(S): Intermediate Chinese (D)
- CHIN 503(S): Advanced Chinese (D)
- JAPN 101(F)-W88-102(S): Basic Japanese (D)
- JAPN 200(S): Bridge to Japanese (Same as Anthropology 200, Asian Studies 200 and Women’s and Gender Studies 200) (D)
- JAPN 211(F): Intermediate Japanese (D)
- JAPN 212(F): Advanced Japanese (D)
- JAPN 301(F), 302(S): Upper-Intermediate Japanese (D)
- JAPN 305(S): Love and Death in Modern Japanese Literature (Same as Comparative Literature 305) (D)
- JAPN 306(F): Love and Death in Modern Japanese Literature (Same as Comparative Literature 306) (D)
- JAPN 307(F): Love and Death in Modern Japanese Literature (Same as Comparative Literature 307) (D)
- JAPN 405(F): Advanced Japanese (D)
- JAPN 406(F): Advanced Japanese (D)
- JAPN 407(F): Thematic Reading and Writing in Japanese II (D)

### COMP Courses

- COMP 104(S): Critical Approaches to Theatre and Performance (Same as Theatre 104) (D)
- COMP 210(F): Latina/o Language and Literature: Hybrid Voices (Same as American Studies 240 and Latina/o Studies 240) (D)

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EXPERIMENTAL FORMAL REASONING

Courses that may be used to meet the requirement in 2011-2012:

- COMP 237(F) Gender and Desire 1200-1600 (Same as English 237 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 237) (W) (D)
- COMP 255(S) Love and Death in Modern Japanese Literature (Same as Japanese 255) (D)
- COMP 303(S) Cities of the Anglophone Chinese Imagination (Same as American Studies 305, Asian Studies 305 and English 374) (D)
- COMP 304(F) New Soviet Man and His Discontents (Same as Russian 309 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 309) (D)
- COMP 312(F) Francophone Islands (Same as African Studies 312 and French 312) (D)
- COMP 313(S) Gender, Race, Beauty, and Power in the Age of Transnational Media (Same as American Studies 313, Latino/a Studies 313 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 313) (D)
- COMP 315(F) Medieval East and West: Travel, Holy War, Storytelling (Same as Arabic 303 and English 303) (D)
- COMP 356(T) Feeling Queer: Theories of Emotion and Affect in Literary and Cultural Studies (Same as American Studies 356 and English 356, Gender and Sexuality Studies 355) (W) (D)
- COMP 359(S) Latino/as and the Media: From Production to Consumption (Same as American Studies 346 and Latino/a Studies 346) (D) (W)
- ENGL 470(S) The Indian Economy: Development and Social Justice (D)
- ENGL 558(S) Racial Formations and Transformations in America: 1945-Present (Same as American Studies 238) (D)
- HIST 225(S) Transforming the “Middle Kingdom”: China, 2000 B.C.E.-1600 (Same as Asian Studies 212) (D)
- HIST 220(F) Cultures of China: Conflicts and Continuities (Same as Chinese 210) (D)
- HIST 229(S) European Imperialism and Decolonization (Same as African Studies 229) (D)
- HIST 280(S) Top Asian American History: An Introduction (Same as African Studies 208) (D)
- HIST 284(F) Topics in Asian American History (Same as American Studies 284 and Asian Studies 284) (D)
- HIST 304(F) South Africa and/Apartheid (Same as African Studies 304) (D)
- HIST 380(F) Iraq and Iran in the Twentieth Century (D)
- HIST 330(S) National-Socialist Germany (D)
- HIST 340(S) History of Modern Brazil (Same as African Studies 346) (D)
- HIST 444(S) The Black Republic: Haiti in History and Imagination (Same as African Studies 444) (D)
- HIST 469(F) Race, Class, and Gender in American Immigration History (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 469) (D)
- HIST 471(S) Comparative Latin/o/Migrations (Same as Latin/o Studies 471) (D) (W)
- JEW 207(F) The Modern Middle East 1959 (D)
- JEW 410(F) Kings, Heroes, Gods, and Monsters: Historical Texts and Modern Identities in the Middle East (Same as Arabic 410, Jewish Studies 410 and Religion 405) (D) (W)
- LAT 224(S) U.S. Latino/a Religions (Same as American Studies 224 and Religion 224) (D)
- LAT 240(F) Latino/a Language and Literature: Hybrid Voices (Same as American Studies 240 and Comparative Literature 210) (D)
- LAT 313(S) Gender, Race, Beauty, and Power in the Age of Transnational Media (Same as American Studies 313, Comparative Literature 313 and Gender and Sexuality Studies 313) (D)
- LAT 346(S) Latin/o/as and the Media: From Production to Consumption (Same as American Studies 346 and Comparative Literature 359) (D) (W)
- LAT 409(F) Transnational Lives in Global Context (Same as American Studies 409) (W) (D)
- LAT 470(S) Comparative Latin/o/Migrations (Same as History 471) (D) (W)
- MUS 125(F) Music Cultures of the World (D)
- MUS 231(S) Cuban Popular Music and Culture (D)
- MUS 126(S) Chinese Music and Intercultural Influence; From the Silk Road to Korea and Japan (Same as Asian Studies 128) (D)
- MUS 231(S) ‘Nothin’ But the Blues’ (Same as American Studies 231) (D)
- REL 224(S) U.S. Latino/a Religions (Same as American Studies 224 and Latino/a Studies 224) (D)
- REL 290(F) The Modern Middle East (Same as History 207 and Jewish Studies 217) (D)
- REL 295(S) Tibetan Civilization (Same as Asian Studies 247) (D)
- REL 248(F) Body Politics, Gender and Religion in South Asia (Same as Anthropology 248, Asian Studies 248 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 249) (D)
- REL 258(S) Scholars, Saints and Immortals: The Religious Life in East Asia (Same as Asian Studies 250) (D)
- REL 310(F) Womanist/Black Feminist Thought (Same as African Studies 310 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 310) (D)
- REL 405(F) Kings, Heroes, Gods, and Monsters: Historical Texts and Modern Identities in the Middle East (Same as Arabic 410, History 410 and Jewish Studies 410) (D) (W)
- RLFR 203(S) Introduction to Francophone Studies (Same as African Studies 204) (D)
- RLFR 224(S) (formerly 310) Sexuality and Seduction in Nineteenth and Twentieth-Century France (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 224) (D)
- RLFR 312(F) Francophone Islands (Same as African Studies 312 and Comparative Literature 312) (D)
- RUSS 309(F) New Soviet Man and His Discontents (Same as Comparative Literature 311 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 309) (D)
- THAI 127(S) Critical Approaches to Humor and Performance (Same as Comparative Literature 104) (D)
- THEA 241(F) Performing Race: From Shakespeare to Spike Lee (Same as African Studies 241 and Comparative Literature 241) (D)
- THEA 250(S) Gender, Sexuality and the Modern Stage (Same as English 253 and Women and Gender Studies 250) (W) (D)
- WGS 204(F) Introduction to Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies (W) (D)
- WGS 202(F) Introduction to Sexuality Studies (D)
- WGS 224(S) Sexuality and Seduction in Nineteenth and Twentieth-Century France (Same as French 224) (D)
- WGS 250(F) Gender and Desire 1200-1600 (Same as Comparative Literature 237 and English 237) (W) (D)
- WGS 249(F) Body Politics, Gender and Religion in South Asia (Same as Anthropology 248, Asian Studies 248 and Religion 248) (D)
- WGS 250(S) Gender, Sexuality and the Modern Stage (Same as English 253 and Theatre 253) (W) (D)
- WGS 270(S) Other” (Same as Philosophy 271) (D) (W)
- WGS 309(F) New Soviet Man and His Discontents (Same as Comparative Literature 311 and Russian 309) (D)
- WGS 310(F) Womanist/Black Feminist Thought (Same as African Studies 310 and Religion 310) (D)
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- WGS 341(F) American Genders, American Sexualities (Same as English 341) (D)
- WGS 347(F) Feeling Queer: Theories of Emotion and Affect in Literary and Cultural Studies (Same as American Studies 346, Comparative Literature 356 and English 356) (W) (D)
- WGS 379(S) Black Women in the United States (Same as African Studies 379 and History 379) (D)
- WGS 469(F) Race, Class, and Gender in American Immigration History (Same as History 469) (D)

QUANTITATIVE/FORMAL REASONING COURSES

Williams students should be adept at reasoning mathematically and abstractly. The ability to apply a formal method to reach conclusions, to use numbers comfortably, and to employ the research tools necessary to analyze data lessens barriers to carrying out professional and economic roles. Prior to their senior year, all students must satisfactorily complete a Quantitative/Formal Reasoning (QFR) course—that those marked with a “Q.” Students requiring extra assistance (as assessed during First Days) are normally placed into Mathematics 100/101/102, which is to be taken before fulfilling the QFR requirement.

The hallmarks of a QFR course are the representation of facts in a language of mathematical symbols and the use of formal rules to obtain a determinate answer. Primary evaluation in these courses is based on multistep mathematical, statistical, or logical inference (as opposed to descriptive answers). Courses may be used to meet the requirement in 2011-2012.
THE WILLIAMS TUTORIAL PROGRAM

The Tutorial Program offers Williams students a distinctive opportunity to take a heightened form of responsibility for their own intellectual development. No student is required to take a tutorial course, but any student with the appropriate qualifications and interests is invited to do so.

Tutorials at the 100/200 level are designed primarily for first-year students and sophomores; they are usually given enrollment preference for such courses, though interested juniors and seniors are often welcome. Tutorials at the 300/400 level are designed primarily for juniors and seniors (and, often, for majors in the discipline); first-year students and sophomores are welcome to apply, but are urged to consult the instructor before registering.

Tutorials place much greater weight than do regular courses—or even small seminars—on student participation. They aim to teach students how to develop and present arguments; listen carefully, and then refine their positions in the context of a challenging discussion; and respond quickly and cogently to critiques of their work. Tutorials place particular emphasis on developing analytical skills, writing abilities, and the talents of engaging in rigorous conversation and oral debate.

The ways in which particular tutorials are conducted vary across the disciplines, but here is a description of how most tutorials at Williams are organized. Tutorials are usually limited to ten students. At the start of term, the instructor divides the students into pairs. Each pair meets weekly with the instructor for roughly one hour. Many tutorial courses begin and end the term with a group seminar, and in a few departments, instructors hold weekly group meetings of all tutorial members to provide background information designed to facilitate the students' independent work. But the heart of every tutorial course is the weekly meeting of the two students with the instructor.

At these weekly meetings, one student delivers a prepared essay or presentation (e.g., an analysis of a text or work of art, a discussion of a problem set, a report on laboratory exercises, etc.) pertaining to the assignment for that week, while the other student—and then the instructor—offers a critique. In the following week, students switch roles. Typically, students write five or six essays (usually in the range of 4-7 pages) during the term, and offer five or six critiques of their partners' work.

Since the program's inception in 1988, students have ranked tutorials among the most demanding—and rewarding—courses they have taken at Williams. While not designed to be more difficult than other courses, tutorials are nonetheless challenging, with frequent writing assignments and the expectation that students will be well prepared to participate actively and effectively in weekly discussions. At the same time, students have consistently placed tutorials among the most enriching and consequential courses they have taken. They have appreciated the close attention to their writing and argumentation skills; the opportunity to be held accountable, in a detailed way, for the extended implications of their ideas; the chance to develop their oral abilities as they engage in debate; and the close intellectual bonds tutorials build between teachers and students, and students, with each other. Many students have formed important advising and mentoring relationships with their tutorial teachers.

Registration information: Students pre-register for tutorials as they would for any other course (but should first check the description for prerequisites and to see if permission of the instructor is required). Because of limited enrollments and the special logistical arrangements involved in organizing tutorials, students may not drop a tutorial after 4:00 PM on the day before the first scheduled day of organizational meetings each semester. It is therefore important that students determine, before the start of the term, their interest in and commitment to the course. If they are uncertain whether they wish to take the tutorial, they should consult with the instructor. Tutorials may not be taken on a pass/fail basis.

TUTORIALS OFFERED 2011-2012

AFR 481(T) Race & Revol in Latin America (Instructor: Benson)
ARTH 330(T) Michelangelo:Biography, Myth&Art (Instructor: Solum)
ARTS 322(T) The Empowered Object (Instructor: Podmore)
ARTS 333(T) Narrative Strategies (Instructor: Ali)
ASTR 412(T) Solar Physics (Instructor: Pasachoff)
BIOL 218(T) DNA, Life, & Everything (Instructor: Altschuler)
BIOL 421(T) Conservation Biology (Instructor: Edwards)
CSCI 337(T) Digital Design&Modern Architecture (Instructor: Bailey)
CSCI 356(T) Advanced Algorithms (Instructor: Heeringa)
CSCI 434(T) Compiler Design (Instructor: Freund)
ECOL 219(T) Global Economic History (Instructor: Nafziger)
ECON 228(T) Water as a Scarce Resource (Instructor: Bradbury)
ECON 391(T) Econ Analysis of Housing Mkt (Instructor: Sheppard)
ECON 467(T) Development Successes (Instructor: Monnig)
ECON 516(T) Intern'l Financial Institution (Instructor: Truman)
ECON 520(T) Inclusive Growth:SoFy Nets (Instructor: Samson)
ENGL 222(T) Lyric Poetry (Instructor: Bell)
ENGL 301(T) Four American Poets (Instructor: Cleghorn)
ENGL 356(T) Feeling Queer (Instructor: Kent)
ENGL 372(T) American Modernist Fiction (Instructor: Limon)
ENGL 430(T) Hitchcock&Pyschoanalytic Theory (Instructor: Tifft)
GEOS 218(T) The Carbon Cycle & Climate (Instructor: Cook)
GEOS 220(T) Evolution Volcanic Islands (Instructor: Karabinos)
GERM 310(T) Storm and Stress More (Instructor: Kieffer)
HIST 131(T) The Great War, 1914–1918 (Instructor: Wood)
HIST 178(T) Marriage & the American Nation (Instructor: Dabou)
HIST 481(T) Fictions of Afr–Amer History (Instructor: Long)
HIST 484(T) Victorian Psychology (Instructor: Koch)
HIST 487(T) The Second World War (Instructor: Wood)
INTR 219(T) Women in National Politics (Instructor: James)
MATH 102(T) Foundations+Quantitative Skills (Instructor: Johnson)
MATH 314(T) Galois Theory (Instructor: Pacelli)
MATH 357(T) Phylogenetics (Instructor: Devadoss)
MUS 203(T) Composition I (Instructor: TBA)
MUS 204(T) Composition II (Instructor: Perez Velazquez)
PHIL 124(S) Skepticism and Relativism (W) (Instructor: Cruz)
PHIL 238(T) Just War Theory (Instructor: White)
PHIL 271(T) Woman as “Other” (Instructor: Sawicki)
PHIL 294(T) Philosophy & Narrative Fiction (Instructor: Mladenovic)
PHIL 337(T) Justice in Health Care (Instructor: Pedroni)
PHIL 391(T) The Ethics of Hume and Kant (Instructor: Barry)
PHYS 405(T) Electromagnetic Theory (Instructor: Seifert)
PSCI 208(T) Wealth in America (Instructor: Johnson)
PSCI 331(T) Non-Profit Orgs&Community Change (Instructor: Willingham)
PSCI 345(T) Ancient Chinese Polt Thought (Instructor: Crane)
PSCI 352(T) Comparative Political Economy (Instructor: Munemo)
WRITING-INTENSIVE COURSES

Courses designated as “writing intensive”—those marked with a “[W]”—stress the process of learning to write effectively. Such courses include a substantial amount of writing (a minimum of 20 pages), usually divided into several discrete assignments. Instructors pay close attention to matters of style and argumentation.

All Williams College students are required to take two writing-intensive courses: one by the end of the sophomore year and one by the end of the junior year. Students will benefit most from writing-intensive courses by taking them early in their college careers and are therefore strongly encouraged to complete the requirement by the end of the sophomore year.

Courses that may be used to meet the requirement in 2011-2012:

AFR 129(F) Twentieth-Century Black Poets (Same as English 129) (W)
AFR 149(F) The 1959 Cuban Revolution: Precedents, Processes, and Legacies, 1898-2009 (Same as History 149) (W)
AFR 165(F) Black Power Abroad: Decolonization in Africa, the Caribbean and Europe (Same as History 165) (D) (W)
AFR 240(S) Introduction to the Music of Duke Ellington (Same as Music 240) (W)
AFR 330(T) Non-Profit Organization and Community Change (Same as Political Science 330) (W)
AFR 481(T) Race and Revolution in Latin America (Same as History 481) (W)
AFR 482(S) Fictions of African-American History (Same as History 482) (W)
AMST 144(S) American Ethnic Detective Fictions and Variations (Same as English 144) (W)
AMST 303(T) Four American Poets (Same as English 303) (W)
AMST 345(S) Latino/as and the Media: From Production to Consumption (Same as Comparative Literature 345 and Latina/o Studies 345) (W) (D)
AMST 356(T) Feeling Queer: Theories of Emotion and Affect in Literary and Cultural Studies (Same as Comparative Literature 356, English 356 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 356) (W) (D)
ARTH 372(T) American Modernist Fiction (Same as English 372) (W)
AMST 401(F) Transnational Lives in Global Context (Senior Seminar) (Same as Latina/o Studies 401) (W) (D)
ANTH 222(S) Charisma and Celebrity (Same as Religion 222) (W)
ANTH 324(S) Empires of Antiquity (W)
SOC 303(S) Cultures of Climate Change (Same as Environmental Studies 303) (W)
ARAB 402(F) Topics in Translation (W)
ARAB 410(F) Kings, Heroes, Gods, and Monsters: Historical Texts and Modern Identities in the Middle East (Same as History 410, Jewish Studies 410 and Religion 410) (D) (W)
ARTH 201(F) American Landscape History (Same as Environmental Studies 201) (W)
ARTH 210(F) The Works of Modernist and Contemporary Landscape Architects (W)
ARTH 265(S) Pop Art (W)
ARTH 311(S) Infrastructure (Same as Environmental Studies 311) (W)
ARTH 330(T) Michelangelo: Biography, Mythology, and the History of Art (W)
ARTH 376(S) The Path to Enlightenment: Zen and Zen Art In China and Japan (Same as Asian Studies 376 and Religion 252) (W)
ARTH 405(S) Seminar in Architectural Criticism (W)
ARTS 284(F) Writing for Film, Video, and Performance (Same as Theatre 284) (W)
ANST 376(S) The Path to Enlightenment: Zen and Zen Art In China and Japan (Same as ArtH 376 and Religion 252) (W)
ASTR 412(T) Solar Physics (W)
BIMO 401(S) Topics in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (W)
BIOL 218(F) DNA, Life and Everything (W)
BIOL 424(T) Conservation Biology (Same as Environmental Studies 424) (W)
CLAS 218(S) Gnosis, Gnostics, Gnosticism (Same as Comparative Studies 218, History 331 and Religion 218) (W)
CLAS 236(S) (formerly 105) The Ancient Novel (Same as Comparative Literature 236) (W)
CLAS 323(S) Leadership, Government, and the Governed in Ancient Greece (Same as History 323 and Leadership Studies 323) (W)
COMP 100(S) Happiness (Same as English 100) (W)
COMP 111(F) The Nature of Narrative (Same as English 120) (W)
COMP 117(F) Introduction to Cultural Theory (Same as English 117) (W)
COMP 139(S) Metafiction (Same as English 139) (W)
COMP 207(T) Tolstoy: The Major Novels (Same as Russian 207) (W)
COMP 211(S) Terrorism and Literature (W)
COMP 218(S) Gnosis, Gnostics, Gnosticism (Same as Classics 218, History 331 and Religion 218) (W)
COMP 220(S) The Ancient Novel (Same as Classics 220) (W)
COMP 237(S) Gender and Desire 1200-1600 (Same as English 237 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 237) (W) (D)
COMP 238(S) Comedy/Tragedy (Same as English 238) (W)
COMP 239(S) The Novel in Theory (Same as English 239) (W)
COMP 266(S) Introduction to Literary Theory (Same as English 266) (W)
COMP 283(S) Great Books (Same as English 283) (Gateway) (W)
COMP 294(T) Philosophy and Narrative Fiction (Same as Philosophy 294) (W)
COMP 302(T) Latino Writing: Literature by U.S. Hispanics (Same as Spanish 302) (W)
COMP 310(T) Storm and Stress and More (Same as German 310) (W)
COMP 316(S) Inscrutable Evil, or the Transformative Horror Film (Same as English 316) (W)
COMP 340(F) Literature and Psychoanalysis (Same as English 340) (W)
COMP 356(T) Feeling Queer: Theories of Emotion and Affect in Literary and Cultural Studies (Same as American Studies 356 and English 356 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 356) (W) (D)
CON 219(T) Global Economic History (W)
CON 228(T) Water as a Scarcie Resource (Same as Environmental Studies 228) (W)
CON 411(T) Economic Analysis of Housing Markets (W)
CON 467(T) Development Successes (Same as Economics 467(T) (W)
CON 518(T) Development Successes (Same as Economics 518) (W)
ENG 103(S) Imagining Hell (W)
ENG 104(S) Happiness (Same as Comparative Literature 104) (W)
ENG 105(S) Poetry and Magic (W)
ENG 111(S) Poetry and Politics (W)
ENG 129(S) Medieval Europe (W)
ENG 130(S) Shakespeare (W)
ENGL 111(S) Poetry and Politics (W)
PSYC 340(T) (S) Interdisciplinary Social Psych (Instructor: Fein)
PHIL 238(T,F) Just War Theory, Terrorism, and Weapons of Mass Destruction (Same as Political Science 237) (W)
PHIL 239(T) Woman as “Other” (Same as Women’s and Gender Studies 278) (D) (W)
PHIL 294(T,S) Philosophy and Narrative Fiction (Same as Comparative Literature 294) (W)
PHIL 305(F) Existentialism and Phenomenology (W)
PHIL 340(S) Contemporary Metaphysics (W)
PHIL 391(T) The Ethics of Home and Kant (W)
PSCI 110(S) Seminar: The Politics of Place in America (W)
PSCI 120(S) Seminar: America and the World After September 11 (W)
PSCI 140(F) (formerly 102) Seminar: Religion and Capitalism (Same as Religion 283) (W)
PSCI 208(T,S) Wealth in America (W)
PSCI 217(T,F) Women in National Politics (Same as INTR 219 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 219) (W)
PSCI 242(F) America and the Vietnam War (Same as Leadership Studies 242) (W)
PSCI 315(S) Parties in American Politics (W)
PSCI 316(S) Policy Making Processes (W)
PSCI 331(T,F) Non-Profit Organization and Community Change (Same as Africana Studies 330T) (W)
PSCI 345(T,F) Cosmology and Rulership in Ancient Chinese Political Thought (W)
PSCI 351(S) The New Left and Neoliberalism in Latin America (W)
PSCI 356(S) U.S. Grand Strategy (Same as Leadership Studies 356) (W)
PSYC 340(T,S) Interdisciplinary Approaches to Social Psychology (W)
REL 212(F) The Development of Christianity: 30-600 C.E. (Same as History 324) (W)
REL 213(T,F) Gnostics, Gnosticism, Gnostician (Same as Classics 218, Comparative Studies 218 and History 331) (W)
REL 252(S) The Path to Enlightenment: Zen and Zen Art In China and Japan (Same as ArtH 376 and Asian Studies 376) (W)
REL 270(F,T) Father Abraham: The First Patriarch (Same as Jewish Studies 270) (W)
REL 272(T,F) Charisma and Celebrity (Same as Anthropology 222) (W)
REL 274(F) Ritual, Power and Transgression (Same as Anthropology 290) (W)
REL 283(F) Religion and Capitalism (Same as Political Science 140) (W)
REL 284(F) What’s At Work? (W)
REL 305(S) (formerly 284) Foucault (W)
REL 405(F) Kings, Heroes, Gods, and Monsters: Historical Texts and Modern Identities in the Middle East (Same as Arabic 410, History 410 and Jewish Studies 410) (D) (W)
RSLP 202(T,S) 1898: Spain’s Fin de Siglo and the Crisis of Ideas (W)
RSLP 203(F,T) From Modernismo to El Boom de la Novela (W)
REL 306(T) Interdisciplinary Approaches to Social Psychology (W)
RUSS 210(T,S) Tolstoy: The Major Novels (Same as Comparative Literature 207T) (W)
THEA 250(S) Gender, Sexuality and the Modern Stage (Same as English 253 and Women and Gender Studies 250) (W) (D)
THEA 251(T) Writing for Film, Video, and Performance (Same as ArtH 284) (W)
WGS 101(F,S) Introduction to Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies (W) (D)
WGS 152(F) The Fourteenth Amendment and the Meanings of Equality (Same as History 152) (W)
WGS 171(S) Marriage and the American Nation (Same as History 171T) (W)
WGS 219(T,F) Women in National Politics (Same as INTR 219 and Political Science 219) (W)
WGS 237(F) Gender and Desire 1200-1600 (Same as Comparative Literature 237 and English 237) (W) (D)
WGS 254(T) Gender and Sexuality in the Modern Stage (Sad) (W)
WGS 262(S) (formerly 356) Confession and Catharsis in the Poetry of Sylvia Plath and Ted Hughes (Same as English 262) (Gateway) (W)
WGS 271(T,S) Woman as “Other” (Same as Philosophy 271T) (D) (W)
WGS 555(F,T) Feeding Queer: Theories of Emotion and Affect in Literary and Cultural Studies (Same as American Studies 356, Comparative Literature 356 and English 356) (W) (D)
MAST 251(E,S) Literature of the Sea (Same as English 231) (W)
MAST 352(F,S) America and the Sea, 1600-Present (Same as History 352) (W)

WILLIAMS-EXETER PROGRAMME AT OXFORD UNIVERSITY

**Director, Professor NANCY ROSEMAN**

**THE PROGRAMME**

Williams College offers a year-long program of studies at Oxford University in co-operation with Exeter College (founded in 1314), one of the constituent colleges of the University. Williams students will be enrolled as Visiting Students at Exeter and as such will be undergraduate members of the University, eligible for access to virtually all of its facilities, libraries, and resources. As Visiting Students in Oxford, students admitted to the Programme will be fully integrated into the intellectual and social life of one of the world’s great universities.

Although students on the Programme will be members of Exeter College, entitled to make full use of Exeter facilities (including the College Library), dine regularly in Hall, and join all College clubs and organizations on the same terms as other undergraduates at Exeter, students will reside in Ephraim Williams House. Students on the Williams-Exeter Programme are required to be in residence in Oxford from Thursday, 27 September 2012, until 22 June 2013 with two breaks for vacations between the three terms. Students enroll for the full academic year, which consists of three eight-week terms of instruction: MICHAELMAS TERM (7 October to 1 December 2012), HILARY TERM (13 January to 9 March 2013), and TRINITY TERM (21 April to 15 June 2013). Students are expected to be in residence for their first tutorial papers in the week before the eight weeks of the week (6th through 10th Week) after the term ends in order to sit final examinations. Between the three terms there are two intervening five week vacations, during which students may be expected to continue reading as preparation for their upcoming tutorials. Students are required to arrive in Oxford by 27 September 2012 for the ten-day orientation.

**THE TUTORIAL SYSTEM**

Undergraduate instruction at Oxford University is largely carried out through individual or small-group tutorials, in which students meet weekly with their tutor to present and discuss the essay they have written, based on an extensive amount of reading undertaken from an assigned reading list they receive at the beginning of each term. In addition to the weekly tutorial, students are usually expected to attend a course of lectures offered by the University that corresponds to the material being addressed in their tutorials. Each student will plan a course of studies for the three terms of the academic year in consultation with the director of the Programme. In his or her capacity as the Tutor for Visiting Students at Exeter College, the director, working closely with Exeter’s subject tutors, will arrange the teaching for the students, monitor student progress, be in regular contact with the student’s tutors, supervise the examinations that students sit at the end of each academic term, and report on each student’s academic progress to the Senior Tutor at Exeter College. There are no “add/drop” periods at Oxford; once a student has made a commitment to a particular tutorial course, he or she cannot back out or change the terms of the tutorial. All tutorials at Oxford are graded, although in exceptional circumstances a tutorial may be converted to pass/fail before the end of the fourth week of term with the permission of the Programme director.

Over the course of the three terms, students are required to enroll in a minimum of FIVE tutorial courses (each consisting of eight individual tutorial meetings and generally requiring the preparation of eight essays). It is possible for students, in consultation with their tutor, to spread an eight-session tutorial out over two terms, however. Although most students select the minimum five tutorial courses, many have enrolled in two tutorials per term for a total of six tutorials over their time at Oxford.

**GRADES AND CREDIT**

Grades for each tutorial course reflect the grade assigned to all eight tutorial sessions, including their related essays, considered together, as well as the grade for the final examination. All final examinations are last three hours and are written the eighth week of instruction. For some tutorial courses, tutors may elect to offer the student the option of a final paper or project in lieu of an examination. Upon satisfactory completion of the requirements for the Williams-Exeter Programme at Oxford University, students receive academic credit for a regular Williams academic year, with each eight-session tutorial plus final examination counting as the equivalent of 1.5 regular semester courses taken at Williams. Grades eventually become a part of their Williams transcript and will be included in the computation of their Grade Point Average.

Tutorial courses in Oxford may be used toward fulfilling the divisional distribution requirement; a student may earn a maximum of three distribution requirements, with no more than one from each division, for the year. All tutorial courses at Oxford meet the Williams College “Writing Intensive” designation, except for those in the studio arts, mathematics, and the sciences.

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Tutorial courses in Oxford may also be used to meet major requirements. Students are encouraged to check with their department chair(s) to confirm official department policy.

THE COURSE OF STUDY

In addition to the opportunity to pursue British and Commonwealth Studies, Williams students in Oxford will be able to pursue tutorials in fields in which Oxford is particularly noted (Economics, English Literature, Modern History, Philosophy, Politics, Classics, Theology, the Natural Sciences, etc.). Exeter College also has fellows in English Language and Literature (with interests ranging from the Renaissance—including Shakespeare—to the early nineteenth century), in Politics (with interests in international relations and comparative politics), and in History (with an interest in the medieval period) committed to teaching Williams students, and students are thus encouraged to consider undertaking at least one tutorial course in these fields as part of their course of study.

What follows is a PARTIAL list of tutorial courses normally available to students studying on the Williams-Exeter Programme at Oxford. The tutorials listed below represent a selection of some of the standard “papers” (courses) that comprise the Oxford degrees in various subjects and that are taught in tutorial format, although most are not offered every Oxford term. It needs to be emphasized that this is only a partial list, that the tutorial offerings at Oxford University are incredibly rich, and that one of the attractions of the Programme is that it enables students to define, develop, and pursue their academic interests. Students are therefore encouraged to explore all the courses offered at Oxford even if they are not listed in this Catalog.

Tutorial courses are not offered every term and are often accompanied by scheduled lectures. Although the term in which the lectures are delivered is sometimes listed below, as is the term in which students should take the tutorials (MT-Michaelmas Term; HT-Hilary Term; TT-Trinity Term), these change from year to year. It is therefore imperative that students consult the relevant “faculty” webpages to make sure when the lectures and/or tutorials they wish to take are actually offered. Sometimes, where appropriate, prerequisites are also listed.

A full summary of the list of courses offered by subject can be found at: http://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/undergraduate_courses/courses/index.html. Although some courses descriptions are provided below, detailed descriptions of all the courses listed in this catalog can be found on the websites of respective departments or faculties the links of which can be found at: http://www.ox.ac.uk/divisions/department_az.html. For a full list of lecture in all divisions at the university, visit: http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/pubs/lectures/

Archeology and Anthropology

http://www.anthropology.ox.ac.uk/
http://www.arch.ox.ac.uk/

WIOX Social Analysis and Interpretation
WIOX Cultural Representations, Beliefs, and Practices
WIOX Landscape, Ecology, and Human Evolution
WIOX Urbanization and Change in Complex Societies: Comparative Approaches

WIOX Anthropology

Topics include but are not limited to:
Culture and Society of West Africa
South Asia (Caste and Humanism)
Lowland South America
Maritime South East Asia
Gender in Cross-Cultural Perspective
Human Genetical Variation
Primates in Anthropology
Material Cultural Studies
Visual Anthropology and the Anthropology of Art
Japanese Society
China and the Overseas Chinese
Tibet and the Himalayas
Anthropology of Europe

WIOX Archaeology

Topics include but are not limited to:
The Origins of Modern Humans
Archaeology of southern African Hunter-Gatherers
Farming and Early States in Sub-Saharan Africa
Mesopotamia and Egypt from the Emergence of Complex Society to c. 2000 BC
Mesopotamia and Egypt, 1000-500 BC
Greek Archaeology and Art, c. 500-323 BC
Europe in Transition: The Emergence and Development of Early Farming Societies
Science-Based Methods in Archaeology
Archaeology of Modern Human Origins
The Archaeology of Anglo-Saxon England in the Early Christian Period, c. 600-750
Archaeology and Geographical Information Systems
Landscape Archaeology
The Late Glacial in Europe: Pathways to Complexity?
Biological Techniques in Environmental Archaeology
Themes in European Mesolithic Studies

WIOX Biochemistry, Molecular and Cellular

http://www.bioch.ox.ac.uk/

WIOX Molecular Cell Biology
WIOX Biological Chemistry
WIOX Biophysical Chemistry
WIOX Organic Chemistry
WIOX Mathematics and Statistics for Biochemists
WIOX Structure and Function of Metaboilcs
WIOX Energetics and Metabolic Processes
WIOX Genetics and Molecular Biology
WIOX Cell Biology and the Integration of Function
WIOX Biological Sciences
http://www.biology.ox.ac.uk/

WIOX Evolution (these all have course descriptions)
WIOX Quantitative Methods
WIOX Adaptation to the Environment
WIOX Animal Behavior
WIOX Plants and People
WIOX Ecology
WIOX Cell and Developmental Biology
WIOX Disease

WIOX Chemistry
http://www.chem.ox.ac.uk/

A full list of courses and lectures offered in Chemistry can be found at: http://www.chem.ox.ac.uk/teaching/UndergradHandbook2008.pdf

WIOX Inorganic Chemistry
WIOX Organic Chemistry
WIOX Physical Chemistry
WIOX Mathematics for Chemistry
WIOX Solid State Chemistry

WIOX Classical Archaeology and Ancient History

WIOX Aristocracy and Democracy in the Greek World, 550-450 BC
WIOX Republic to Empire, Rome 50 BC to 50 AD
WIOX Early Greece and the Mediterranean, c.800-500 BC
WIOX Greek Art and Archaeology, c.500-300 BC
WIOX Rome, Italy, and the Hellenistic East, c.300-100 BC
WIOX Roman Archaeology: Cities and Settlements under the Empire
WIOX Egyptian Art and Architecture
WIOX The Late Bronze Age and Early Iron Age Aegean
WIOX Greek and Roman Coins
WIOX Art under the Roman Empire, AD 14-337
WIOX The Transformation of the Celtic World, 500-BC-AD 100
WIOX The Archaeology of the Late Roman Empire, AD 284-641
WIOX Byzantium: The Transition from Antiquity to the Middle Ages, AD 500-1100
WIOX The Emergence of Medieval Europe, AD 400-900
WIOX The Formation of the Islamic World, AD 550-950
WIOX Epigraphy of the Greek and Roman World, c.700 BC-AD 300
WIOX From Julian the Apostate to St Augustine, AD 350-95
WIOX Francia in the Age of Clovis and Gregory of Tours
WIOX Roman History, 146-46 BC
WIOX The Archaeology of Minoan Crete, 3200-1000 BC
WIOX Mediterranean Maritime Archaeology

WIOX Classics
http://www.classics.ox.ac.uk/

A full lecture list of classics courses can be found at: http://www.classics.ox.ac.uk/lectures/leclist.asp?ListType=CL

WIOX Cicero and Catiline
WIOX Greek Literature of the 5th Century B.C.
WIOX Homer, Odyssey, in Greek or in Translation
WIOX Latin Literature of the First Century BC
WIOX New Testament Greek

Ancient History

WIOX Greek History, 479-403 BC
WIOX Greek History, 403-336 BC
WIOX Roman History, 46-BC-AD 14
WIOX Roman History, 46 BC-AD 54
WIOX The Early Greek World and Herodotus’ Histories: 650 to 479 BC
WIOX Thucydides and the Greek World: 479 to 403 BC
WIOX The End of the Peloponnesian War to the Death of Philip II of Macedon: 403 to 336 BC
WIOX Polybius, Rome and the Mediterranean: 241-146 BC
WIOX Republic in Crisis, 146-46 BC
WIOX Rome, Italy and Empire from Caesar to Claudius, 46 BC to AD 54
WIOX Athenian Democracy in the Classical Age
WIOX Alexander the Great and His Early Successors, 336-302 BC
WIOX The Hellenistic World: societies and Cultures c.300-100 BC
WIOX Cicero: Politics and Thought in the Late Republic
WIOX Politics, Society, and Culture from Nero to Hadrian
WIOX Religions in the Greek and Roman World, c.31 BC-AD 312
WIOX Sexuality and Gender in Greece and Rome
WIOX The Greeks and the Mediterranean World, 950-500 BC

WIOX Classics and English

WIOX Epic (Homer, Virgil, Lucan, Milton, Dryden, Pope)
WIOX Tragedy (Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides, Seneca, Kyd, Marlowe, Shakespeare, Jonson, Webster, Middleton, Ford, Milton)
WIOX Comedy ( Aristophanes, Menander, Plautus, Terence, Gascoigne, Lyly, Shakespeare, Jonson, Wycherley, Vanbrugh, Congreve, Sheridan)
All of the Economics teaching is arranged by Oxford’s Economics Department and not by the Director of the Williams-Exeter Programme. Students will be expected to attend the lectures in all terms designated and undertake their tutorial work in the appropriate term. For a full list of courses, visit http://www.economics.ox.ac.uk/index.php/undergraduate/matrix.

**WIOX Quantitative Economics core course**
This is a compulsory course for all PPE (and EM and HE) finalists. The lectures and classes will be given in Trinity Term. The QE course is designed to give students a good understanding of the rationale for and intuition about the application of statistical methods to the analysis of a range of applied economics issues, such as the economics effects of education or the behaviour of aggregate consumption. Topics covered will include descriptive statistics, basic statistical distributions and applications to economic data, sampling and hypothesis testing, regression analysis and the testing and interpretation of regression results, time series modelling and empirical applications of these methods in micro and macroeconomics.

**WIOX Macroeconomics**
Alternative macroeconomic theories and policy implications; aggregate investment and consumption; demand for money; unemployment and inflation; balance of payments adjustment; exchange rates; supply-side policies; monetary and fiscal policy; international aspects of macroeconomic policy—all with special reference to the UK and its membership of the EU. (Similar to Economics 252.)
Prerequisites: Economics 110 and 120. Lectures: HT. Tutorials: HT only.

**WIOX Microeconomics**
Risk, uncertainty and information; the firm and market structures; welfare economics; externalities, public goods, and the sources of market failure; the distribution of income; trade and protection; the applications of microeconomics to public policy issues. (Similar to Economics 251.)
Prerequisites: Economics 110 and 120. Lectures: MT. Tutorials: MT only.

**WIOX Microeconomic Theory**
Rigorous study of core elements of microeconomic theory. Topics may (but not necessarily) include: decisions making under risk and uncertainty; theory of search under uncertainty; models of contracting under asymmetric information; theory of general economic equilibrium; theory of social choice. A descriptive list of the topics will be published on the Economics Web site before the beginning of the year in which the course is taught and examined. Questions will be set requiring candidates to solve problems and demonstrate conceptual understanding of core elements of microeconomic theory.

**WIOX Money and Banking**
The nature and definition of money; the role, behavior, and regulation of banks and other financial intermediaries; the supplies of money and credit; the interest rate structure and equity prices; the aims, instruments, and practice of monetary policy; foreign exchange markets and monetary policy; the relations between monetary and fiscal policy.
Prerequisites: Economics 110, 120, and 252. Lectures and Tutorials: MT

**WIOX Economics of Industry**
Market structures, costs and scale economies; oligopoly and the theory of games; empirical studies of pricing and profitability; advertising and product differentiation; mergers and vertical integration; public enterprises and public policy towards market structure; managerial theories of the firm.
Prerequisites: Economics 110, 120, and 251. Lectures and Tutorials: HT.

**WIOX Labour Economics and Industrial Relations**
Organization and policies of trade unions and employers’ associations; employer-employee relations; the theory and practice of collective bargaining; the role of the government in industrial relations; the application of economic analysis to labor markets; economic aspects of trade unions; the economics of labor policy.
Prerequisites: Economics 110 and 120; Economics 251 or 252. Lectures and Tutorials: MT, HT

**WIOX International Economics**
Theories of international trade and their application to economic policy and current problems; theory and practice of economic integration; current problems of the international trading system; methods of balance of payments adjustment and financing; behavior of floating exchange rates; Exchange Rate Regimes and the International Monetary System. Prerequisites: Economics 110 and 120; Economics 251 or 252. Lectures and Tutorials: MT, HT

**WIOX Command and Transitional Economies**
Traditional command economies, attempts to reform them in the direction of market socialism, and the transition to market economies. Focus is largely on Russia and the nations of Eastern Europe, with some attention to China.
Prerequisites: Economics 110 and 120; Economics 251 or 252. Lectures and Tutorials: MT, HT

**WIOX Public Economics**
Welfare-economic foundations; the measurement of well-being; taxation and incentives; taxation, debt, and behavior over time; health, education, and social security; public goods, externalities and market failure; policy towards natural resources and the environment.
Prerequisites: Economics 110, 120, and 251. Lectures and Tutorials: HT

**WIOX Economics of Developing Countries**
Theories of growth and development; poverty and income distribution; human resources; labor markets and employment; industrialization and technology; agriculture and rural development; monetary and fiscal issues; foreign aid; the role of government in development.
Prerequisites: Economics 110 and 120; Economics 251 or 252. Lectures and Tutorials: MT, HT

WIOX British Economic History Since 1870
Trends and cycles in national income; changes in the structure of output, employment, and capital; the location of industries, industrial concentration, and the growth of large firms; prices, interest rates, and public finance; trade unions and the labor market; poverty and living standards; foreign trade; government policy.
Prerequisites: Economics 110 and 120; Economics 251 or 252 . Lectures and Tutorials: MT, HT.

WIOX Statistical Methods in Economics
This contains a compulsory section on methods of statistical analysis, followed by applications to economics. In methods of statistical analysis you are introduced to elements of probability theory, the standard statistical distributions, estimation and hypothesis testing. The applications in Economics are concerned with the application of techniques of statistical inference to economic problems. Additional techniques which are examined include the seasonal adjustment of time series and the construction of index numbers. The syllabus for this paper is currently under revision.

WIOX Econometrics
The objective of the course is to introduce students to econometrics and regression models. This includes an overview of regression techniques and applications to cross-sectional data and time series data as used in microeconomics and macroeconomics, respectively. The course aims to reach a level of econometrics such that applied economic journals can be read with a good understanding and a critical perspective.

WIOX Comparative Demographic Systems
The course deals with the major subject areas and controversies in contemporary demography. These include: the status of demographic transition models, theories of low fertility and of divergent mortality in the industrial world; the prospects for welfare systems in ageing societies, new forms of family and household and their future; the realities and prospects of mass migration. Population growth, economic development, environmental pressures and new threats to health in the post-war third world will receive attention, and the future of world population as growth rates slacken and poor societies begin population ageing. Intended and unintended consequences of government actions on demographic phenomena, and the historical origins of Europe’s distinctive demography will be emphasised.

WIOX Economics of OECD Countries
This course analyses developments since 1945 in the major OECD economies. A comparative framework is used to examine overall developments, centring on the USA, Japan and Europe. Students may then specialise in one of the major areas. Broad topics covered in comparative perspective include economic growth in the ‘golden age’; the growth and productivity slow-down starting in the 1970s; the rise of unemployment; the inflation of the 1970s and the disinflation of the 1980s and the international monetary system. Within Europe the course focuses on the process of European integration, its results and challenges. It also looks at features of individual economies such as the ‘German model’ and the ‘Swedish model’. The US section covers issues such as the

73 PPE HANDBOOK 2009-10 'new economy' of the 1990s, macro-economic policy and the causes of inequality. The Japanese section includes the transition from rapid growth to stagnation, the Japanese labour market and financial systems.

WIOX Economic Decisions within the Firm
The aim of the course is to introduce the student to operational research models and methods, which are useful for understanding problems as faced by firms and other agents, and for making decisions concerning these problems.
Lectures and Tutorials: MT and HT.

WIOX Game Theory
Game theory is the study of strategic interaction. Some elements of game theory appear in the 2nd-year microeconomics core course. This course will develop the basic concepts studied then, and introduce more advanced material, including recent state-of-the-art research. The focus will be on the application of these concepts to the social sciences. Although the applications for the most part will be drawn from economics, examples from political science and further afield may also be studied.

WIOX Quantitative Economics
To introduce the students to quantitative economics and in particular the notions of empirical distributions, inference and the assumptions for inference, regression analysis, multivariate problems such as the demand and supply model and cointegration in macroeconomic time series. Throughout the ideas will be motivated by data and applied questions. Software for quantitative analysis will be introduced. It is assumed that the students have only little prior experience with quantitative economics, whether it is in the form of probability, statistics or data analysis.
Lectures and Tutorials: TT

WIOX Mathematical Methods
The paper will cover mathematical tools such as Calculus, Linear Algebra, Differential and Difference Equations, Probability and Statistical Inference and their applications to Economics. Applications will not require knowledge of material covered in other optional papers but will assume knowledge of the core first and second year papers. A detailed syllabus will be published every year.

WIOX Economic Theory
Questions on the paper will be on theoretical aspects of economic analysis with applications to topics such as: with applications to topics such as: producers, consumers and general equilibrium; uncertainty and contracts; game theory; welfare and social choice; foundations of macroeconomics; growth theory.
Lectures and Tutorials: MT

WIOX Management
Topics include but are not limited to:
Accounting
Organisational Behaviour and Analysis
Employment Relations
Strategic Management
Marketing
Technology and Operations Management
International Business
Visit the following website for a full list of courses offered: http://www.english.ox.ac.uk/prospective-undergraduates/course-structure.html#fhs

WIOX English Literature (surveys)
The following courses offer general introductions to the literature of specific periods of English history. There are no prerequisites for these courses, but usually they are available only in the terms indicated below. Exeter’s Williams Fellow in English is normally available to teach WIOX 330c, d, e, and f to Williams students; a, b, and g are taught by other tutors.

- English Literature from 600 to 1100 MT, HT
- English Literature from 1100 to 1509 MT, HT
- English Literature from 1509 to 1642 MT, TT
- English Literature from 1642 to 1740 HT, TT
- English Literature from 1740 to 1832 TT
- English Literature from 1832 to 1900 MT
- English Literature from 1900 to present HT

WIOX Shakespeare
Consideration of Shakespeare’s work in its broader literary and historical context, with a focus on both the range of Shakespeare’s writings and the details of specific plays. Students may choose to focus on specific aspects of Shakespeare’s work.

WIOX The History, Theory, and Use of the English Language
The history, use, and theory of the English language, with special reference to literary language, from Chaucer to the present day. Topics in linguistic theory (such as vocabulary, syntax and morphology, social and geographical aspects of the use of English), as well as in the history and theories of literary language (such as figurative language, relations between oral and written discourse, and literary language as persuasion and social action).

WIOX Special Authors
This course allows students to focus in detail on the work of one or more authors. Prerequisite: some background in the close reading of literary texts and a general familiarity with the literature of the period.

WIOX Special Topics
It is open to Williams students to devise a general topic of their own choice for study, falling within one of the categories below, when tutors are available. The option is similar to the Special Topic course followed by third-year Oxford undergraduates. The choice of Special Topic is usually configured so as approximately to correspond chronologically with the period papers on offer at any given point in the year, and with the provision of teaching and lectures—although in practice there may often be some overlap across periods. Prerequisite: some background in the close reading of literary texts and a general familiarity with the literature of the period.
WIOX Fine Art
http://www.ruskin-sch.ox.ac.uk/

WIOX Drawing
WIOX Practical Studio Based Work
WIOX History and Theory of Visual Culture
WIOX Human Anatomy

WIOX Geography

WIOX Earth Systems Processes
The course will require an understanding of the physical geography of the Earth, based around core concepts and principles. Students should be able to display familiarity with mechanisms and processes under the headings of atmosphere, biosphere, and lithosphere, and a grasp of linkages between topics taught under these headings.

WIOX Human Geography
This course will examine the following themes and the relationships between them at a variety of scales: cities, societies, and migrants; ecologies, resources, and economies; territories, states, and identities.

WIOX Critical Thinking for Geographers
This course will require an understanding of the practices of critical thinking, examined using the history of geography, its major debates and episodes as source material.

WIOX Geographical Techniques
The subject will comprise the theoretical and practical aspects of geographical techniques. Students will be expected to be conversant with problem solving in both human and physical branches of the discipline.

WIOX The Geographical Environment: Physical
The Nature of the major world physical environments their internal interrelationships and their significance to humans, plants, and animals; processes of environmental change with particular reference to those that directly affect humans; humans as agents of change in the physical environment.

WIOX The Geographical Environment: Human
The philosophical, technical, and social basis of approaches to and use of the environment; the history, economics, and politics of environmental exploitation and conservation in the major physical regions of the world; the definition of space and territories and the principles of spatial organization in different societies; geographical variations in patterns of resource use, human activity, population growth, and well-being, and their expression in the cultural landscape; the processes of international interdependence.

WIOX The Philosophy, Nature, and Practice of Geography
The development of theory and practice in physical and human geography; the ideas and methods associated with the major schools of thought.

WIOX History
http://www.history.ox.ac.uk/

For more information on History lectures offered, visit: http://www.history.ox.ac.uk/lecturelist/index.htm

For a full list of courses offered in History, please visit:
http://www.history.ox.ac.uk/currentunder/prelims/modhist/index.htm
http://www.history.ox.ac.uk/currentunder/honours/history/index.htm

WIOX General History
The following courses offer general introductions to western history during specific time periods. There are no prerequisites for these courses and tutorials can generally be arranged for them in Michaelmas and Trinity terms.

For a full list of General History courses see:
http://www.history.ox.ac.uk/currentunder/PRELIMS_HBK_2008-9.pdf#page=31
http://www.history.ox.ac.uk/currentunder/honours/history/general/index.htm

General History i, 285-476
General History ii, 476-750
General History iii, 700-900
General History iv, 900-1122
General History v, 1122-1273
General History vi, 1273-1409
General History vii, 1409-1525
General History viii, 1500-1618
General History ix, 1600-1715
General History x, 1715-1799
General History xi, 1789-1871
General History xii, 1856-1914
General History xiii, 1914-1945
General History xiv, 1941-1973
General History xv, Britain’s North American Colonies: from settlement to independence, 1600-1812
General History xvi, From Colonies to Nation: the history of the United States, 1776-1877
General History xvii, The History of the United States since 1863
General History xviii, Imperial and Global History 1750-1914

General History, periods I to IV
The following courses offer general introduction to western history during specific time periods. There are prerequisites for these courses and tutorials can generally be arranged for any of them in Hilary terms.

General History I, 370-900: The Transformation of the Ancient World
General History II, 1000-1300: Medieval Christendom and its Neighbors
General History III, 1400-1650: Renaissance, Recovery, and Reform
General History IV, 1815-1914: Society, Nation, and Empire

WIOX History of the British Isles (surveys)
The following courses offer general introductions to the History of the British Isles, paying particular attention to the evolution and development of Britain as a nation and to the major political, social, and economic trends that have shaped the course of the nation's development.

There are no prerequisites for these courses and while lectures are normally delivered in Michaelmas Term, tutorials can generally be arranged for any of them in Michaelmas and Trinity terms.

For a full list of courses see:
http://www.history.ox.ac.uk/currentunder/PRELIMS_HBK_2008-9.pdf#page=21
http://www.history.ox.ac.uk/currentunder/honours/history/HistoryoftheBritishIsles.htm

I. c.300-1087
II. 1042-1330
III. 1330-1550
IV. 1500-1700
V. 1685-1830
VI. 1815-1924
VII. 1900 to the present

WIOX FHS Further Subjects, Periods I to IV
Offered in Hilary Term, these require attendance in classes as well as tutorials. Each is based on a large number of primary sources which must be read in advance over the Christmas holiday. In order to gain admission to these courses, students must register well in advance, by the end of first week of Michaelmas Term.
http://www.history.ox.ac.uk/currentunder/honours/history/further/index.htm

1. Anglo-Saxon Archaeology of the Early Christian Period. c600-750
2. The Near East in the Age of Justinian and Muhammad, 527-c.700
3. The Carolingian Renaissance
4. The Crusades
5. Culture and Society in Early Renaissance Italy, 1290-1348
6. Flanders and Italy in the Quattrocento, 1420-1480
7. The Wars of the Roses, 1450-1500
8. Women, Gender and Print Culture in Reformation England, c. 1530-1640
9. Literature and Politics in Early Modern England
10. English Society in the Seventeenth Century
11. Society and Government in France, 1610-1715
12. The Metropolitan Crucible, London 1685-1815
13. The First Industrial Revolution, 1780-1870
14. Medicine, Empire and Improvement, 1720 to 1820
15. The Age of Jefferson, 1774-1826
16. Culture and Society in France from Voltaire to Balzac
17. Nationalism in Western Europe, 1799-1890
18. Intellect and Culture in Victorian Britain
20. Imperialism and Nationalism, 1830-1980
21. Modern Japan, 1868-1972
22. British Economic History since 1870 (as prescribed for the Honour School of Philosophy, Politics, and Economics)
23. Revolutionary Mexico, 1910-1940
24. Nationalism, Politics and Culture in Ireland, c.1870-1921
25. A Comparative History of the First World War, 1914-20
26. China in War and Revolution, 1890-1949
27. The Soviet Union, 1924-1941
29. Scholasticism and Humanism
30. The Science of Society, 1650-1800
31. Political Theory and Social Science

WIOX History (Ancient and Modern)
WIOX History and Economics
WIOX History and English
WIOX An Introduction to Literary Studies
WIOX History and Modern Languages
WIOX History and Politics
WIOX Introduction to Politics: Analysis of Democratic Institutions
WIOX History of Art
http://www.hoa.ox.ac.uk/

Visit the following website for a brief summary of the courses offered:
http://www.hoa.ox.ac.uk/admissions/overview.htm

WIOX Introduction to the History of Art
WIOX Antiquity after Antiquity
WIOX European Art, 1400-1800: Meaning and Interpretation
WIOX Objects, Images, and Buildings in Oxford

WIOX Approaches to the History of Art

WIOX Further Subjects in Art
Anglo-Saxon Archaeology of the Early Christian Period (History FS)
The Carolingian Renaissance (History FS)
Northern European Portraiture, 1400-1800
Culture and Society in Early Renaissance Italy, 1290-1348
Flanders and Italy in the Quattrocento, 1420-1480
Court Culture and Art in Early Modern Europe (History FS)
Intellect and Culture in Victorian Britain (History FS)

WIOX Classical, Pre-Modern or Non-Western Art Option
Greek Art and Archaeology, c.500-300 BC
Art Under the Roman Empire, AD 14-337
The Formation of the Islamic World, AD 550-950
Byzantine Art: The transition from Antiquity to the Middle Ages, 500-1100
Gothic Art through Medieval Eyes
Art in China since 1911
Material Culture and the Anthropology of Things
Egyptian Art and Architecture

WIOX Modern Art Option
Literature and the Visual Arts from Diderot to Zola
German Expressionism in Literature and the Visual Arts
European Cinema
Modernism and After
Material Culture and the Anthropology of Things
The Experience of Modernity: visual Culture, 1880-1925
Art in China since 1911

WIOX Special Subjects in Art History
Royal Art and Architecture in Norman Sicily, 1130-1194
Painting and Culture in Ming China
Politics, Art and Culture in the Italian Renaissance: Venice and Florence, c.1475-1525
English Architecture 1660-1720 (Tyack)
A study of the principal buildings of Wren, Hawksmoor, Jones and Vanbrugh in relation to the contemporary historical background.
Prerequisites: ARTH 101 and 102. Lectures: MT, HT. Tutorials: any term.
Art and its Public in France, 1815-67

WIOX Historiography and Methodologies of Art History
An overview of the development of the History of Art as a discipline. The course surveys influential projects of the field and the methods it has adopted for executing them. Topics include: style and periodization; iconography, semiotics; narratology, spectatorship; the social functions of images and the social history of art; art and the market;
gender and sexuality; and art-historical narrative as representation. With permission of the Art Department, counts as ARTH 301.
Prerequisites: ARTH 101-102. Lectures: MT and HT, with permission. Tutorials: depending on availability, any term.

WIOX Human Sciences

WIOX The Biology of Organisms including Humans
WIOX Genetics and Evolution
WIOX Society, Culture, and Environment
WIOX Sociology and Demography
WIOX Quantitative Methods for the Human Sciences

WIOX Behaviour and its Evolution: Animal and Human
WIOX Human Genetics and Evolution
WIOX Human Ecology
WIOX Demography and Population
WIOX Anthropological Analysis and Interpretation
WIOX Sociological Theory

WIOX Law (Jurisprudence)
http://www.law.ox.ac.uk/

Please refer to the Undergraduate Student Handbook at http://denning.law.ox.ac.uk/published/ughandbook.pdf for a detailed introduction to the subject and courses.

WIOX Constitutional Law
WIOX Criminal Law
WIOX Medical Law
WIOX Jurisprudence
WIOX International Public Law
WIOX Contract
WIOX Tort
WIOX Land Law
WIOX European Community Law
WIOX Trusts
WIOX Administrative Law

WIOX Materials Science

WIOX I. Structure of Materials
WIOX II. Properties of Materials
WIOX III. Transforming Materials
WIOXMathematics for Materials and Earth Science

WIOX Structures and Transformations
WIOX Electronic Properties of Materials
WIOX Mechanical Properties
WIOX Engineering Applications of Materials
WIOX Materials, Economics, and Management

WIOX Mathematics
http://www.maths.ox.ac.uk/

Please visit http://www.maths.ox.ac.uk/courses/materials for a full listing of undergraduate courses offered at Oxford. Moderation and Part A courses are most relevant.

WIOX Introduction to Groups, Rings and Fields
Algebra is the study of properties and characteristics of sets with one or two operations: groups, rings, and fields; investigation may lead to the insolubility of the classical construction problems or to the rudiments of Galois theory. Counts as Math 312 at Williams. Prerequisites: Math 209, 251, or Stat 201. Lectures: HT or TT (Mods) and Tutorials HT or TT.

WIOX Topology
Topology is the study of when one geometric object can be continuously deformed and shaped into another object; topics may be drawn from point-set, algebraic, or geometric topology, and from homotopy theory. Counts as Math 324. Prerequisites: Math 301, 305, or 312. Lectures: First 2 weeks of MT (Part A: Analysis (topology of R, R^n), HT (Part A: Topology). Tutorials: HT.

WIOX Probability
Motivated by historical gaming questions, modern probability is concerned with random variables, distribution and expectation, laws of large numbers, and the Central Limit Theorem, with applications from classical and newer fields of study. Counts as Math 341. Prerequisites: Math 211 or 251. Lectures: HT (part A: Probability). Tutorials: HT.

WIOX Number Theory
Analytic or algebraic number theory treats the integers and generalizations thereof with explorations of topics such as primes, divisibility, and congruence along with applications. Counts as Math 313. Prerequisite: Math 211 or 251. Lectures: TT (Part A: Number Theory). Tutorials: TT.

WIOX Real Analysis I, II & III
The theory of calculus as applied in the calculus of variations to various topics which may include geodesics, harmonic functions, minimal surfaces, optimal economic strategies, and general relativity. Counts as Math 301. Prequisites: Math 105 and 211. Lectures: all three terms (mods). Tutorials: over two terms (MT-HT or HT-TT).

WIOX Algebra, Analysis and Differential Equations

WIOX Complex Analysis
The theory of functions of a complex variable. Topics include: Holomorphic functions, Cauchy-Remann equations, Cauchy’s Theorem, Path integration, Residue Theorem. Prerequisites: Math 301. Counts as Math 302. Lectures: MT. Tutorials: MT.

WIOX Mathematics and Computer Science

WIOX Mathematics and Philosophy

WIOX Philosophy of Mathematics

WIOX Mathematics and Statistics

WIOX Medical Sciences

WIOX Neuroscience
WIOX Molecular Medicine
WIOX Myocardial, Vascular and Respiratory Biology
WIOX Infection and Immunity
WIOX Signaling in Health and Disease

WIOX Modern Languages
http://www.mod-langs.ox.ac.uk

WIOX Language Papers
WIOX Linguistic Studies
WIOX Period of Literature or Period Topics
WIOX Early Texts
WIOX Modern Prescribed Authors
WIOX Early Modern Literary Texts
WIOX Special Subjects
WIOX General Linguistics

WIOX Modern Languages and Linguistics

WIOX Music

WIOX Topics in Music History before 1750
WIOX Topics in Music History after 1700
WIOX Techniques of Composition I
WIOX Techniques of Composition II
WIOX Musical Analysis and Criticism
WIOX Musical Thought and Scholarship
WIOX Orchestration
WIOX Music Theory

WIOX Oriental Studies
http://www.orinst.ox.ac.uk/

Courses offered by the Faculty of Oriental Studies include language, literature, history and culture, and there are a wide range of options in such fields as art and archaeology, history, literature, philosophy, religion and modern social studies. Some of these courses may require knowledge of the primary
sources. It is imperative that students possess the requisite language skills before requesting any of these courses.

**WIOX Arabic and Islamic Studies**
Please visit the following link for a brief course outline on Islamic Studies: https://beta.weblearn.ox.ac.uk/access/content/group/a55c44d3-9f21-4dec-b48c-2dc6fa4e4bee/Handbooks/Handbook_BA_Islamic.pdf

- Arabic
- Persian
- Turkish
- Arabic Literature

Islamic History, 570-1500
Islamic Religion

Further Subjects:
- Hadith
- Early Islamic Monetary History
- Classical Arabic literary texts
- The Ethos of the jahiliya in the Muallaqa of Imrul-Qays
- Early Islamic historiography
- Early Islamic art and archaeology, 550-1250
- Muslims and Christians in Sicily, 827-1246
- The rise of the Sufi orders in the Islamic world, 1200-1500
- Sufism
- Ghazali, Munqidh
- Ibn Tufayl, Hayy ibn Yaqzan
- Ibn al-Arabi Fusus al-Hikam
- Religion and politics during the Mongol period
- Ottoman state and society, 1566-1700
- History of the Middle East in the late Ottoman age, 1750-1882
- A modern Islamic thinker (e.g., Sayyid Qutb, Mohamed Talbi, Rashid Rida)
- Modern Arabic vernacular literature, 1900 to the present day
- Society and Culture in the Modern Arab World
- History of Jewish-Muslim Relations
- Later Islamic art and architecture, 1250-1700

**WIOX Chinese**
Information on core courses offered can be found at https://beta.weblearn.ox.ac.uk/access/content/group/a55c44d3-9f21-4dec-b48c-2dc6fa4e4bee/Handbooks/Handbook_BA_Chinese.pdf

- Modern Chinese prose composition
- Spoken Chinese
- Unprepared translation from Modern Chinese
- Classical Chinese I
- Classical Chinese II: Narrative Prose
- Special Texts
- Modern Chinese
- History of Chinese in the 19th and 20th Centuries

**WIOX Egyptology and Ancient Near Eastern Studies**

**WIOX Hebrew**
Biblical and Rabbinic Hebrew
Medieval and Modern Hebrew
Please visit the following link for a guideline on undergraduate courses offered in Hebrew: https://beta.weblearn.ox.ac.uk/access/content/group/a55c44d3-9f21-4dec-b48c-2dc6fa4e4bee/Handbooks/Handbook_BA_Hebrew.pdf

**WIOX Japanese**
Japanese
Information on core courses offered can be found at https://beta.weblearn.ox.ac.uk/access/content/group/a55c44d3-9f21-4dec-b48c-2dc6fa4e4bee/Handbooks/Handbook_BA_Japanese.pdf

- Japanese Prose Composition
- Japanese unprepared translation I: classical and modern literature
- Japanese unprepared translation II: modern non-fiction

Special Texts:
- Classical Literature
- Theatre
- Modern Literature
- Politics
- Society and social history
- Economics
- Linguistics

Special Subjects:
- Japanese art
- Japanese history I: to 1185
- Japanese history II: feudal Japan
- Japanese history III: the emergence of modern Japan, 1868-1972
- The government and politics of Japan
- The intellectual history of the Tokugawa period
- The history of modern Japanese literature to the end of the Tokugawa period
- The history of modern Japanese literature from the beginning of the Meiji period
- Modern Japanese economic history
- The modern Japanese economy
Japanese theatre
Japanese linguistics

Korean is only offered as a minor at Oxford, as a subsidiary language to Chinese or Japanese majors. However, Williams students can choose from one of the three papers (courses) that are offered: Korean Language, Korean Text Reading and Korean History and Culture.

Korean History I: to 1392
Korean History II: 1392 to 1876
Korean History III: 1876 to the present

WIOX Jewish Studies
The following courses are offered under Jewish Studies and may require knowledge of biblical or modern Hebrew.

Biblical History
Biblical Archaeology
Biblical Narrative
Biblical Prophecy

Second Temple Judaism
Second Temple History
History of the Talmudic Period
Medieval Jewish History
Jewish Aramaic Literature

Hasidism
Modern Jewish Society
State of Israel
Modern Hebrew Literature
Yiddish Literature

History of Jewish-Christian Relations
History of Jewish-Muslim Relations
History of Jewish Bible Interpretation
Hebrew Texts for Jewish Studies

Biblical Religion
Medieval Jewish thought
Modern Jewish History
Modern Judaism

For more information, please read the Jewish Studies Handbook at: https://beta.weblearn.ox.ac.uk/access/content/group/a55c44d3-9f21-4dec-b48c-2dc6fa4ebee/Handbooks/Handbook_BA_Jewish_Studies.pdf

WIOX Persian

Persian prose composition and unprepared translation
Spoken Persian
Classical Poetry: Lyric Genres
Classical Poetry: Narrative Genres
Classical Prose
Modern Literature
Modern social and political writing

Persian History and Culture: General Questions
Iranian history from 1501 to 1722
Iranian history from the rise of the Qajars to the end of the Constitutional Revolution
Iranian history from 1921 to 1979
The development of Shi’ism up to the late 19th century
Modern Shi’ism

WIOX Turkish

Unprepared translation from Ottoman and modern Turkish
Translation into Turkish and essay in Turkish
Spoken Turkish
Ottoman historical texts
Turkish political and cultural texts, 1860 to the present
Modern Turkish literary texts
Turkish and Ottoman literary texts, 1300-1900
Turkish literature: general questions
Turkish language reform and language politics from 1850 to the present day
Islamic History, 570-1500
The Ottoman Empire, 1300-1566
The Ottoman Empire, 1566-1807
The Ottoman Empire and the Republic of Turkey

WIOX Additional Languages

Akkadian
Aramaic and Syriac
Armenian
Hindi
Old Iranian
Pali
Prakrit
Sanskrit
Tibetan

WIOX Philosophy
http://www.philosophy.ox.ac.uk/
The following link takes you to a complete listing of philosophy undergraduate courses:
http://www.philosophy.ox.ac.uk/undergraduate/course_descriptions

Although Lectures and Tutorials are given term designations, students need to go to the Philosophy Faculty website to insure that these have not been changed.

WOX The History of Philosophy from Descartes to Kant
A consideration of the main philosophical ideas of the period, focusing in particular on the work of Descartes, Spinoza, Leibniz, Locke, Berkeley, Hume, and Kant.
No prerequisites. Lectures: MT and HT. Tutorials: any term.

WOX Knowledge and Reality
Knowledge and justification; perception; memory; induction; other minds; a priori knowledge; necessity and possibility; reference; truth; facts and propositions; definition; existence; identity; substances, change, events; properties; causation; space; time; essence; realism and idealism; primary and secondary qualities.

WOX Ethics
Ethical concepts (obligation, goodness, virtue); objectivity and the explanation of value beliefs; moral psychology; freedom and responsibility; consequentialism and deontology; self-interest, prudence, and amorality; rights, justice, and equality; Kant; happiness, welfare, and a life worth living.
No prerequisites. Lectures: MT and HT. Tutorials: any term.

WOX Philosophy of Mind
The nature of persons; the relation of mind and body; self-knowledge; knowledge of other persons; consciousness; perception; memory; imagination; thinking; belief; feeling and emotion; desire; action; subconscious and unconscious mental processes.
Prerequisites: Philosophy 101 or 102. Lectures: MT and HT. Tutorials: any term.

WOX Philosophy of Science and Philosophy of Psychology and Neuroscience
A) The nature of theories; scientific observation and method; scientific explanation; the interpretation of laws and probability; rationality and scientific change; major schools of philosophy of science.
B) Philosophical issues arising from the history and practice of psychology and neuroscience.

WOX Philosophy of Science and Social Sciences
A) The nature of theories; scientific observation and method; scientific explanation; the interpretation of laws and probability; rationality and scientific change; major schools of philosophy of science. B) Social meaning; individualism; rationality; rational choice theory; the explanation of social action; prediction and explanation in economics; historical explanation; ideology.
Prerequisites: Philosophy 101 or 102. Lectures: MT. Tutorials: HT or TT.

WOX Philosophy of Religion
An examination of claims about the existence of God, and God’s relation to the world; their meaning, the possibility of their truth, and the kind of justification which can or needs to be provided for them; the philosophical problems raised by the existence of different religions.
Prerequisites: Philosophy 101 or 102. Lectures: MT. Tutorials: any term.

WOX Philosophy of Logic and Language
Topics will include meaning, truth, logical form, necessity, existence, entailment, proper and general names, pronouns, definite descriptions, intentional contexts, adjectives and nominalization, adverbs, metaphor, and pragmatics.
Prerequisites: Philosophy 101 or 102. Lectures: HT. Tutorials: HT or TT.

WOX Aesthetics and the Philosophy of Criticism
The nature of aesthetic value; the definition of art; art, society, and morality; metaphor; criticism and interpretation; expression; pictorial representation.
Focus on the principal authorities on the subject, including Plato, Aristotle, Hume, Kant.
Prerequisites: Philosophy 101 or 102. Lectures: HT. Tutorials: HT or TT.

WOX Medieval Philosophy: Aquinas

WOX Medieval Philosophy: Duns Scotus, Ockham

WOX The Philosophy of Kant

WOX Post-Kantian Philosophy
The main developments of philosophy in Continental Europe after Kant, excluding Marxism and analytical philosophy. Students choose to focus on one or more of the following philosophers: Hegel, Schopenhauer, Nietzsche, Husserl, Heidegger, Sartre, Merleau-Ponty.
Prerequisites: Philosophy 101 or 102. Lectures: all three terms. Tutorials: any term.

WOX Theory of Politics
The critical study of political values and of the concepts used in political analysis: the concept of the political; power, authority, and related concepts; the state; law; liberty and rights; justice and equality; public interest and common good; democracy and representation; political obligation and civil disobedience; ideology; liberalism, socialism, and conservatism.
Prerequisites: Philosophy 101. Lectures: MT and HT. Tutorials: any term.

WOX Plato

WOX Aristotle

WOX Frege, Russell, and Wittgenstein

WOX The Later Philosophy of Wittgenstein

WOX Formal Logic

WOX Intermediate Philosophy of Physics

WOX Advanced Philosophy of Physics

WOX Philosophy of Mathematics
This paper is a comparative study of the national party and institutional systems of Europe, and of comparative issues in European politics, including
to be considered: the nature of the state; government an political institutions; party and elect-
ological and political activities of the executive, legislature, judiciary and civil service; of the powers of Parliament and local government; of the devolution of power to regions of the UK; and of the political influence of the media and pressure groups. The interaction of these political institutions with the European Union is also studied. Current and recent proposals for reforming the constitution are a particular focus of attention. The course includes the examination of a wide range of primary documents, including parliamentary papers and government reports. It aims to provide candidates with the ability to retrieve and analyse official information and other primary documents and to place them in historical and political context. On completion of the course students will be familiar with the detailed workings of British governmental institutions, with decision-making processes in government and the evolution of strategies for managing the public sector, and with the political dynamics of the system.

Lectures: all three terms. Tutorials: any term.

WIOX Government and Politics of the United States
The constitution; federalism and separation of powers; the presidency; congress; the federal courts; the federal bureaucracy; parties and the party sys-
tem; electoral politics; mass media; interest groups; state and local politics; processes of policy formation and implementation; political culture.

Comparative focus on governmental structures and political processes in at least three Western European nations, normally France, Germany, and Italy.

Lectures: MT. Tutorials: any term.

WIOX Politics in Europe
This paper is a comparative study of the national party and institutional systems of Europe, and of comparative issues in European politics, including democratization, institutional relations political economy and party politics.

WIOX Russian Government and Politics
The government and politics of the Soviet Union (especially 1953-1991) and of post-Soviet Russia, focusing on the changing relationships between political institutions and on the process of political transformation. Topics include: political leadership; ideology and political culture; the national question and federalism; the relationship between economic and political power.

Lectures: HT and TT. Tutorials: HT and TT.

WIOX Politics in Sub-Saharan Africa
Students will learn about the politics of the countries of Sub-Saharan Africa with respect to their political institutions, political sociology, and political economy. The following topics may be considered: nationalism; forms of government, civilian an military; parties and elections; conditions for democ-
ocracy; class, ethnicity, religion, and gender; business, labour and peasantry; structural adjustment and agricultural policies; the influence of external agencies.

WIOX Politics in Latin America
Students will learn about politics in Latin America; the structure of government of the major states of the area; their political sociology and political economy. The following topics may be considered: presidential systems; the role of congress; public administration; party and electoral systems; the politics of major groups such as the military, trade unions and business groups, and the churches; political ideologies; political movements; the politics of economic stabilization; the politics of gender; theories of regime breakdown, and of democratic transition and consolidation; the influence of exter-
nal factors.

WIOX Politics in South Asia
Students will learn about political developments in South Asian countries since their independence, with regard to their political institutions, political sociology, and political economy. The following topics may be considered: the nature of the state; government an political institutions; party and elec-
toral systems; politics in the provinces or states of a federation; the evolution of political ideologies; the politics of gender, caste, religion, language, ethnic regionalism, and national integration; the political economy of development, social change, and class relations; 'New' social movements and Left politics; regional conflicts in South Asia and the influence of external factors on South Asian politics. South Asia is taken to include India, Paki-
stan, Sri Lanka, and Bangladesh.

WIOX Politics in the Middle East
Students will learn about political developments in South Asian countries since their independence, with regard to their political institutions, political sociology, and political economy. Topics to be considered may include the emergence of the state system in the modern Middle East; the influence of colonialism and nationalism in its development; the military in state and politics; party systems and the growth of democratic politics; the politics of religion; women in the political sphere; the influence of major inter-state conflicts and external factors on internal politics. The Middle East is taken to comprise Iran, Israel, Turkey, and the Arab States.

WIOX International Relations in the Era of the Two World Wars
The relations among the major powers, 1945-91, including domestic and external factors shaping foreign policy: the origins and course of the Cold War, including détente and the end of the Cold War; East–West relations in Europe with particular reference to the foreign policies of France and the Federal Republic of Germany; European integration; the external relations of China and Japan, especially with the USA and USSR; decolonization; conflict in the developing world.

WIOX International Relations
Lectures are usually in MT and HT.

WIOX International Relations in the Era of the Cold War
The relations among the major powers, 1945-91, including domestic and external factors shaping foreign policy: the origins and course of the Cold War, including détente and the end of the Cold War; East–West relations in Europe with particular reference to the foreign policies of France and the Federal Republic of Germany; European integration; the external relations of China and Japan, especially with the USA and USSR; decolonization; conflict in the developing world.

WIOX Political Thought: Bentham to Weber
A critical study of the political theorists, including Bentham, Mill, Hegel, Saint-Simon, Tocqueville, Marx, Weber, and Durkheim.

WIOX Political Thought: Plato to Rousseau

WIOX Marx and Marxism
A critical study of modern social and political theorists, including Bentham, Mill, Hegel, Saint-Simon, Tocqueville, Marx, Weber, and Durkheim.

WIOX Social Policy
The course enables students to develop a critical understanding of welfare
states, different approaches to social policy, and definitions and explanations of problems such as poverty, deprivation, and social exclusion. It permits students to draw on different perspectives in their previous study of, for example, public economics or political theory. Students are expected to read widely in the empirical research literature on policy formulation and implementation and to make themselves familiar with current statistics and reports. The course encourages students to engage with both theoretical principles and empirical evidence across a range of issues and policy areas such as: the development and problems of welfare states; voluntary effort and the informal sector; the mixed economy of welfare; citizenship, rights, markets and welfare; the impact of demography on social policy; poverty, inequality, deprivation and social exclusion; urban policy and inner cities; underclass and welfare dependency; income maintenance; family policy; health policy; housing policy and homelessness; education policy; ageing societies. Principles, concepts and institutions are analysed on a cross-national basis. Where specific policy areas are examined, the focus is on contemporary Britain. However, the policies of EU member states and other countries are considered when these have a bearing on British arrangements.

WIOX Comparative Demographic Systems

WIOX Quantitative Methods in Politics and Sociology
Students will be expected to develop an understanding of applications of quantitative methods in politics and sociology including the following: the principles of research design in social science: data collection, the logic of causal inference, and comparative method; major statistical methods and concepts: types of random variables, independence, correlation and association, sampling theory, hypothesis testing, linear and non-linear regression models, event-history analysis, and time-series. Candidates will also be expected to interpret information and show familiarity with major methodological debates in Politics and Sociology.

WIOX Politics in China
This course will enable students to acquire a knowledge and understanding of the recent history and contemporary politics of China. China has been in transition from the long rule of Mao Zedong since 1978, and its politics and society have transformed radically during that period. Students will gain an understanding of the Chinese Communist party (the most powerful Communist party left in the world), looking at its historical background before analysing its current strategy to remain in control of China in the post-Cold War era. The reform era under Deng Xiaoping and Jiang Zemin will be analysed through a variety of themes, including elite politics and the Tian’anmen crisis of 1989, rural reforms, urban culture, and gender. China’s new status as a regional power in international relations will also be examined, as well as its relations with Taiwan and Hong Kong, two very different Chinese societies. This course will allow students to develop a strong knowledge of one of the world’s most important countries, and could serve as a foundation for further work in and about China in journalism, business, government, NGOs and academic research. Please note that demand sometimes outstrips teaching supply on this paper.

WIOX The Politics of the European Union
The history and development of the institutions of European integration since the 1950s; the structure and power of the Council, the Commission, and the Parliament; growth and expansion into Eastern Europe; monetary integration and the advent of the Euro; future prospects. Tutorials: any term.

WIOX Philosophy and Theology
WIOX The Gospels and Jesus
WIOX God, Christ, and Salvation
WIOX The Development of Doctrine in the Early Church to 451
WIOX Christian Moral Reasoning

WIOX Physics and Astrophysics
http://www.physics.ox.ac.uk/
http://www-astro.physics.ox.ac.uk/

Students can access the list of courses at http://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/undergraduate_courses/courses/physics.html

WIOX Thermal Physics
The course includes statistical methods and probability distributions, the Boltzmann distribution, the Maxwell-Boltzmann velocity distribution function, molecular effusion, collision times and transport processes (viscosity, thermal conductivity and self-diffusion), the laws of thermodynamics, energy, entropy, equations of state, thermodynamic potentials, chemical potential and phase changes. Prerequisites: Physics 210.

WIOX Electromagnetism and Optics
Similar to the counterpart at Williams, we study electromagnetic phenomena and their mathematical description. Topics include electrostatics, magnetic fields, electromagnetic induction, DC and AC circuits, electromagnetic properties of matter, mutual inductance and the transformer, Maxell’s equations, displacement current and electromagnetic waves in vacuum. Prerequisites: Physics 201. Recommended Physics 202.

WIOX Quantum Physics
Synopsis of the course: Amplitudes, quantum states, the energy representation, Operators and observables. The TDSE, the position representation, Particle dynamics, Two slits revisited, extensions to three dimensions, composite systems, Harmonic oscillator: the stationary states, Dynamics of oscillators, Motion in a magnetic field, Transformations and observables: transformations of kets, Transformations and observables: transformations of operators, Symmetries & conservation laws, geometry and commutators, The square well, A pair of square wells, ammonia maser, Reflection by

WIOX Condensed Matter Physics
WIOX Laser Science and Quantum Information Processing
WIOX Condensed Matter Physics
WIOX Particle Physics
WIOX Physics of Atmospheres and Oceans
WIOX Theoretical Physics
WIOX Biological Physics

WIOX Stellar Structure and Cosmology
WIOX Physics and Philosophy
WIOX Physiological Sciences
WIOX Physiology and Pharmacology of the Systems of the Body
WIOX Neuroscience
WIOX Biochemistry and Cell Biology
WIOX Psychology, Philosophy, and Physiology
http://www.psy.ox.ac.uk/

The list of courses usually pursued by Oxford students can be found at http://www.psy.ox.ac.uk/undergrad/coursestructure_PPP and http://www.psy.ox.ac.uk/undergrad/coursestructure_EP.

WIOX Introduction to Psychology
Methods and Topics in: individual differences; social behaviour; animal behaviour; the neural basis of behaviour; perception; learning; memory; language; cognition; skills; abnormal behaviour

WIOX Developmental Psychology
Psychological development: the biological and physiological, environmental and hereditary influences which affect development in humans; evidence from comparative studies; development of intelligence and personality; sex differences; developmental aspects of perceptual and cognitive processes.

Prerequisite: Psychology 101. Lectures: MT and TT. Tutorials: TT recommended.

WIOX Social Psychology
The biological and cultural background to social behavior; comparison of animal and human social behavior; communication and social interaction; behavior in organizations; social relationships and exchange processes; cognitive social psychology.
Prerequisite: Psychology 101. Lectures: MT. Tutorials: MT recommended.

WIOX Individual Differences
Origins and development of differences in human abilities, personalities, and attributes; their analysis, measurement, and understanding.
Prerequisite: Psychology 101. Lectures: MT and HT. Tutorials: HT recommended.

WIOX Psychological Disorders
The “abnormal” nature of abnormal behavior; theories and classifications of abnormal behavior; causes and treatment.
Prerequisite: Psychology 101. Lectures: HT. Tutorials: HT recommended.

WIOX Brain and Behaviour
WIOX Language and Cognition
WIOX Multisensory Perception
WIOX Psychology of Religion
WIOX Cognitive Neuroscience
WIOX Behavioural Neuroscience
WIOX Human Experimental Psychology:
WIOX Perception, Attention, and Information Processing;
WIOX Language and Cognition
WIOX Experimental Design and Statistics

WIOX Theology
http://www.theology.ox.ac.uk/

A full list of lecture courses can be found at http://resources.theology.ox.ac.uk/lecseries.phtml

WIOX God and Israel in the Old Testament
WIOX Jesus and the Gospels
WIOX Pauline Literature
WIOX The Development of Doctrine in the Early Church to AD 451
WIOX God, Christ, and Salvation
WIOX History and Theology of Western Christianity, 1040-1350
WIOX History and Theology of Western Christianity, 1500-1619
WIOX Christian Life and Thought in Europe and the English-Speaking World, 1789-1921
WIOX Issues in Theology, 1789-1921
WIOX Philosophy of Religion
WIOX Christian Moral Reasoning
WIOX The Nature of Religion
WIOX The Formation of Rabbinic Judaism
WIOX Judaism in History and Society
WIOX The Classical Period of Islam
WIOX Islam in the Modern World
WIOX Early Buddhist Doctrine and Practice
WIOX Buddhism in History and Society
WIOX Brahminism
WIOX Bhakti
WIOX Old Testament Prophecy and Apocalyptic
WIOX Old Testament Wisdom and Liturgy
WIOX The Hebrew of the Old Testament
WIOX Archaeology in Relation to the Old Testament
WIOX Religions and Mythology in the Ancient Near East
WIOX Hebrews to Revelation
WIOX The New Testament in Greek
WIOX Varieties of Judaism, 100 BC - AD 100
WIOX The Beginnings of the Church and Its Institutions to AD 170
WIOX Christian Liturgy
WIOX Early Syriac Christianity
WIOX History and Theology of the Church in the Byzantine Empire from AS 100 to AD 1453
WIOX Science and Religion
WIOX Christian Spirituality
WIOX The Sociology of Religion
WIOX Psychology of Religion
WIOX The Bible: Its Use and Influence
WIOX English Church and Mission, 597-754

WIOX The Christian Doctrine of Creation
WIOX The History of the Church from Nero to Constantine
WIOX Introduction to the Study of Religions
WIOX Aquinas
WIOX Augustine
WIOX Christology from Kant to Troeltsch, 1789-1914

WIOX Theology and Oriental Studies

WIOX Buddhism
WIOX Eastern Christianity
WIOX Hinduism
WIOX Islam
WIOX Judaism

NON-CREDIT FOREIGN LANGUAGE STUDY

In addition to their regular tutorial courses, students may begin or continue the study of a wide range of foreign languages on a non-credit basis through a variety of arrangements available through the University as well as a number of other educational and cultural institutions in the city of Oxford. The Programme normally subsidizes such study.

STUDENT LIFE

By virtue of the fact that, while in Oxford, they are officially Visiting Students at the University and full members of Exeter College-Williams students are offered every opportunity to become fully integrated into student life in Oxford. Both Exeter College and Oxford University are home to an exceptional variety of sports clubs, debating societies, interest groups, cultural organizations, and social activities, virtually all of which are available to Visiting Student members of the University. Students are encouraged to participate fully in the social life of Exeter College-to dine in Hall as often as they wish, to frequent the College bar, to use the College facilities, and to become members of the various College clubs and organizations. Furthermore, Williams students also have access to the University’s athletic events, concerts, theatrical productions, museums, and libraries. All Williams students in Oxford are encouraged to join the Oxford Union, which, in addition to its debating activities and club rooms, possesses dining facilities and the largest lending library in the University.

At the Ephraim Williams House, all Williams students are housed in large double rooms and enjoy full access to the House’s library, common rooms, laundry facilities, computer lab, and a large dining room, in which a weekly catered meal is served during the eight weeks of term. There are also a number of small kitchens in the House which students may use. The entire house has high-speed wireless internet access. Bedrooms are hard wired for high-speed internet access and are fully equipped with furnishings, bed linens, and a telephone. The grounds include a courtyard, sheltered bike racks, barbecue facilities, and gardens. A number of student jobs are available during the academic year for students who wish to earn a little spending money by helping to maintain the facilities and organize Programme activities. Ephraim Williams House is a short bike or bus ride (or a twenty-minute walk) from Exeter College and the center of town, and is within easy walking distance of the University parks and the local shops, restaurants and banks of Summertown. The Programme will partially subsidize student bus passes to facilitate travel around Oxford.

Before the academic year begins—on Thursday, 27 September 2012—ten days of orientation activities are scheduled. Students are expected to be in residence for all of these many activities, some of which take place in Ephraim Williams House, others at Exeter College. At this time students will become acquainted with the workings of the Programme, of Exeter College, and of the University, and will be familiarized with the rules and regulations they are expected to abide by during their residence in Oxford.

Throughout the academic year, provision will be made for trips to a few of sites of historical, cultural, or political interest. In the past these have included the Cotswolds, Salisbury, Stratford, Stonehege, Bath, Wells, Warwick Castle, Blenheim Palace, and various sites of interest in London. Students will also be given the opportunity to attend a number of theatrical productions and other cultural events. Oxford’s proximity to London gives students ready access to that city’s multiple attractions and many resources. The Oxford-London train service is frequent and the journey takes just over an hour. The buses to London run even more regularly (and are generally cheaper), and the one-way journey takes about ninety minutes.

During the summer before students arrive in Oxford, they will receive a copy of the latest edition of Ephs Among the Dreaming Spires, which will further explain the perks, policies, and procedures of the Programme, the rules and regulations they are expected to follow, and tips for how best to enjoy a fulfilling year in and around Oxford.

ILLNESS AND INSURANCE

Students must ensure they are covered either by the Williams College health insurance policy or by some other comprehensive health insurance plan (generally a family health insurance policy). While in Britain, students will be covered by the National Health Service (NHS) for routine visits at the Group Medical Practice attached to Exeter College and for emergency hospital treatment. The Programme also works with a physician in private practice attached to a local private hospital. Prescription drugs are available through the NHS for a nominal fee. There are limited outpatient psychological counseling services available through the NHS and the Programme, although as Visiting Students at the University, Williams students are entitled to make use of the University Counseling Centre. Any extensive or long-term counseling, however, would need to be covered by the student’s personal health insurance policy. Finally, students are not likely to be covered under the NHS for medical services received in foreign countries, especially those countries that do not enjoy membership of the European Union.

FEES

The tuition and room fees paid by students on the Williams-Exeter Programme at Oxford are the same as those for a year spent in residence at Williams. Students are responsible for some of their own meals and for all of their personal expenses. They are also responsible for arranging and funding the cost of their air travel in and out from Britain, although they may select to take the group flight to London arranged by the Programme at competitive rates. They are provided with three meals a day for the first four or five days in Oxford and with a weekly catered meal in Ephraim Williams House during the eight weeks of term. They may also eat breakfast, lunch, and/or dinner on any day of the week at Exeter. Students will not be charged the full Williams board fee during their year in Oxford, but they will pay a proportion of the board fee to help cover these costs. For planning purposes, students and their parents should expect the cost of a year on the Programme to be roughly the same as a year at Williams. Financial aid eligibility will be figured on the usual basis of tuition, fees, room, board, and personal and book expenses, as if the student were at Williams for the year. Similarly, the normal self-help contribution would be expected. Since the academic year ends later at Oxford than at Williams, the summer earning expectations for students for the following year will be reduced by one half and the difference will be made up by additional Williams aid.

APPLICATION

Admission to the Programme is on a competitive but flexible basis. Students must apply to the Dean’s Office by the prescribed deadline (normally early in February) and, prior to applying, should consult with the chair of their major department. Any questions students might have about curricular offerings at Oxford can also be raised with the director of the Programme in Oxford. In addition to completing the formal application form, students can expect to be interviewed at Oxford and subsequently need to complete an application for Visiting Student status at Oxford University. All admissions to the Programme are subject to approval by Exeter College. Students can expect to be notified of acceptance before Spring Break. It is normally expected that they will have completed the College’s distribution requirement by the end of their sophomore year. In making its decisions, the Admissions Committee of the Williams-Exeter Programme at Oxford University takes student GPA into account, with a minimum GPA requirement of 3.50, expects all applicants to have demonstrated capacity for rigorous independent work and extensive essay writing, and looks favorably on those students whose intellectual maturity, curiosity and enthusiasm would best prepare them for a demanding course of study in Oxford. All applicants must identify two Williams faculty members who are willing to provide references. Because of the emphasis at Oxford on weekly written work for each tutorial course, at least one of those faculty members should be able to offer an assessment of the applicant’s writing ability.
The Williams College-Mystic Seaport Maritime Studies Program offers students a unique opportunity to explore the ocean, travel the Atlantic, Pacific, and Gulf coasts, and undertake original research of their own design in the humanities and sciences. Sophomores, juniors, and seniors of all majors welcome. A term at Williams-Mystic includes credit for one semester plus one winter study requirement, as well as intensive writing course credit. Four Williams courses are offered as an integrated, multidisciplinary curriculum in the semester-long program at Mystic Seaport, in Mystic, Connecticut: Maritime History, Literature of the Sea, Marine Policy, and either Marine Ecology or Oceanography (see the Maritime Studies section in this catalog). Travel includes an offshore voyage on the open ocean sailing aboard a tall ship, a seminar along the Pacific Coast, and a Louisiana field seminar, all of which are cross-disciplinary and interdisciplinary exercises. Students live in historic, cooperative, co-ed houses at Mystic Seaport, the world’s largest maritime museum, and have full access to world-class maritime collections, a maritime library, a state-of-the-art Marine Sciences teaching and research center, and diverse coastal habitats (where field research can be undertaken in a wide variety of environments, ranging from tidepools and salt marshes to sandy beaches and estuaries). Students also participate in maritime skills under professional instruction, with choices such as celestial navigation, music of the sea, boat building, or small boat handling and sailing. Williams-Mystic seeks candidates who are willing to try new things and work in a compelling academic environment. No sailing experience necessary. Participation in Williams-Mystic can also be used in partial fulfillment of the Maritime Studies Concentration at Williams. Interested students should email admissions@williamsmystic.org, call (860-572-5359), visit the website (www.williams.edu/williamsmystic), or obtain a Williams-Mystic catalog from the Dean’s office. Applications are on the web and at the Dean’s office.

MAST 211(F,S) Oceanographic Processes (Same as Geosciences 210)
(See under Maritime Studies for full description.) GILBERT

MAST 231(F,S) Literature of the Sea (Same as English 231) (W)
(See under Maritime Studies for full description.) KING

MAST 311(F,S) Marine Ecology (Same as Biology 231)
(See under Maritime Studies for full description.) CARLTON

MAST 351(F,S) Marine Policy (Same as Environmental Studies 351)
(See under Maritime Studies for full description.) HALL

MAST 352(F,S) America and the Sea, 1600-Present (Same as History 352) (W)
(See under Maritime Studies for full description.) GORDINIER
WINTER STUDY PROGRAM

REMEMBERS ABOUT WSP REGISTRATION

All students who will be on campus during the 2011-2012 academic year must register for WSP. Registration will take place in the early part of fall semester. If you are registered for a senior thesis in the fall which must be continued through Winter Study by departmental rules, you will be registered for your Winter Study Project automatically. In every other case, you must complete registration. First-year students are required to participate in a Winter Study that will take place on campus; they are not allowed to do 99's. Even if you plan to take a 99, or the instructor of your first choice accepts you during the registration period, there are many things that can happen between registration and the beginning of Winter Study to upset your first choice, so you must list five choices. You should try to make one of your choices a project with a larger enrollment, not that it will guarantee you a project, but it will increase your chances. If you think your time may be restricted in any way (ski meets, interviews, etc.), clear these restrictions with the instructor before signing up for his/her project. Remember, for cross-listed projects, you should sign up for the subject you want to appear on your record. For many beginning language courses, you are required to take the WSP Sustaining Program in addition to your regular project. You will be automatically enrolled in this Sustaining Program, so no one should list this as a choice. The grade of honors is reserved for outstanding or exceptional work. Individual instructors may specify minimum standards for the grade, but normally, fewer than one out of ten students will qualify. A grade of pass means the student has performed satisfactorily. A grade of perforatory pass signifies that a student’s work has been significantly lacking but is just adequate to deserve a pass. If you have any questions about a project, see the instructor before you register. Finally, all work for WSP must be completed and submitted to the instructor no later than January 26, 2012. Only the Dean can grant an extension beyond this date.

WINTER STUDY 99’S

Sophomores, juniors and seniors are eligible to propose “99’s,” independent projects arranged with faculty sponsors, conducted in lieu of regular Winter Study courses. Perhaps you have encountered an interesting idea in one of your courses which you would like to study in more depth, or you may have an interest not covered in the regular curriculum. In recent years students have undertaken in-depth studies of particular literary works, interned in government offices, assisted in foreign and domestic medical clinics, conducted field work in economics in developing countries, and given performances illustrating the history of American dance. Although some 99’s involve travel away from campus, there are many opportunities to pursue intellectual or artistic goals here in Williamstown.

99 forms are available online: http://www.williams.edu/Registrar/winterstudy/99direct.html

The deadline for submitting the proposals to faculty sponsors is September 29, 2011.

AFRICANA STUDIES

AFR 10 Black Gospel Music, History and Performance Ensemble (Same as Music 10) A historical look at and performance ensemble covering American Black Gospel, stressing the vocal tradition of the African American Church. Vocalist and rhythm section players are strongly urged to participate. Course will consist of historical workshops and rehearsals of Gospel music. Required reading The Gold-ent Age of Gospel by Horace Clarence Boyer and Lloyd Yearwood and will require a minimum of 7-page report. Music covered for performance and rehearsals will cover music from the mid 1800’s to contemporary gospel music. Field trip will include trip to a African American Church service(Sunday morning). Concert will be given by ensemble at end of semester. Requirements: 7-page paper, performance of ensemble occurring at the end of semester and a field trip to church.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 30. If overenrolled, preference given to seniors.

Cost: $50.

Meeting time: mornings.

AVERY SHARPE (Instructor)

SINGHAM (Sponsor)

Legendary Bassist Avery Sharpe has performed with Jazz greats from McCoy Tyner to Dizzy Gillespie. Sharpe has a strong up bringing in “The Church of God in Christ” and is a Gospel Historian.

AFR 13 Understanding Similarities, Bridging Differences (Same as Latina/o Studies 13 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 13) (See under LEAD 13 for full description.)

TAJ SMITH (Instructor)

KITTLESON (Sponsor)

AFR 24 Politics and History in Cuba (Same as History 24 and Political Science 24) (See under PSCI 24 for full description.)

BENSON and MAHON

AFR 29 Eyewitness to the Civil Rights Movement: Mississippi, 1964-1965 (Same as History 29) (See under HIST 29 for full description.)

AFR 30 Senior Project

To be taken by students registered for Africana Studies 491 who are candidates for honors.

AMERICAN STUDIES

AMT 10 Experimenting with Poems

This is a poetry-writing class but not your typical poetry workshop. We will not be writing the sorts of first-person “expressive” lyric poems privileged in The New Yorker magazine nor will we be approaching poetry as if it began with a capital “P.” Poetry should not seem intimidating or esoteric or hoity-toity—in other words, forget everything you learned in high school and in your English classes about poetry.

You will be given various short readings by poets, assigned brief exercises, and asked to write a few poems. We will experiment with various aspects of poems—from sounds and visual layout to syntax and pronouns and other things. By the end of the course, you will have completed a portfolio of four to five poems. To take this class you do not have to have written any poetry before or taken a poetry class. Just bring your interest and curiosity!

Requirements: final portfolio of 4-5 poems, short exercises, class participation.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10.

Cost: $30.

Meeting time: afternoons.

WANG

AMT 15 Contemporary American Songwriting (Same as Special 15) (See under SPEC 15 for full description.)

AMST 30 Senior Honors Project

To be taken by students registered for American Studies 491 or 492.

ANTHROPOLOGY AND SOCIOLOGY

ANSO 11 Berkshire Farm Internship

A field placement at Berkshire Farm Center and Services for Youth in Canaan, New York. Berkshire Farm Center is a residential treatment facility for troubled, at-risk adolescent boys who have been remanded by the Family Court for treatment and intervention. These youths come primarily from lower socio-economic strata, are very ethnically diverse, and hail from both urban and rural areas throughout New York State. The issues that bring them to placement are mainly a result of the psychological scars developed from physical, emotional, and sexual abuse. The manifested behaviors include chemical dependency, juvenile delinquency, inability to function in the school setting, inability to follow the rules at home, running away and/or mental health issues. The residential treatment model is strength based and focuses on teaching healthy decision making. Williams students will commute to Berkshire Farm and work under supervision in various settings including school, cottage life, substance abuse program, recreation, adventure-based therapy, performing arts, animal husbandry or individual tutoring. The students are responsible to be proactive in developing their learning experience. Requirements: students will keep a journal reflecting on their experiences,
and a weekly seminar with the instructor will draw on service learning experiences. Students will also be required to submit a final 10-page paper at the end of the course. Prerequisites: YOU MUST HAVE A TELEPHONE INTERVIEW WITH THE INSTRUCTOR, who can be reached at 518-265-6218. Enrollment limit: 15. Please note: all queries about this course should be directed to the instructor.

Donelle Hauser, LMSW, is the Non-Secure Detention Program Coordinator, Burnham Youth Safe Center, Berkshire Farm Center

Cost: $25 to cover transportation to and from Berkshire Farm Center. Meeting times to be arranged.

DONELLE HAUSER (Instructor)
NOLAN (Sponsor)

Donelle Hauser, LMSW, is the Non-Secure Detention Program Coordinator, Burnham Youth Safe Center, Berkshire Farm Center.

ANSO 12 Children and the Courts: Internship in the Crisis in Child Abuse

The incidence of reported child abuse and neglect has reached epidemic proportions and shows no signs of decreasing. Preventive and prophylactic social programs, court intervention, and legislative mandates have not successfully addressed this crisis. This course allows students to observe the Massachusetts Department of Social Services attorney in courtroom proceedings related to the care and protection of children. Students will have access to Department records for purposes of analysis and will also work with social workers who will provide a clinical perspective on the legal cases under study. The class will meet regularly to discuss court proceedings, assigned readings, and the students’ interactions with local human services agencies. Access to an automobile is desirable but not required; some transportation will be provided as part of the course.

Requirements: full participation, a journal, and a 10-page paper to be submitted at the end of the course.

Enrollment limit: 15. Please note: all queries about this course must be directed to the instructor, Judge Locke (phone messages may be left at 458-4833).

Cost: $25 for books and photocopies. Meeting times to be arranged.

JUDITH LOCKE (Instructor)
NOLAN (Sponsor)

Judith Locke is Associate Justice of the Juvenile Court, Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

ANTH 15 Afghanistan in Photos and Film

This course looks at how Afghanistan has been represented in photographs and film since the advent of photography as a royal hobby in Afghanistan in the late 19th century, through mid-twentieth century National Geographic photo layouts and Hollywood films like The Bengal Lancers, The Man Who Would be King and The Horsemen, culminating finally in contemporary Afghan and foreign photojournalism and film (feature and documentary) on the current crisis in Afghanistan. In the course, we will read articles and books on Afghan history and culture and examine the work of theorists on visual representation. Students will be expected to develop a photo or video essay for inclusion on a newly developed website dealing with media representations of Afghanistan.

Requirements: final video/photo project.

Prerequisites: some knowledge of web design and/or video editing. Enrollment limit: 12.

Cost: no more than $100 for books and reading materials.

Meeting time: at least 3 times a week, for approximately 6-8 hours each week; there may be evening meetings, depending on the schedules of individual instructors.

NICHOLAS H. WRIGHT ’57 MD, MPH, and others (Instructor)
NOLAN (Sponsor)

Dr. Wright is a retired medical epidemiologist, and lives in Williamstown.

ANTH 17 Learning Intervention For Troubled Teens (LIFTT) (Same as Legal Studies 17 and Special 17)

(See under LGST 17 for full description.)

ANTHROPOLOGY

ANTH 31 Senior Thesis

To be taken by students registered for Anthropology 493-494.

SOCIOLOGY

SOC 10 Trajectories of Economic Practices in India

With much hubris, India is being hailed as an economic giant in the making. In this course, we will examine representations of Indian economic production and its spaces of consumption. This course will also examine economic themes in relation to South Asia through lenses from anthropology, sociology and history. The course will examine contemporary economic practices and set them against a canvas which links history, culture, and politics. Multiple readings aim to push participants to closely study the workings of commonly assumed economic practices, by pointing to their specificity in different parts of India, and with an aim to interrogate popularized domains of economic activity that touch on information technology, industrial production, telephony etc.

Requirements: full participation and attendance, 3 class presentations, and 3 extended essays.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15. If overenrolled, selection will be based on an application.

Cost: $70.

Meeting time: afternoons.

VALLANI

SOC 31 Senior Thesis

To be taken by students registered for Sociology 493-494.
ART

ART HISTORY

ARTH 10 Art and Exhibition (Same as Latina/o Studies 10)
Asco was a collaborative group of Chicano artists active in Los Angeles from 1972-1987. During this time they produced a wide array of experimental and conceptual art works that were often ephemeral and spanned various media including performance, video, photography, muralism, and other innovative multimedia practices. A retrospective focused on this artists group is being organized by the Los Angeles County Museum of Art and the Williams College Museum and will be on view at WCMU during spring semester 2012. This class will provide the opportunity to study this work closely and explore the museum installation process. We will examine techniques used by museums to organize and display works of art, consider the challenges posed by performance and conceptual-based art, and introduce and investigate methods used for presenting such projects in other recent exhibitions. We will also explore the role of education in museum exhibitions. Course readings will be taken from the exhibition catalogue, additional materials on the artists, and art reviews. Writing projects will be modeled on museum educational texts, including explanatory brochures, short interpretative texts (such as, wall labels and object labels), and educator’s guides.
Requirements: weekly assignments, collected writing portfolio (12-15 pages), oral presentations.
Prerequisites: ARTH 102 or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 12. Priority given to Art majors and Latina/o Studies concentrators.
Cost: $100 for books.
Meeting time: mornings.
CHANLOWE AND E.J. JOHNSON

ARTH 11 Editorial Cartooning and the Art of Propaganda (Same as Political Science 11)
This hands-on course, taught jointly by an editorial cartoonist for a major metropolitan daily newspaper and a member of the Art Department faculty, introduces students to the “Ungentlemanly Art” through discussion and an emphasis on the creation of their own work. It is not an art course so much as an exercise in developing the mind to distill abstract concepts and opinions into visual and verbal symbols that can be clearly, economically and persuasively communicated to the reader. In addition, elements of creativity and ways to harness its potential will be explored. Previous drawing experience is neither a prerequisite nor an advantage. In fact, non-art majors are particularly encouraged to enroll. The basics of perspective, proportion, and shading will be covered as needed to provide all students with the necessary skills to express themselves. What is much more important is that the prospective student have an inquisitive mind, a healthy interest in the current national discourse, a willingness to enter into spirited classroom discussion, and an appreciation of satire. Class assignments will be critiqued in a non-threatening atmosphere. The instructor, who will be continuously producing daily cartoons for his newspaper, will also present his own work for criticism. Class meetings, at least two hours per meeting three days a week, will alternate between the studio experiences described above and lectures that will acquaint students with aspects of the history of caricature, cartooning and art with a propagandistic or overtly political purpose. The lectures will provide students with knowledge that they can, if they choose, use in their own work as cartoonists.
The success of this course depends on the commitment and motivation of all participants. Course requirements will include the drawing of several editorial cartoons per week, outside reading and viewing of news media (including analysis and commentary by the nation’s opinion shapers), and active involvement in class discussion. There will be a field trip to the Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge.
To be considered for acceptance, applicants are requested to email Chan Lowe, in advance, a short statement (max. 200 words), describing an issue currently in the national spotlight, and why it resonates with them. Email: chanlowe@bellsouth.net
Enrollment limit: 15.
Cost: $75 for art materials.
Meeting time: afternoons.
CHAN LOWE AND E.J. JOHNSON

ARTH 31 Senior Thesis
To be taken by students registered for ArtH 493, 494.

ARTH 33 Honors Independent Study
To be taken by candidates for honors by the independent study route.

ART STUDIO

ARTS 12 Figure Modeling
This course is designed as an introduction to the challenges of working with the figure in a sculptural context. The class will be structured as a working studio with the students sculpting in clay from a live model. The first half of the course will emphasize learning the technical and physiological aspects of the human figure: structure, proportion, gesture, and basic anatomy. The latter half of the course will be concerned with the creative aspects of working with the figure and of developing individual interpretations of the human form. In addition to working studio sessions, there will be two presentations on the human form in art. Each student will be evaluated on the success of their sculpture, attendance, participation, and effort. This course requires approximately 15 hours per week of individual investigations into the human form.
Prerequisites: ARTS 100. Enrollment limit: 12. Priority given to art majors.
Cost: $105.00.
Meeting time: afternoons.
POMMORE

ARTS 13 Design Garage
This course is a hands-on deep dive into impactful design. Explicitly and implicitly, we will use design to promote, encourage, and intervene towards sustainability at Williams. By learning and applying design techniques to this real-world challenge, students will emerge with an actionable and tested concept for a new product, service, or experience. The format of final projects will range depending on student passions in each small group team, but all will tackle inspiring questions. For example: How might we design a program that reduces water waste without decreasing pleasurable water usage? How might we design a backpack that supports re-use of materials with satirical living style? How might we design a mobile phone application that rewards groups of friends for reducing energy use throughout their day? Each class session will introduce new methods that are part of a user-centered design process with a lens towards sustainability. We will practice ethnographic interviewing, needfinding, rapid ideation, improvisation, brainstorming, physical, digital and experiential prototyping, in-situ testing, and idea-pitching. Each session will be high-energy and require hands-on participation and radical collaboration. Students should expect to spend time outside of class working with their project team. No specific skills or prior experience are necessary, and students from any and all disciplines are encouraged to apply.
Evaluation will be based on successful completion of weekly assignments, and a final, physical, project and public presentation.
No prior experience with art or design is necessary, but a willingness to get messy while learning is required.
Cost: $80.
Meeting time: mornings.
CARISAA CARTER (Instructor)
Glier (Sponsor)

Carissa Carter is a practicing user experience and product designer. She merges her background as a geologist with a passion for purposeful and informed design to both explore and push design methods as well as create physical products. Her personal research involves combining digital crowdsourcing tech-
niques of hand-drawn maps collected from thousands of people around the world to gather design insights. She graduated from Williams College and has a graduate degree in design from Stanford University. Carissa has worked as a designer and consultant for startups as well Google Inc, and currently works full-time as a user experience design lead for Herman Miller Inc.

ARTS 25 Art of Experience in Egypt: Visual Documentation of Journey and Encounter

This studio art course immerses students in the contemporary culture of Egypt through travel in Luxor, Aswan and Cairo. Using watercolor, graphite and pen, students learn a range of approaches for visually documenting their experiences and encounters. As traveling artists, we repeatedly return to the following questions: How porous is being; where does the self end and the ‘other’ begin? What does it mean to be an artist traveler? Can we say that one encounter is ‘more authentic’ than another?

Williams College students will work with art students from the Luxor College of Fine Art during the first 10 days of the trip. Through sketchbook work and assignments on larger format paper, students will undergo a “Drawing Intensive” in the marketplaces, at cultural sites like Hassan Fathy’s New Gourna Village and Karnak Temple, and on the Luxor College campus for the study of portraiture. A Luxor College faculty member and I will provide specific skill and concept-building workshops. We will then spend three days in Aswan working in landscape, and 5 days in Cairo in order to visit artist studios, museums and other cultural sites. After the trip, students will meet to prepare an art exhibition and presentation for the Williams College community. This course requires more preparation than is usual for a WSP course; it requires attendance at evening orientation meetings and a studio workshop during the Final Semester. Preliminary sketchbook work and assigned cultural, political and historical readings including a complete text by a contemporary Egyptian author must be completed by the start of Winter Study Period. The first three days of Winter Study will take place on the Williams College campus for reading discussions, presentations, and studio workshops. Only those who can attend from the first day of Winter Study are eligible for this trip.

Requirements: completed sketchbooks and assignments, and successful execution of final project. In addition, a supportive demeanor throughout the trip and group critique participation are required.

Prerequisites: prior drawing experience strongly suggested, but not required; open to all but first-year students. Enrollment limit: 10. Students will be selected on the basis of individual interviews, campus recommendations, and seniority.

Cost: approximately $3000.

JULIA MORGAN-LEAMON (Instructor)
H. EDWARDS (Sponsor)

Julia Morgan-Leamon is a painter, installation artist, and media producer. She received her MFA in Visual Arts from Vermont College of Fine Arts, and her BA in Studio Art from Mount Holyoke College. In 2009, she was one of 25 international artists invited to participate in the Luxor International Painting Symposium and residency.

ASIAN STUDIES

ASST 11 Lessons in Go (Same as Mathematics 11)
(See under MATH 11 for full description.)

DEVAODSS

ASST 31 Senior Thesis

To be taken by all students who are candidates for honors in Asian Studies.

CHINESE

CHIN S.P. Sustaining Program for Chinese 101-102

Students registered for Chinese 101-102 are required to attend and pass the Chinese Sustaining Program. Classes meet Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 9:00-9:50. Prerequisite: Chinese 101. Evaluation will be based on regular attendance and active participation. Cost: one xerox packet.

LANGUAGE FELLOWS

CHIN 10 Theory and Practice of Chinese Cooking

Much more than in the US., in China people are always talking about food; as the Chinese saying has it, min yi shi wei tian ‘the people consider eating as heaven.’ This hands-on course will foster an appreciation of the historical and cultural background of Chinese cooking, as well as the development of practical skills in preparing a variety of Chinese dishes. To the extent possible, we will use locally available ingredients (organic if possible) to cook authentic Chinese food, primarily Chinese home cooking. Since climate has had a huge impact on availability of ingredients, the course includes an introduction to the four primary regions, or schools, of Chinese cooking—Northern, Eastern, Western, and Southern. While we will cook most dishes together, every student will also have the opportunity to cook independently. Students will be expected to complete assigned readings, write book reviews, view films outside of class and write film reviews, dine at a Chinese restaurant, interview chefs, write food critiques, and shop at an Asian supermarket to learn about the various cooking ingredients.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 8. In case of over enrollment, preference will be given to seniors, and then juniors.

Cost: $100 for materials.

Meeting time: two three-hour sessions per week from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

JERLING KUBLER (Instructor)
CHANG (Sponsor)

CHIN 31 Senior Thesis

To be taken by all students who are candidates for honors in Chinese.

JAPANESE

JAPN S.P. Sustaining Program for Japanese 101-102

Students registered for Japanese 101-102 are required to attend and pass the Japanese Sustaining Program. Classes meet Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 9:00-9:50. Prerequisite: Japanese 101. Evaluation will be based on regular attendance and active participation. Cost: one xerox packet.

YAGI

JAPN 10 Looking into Nihongo and Its Culture

Have you ever studied Japanese or thought of studying Japanese? This is an ideal course for students who are curious about the Japanese language and culture. It will examine different aspects of Japanese language (Nihongo) in comparison to English and other languages through broader theoretical perspectives. We will discuss variation and change in Nihongo, sounds and scripts of Nihongo, gestures and signals in Nihongo, interaction strategies in Nihongo, and selected popular culture genres from comics to cell-phone novels. Requirement: Class participation, reading and homework assignments (data collection and analysis). 6-7 page research paper and presentation on selected issues on Japanese language.

No prerequisite; no Japanese language ability is required to take this course, but some knowledge would be very helpful. Students will be asked to collect speech samples.

Cost: about $50 for books and printed materials.

Meeting time: mornings.

YAMAMOTO

JAPN 11 The Samurai in Japanese Film

Some of the finest films ever crafted and celebrated in cinematic history have projected the lives and legends of the samurai. Like the gunfighter and cowboy of the American West, the samurai is an extraordinarily iconic figure, if not, an enduring expression of a distinct Japanese ethos. This course will examine the samurai genre, the formulation of the samurai character, the code of Bushido he lived by, and the multiple roles he has assumed in Japanese filmmaking. Whether as a warrior or loyal retainer to his lord, a symbol of purity of purpose or tragic sacrifice, the samurai has usually been apotheosized as a noble, revered hero. Why? Notwithstanding this image, the films in this course will trace the rise and fall of the samurai class, the tangled legacies of its demise, and ultimate disappearance at the end of the Shogunate era, when Samurai cut their top knots before the turn of the twentieth century, and put up their swords for good. The focus of this class will be on the films of Kurasawa, Gosha, Kobayashi, Okamoto and Inagaki.

Requirements: students will write a 6- to 7-page evaluation after the completion of each film. No prerequisites, but class attendance and participation is required. Enrollment limit: 30.

Meeting time: MWF, 10-12, with additional film screenings to be announced.

FRANK STEWART (Instructor)
YAMAMOTO (Sponsor)

JAPN 13 Japanese Animation (Same as Comparative Literature 13)
(See under COMP 13 for full description.)

C. BOLTON
ASTRONOMY

ASTR 11 The Amber Room and Hidden Treasures: Impressionist Art Held Hostage? (Same as History 11 and Special 12)
The course will explore the plunder of European cultural treasures during World War II, focusing on the Germans’ seizure of Russia’s famed amber panels (“the eighth wonder of the world”) from the Catherine Palace outside of Leningrad in 1942 and the removal of priceless Impressionist art (the “Hidden Treasures”) from Russia by the victorious Soviet army in 1945. Along the way we will look at Russian entrepreneurs’ leadership in collecting Impressionist art prior to World War I and the political, economic, and social changes that resulted in the Hermitage’s rich Impressionist holdings after that war. Not incidentally, we will also focus on the painterly goals of the Impressionists and the political and cultural environment that affected their fortunes in France. Finally, returning to the present, we will examine the calculations that have prompted the State Hermitage Museum to hold the “Hidden Treasures” hostage pending Germany’s uncertain return of the Amber Room panels to Russia. Other examples of wartime looting and recovery, including the issues surrounding return of art that involved such luminaries as Williams professor Laurence Faison will provide a starting point for students to explore further whatever aspects of the saga—artistic, social or political—interest them. Interest in how history and politics affected the fate of Impressionist artists and their art lies behind the conception of this project.

On the Astronomy Department side, the current status of the Amber Room was visited in suburban St. Petersburg, while reconnoitering for the 2008 total solar eclipse that was later observed from Siberia. Williams astronomers will, in 2012, observe the transit of Venus, only the fifth to occur since M. V. Lomonosov and Chappe d’Auteroch observed the 1761 transit of Venus from St. Petersburg and Siberia, respectively. Chappe d’Auteroch’s description of Siberia and of its inhabitants, and of the Russian peoples in general, was so negative that Catherine herself wrote a rebuttal. These aspects will be covered in a guest lecture by Prof. Pasachoff.

Evaluation will be based on class presentations and a 10-page research project.

No prerequisites, however, interest in art history and/or French and Russian cultural history is recommended. Enrollment limit: 30. If overenrolled, preference will be given to history and art history majors, or students interested in taking art history or cultural history courses.

Cost: $50 to cover photocopy costs and purchase of The Amber Room, by Scott-Clark and Levy, 2004 (“reads like a Cold War Thriller” and presents the saga of the amber panels search in all its frustrating complexity).

Meeting time: 11:00-12:15, MWF.

MARGO R. BOWDEN (Instructor)

PASACHOFF (Sponsor)

Margo Bowden is a former independent school history and politics teacher in New York as well as a NYC Teaching Fellow and an adjunct professor at Queens College. She served as a docent at the Guggenheim Museum before becoming a docent at the Clark Art Institute.

ASTR 12 Transits: Venus’s Atmosphere, the Size of the Solar System, and Planets Around other Stars

Transits of planets across the faces of their parent stars have been and continue to be a powerful method of astronomical discovery. The exceedingly rare transits of Venus—seen only recently in 1639, 1761, 1769, 1874, and 1882—were, since the work of Edmond Halley, the main way foreseen of measuring the size and scale of the Solar System, leading to over 100 expeditions being sent around the world in the 18th and 19th centuries. We will discuss not only the science but also the human stories involved: Le Gentil being marooned near India in 1761 and choosing to stay on until 1769; Captain Cook observing the 1769 transit from Tahiti and, as long as he was nearby, going on to explore the coasts of Australia and New Zealand; Henry Chamberlain Russell organizing and observing the 1874 transit from Australia; Jules Janssen inventing his “revolver” to take multiple photos, a precursor to movie cameras, soon after he escaped from Paris in a balloon to observe a total solar eclipse. Nobody on Earth had been alive to see a transit at the time of the 2004 transit that a Williams College team observed from Greece and with space satellites. Now we are preparing to observe the 5-6 June 2012 transit of Venus with 19th-century and 21st-century telescopes. Students in the course can participate in planning and testing historic and new equipment.

The transit method is being used in the 21st century by NASA’s Kepler spacecraft to detect, so far, over 1000 planets around other stars, and the number is continually rising. Another spacecraft and ground-based telescopes are similarly studying transits of such “exoplanets.” We will discuss the process and the results of these discovery searches. The discovery of these planetary systems, and consideration of the implications for our role in the Universe, is one of the most exciting topics in contemporary astronomy.

Evaluation will be based on class presentations and two 5-page papers.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 30. If overenrolled, selection will be based on a brief personal statement.

Cost: $50.

Meeting time: two-hour classes twice a week, Tuesdays and Fridays.

PASACHOFF

ASTR 31 Senior Research

To be taken by students registered for Astronomy 493, 494.

ASTROPHYSICS

ASPH 31 Senior Research

To be taken by students registered for Astrophysics 493, 494.

BIOLOGY

BIOL 10 Observational Drawing from the Natural World

This is a drawing course for science students and others who are interested in working on developing their skills in drawing from nature. Much of the class work will deal directly with drawing from plant forms and the animal world and to this end we will be using an interesting collection of stuffed mounts and skeletons that belong to the Williams Biology department. We will also spend time in the Morley greenhouse. Beyond the subject matter at hand, assignments will also address and analyze the more formal aspects of drawing and two-dimensional design with outside assignments including independent visits to the Clark, the WCMA study collection and the Chapin Library of Rare Books.

Evaluation will be based on completion of in-class work and outside drawing assignments with a focus on the depiction of content, effort, and development of the work. Evidence of technical and skill development as well as attendance and participation will also be taken into consideration. Exhibition and review of work at the final class meeting is required.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 20. If overenrolled, selection will be based on seniority.

Cost: $75.

Meeting time: 3 hours, twice a week.

JOHN RECCO (Instructor)

SWOAP (Sponsor)

John Recco lives and works in Hoosick, NY and holds an MFA from Columbia University. He has taught at a variety of institutions including Bennington College and Williams. He is the recipient of numerous awards including a Fulbright, fellowships at Yaddo, The Millay Colony, The European Cultural Centre of Delphi, Greece and a NYSCA Individual Artist Grant.

BIOL 11 Project BioEyes: Zebrafish Genetics and Development in the K-12 classroom

Project BioEyes brings tropical fish to 4th and 11th grade classrooms in Williamstown and beyond, in a science teaching workshop. Elementary and high school students will breed fish in the classroom, then study their development and pigmentation during one week per school. Williams students will write lesson plans that adapt the project to the science curriculum for the grades we visit, work with classroom teachers to introduce concepts in genetics and development, help the K-12 students in the classroom, and assess student learning. A final eight-page paper describing the goals and outcomes for each grade level is required. No zebrafish experience is necessary; during the first week students will learn to set up fish matings, and learn about embryonic development and the genetics of fish pigmentation, as well as about supporting the K-12 curriculum with hands-on experiments using living animals. In the subsequent two weeks we will work at the schools, and in the final week, students will write up the assessment data.

Evaluation will be based on a final 8-page paper.

Prerequisites: Biology 101 or equivalent, or permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 8.

Cost: $50.

Meeting times: varies depending on needs of schools and on laboratory requirements.

JENNIFER SWOAP (Instructor)

SWOAP (Sponsor)

Jennifer Swoap, an elementary school teacher, currently coordinates Williams Elementary Outreach, where Williams students teach hands-on science lessons at area elementary schools.

JAPN 31 Senior Thesis

To be taken by all students who are candidates for honors in Japanese.
BIOL 13 Ferment,Leaven and Curdle: Pickle, Bake, Cheese-Make!
In this class we will learn simple and effective techniques for creating fluffy focaccia, rich panzer and quick kimchee. Students will complete the course with an in-depth understanding of the importance of yeast, rennet and bacterial-mediated fermentation in food production. Theory will come to life through practical, hands-on investigation of these biological processes, as they are involved in baking, cheese making and pickling. Each class will involve a lesson, cooking practice and tasting.
Students will be expected to read short articles on the cultural history and basic biology of each featured cooking technique, as well as articles on related hot topics such as the raw-milk debate. Students will be encouraged to practice baking, pickling and cheese making at home and to bring in their questions for troubleshooting. A short writing assignment on a special technique or culinary topic of the student’s choosing will be due each week. When time permits, we will discuss these findings in class. A final paper on a richly debated issue in food production will be due at the end of the course. Development of cooking skills, attendance and participation will also be evaluated.
Local milk and flour will be used!
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15 (depends on oven/kitchen space). If overenrolled, selection will be based on seniority.
Cost to student: $80.
Meeting time: 3 hours, twice a week. 6 pm-9 pm (location: Paresky Bakery).
RACHEL RUGGLES (Instructor)
SWOAP (Sponsor)

Rachel Ruggles studied anthropology at the University of Massachusetts in Boston and is a graduate of the Cambridge School of Culinary Arts. Her love of culture and cuisine is reflected in her wide repertoire of cooking techniques and recipes. She currently bakes and makes cheese professionally in Williams-town.

BIOL 21 Science Beyond Williams
Are you interested in hands-on experience in a science-related field beyond the Purple Valley? Are you curious to explore science in a university or medical school research lab, a government agency, or a not-for-profit organization? This course is designed to help students take part in scientific work or research going on outside of Williams in order to provide them with a broader sense of what it is like to work in a professional scientific setting. Any field of science or technology can be explored via this course.
In consultation with the course instructor, students will use resources such as the Office of Career Counseling, science faculty members, and Williams alumni/ae to locate a mentor in the student’s area of interest at a work site in the United States. Once the course instructor approves the arrangement for a mentored, hands-on experience for three weeks of Winter Study, the student will prepare for the internship by reading literature related to the project, and discuss the readings with a faculty sponsor here at Williams in November/December. Once on site, students must remain in contact with their Williams faculty sponsor by having a weekly phone conference. Participating students would not have to be on campus during WSP prior to beginning their fieldwork. Strong interest, enthusiasm and willingness to plan and prepare for the internship are required for this course.
Evaluation will be based on a 10-page paper and post-WSP public presentation to a relevant department or program on the goals and accomplishments of the project.
Prerequisites: two semesters of relevant course work in science and/or mathematics.
Enrollment limit: 10.

DEWITT

BIOL 22 Introduction to Biological Research
An experimental research project will be carried out under the supervision of Biology Department faculty. It is expected that the student will spend 20 hours per week in the lab at a minimum, and a 10-page written report is required. This experience is intended for, but not limited to, first-year students and sophomores.
Interested students must submit an application form available on the Biology Department webpage: http://biology.williams.edu/current-students/applications/
Prerequisites: Biology 101. Enrollment limit: 15.
Cost: none.
Meeting time: mornings
DEWITT

BIOL 31 Senior Thesis
To be taken by students registered for Biology 493, 494.

CHEMISTRY

CHEM 11 Science for Kids (Same as SPEC 11)
Are you interested in teaching? Do you enjoy working with kids? Do you like to experiment with new things? Here is a chance for you to do all three! The aim of this Winter Study Project is to design a series of hands-on science workshops for elementary school children and their parents. Working in teams of 2-4, students spend one half of a week of Winter Study planning the workshop (based on the interests of the students involved) followed by choosing and designing experiments and presentations that will be suitable for fourth-grade children. On the third weekend of Winter Study (January 21, 22) we bring elementary school kids with their parents to Williams to participate in the workshops. You will have a chance to see what goes into planning classroom demonstrations as well as a sense of what it’s like to actually give a presentation. You find that kids at this age are great fun to work with because they are interested in just about everything and their enthusiasm is infectious. You also give the kids and their parents a chance to actually do some fun hands-on science experiments that they may not have seen before, and you are able to explain simple scientific concepts to them in a manner that won’t be intimidating. It is a rewarding experience for all involved.
Evaluation is based on participation in planning and running the workshops. Each group is expected to prepare a handout with descriptions of the experiments for the kids, parents, and teachers.
No prerequisites. You need not be a science major; all that is needed is enthusiasm.
Enrollment limit: 23.
Meeting time: mornings. Classes meet three times a week for approximately three hours each session. The workshop is run on the third weekend of Winter Study (January 21, 22) and attendance from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. is mandatory that weekend. There are also one or two brief meetings held in the fall term for preliminary planning.
Cost: $0.
KAPLAN and RICHARDSON

CHEM 12 Spanish for the Health Sciences
The course is intended for those students with interest in the health sciences and with some knowledge of Spanish who want to develop their vocabulary and conversational skills. The course covers essential dialogues associated with health assessment interviews as well as extensive review of physiology, biochemistry, and public health issues affecting Spanish speaking communities in the United States. The class is open to both Spanish proficient and health sciences oriented students.
Evaluation is based on class participation, final projects, a 10-page paper, and a class presentation.
Prerequisite: Intermediate to Advanced Spanish. Enrollment limit: 12. If the course is overenrolled, preference will be given to seniors, juniors, and those who express the most and earliest interest and enthusiasm by email to Professor Peacock-Lopez (epeacock@williams.edu).
Meeting time: 9:00 a.m. to noon, three days per week.
Cost: $100 for books.
PEACOCK-LOPEZ

CHEM 13 The Principles and Practice of Peptide Chemistry
The course consists of lecture/discussion and hands on laboratory work. The lecture and lab sections meet on alternate days; the lecture in the morning and laboratories in the afternoons. Some days may involve "long" lab days where the work begins in the morning, followed by a lunch period, then finishing in the afternoon.
The lecture covers the development of synthetic techniques since the time of Fisher and Curtius through current methodology in use today: methods of peptide bond formation and the problem of racemization, amino acid side chain protecting groups, solution and solid phase methodologies, orthogonal protection schemes with emphasis on Fmoc/t-Butyl strategies, and sequence specific problems. Students are assigned readings and reviews from the original literature to complement the materials discussed in class.
The laboratory portion of the course involves hands-on synthesis and characterization of model peptides using Fmoc/t-Butyl strategies. Depending on enrollment, students may start with the synthesis of Fmoc-ε-N-protected amino acid derivatives, or start right out with solid phase synthesis of model peptides. A number of analytical techniques are employed to characterize the products and assess their purity, including: nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy, infrared spectroscopy, high performance liquid chromatography/mass spectrometry, and matrix-assisted laser desorption mass spectrometry. Time permitting, students may also learn solution-based synthesis.
Evaluation is based on laboratory performance, a report detailing the synthesis and characterization of the peptidic products, class participation, and a class presentation of a relevant topic from the current chemical literature.

CHEMISTRY
Cost: $100 for books and materials.
Meeting time: mornings and afternoons.
Cost: $100 for books.

Dr. Thomas was trained as a peptide chemist under Professor Louis Carpino. He has taught at the University of Connecticut, Storrs and Westfield State College as a Visiting Assistant Professor. He is currently a Lecturer in the Chemistry Department at Williams College.

CHEM 14 Beyond Hooking Up: Creating Meaningful Relationships (Same as Psychology 14 and Special 14)
Looking back on past loves and crushes, have you ever wondered, “What on earth was I thinking!” or “Why do I keep picking the wrong guys/girls for me?” While intense sexual attraction or urges may first call the shots, people who take the time to carefully choose and build caring, mutual relationships tend to be happier, healthier and more successful in their lives than those who don’t. So how do we get there from here and make sense of all this? Well, no matter where you are on the dating spectrum, this self-exploration and relationship-skill-building course is for you if you are ready to learn how to follow your heart AND your mind to co-create a fulfilling relationship within the vortex of the “hook up” culture. The Myers-Briggs Type Indicator, “How to Avoid Falling In Love with A Jerk,” and “Keeping the Love You Find” curricula will guide this introspective, interactive relationship mastery course through meaningful discussions and exercises that explore the common issues, dirty fighting tactics, subconscious directives and emotional allergies that often sabotage relationships. Experiential exercises, personal experiences and journaling will also give you the opportunity to practice effective communication and conflict resolution skills that honor the constructive use of differences and promote intimacy.

Evaluation is based on 8 hours of attendance per week, class participation, MBTI inventory completion, 20-hours per week of assigned readings, journaling, assignments, 1:1 consultations, and final 10-page reflective paper.
Email your statement of interest to SSmith@williams.edu if you are curious about relationships and are ready and willing to delve into personal growth and take your relationships to the next level.

Prerequisite: statement of interest. Enrollment limit: 16. If overenrolled, selection will be based on statement of interest.
Meeting time: 6-8 hours a week (12-3pm).
Cost: $100 for books and materials.
RACHELLE SMITH (Instructor)
THOMAN (Sponsor)

Rachelle Smith, MSW, is a holistic, strengths-based Clinical Social Worker, Consultant, Educator & Mentor bridging Relationships, Wellness, and Energy Psychology.

CHEM 18 Introduction to Research in Biochemistry
An independent experimental project in biochemistry is carried out in collaboration with a member of the Department with expertise in biochemistry. Biochemistry is a branch of chemistry that deals with the molecular details of living systems including the interaction of biologically important molecules. In the Chemistry Department, studies are underway to investigate the structure/function relationship of proteins, the interaction between proteins and RNA and DNA, and the molecular basis of bacterial gene regulation.
A 10-page written report is required.
Prerequisite: variable, depending on the project (at least CHEM 151) and permission of the Department. Since projects involve work in faculty research labs, interested students must consult with one or more of the faculty instructors listed below and with the Department Chair before electing this course. Non-science majors are invited to participate. Enrollment limited to space in faculty research lab.
Meeting time: mornings.
Cost: $0.
GEHRING and LOVETT

CHEM 24 Introduction to Research in Physical Chemistry
An independent experimental project in physical chemistry is carried out in collaboration with a member of the Department with expertise in physical chemistry. Current research projects in the Department include computer modeling of non-linear, chaotic chemical and biochemical systems, molecular modeling of water clusters, laser spectroscopy of chlorofluorocarbon substitutes, and observing the dynamics in glasses using single molecule spectroscopy and molecular dynamics simulations.
A 10-page written report is required.
Prerequisite: variable, depending on the project (at least CHEM 151) and permission of the Department. Since projects involve work in faculty research labs, interested students must consult with one or more of the faculty instructors listed below and with the Department Chair before electing this course. Non-science majors are invited to participate. Enrollment limited to space in faculty research labs.
Meeting time: mornings.
Cost: $0.
BINGEMANN, PEACOCK-LOPEZ and THOMAN

CHEM 31 Senior Research and Thesis
To be taken by students registered for Chemistry 493, 494.

CLASSICS

CLAS 11 The History of Words (Same as Comparative Literature 11)
This course will explore the fascinating history of words from a variety of linguistic and cultural perspectives. We will examine the methods and tools of etymological research and apply them to several fields of study including historical phonology and morphology, alphabets and other writing systems, dictionaries, dictionaries of literary and jargon, personal names, word puzzles, and geographical names. We will also consider the role of literary, social, and political forces in shaping the development of languages and even individual lexical items. Our goal throughout will be to gain familiarity with a broad range of issues concerning the internal and external history of words.
Method of Evaluation: class participation, several short writing assignments, and one longer research project.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15.
Cost: approximately $30.
Meeting time: afternoons
DEKEL

CLAS 12 Introduction to Old Irish (Same as Comparative Literature 12)
This class will introduce students to the form of Irish language spoken and written in the 8th and 9th centuries, known as Old Irish. The goal of the class is to work quickly so that students will be able to read an Irish folktale in the original by the end of the session. Texts will include an as-yet-unpublished Old Irish textbook by Maria Tymozcko (used with permission) and selections from David Stifter’s Old Irish textbook, Sensoideit, as well as the text of the folktale Scéla Muice Meic Datho (The Tale of Mac Datho’s Pig) in Old Irish and the Táin Bó Chaoláine (The Cattle Raid of Cooley) in translation. We will meet 5 days a week for 2 hours a day, as befits an in-depth language acquisition class.
Methods of instruction and evaluation include vocabulary quizzes, grammar exercises, short translations, and a final translation exercise.
Prerequisites: prior experience with an inflected language is helpful, but not required. Enrollment limit: 15.
Cost: approximately $35.
Meeting time: M-F mornings, 10 a.m.-noon.
SHEPHERD, K. FARLEY (Instructor)
HOPPIN (Sponsor)

Shannon K. Farley is an alumna of Williams College, where she majored in Classics and History. She is currently a Ph.D. candidate in Comparative Literature at the University of Massachusetts Amherst, where she has been teaching since 2004. Email skfarley@complit.umass.edu to contact the instructor.

CLAS 14 Plato's Symposium and Its Afterlife (Same as Comparative Literature 14, Philosophy 14, 18, and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 14)
Plato's Symposium ostensibly commemorates a gathering held at the home of the tragic poet Agathon of Athens, in 416 BCE, whose participants dedicate their evening to delivering speeches in praise of love (eros). This dialogue has been among Plato’s most widely read, and its influence has ranged far beyond philosophy. We will read the Symposium in translation, with close attention to is dramatic setting, its remarkably narrative structure, and the content of each character’s speech, as well as the conversations that come between. Our examination of Plato’s text will be interwoven with consideration of selected receptions of and reactions to the Symposium. These will include texts from later antiquity to the Renaissance to modernity (e.g., Philo, Plotinus, Piceno, Shelley, Woff, Mann, Forster) as well as visual and cinematic takes on aspects of Plato’s work, ranging from Rubens to Hedwig and the Angry Inch. We will also consider a recent
appearance of the Symposium in the American courts (Romer v. Evans, 882 P. 2d 1335 Colorado Supreme Court, 1994). Evaluation will be based on contributions to class discussion including oral reports, several short essays, final paper or project. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15. Preference given to majors and intended majors in Classics, Comparative Literature, Philosophy, and Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies. Cost: approximately $25 for books and coursepack. Meeting times: Monday through Thursday, 10-11:30 a.m..

WILCOX

CLAS 31 Senior Thesis
May be taken by students registered for Classics 493, 494.

COGNITIVE SCIENCE

COGS 31 Senior Thesis
May be taken by students registered for Cognitive Science 494.

COMPARATIVE LITERATURE

COMP 10 The Grand Hotel in Modern Fiction and Film
In this course, we will visit actual hotel spaces in our area, read both contemporary and early twentieth-century hotel fiction, and discuss a broad range of hotel films, from drama to comedy. The grand hotel with its dual promise of luxury and estrangement was considered a theatre of social transformation in the age of travel. We will read novels, short stories, and discuss films that feature the hotel as a space that would either uphold class distinction or give rise to class conflict, allow for sexual taboo breaking, or stage gendered identity performance. Authors and filmmakers in this early period will include Edith Wharton, Thomas Mann, Franz Werfel, Vicki Baum, and F.W. Murnau. We will consider short theoretical readings by Thorstein Veblen, Georg Simmel, Siegfried Krausser on conspicuous consumption, modernity, and metropolitan spaces. In the present, hotel dramas focus on issues of ethnic violence (Hotel Rwanda), the invisible immigrant worker (Dirty Pretty Things), cultural alienation (Lost in Translation), and the female body at work (A Single Girl). Comedies explore the fantasy of a dramatic social climb through identity confusion in a hotel setting (Maid in Manhattan); satires highlight the confidence man who profits from social pretensions (from Thomas Mann's trickster and sexual adventurer Felix Krull, to the hilarious high-school dropout/runaway posing as the scion of a wealthy executive in Thomas Broy's Wie es leuchtet). Fantasy writing creates virtual hotel spaces (Robert Cooper's The Grand Hotels of Joseph Cornell). Theoretical readings focus on private versus public spaces, social distinction, warped space, and shopping for brands by Pierre Bourdieu, Erving Goffmann, Tony Vidler and Sharon Zukin. We will also study characteristics of real-life upscale area hotels like The Equinox, The Porches and The Orchards through site visits. Requirements: active class participation, one oral presentation on an aspect of hotel culture, and one 10-page final paper.


Meeting time: TWR 10 a.m.-noon, plus excursions TBA.

DRUXES

COMP 11 The History of Words (Same as Classics 11)
(See under CLAS 11 for full description.)

DEKEL

COMP 12 Introduction to Old Irish (Same as Classics 12)
(See under CLAS 12 for full description.)

SHANNON K. FARLEY

COMP 13 Japanese Animation (Same as Japanese 13)
Read or Die is the title of a popular Japanese animated series about secret agents in the employ of the world's great libraries. But what does it mean to "read" in an age when the world is mediated by visual media? This class is an introduction to reading and thinking about Japanese animation, or anime, with a focus on the challenges it poses to traditional ways of interpreting literature and film. We will screen several landmark anime feature films and short series by major directors like Otomo Katsuhiro, Miyazaki Hayao, and particularly Oshii Mamoru; we will read the work of literature and media scholars who have tried to come to terms with anime; and we will track the latest scholarship by getting an editor's inside look at the editing process for Mechademia, an annual journal for critical writing on anime and manga. We will also look at things from the creators' side by meeting with students and faculty at the Center for Cartoon Studies in White River Junction, Vermont. Required activities: three 2-hour morning class meetings per week, two self-scheduled film screenings per week, plus weekly reading assignments in anime criticism. The course may entail a day-long field trip, and $100 is requested to defray costs. For the project, students may choose either a 10-page paper or a visual presentation like a storyboard, comic, film, animation, theatrical design, installation, online project, etc. Evaluation will be based on attendance, preparation, and participation, as well as the project.

No prerequisites. All material is translated or subtitled in English. Enrollment limit: 15. Preference given to students with a strong interest in literary and film studies.

Cost: approximately $75 for books.

Meeting time: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10 a.m.-noon.

C. BOLTON

COMP 14 Plato's Symposium and Its Afterlife (Same as Classics 14, Philosophy 14, and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies 14)
(See under CLAS 14 for full description.)

WILCOX

COMP 16 Chekhov, An Unlikely Revolutionary (Same as Philosophy 16, Russian 16 and Theatre 16)
(See under PHIL 16 for full description.)

MILOS MLADENOVIC

COMP 31 Senior Thesis
To be taken by students registered for Comparative Literature 493, 494.

LIT 31 Senior Thesis
To be taken by students registered for Literary Studies 493, 494.

COMPUTER SCIENCE

CSCI 11 Mixology
This course examines the history, science, and culture of mixed drinks. Students will learn about the origin of modern cocktails, the properties and mixing qualities of bitters, syrups, and fortified wines, the role of proportion, and the classification and appreciation of alcohol. Other topics include fermentation, modern mixology, glassware, and responsible consumption. The class will meet with local mixologists and tour a local distillery.

Evaluation is based on class participation, a short in-class presentation, a 10-page paper, and a final project involving the research and creation of a new cocktail. No prerequisites, however, students must be at 21 years old on or before 3 January, 2012. Enrollment limit: 10. Preference is given to students with an academically strong record in the sciences.

Cost: $250 for supplies, equipment, and incidental costs due to travel.

Meeting time: mornings.

HEERINGA

CSCI 14 Introduction to Ruby on Rails
This lab-based course will teach students how to create and deploy web applications with Ruby on Rails, the open-source web development framework used by Hulu, Twitter, Groupon, and many other companies. We'll start with a whirlwind tour of the Ruby language and then dive into learning the Rails framework by working on a web application. Along the way, we'll cover development best practices, evaluate third-party code, and learn how to use the online Rails community for help.

The class will meet for at least two hours, three times a week, and significant additional lab work will be required to complete the final project. Evaluation will be based on class participation and a final project.

Prerequisites: CSCI 136 (Data Structures) or comparable programming experience with instructor's permission. If overenrolled, selection will be based on student's programming experience.

Cost: $100.

Meeting time: afternoons.

COURTNEY WADE (Instructor)
MURTAGH (Sponsor)
ECON 10 Dollars, Sense and Healthcare in the U.S.
This class will examine how we arrived at the current system of healthcare delivery and reimbursement in the U.S. and where it is headed. The issues of access, quality and cost will be focused on, as well as how well reform legislation falters or fails these essential components. An assigned textbook and reading packet comprise the course materials with reading covering about 100-150 pages/week. Six hours of class time each week may be added to by a field trip and/or guest lectures. Evaluation will be based on a 10-page paper, interview, debate, original video or other demonstration of thorough command of the material and issues. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 20. Preference given to upper-classers.
Cost: $40.
Meeting time: mornings.
KAREN ENGBERG and DOUGLAS JACKSON (Instructors)
MONTIEL (Sponsor)

ECON 13 Real Estate and the Dream of Prosperity
In the United States, the dream of achieving prosperity has generally included home ownership as a central feature. In advertising, the popular press and in film, home ownership is presented as one of the defining characteristics of the “American Dream”. In this course we will explore—through film and economics—the role that home ownership and real estate markets play in defining the economic aspirations and welfare of individuals in the United States and elsewhere. We will view and discuss six films that present and document the pathetic, comic and tragic aspects of pursuing this dream. Each film will be discussed, and students will consider and write about the economic significance of home ownership and operation of real estate markets. Evaluation will be based on participation in class discussions and on two-page critical essays submitted after viewing each film, (a total of 12 pages of writing). No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 19. Preference given to first-years and sophomores.
Cost: $0.
Meeting time: afternoons.
S. SHEPPARD

ECON 14 Accounting
The project will examine the theoretical and practical aspects of financial accounting. Although the beginning of the course will explore the mechanics of the information gathering and dissemination process, the course will be oriented mainly towards users, rather than preparers, of accounting information. The project will include discussion of the principles involved in accounting for current assets, plant assets, leases, intangible assets, current liabilities, stockholders’ equity, the income statement and the statement of cash flows. Students will be expected to interpret and analyze actual financial statements. The nature of, and career opportunities in, the field of accounting will also be discussed. The project is a “mini course.” It will present a substantial body of material and will require a considerable commitment of time by the student, including regular attendance and participation in discussion and homework cases and problems. The course is a web-based course. The course website will include required readings from various linked web sites, additional downloadable reading material, required homework problems as well as self study material. The course grade will be determined on the basis of several quizzes and a written group report presenting an analysis of a company’s annual report.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 30.
Cost: possible cost of downloading about 200 pages of material from the course website.
Meeting time: the course will meet for two hours on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of the first week of Winter Study, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday of the second and third week of Winter Study and on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of the last week of Winter Study.
LEO MCENEMEN (Instructor)
MONTIEL (Sponsor)
ECON 15 Stock Market
Elementary description and analysis of the stock market. Emphasis will be on the roles of the market in our economy, including evaluation of business firms and the success of particular capital investments, allocating savings to different types of investment, and providing liquid and marketable financial investments for individual savers.

The course will focus on the description of mechanics of trading on various exchanges and other markets, stock market indexes or “averages” (Dow-Jones, S&P 500, etc.), how to read the financial news, historical rates of return on stocks and portfolios, role of mutual funds, beta coefficients, and “random walk” theory. The course will also involve a brief introduction to financial reports of firms and analysis of financial ratios.

The course is a web-based course. The course website will include required readings from various linked web sites and required homework problems. Each student will participate in discussions, do some homework assignments and, as part of a team, give two presentations and write a 10-page report analyzing the wisdom of folly of having chosen a particular investment portfolio. The course grade will be determined on the basis of performance on several quizzes and a written group investment portfolio report.

Meeting time: the course will meet for two hours on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of the first week of Winter Study. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday of the second and third week of Winter Study and on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of the last week of Winter Study.

LEO MCMENIMEN (Instructor)

MONTIEL (Sponsor)

Leo McMenimen has taught in the Winter Study Program at Williams College since 1980. He retired as a professor emeritus from the School of Business, Montclair State University.

ECON 16 Mechanisms of Arbitrage
Economic analysis presumes the dominance of the “law of one price”: the tendency of prices of a given item to converge. His WSP will focus on how that occurs in financial and other traded markets subject to constraints of time, distance, variety of form and differentiation. This process is called “arbitrage.” Its various manifestations are important elements in the functioning of financial and commodity markets.

This course will begin with instances of “true” arbitrage and then deal with instances of multiple arbitrage pressures on the same instrument, as well as “near” arbitrage where true arbitrage doesn’t exist; but arbitrage pressures dominate the price relationships of different instruments. Different securities and commodities markets will be discussed sequentially. Concepts of “faux” arbitrage and instances of fraud sold as arbitrage concepts will also be discussed. The course will incorporate current topics in financial markets where applicable.

Requirements: there will be fairly extensive readings of up to 200-300 pages per week; there will be two short papers and a five page analytical paper for the final week.

Prerequisites: enrollees should have a basic familiarity with accounting concepts. These can be achieved by reading How to Read a Financial Report (provided upon request) prior to the start of the course.

Meeting time: twice per week for 3 hours per session.

PAUL ISAAC ‘72 (Instructor)

MONTIEL (Sponsor)

Instructor: Paul Isaac ’72 has been engaged in different trading and analytical functions in financial markets for 40 years. He is Chief Investment Officer of Cadogan Management, a fund of funds firm and principal of Arbiter Partners QP, an investment partnership in New York.

ECON 17 Entrepreneurship
Designed for students interested in starting a business, this course will focus on the interface between entrepreneurs and venture capital investors with the aim of giving students an immersive, hands-on experience. Student teams will develop business plans based on seed concepts provided by local experts. The teams will then present (“pitch”) their proposals to venture capitalists for critique and feedback. We will learn from case studies of both successful and failed early-stage companies.

We will explore technical aspects of creating venture-backed start-ups, including capitalization, equity, intellectual property considerations, and returns on investment. Each team’s final project shall comprise a business plan (written) accompanied by a final presentation to potential investors. Student evaluations will be based upon their team’s success in developing its seed concept, their team’s final project and upon classroom participation. Most class meetings will include guest experts; attendance is mandatory. The course will include a required two-day trip to New York City for meetings with venture professionals.

Requirements: final project and presentation.

No prerequisites, Enrollment limit: 12. Preference to upperclass students.

Cost: $250 (for NYC trip).

Meeting time: mornings.

JEFFREY THOMAS (Instructor)

MONTIEL (Sponsor)

Jeffrey Thomas holds an M.D. and Ph.D. from Indiana University. He helped start two biotechnology companies, Millennium Pharmaceuticals and Genstruc, Inc.

ECON 22 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) (Same as Political Economy 22)
This course examines tax policy towards low-income families in the United States, and has the following three objectives: 1) For students to understand the shift of redistributive policy in the United States from income support through the transfer system ( Aid to Families with Dependent Children) to Piggyback support levied on work. 2) To understand the tax code well enough to prepare simple income tax returns for low-income individuals and families. At the end of the term, students will use their newly acquired expertise to help individuals and families in Berkshire County prepare and file their returns. Class meetings will involve a mixture of discussion of assigned readings, and exercises that help develop tax preparation skills and understanding of poverty. Assignments outside of class include: a variety of short readings on tax policy, the challenges of living in poverty in the U.S., and public policies that address these challenges; completion of an online course in IRS VITA training; and staffing approximately six hours of tax preparation assistance during the final week of winter term.

Evaluation is based on the results of the IRS certification test, students’ work as tax preparers, and a 10-page analytical and reflective essay.

No prerequisites, Enrollment limit: 14. If overenrolled, selection will be based on written statement of interest.

Cost: $25.

Meeting time: mornings.

WATSON and PAULA CONSOLINI

ECON 23 Introduction to the Economics, Geography and Appreciation of Wine
This course provides an introduction to the economics, geography and appreciation of wine. We will be studying the economics and geography of wine production, and will also learn to identify, understand and appreciate the major wine types of the world. The course will involve lectures, outside readings, and in-class wine tastings.

We will focus primarily on the Old World wine styles and regions of France, Italy, Germany, Austria, Spain and Portugal. However, this year, for the first time, the course has been expanded to also cover some New World wine regions, including California, Oregon, Chile, Argentina, South Africa, New Zealand and Australia. Evaluations will be based on short quizzes, including blind tastings, and either an oral presentation or 10 page paper at the conclusion of the course.

Requirements: short quizzes, including blind tastings, and either an oral presentation or 10-page paper. While this will be a fun and interesting course, it is also a serious course in which students are expected to learn the materials and skills presented in the lectures and wine tastings.

Enrollment limit: 10. Students also be restricted to those who are of legal age for wine consumption by the date of the first class meeting.

Meeting time: two hours on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of the first week of Winter Study. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday of the second and third week of Winter Study and on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of the last week of Winter Study.

P. PEDRONI

ECON 30 Honors Project
The “Specialization Route” to the degree with Honors in Economics requires that each candidate take an Honors Winter Study Project in January of their senior year. Students who wish to begin their honors work in January should submit a detailed proposal. Decisions on admission to the Honors WSP will be made in the fall. Information on the procedures will be mailed to senior majors in economics early in the fall semester.
ENGL 10 Fictions of Domesticity (Same as French 10)

We visit an author’s home in search of a connection to the origin of their writing: here’s the site from which a novel or poem sprang. Museums dedicated to authors’ homes feed this fantasy, that in looking at Melville’s desk (complete with glasses) or at the room where Dickinson dwelt we are even closer to them than in their words. However, as we will explore in the course, far from an unmediated visit to the source of genius, museums of author’s homes construct narratives of their own about authorship, art, even about the value of life. Moreover, the writers themselves shaped conceptions of domestic space in ways that do not always correspond to the tales told by the museums made of their homes. We will visit the homes of, and read works by, Herman Melville, Emily Dickinson, Mark Twain, and Harriet Beecher Stowe. Students will write a 5-page final paper.

ENGLISH

ENGL 11 The Changing Landscape of Journalism Today (Same as Leadership Studies 11)

The purpose of this course is to give students an in-depth, personal view of the inner workings of various facets of journalism. The course will feature distinguished Williams alumni from a broad spectrum of today’s media universe, including print, broadcast, and newer media formats. Among those planning to participate in 2012 are David Shipley ’85, formerly Editor of The New York Times Op-Ed page and now of the new opinion initiative at Bloomberg News; Shyala Harris ’97, Peabody Award-winning producer for Dateline and now video producer for nytimes.com; Dr. Richard Besser ’81, previously at the CDC and now Senior Health and Medical Editor at ABC News, and Elizabeth Rapaport ’94, previously at the Dow Jones Newswires and TheStreet.com and now staff reporter for The Wall Street Journal. Each guest lecturer will discuss specific skills and experience in his or her background as well as lead a dialogue about the issues with which they deal today.

Students will be required to do weekly research assignments as well as one major project of their choosing.

ENGL 12 Making Jewelry: Design and Techniques

This course will teach students to design and create jewelry in a wide range of styles and materials. We’ll start with basic techniques for assembling beaded jewelry and move on from there to decorative wire wrapping and twisting, creating beads and components from colored art clay, working with the new metal clays to create metal shapes, pave, and cutting and soldering metal wire and sheets to make settings for stones. Class will be held in Prof. Case’s jewelry studio in her home in North Adams, and the studio will also be open to students for work outside of class hours. We’ll also travel to a glass-blowing studio for a one-day workshop on making glass beads.

ENGL 13 Hipster Reading

What could be more hopeless than the fate of the little magazine—the ones with a taste for culture and critique that you’d likely only find in museum shops, on the racks of independent bookshops, or maybe on the side tables of the hipper inhabitants of Williamsburg, Brooklyn—in today’s moment of digitization and media convergence? So, what are we to make of these magazines you may have noticed, or not, appear to be dropping like flies as the venerable old-fashioned glossies. So, it’s all the more interesting that one could plausibly claim we’re living in a gold age of hipster periodicals, journals devoted to art, culture, and intellectual life without fussiness or even a sense of impending doom around intellectual life: Cabinet, N+1, The Believer, McSweeney’s, to name just a few. These journals, many but not all out of Brooklyn, will be the subject of this course: we’ll try to think about what role journals like these have in the broader scene of American intellectual life, what they’re up to, and how they position themselves both alongside and well outside the university, the usual go-to site for the conversations about culture, politics, and art these journals are part of. Do these journals offer alternate ways of engaging with culture (Cabinet, for example, recently held a séance in honor of James Merrill’s Ouija-board poem, The Changing Light of Sandover)? What does intellectual life look like outside the academy? We’ll have editors from some of these magazines to class in order to talk about their aims, as well as the nuts and bolts of journal editing. The final project: a journal of one’s own, a pitch, as it were, for your
own arts and culture journal. We will meet three times a week for two hour sessions. There will be significant outside reading, and we may make a field trip to New York. Evaluation will be based on the final project. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 20. Preference given to English majors and interview. Cost: $25. Meeting time: mornings. MCWEENY

ENGL 14 Writing Nonfiction
Students will explore the craft of writing nonfiction—principally through frequent journalism and reporting assignments, but also in the form of essays and criticism. Twice-weekly three-hour seminars will review fundamental principles and practices; analyze examples of excellent writing in diverse forms pertinent to stories and reporting assignments (the examples will be read aloud and analyzed in class discussions, as will samples from the students’ work); and discuss solutions to common writing problems and challenges. There are no required readings outside of class; rather, students will be expected to complete seven pieces of written work (one after each seminar meeting, following the initial class), and to discuss their work and possible revisions in individual meetings with the instructor. It is envisioned that research or reporting, drafting, consultation with the instructor, and revision will require 20 hours of additional weekly work, at least, for conscientious students who seek to get the most out of the course. Instructor evaluation of writing assignments, student meetings, and revisions, completed on a timely basis, 80%; class participation and out-of-class meetings with instructor, 20%. Prerequisites: a written statement of interest (one page or less), and a NON-academic writing sample (i.e., not a term or course paper). Students need not major in English or a similar humanities discipline—in fact, those studying social sciences or natural/life sciences are strongly encouraged to apply to have active experience in a writing-related extracurricular activity. Diversity of backgrounds, activities, and interests will enrich the course for fellow students. Enrollment limit: 12. Cost: $24 for two paperback books. Meeting time: Monday and Friday afternoons. JOHN ROSENBERG (Instructor) LIMON (Sponsor)

John Rosenberg has been a professional writer and editor for three decades; his most recent experiences have been as editor of Vermont Magazine, 1991-1994, and of Harvard Magazine (harvardmagazine.com), 1995-present. In the latter capacity, he has overseen all assignments and contents for the magazine in print and online; written extensively for each issue; and selected and supervised two undergraduate student fellows chosen to join the editorial staff each year.

ENGL 15 Film and/as Philosophy (Same as Philosophy 15)
This is a course that will introduce students to recent discussions about the philosophical significance of film, with a special focus on the writings of the philosophers Stanley Cavell and Robert Pippin. During each class, we will discuss one film along with at least one philosophical text about it. We will view a wide variety of films, likely including: Alien, Blade Runner, Bringing Up Baby, The Philadelphia Story, The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance, The Searchers, Memento, and Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind. We will meet for two hours of class discussion, three times a week (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday). Each discussion session will be followed, after a brief break, by a required in-class film screening of the film that we will discuss the following class meeting. So be prepared to meet for about 4.5 hours, three days a week. Prior experience with either philosophy or film is not required. Evaluation will be based on a final 10-page paper. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15. Priority based on seniority. Cost: $60 for books and course packet. Meeting time: afternoons. RHIE

ENGL 16 Henry James, The Golden Bowl
In this course we will read Henry James’ last novel, The Golden Bowl, which dramatizes many of James’ crucial preoccupations. Centered on a wealthy American collector living in England at the turn of the twentieth century, the novel examines the personal and cultural costs of an American obsession with amassing riches in the collapsing European empire, as well as the potentially tenuous effects of wealth and refined sensibility on tangled love relations. The novel’s ethical and perceptual intricacies are conveyed in an ingeniously demanding style that presses syntax to its limits. We will read critical essays on the novel, and draw on Walter Benjamin’s work on collecting and on the Arcades of 19th century Paris.


ENGL 17 Anarchism and Form: Conrad
Europe around the turn of the twentieth century was deeply alarmed by the specter of anarchism and revolutionary terrorism: bombings, assassinations, uprisings, and strikes seemed to announce a dreadful upheaval in European society and culture. Several of Joseph Conrad’s novels offer the most compelling accounts of this sense of crisis, staging dramatic confrontations between revolutionaries and authorities in their narratives, and enacting in their own aesthetic form analogous conflicts between order and its negation or subversion. In studying the theory of anarchism and surveying celebrated instances of terrorism in the late 19th and early 20th century, before turning to two of Conrad’s studies of revolutionary violence and its complex moral, political, and aesthetic implications: The Secret Agent (1907) and Under Western Eyes (1911). Class meetings three times a week, reading assignments, and writing, totaling about 20 hours per week.

Requirements: two or three class presentations and a short final paper, totaling about 10 pages of writing. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15. Preference to majors. Cost: about $30 for books and photocopies. Meeting time: afternoons. TIFFT

ENGL 18 Stories and Pictures
What would you do if Vladimir Nabokov suddenly appeared and said: “Read this thing I wrote, and then make a twenty second stop-motion animation that captures what it feels like to long for a country that doesn’t exist anymore. You have a week.”? What if Miranda July asked you to make a drawing or a performance that offers a realistic solution to a magical problem? You don’t even want to know what Kurt Vonnegut would want from you. "Stories and Pictures" can help you prepare for these kinds of situations. In this class, we will read a short story every week, and produce a visual response to it. We will talk about the different ways in which the written word can provide fuel for image-making, and figure out how to make good art fast. In our meetings we will discuss the stories we’ve read, see how other visual artists have used literature and narrative to inform their work and try out various art-making techniques such as drawing, digital photography and video, the intricate art of the flip book, and other ways to make awesome things. We will meet 2-3 times a week for 3-hour sessions, and students should plan to invest an equal amount of time on their projects outside of class. Requirements: active discussion in class and four artworks. Prerequisites: a written statement of interest (one page or less), and a NON-academic writing sample (i.e., not a term or course paper). Students need not major in English or a similar humanities discipline—in fact, those studying social sciences or natural/life sciences are strongly encouraged to apply to have active experience in a writing-related extracurricular activity. Diversity of backgrounds, activities, and interests will enrich the course for fellow students. Enrollment limit: 12. Cost: $65 for art supplies and photocopies. Meeting time: mornings. GABRIELA VAINESCHER (Instructor) LIMON (Sponsor)

Gabriela Vainsencher is a Brooklyn-based visual artist, whose drawings, videos and installations have been exhibited in the US and abroad. She was Williams College’s Levitt artist-in-residence in 2009.

ENGL 19 Humor Writing (Same as Mathematics 19)
(See under MATH 19 for full description.) ADAMS

ENGL 20 Tavern of Crossed Destinies: The Video (Same as Philosophy 20)
(See under PHIL 20 for full description.) WHITE

ENGL 25 Morocco (Same as International Studies 25 and Philosophy 25)
Students in this course will spend winter study in Morocco. Morocco presents a compelling blend of historical influences and modern world currents. Threads of Islam, Arab traditions, and the heritage of the native Berber people are woven into a distinctive cultural tapestry, while traces of French colonialism can still be seen in the political and social structure. Morocco is at the intersection of the West, the Middle East, and Africa. Travel there is therefore a powerful way to
introduce intellectual themes that require and reward a subtle blending of insight from history, political science, religion, and philosophy. We will take the first steps in engaging some of these challenging topics in order to enable independent study facilitated by serious and multifaceted exposure to the country. For the first two weeks, students will study at the Center for Cross Cultural Learning (CCCL) in Rabat, taking Arabic lessons (classical or Moroccan dialect) each morning and then gathering for lectures by local university faculty in the afternoon. During this span students will live with Moroccan families in the Rabat medina. In the third week of the course students will travel in the interior of Morocco, exploring Fez and Marrakech, riding camels in the desert, and hiking through Berber villages in the Atlas Mountains.

Students will be expected to attend all seminars, lead a group presentation, and complete a substantial research paper (10-15 pages). The presentation and research paper will be occasions to explore a special topic in depth including, for instance, justice and gender, art, literature, colonial studies, or Islam. No prerequisites, Arabic is the official spoken language of Morocco, and French is spoken widely. While desirable, neither is required. Enrollment limit: 11. Preference: Student interest is more important than class year or academic major. Final participants will be chosen on the basis of interviews regarding student goals and intellectual interests.

Estimated cost: $4000.

KNOPP and BARRY

ENGL 27 Printmaking on Paper Clay

This course introduces the technical and creative possibilities of print making on paper clay without the use of a press. Students will learn how to make paper clay and will explore monoprinting, relief printing, and offset printing. Historical examples will be introduced through lectures, field trips and assignments. Students will receive feedback on their work through group critiques and open studio sessions. They will be evaluated based on completion of assignments with attention to detail, content, and development of their work. Attendance and participation are required along with a group exhibition on the last day of Winter Study.

Requirements: attendance, assignments and final exhibition.


Cost: $100.

Meeting time: mornings.

DIANE SULLIVAN (Instructor)

LIMON (Sponsor)

Diane Sullivan is an artist who lives and works in North Adams, MA.

ENGL 29 Peer Writing Tutor Workshop (Same as INTR 29)

The purpose of this course is to train peer writing tutors and assistants to be more effective reviewers and editors of student work. Format: workshop/discussion. Students will read and discuss literature on the teaching of writing; they will also do analytical writing assignments, which they will then bring into the workshop. Evaluation will be based on analytic writing assignments and course participation. Students who complete this training will be eligible for assignment as Writing Workshop tutors and/or as Writing Assistants for selected Williams classes. Prerequisites: admission to Williams Writing Writing Pilot or by permission of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 15.

Cost: under $50.

Meeting time: MWF 2-4.

STEPHANIE E. DUNSON, Writing Coordinator at Williams

ENGL 30 Honors Project: Specialization Route

Required during Winter Study of all seniors admitted to candidacy for honors via the specialization route.

ENGL 31 Honors Project: Thesis

Required during Winter Study of all seniors admitted to candidacy for honors via the thesis route.

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

ENVI 12 Landscape Photography (Same as Geosciences 12)

(See under GEOS 12 for full description.)

ENVI 13 United States Environmental Law: Its Historic Past, Its Uncertain Future (Same as Legal Studies 13)

(See under LGST 13 for full description.)

PHILIP R. MCKNIGHT ’65

ENVI 14 Environmental Education—What, Why, and How

Public school teachers are in the best position to take us safely across the precipice at which humanity finds itself. Our side of the abyss: business as usual with dirty fuels, rampant growth of population and pollution, and consumption practices that use up natural resources at an accelerating rate. The other side: industry mimics nature by recycling resources, waste is eliminated, consumers consider factors other than price; a paradigm shift in collective consciousness where environmental impact is at the forefront of decisions rather than an afterthought. Public school teachers are in the best position to teach the fundamentals of environmental education, which will arm students with the knowledge set they need to live a life that accounts for the human impact on ecosystems and make informed decisions for the rest of their lives. How to optimize the effectiveness of environmental education in classes K-12 is the question this course will explore. We will examine several environmental education models, then focus on California’s Education and the Environment Initiative as the leader, as being the largest lever ever attempted to raise environmental literacy to the same level of importance as the three “Rs”: reading, ‘riting and ‘rithmatic. We’ll learn how the landmark legislation came about that created the curriculum and consider other countries and states already hoping to duplicate its success. We’ll use case studies to assess implementation in the school districts that have adopted it over the last two years. We’ll explore ways of making the curriculum adoption even more widespread. And we’ll discuss how success can be measured. We will explore education theories including studies that show better student engagement when topics are taught through an environmental lens. We’ll discuss theories about how learning happens and how it affects behavior change, looking especially at the Transcendent Function. And we’ll discuss the efficacy of using the education system to foster behavior change.

The class will be conducted mostly as a seminar, with some short lectures, a lot of discussion, debates, and presentations. We will meet three times a week in sessions lasting approximately two hours each; there will be guest speakers and one or two field trips to local schools. There will be some reading required outside of class. Evaluation will be based on a 10-page paper or audiovisual presentation of similar effort or other effort as approved by the instructor. Attendance and participation will also be taken into account.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 16.

Cost: $0.

Meeting time: afternoons.

WILL PARISH ’75 (Instructor)

FRENCH (Sponsor)

Will Parish ’75, has been teaching Environmental Science at a San Francisco Public Charter School for nine years and was appointed to the California State Board of Education’s Curriculum Commission in 2009 and chairs. In fall of 2010, he was elected to Chair the Executive Committee of the Education and the Environment Initiative. Prior to teaching, he flew airplanes for an environmental advocacy organization, ran an alternative energy development company, practiced law in San Francisco, and drove a Jeep around the world.

ENVI 25 Sustainable Eleuthera: Community Development through Community Gardening

This course is a hands-on group research and community development project that will initiate a community garden, conduct community outreach about gardening and nutrition, and work with a local school on a garden-based learning project. The focus area is Weymms Bight, South Eleuthera, a low-income underserved settlement, which was formerly an agricultural area, but is now suffering from high unemployment, high rates of nutrition based diseases, and a shortage of fresh nutritious food.

The class will work in conjunction with the permaculture manager at the Cape Eleuthera Institute, and will partner with a community development organization, the South Eleuthera Emergency Partners (SEEP). A site is already chosen for the garden, which will be adjacent to a planned emergency center/community center. Students will learn about cultivation techniques from the permaculture manager, and will work creating a demonstration organic garden along with community volunteers. Students will work with the community organization to develop an outreach program to involve people in the garden, including workshops and written materials on gardening and nutrition. We will also collaborate with the local school to involve the children and to help develop a garden-based learning curriculum focusing on cultivation, soil maintenance, and nutrition.

Requirements: active and involved participation in group research project, including conducting interviews, farm tours, group discussions, taking photos and film footage, conducting primary research, data analysis, writing group report, and preparing and delivering two public presentations. Last week of winter study class meets on campus finalizing written report and power point presentation and/or film.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10. Selection will be based on relevant coursework or extracurricular involvement in environmental, sustainability or agriculture projects. Not open to first-year students. Cost: approximately $2100 (airfare, room and board, course packet).
The class will spend the first two weeks of winter study on Eleuthera and the third week on campus writing and editing the report and editing and cutting a short film.

GARDNER

ENVI 31 Senior Research and Thesis
To be taken by students registered for Environmental Studies 493-494.

GEOSCIENCES

GEOS 10 Ultimate Wellness: Concepts for Living a Happy Healthy Life (Same as Maritime Studies 10)
(See under MAST 10 for full description.)

GEOS 11 Mapping Data—a Spatial Approach to Research
While visual presentation of research data can be an effective means of getting your point across, the use of GIS (Geographic Information Systems) to perform spatial and temporal analyses can lead to the discovery of interesting correlations in your data. Using appropriate software, this course will take you through basic skills and advanced GIS statistical analysis topics. In addition to lab exercises, you will use your own research topic/data to explore and visualize hidden potentials. Additional readings on various GIS topics will be required.
Evaluation will be based on completion of assignments, discussions, process documentation and class presentation of your project work.
Cost: $0.
Prerequisites: basic computer skills and a project to work on. Enrollment limit: 10. If overenrolled, selection will be based on planned project.
Meeting time: mornings, 3 times a week for 3 hours with additional lab time required to complete assignments.
SHARRON MACKLIN (Instructor)
DEHTIER (Sponsor)

Sharron Macklin is an Instructional Technology Specialist at Williams College specializing in instruction and support of Geographic Information Systems. She has been an adjunct faculty member at MCLA for 5 years and also co-taught the Williams’ ENVI/GEOS 214 course during the Spring 2010 semester.

GEOS 12 Landscape Photography (Same as Environmental Studies 12)
This class will broaden students’ appreciation for the appearance and history of the landscape and teach the skills of making a successful photograph. Williamstown, situated in a valley between the Green and Taconic Mountains and bisected by the Green and Hoosic Rivers, is a place of great natural beauty. The local landscape is a subject that inspires both professional and amateur photographers alike. While Williamstown will be the subject of most of our work, we will use it to learn principles of universal appreciation. Students will discover the importance of light in making a photograph. They will also learn camera skills and the mechanics of digital photography, which will be reviewed at biweekly class meetings. In addition to photographing and critiquing images, the class will visit collections at the Clark Art Institute and WCMA to see original work and examine and discuss books on reserve at Sawyer Library. An overview of the history of landscape photography will be provided with an emphasis on American workers such as Carlton Watkins, Eadweard Muybridge, Alfred Stieglitz, Eliot Porter and Ansel Adams. We will also demonstrate examples of different cameras such as medium format, view cameras, and panorama cameras. Students will produce a body of successful photographs that will be projected at the Winter Study presentation day and on display at http://drm.williams.edu/projects/. Students will submit short written explanations of each of their photographic assignments.
Evaluation will be based on attendance, the student’s photography, and their presentation.
Cost: $50.
Meeting time: mornings.
NICHOLAS WHITMAN (Instructor)
DEHTIER (Sponsor)

Nicholas Whitman is a professional photographer and the former Curator of Photography at the New Bedford Whaling Museum. A 1977 graduate of the Rochester Institute of Technology, he has honed his craft to make landscape photographs of power and depth. See more at www.nwphoto.com.

GEOS 31 Senior Thesis
To be taken by students registered for Geology 493-494.

GERMAN

GERM S.P. Sustaining Program for German 101-102
Something new and different for students enrolled in German 101-102. Practice in the use of German for everyday purposes; creation and performance of short dramatic sketches through group collaboration; games; songs; storytelling; reading. No homework.
Requirements: active participation and regular attendance earn a “Pass” grade.
Prerequisites: German 101 or equivalent. Limited to German 101-102 students.
Cost: approximately $5 for photocopied materials.
Meeting time: mornings, three times a week 9-9:50 a.m.

GERM 30 Honors Project
To be taken by honors candidates following other than the normal thesis route.

GERM 31 Senior Thesis
To be taken by students registered for German 493-494.

HISTORY

HIST 10 Soccer Fandom: Race, Violence, and Hooligans
This course will examine the historical and cultural meanings of soccer fandom in specific national and transnational contexts. U.S. media sources often portray soccer fans as particularly violent. This course will examine both the construction of “rabid” soccer fans and the lived experience of those branded as hooligans. We will analyze both first-hand written accounts and film depictions to address questions that include: How and why does someone identify with a particular club or national side? What (and how) do soccer/football/futebol/fútbol teams mean to their supporters? Are racism and violence inevitable outgrowths of passionate team support or just objectionable but commonplace ones?
Evaluation will be based on class participation and a 10-page paper.
No prerequisites, but preference will be given to History majors and students with strong backgrounds in soccer. Enrollment limit: 30.
Cost: about $50 for book and course packet.
Meeting time: mornings, twice per week, three hours per session.

KITTLESON

HIST 11 The Amber Room and Hidden Treasures: Impressionist Art Held Hostage? (Same as Astronomy 11 and Special 12)
(See under ASTR 11 for full description.)
MARGO R. BOWDEN

HIST 12 Reading Childhood
In this course we will embark on two related projects. First, we will think about how literacy and children’s literature shape childhood and our memories of childhood. To investigate this question, we will read memoirs about childhood and history of children’s literature in America, as well as write our own essays on a well loved book from childhood or on a “reading experience”. Second, we will work with local youngsters—primarily at the Williamstown elementary school—who are at the beginning of their reading lives. Each student will work alongside a local child, reading aloud and/or silently and discussing the books. The child and the Williams student will also co-author book reviews.
Evaluation will be based on class attendance and participation, successful meetings with their underage reading partners, and completion of all reading and writing assignments.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 30 students; preference given to first-year students and sophomores.
Cost: approximately $40.
Meeting times: there will be four morning meetings per week (including class time and work with local youngsters); students must be able to walk from campus to the Williamstown elementary school.
HIST 14  "I Will Bear Witness Until the Bitter End": The Experience of a German Jew in the Third Reich, 1933-1945 (Same as Jewish Studies 14)

This course will be devoted to reading the two-volume diary of Viktor Klemperer, a German Jew living in Dresden, who managed to survive both the Holocaust and the firebombing of that city. From 1933 to 1945, Klemperer, a professor of Romance languages and literature, kept a diary in which he described his personal experiences in Nazi Germany. The diary raises important issues of identity, victimization, and the relationship between writing and life. It illuminates German-Jewish attitudes and relations over the course of the Third Reich and paints a vivid portrait of life in Germany from 1933 to 1945. But most of all, the diary contains an account of one person’s day by day experience of one of the most traumatic events in human history. 

Evaluation: students will keep a journal in which they record their personal response to the diary entries and are expected to participate actively in class discussion. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 25; preference will be given to juniors and seniors if the course is oversubscribed. Cost: approximately $50 for three books.

Meeting time: afternoons.

KOHTU

HIST 15  CAMP IT UP! The Polities of Queer Performance (Same as Theatre 15 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 15)

Cher. Liberace. John Waters films, Swan Lake. 1920s women’s fashion. Batman. Drag. The operas of Richard Strauss. What do they have in common? They are all items, performances, cultural artifacts and icons from the canon of Camp. Camp is a theoretical concept and aesthetic sensibility embraced by performers, writers, actors, filmmakers, designers, and richly described and analyzed by scholars from various disciplinary perspectives. Whether naive or intentional, camp is always over the top and passionately committed to artifice, emphasizing form and devaluing content. It is seriousness that fails; a mode of enjoyment; a taste for excess and larger than life personality; parody and self-parody served with tender feeling. This course is an exploration of the meanings, practices, and theories of camp. It looks at the uses of camp as performance and analytic tool, and asks if it is intrinsically apolitical style or an ironic but nonetheless powerful mode of cultural criticism. We will watch ballet, 1960s sitcoms, drag shows, and opera to investigate camp from its first appearance in the eighteenth century to court performances to its present manifestations in pop culture, queer spaces and discourses, theatre and literature. Through movies, animation, theoretical texts, and fashion blogs this course will attempt, as camp often does, to question, please, confuse, lampoon, and provoke cultural and social critique.

Meeting times: Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, 3 hours per meeting.

FISHZON

HIST 21  Realities and Representations of Native Americans

In this course, we will explore the lives and times of four iconic Native Americans— as well as how their stories are constantly interpreted and reinterpreted—as a way of understanding more about the history of Native North America. Most of these figures are familiar from textbook and legend: Pocahontas, the original “Indian Princess”; Squanto, who famously taught the Pilgrims how to cultivate maize; Sacagawea, the quintessential guide, interpreter, and cultural go-between of the Lewis and Clark expedition; and Little Big Horn. By considering how these individuals’ stories have been told through a variety of media such as films, websites, historic sites, sculpture, and more, we will explore the symbolic uses of these individuals in American culture. We will also delve into the realities behind the symbols to contrast the actual experiences of diverse Native peoples with the stereotypical portrayal that continue to evolve into the present day. We will meet three days a week for two hours, and students will view films and other media and complete secondary reading assignments outside of class.

Evaluation will be based on class participation and a take-home paper analyzing at least three popular representations of a Native American individual. No prerequisites, but preference will be given to History majors. Enrollment limit: 25. Cost: about $50 for books and course packet.

Meeting time: mornings, twice per week, three hours per session.

LAURA KEENAN SPERO (Instructor)

WATERS (Sponsor)

Laura Keenan Spero received her Ph.D. in early American history from the University of Pennsylvania. Her research interests include colonialism, Native North America, and gender studies.

HIST 23  Gaudino Winter Study Fellows Program

The Gaudino Winter Study Fellowship is available to students who create their own independent projects that involve critical, reflective, and experiential learning during Winter Study. Each student works independently under the direction of a faculty sponsor, who will help shape and monitor the project. The project must receive approval from the Winter Study Committee, as well as from the Gaudino Scholar and Gaudino Board of Trustees. The Gaudino Board is looking for projects that address specific intellectual problems through direct experience, undertaken preferably in a social milieu that is previously unfamiliar to the student. Students must be academically rigorous and worked out carefully with faculty sponsors. Projects should also entail systematic self- reflection on how the experiences affect students personally, and allow students to ask their project with the Gaudino Board after it is completed. The Gaudino Scholar will meet with students as a group before and after Winter Study. All students whose projects are approved will receive the Gaudino Fellow designation. In addition, students on Financial Aid will receive Gaudino funding from a minimum of $500 to a maximum of 90% of the budget for students on 52% or more of the Federal Aid, as determined by the Financial Aid office. No additional funding for students’ projects will be provided by the College. Students selecting this course will register for HIST 23. More information about the Gaudino Fellows Winter Study Program and guidelines for applying can be found at: http://www.williams.edu/resources/audino/overview.php.

BERNHARDSSON

HIST 24  Politics and History in Cuba (Same as Africana Studies 24 and Political Science 24)

(See under PSCI 24 for full description.)

(See under SPEC 26 for full description.)

JEFF THALER ’74

HIST 26  Travel Course: Resettling Refugees in Maine (Same as Special 26)

(See under SPEC 26 for full description.)

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Meeting time: mornings.

Cost: approximately $125.

Meeting times: afternoons.

CHRI$ WILLIAMS (Instructor)

WATERS (Sponsor)

Chris Williams is the College architect. He has recently returned from a tour of the Deep South, where the events in this course took place. He has offered Winter Study courses at Williams on previous occasions and has taught courses in architecture at the Pratt Institute and Parsons School of Design in New York City.

HIST 31 Senior Thesis
To be taken by all senior honors students who are registered for HIST 493 (Fall) and HIST 494 (Spring), HIST 31 allows thesis writers to complete their research and prepare a draft chapter, due at the end of WSP.

WATERS

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

INST 25 Morocco (Same as English 25 and Philosophy 25)
(See under PHIL 25 for full description.)

INST 30 Senior Honors Project
To be taken by candidates for honors in International Studies.

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

INTR 29 Peer Writing Tutor Workshop (Same as English 29)
(See under ENGL 29 for full description.)

JEWSH STUDIES

JWST 10 Diary Writing, Children, and Experiences of Genocide
Dozens if not hundreds of diaries from WWII and the Holocaust are extant, as are diaries written by children affected by modern war and genocide in such countries as Israel, Iraq, Palestine, Afghanistan, Bosnia and others. The diarists, often writing under life-threatening circumstances, are alternately terrified, insightful, courageous, hopeful, often humorous and poignant. In their diaries, they cut through politics with a universal question: How and Why have adults gone insane enough to start these wars? This course examines the meaning of diary writing to children under extreme circumstances and how children, in their own words, reflect on the nature of children’s experiences of war. Students will meet twice a week for three hours a session. Readings will include Clara’s War, based on the Holocaust-era diary of the Polish Jewish teenager Clara Schwarz, and other selected diaries chosen by the instructor and by students. Several diarists, including Zlata Filipovic, writer of Zlata’s Diary, Clara (Schwarz) Kramer, and several additional diarists will be skype into the classroom to discuss their diaries. Evaluation will be based on attendance, participation in class discussions, and two writing assignments. The first is a creative writing assignment in which each student will research a particular genocidal context and keep a diary written from the perspective of a person in that time and place. The diaries will be handwritten on a media similar to those used by the diarists. Students will also write a 10-page paper analyzing their writing experience.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15. Preference to students who have previously taken a course in Comparative Literature, English, History, Jewish Studies.

Cost: approximately $50 for books and materials, including composition book, old-style fountain pen, ink, pencils.

Meeting time: mornings.

STEPHEN GLANTZ (Instructor)

GARBARINI (Sponsor)

Stephen Glantz is a prolific writer and screenwriter whose work has ranged from feature films to documentary films, television series, theater, and journalism. For the last decade, Glantz’s work has focused on the Holocaust and genocide with a special emphasis on children and children’s diaries.

JWST 14 “I Will Bear Witness Until the Bitter End”: The Experience of a German Jew in the Third Reich, 1933-1945 (Same as History 14)
(See under HIST 14 for full description.)

LATINA/O STUDIES

LATS 10 Art and Exhibition (Same as ArtH 10)
(See under ARTH 10 for full description.)

LATS 11 Race 2.0: Race and New Media Representations
This course provides an overview of how race is represented in new media, especially social media networks, blogs, and YouTube. Students will gain an introductory sense of how to critically analyze new media representations using race as the object of analysis in relation to other axes of difference such as gender, nation, class, religion, ability, and sexuality. Some of the major questions we will explore include: How has new media participated in the racialization process? How is the digital divide structured by race? How do changes in technology reproduce and challenge our understandings of race? How do these changes force us to re-examine how we think about the relationship between race and the media? Students will not only read and discuss scholarly work on the topic, but also engage in interactive exercises to analyze different forms of new media in order to answer these questions.

A 10-page final paper and presentations will be required. Attendance and participation will also be considered.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 12. If overenrolled, preference will be based on seniority.

Cost: $60 for books.

Meeting time: afternoons.

BAEZ

LATS 13 Understanding Similarities, Bridging Differences (Same as Africana Studies 13 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 13)
This course is an introduction to issues of social identity, social & cultural diversity, and societal manifestations of power, privilege and oppression. Mini lectures, presentations, readings, dialogues, in-class activities, audio and visual materials will help us analyze social identity development, social group difference and similarity, and levels and types of oppression, including racism, classism, sexism, and heterosexism as well as, linkages between them.

Requirements: weekly readings, 3 short journals, a project, and a final paper.


Cost: $42.51 for book.

Meeting time: afternoons.

TAJ SMITH (Instructor)

KITTLESON (Sponsor)

LATS 31 Latina/o Honors Thesis Seminar
Students must register for this course to complete an honors project begun in the fall or begin one to be finished in the spring.

Prerequisite: approval of program chair. Enrollment limited to senior honors candidates.

LEADERSHIP STUDIES

LEAD 10 Institutional Leadership and Social Responsibility
This course will examine a wide variety of issues related to leadership and responsibility, in both public-and private-sector settings. We will explore these issues through the experiences of men and women who have held leadership roles in these contexts. We will look at issues of corruption and fraud in the private sector. We will examine the changing role of lawyers in advising and guiding their clients. We will look at environmental issues from the perspective of both private institutions and government regulators. We will discuss issues facing leaders in higher education. We will look at questions of responsibility facing political leaders at the state level in our federal system. And we will examine leadership issues as they have arisen in historical contexts, including crucial questions regarding the origins and development of American involvement in Asia. The majority of class sessions will be led by guest speakers, most, though not all, of...
LGST 13 United States Environmental Law: Its Historic Past, Its Uncertain Future (Same as Environmental Studies 13)

Taught from the perspective of an experienced trial attorney, this course will examine the role environmental law plays in the United States today in light of how that role has developed during the nearly forty years since the modern era of environmental law began. As a preface, we will consider the significantly more limited influence of environmental law in our national affairs before 1970 and some of the historical and political reasons for that situation. We will examine the reasons why the law’s early application in the first half of the 20th century almost exclusively to the conservation and preservation of natural resources took on in the second half a markedly different approach, one emphasizing pollution control and all but ignoring resource conservation. This course will begin by tracing the development of an American consciousness towards the environment through an examination of our law and our literature. The term “law” includes state and federal judicial decisions and legislation, particularly during the presidency of Theodore Roosevelt and during the decades which followed the year 1970 when much of the basis for the federal environmental protection movement was established. The term “literature” includes not just the written word (the first book we look at is “The Lorax” by your favorite childhood author, Dr. Seuss) but also painting, sculpture, and music. Nothing too heavy! We will examine the historical and legal choices we as Americans have made which have put our environment on trial. What has occurred in our development as a people that explains this quintessentially American phenomenon? Our journey begins with the Puritans of New England and the planters of Virginia and their predecessors in the New World and then moves swiftly to the beginning of the modern era in environmental law and to its now uncertain future. In light of this historical situation students will examine state and federal legislative and judicial attempts to address environmental problems and then try to reach informed, rational conclusions as to whether those attempts were successful. What were the political, social and economic issues involved and, ultimately, how did their context affect the legal solutions imposed. Cases decided at the appellate level will be introduced and examined through their trial court memorandum opinions in order to observe how the legal system actually works and how frequently the reasoning behind the trial judge’s decision changes as the case works its way through the appellate process.

This course will be presented from a litigator’s point of view, that is to say, both the practical and the theoretical, emphasizing what is possible to achieve in the litigator’s real world as informed by what the academician would present from the security of the classroom. Evaluation will be based on attendance and classroom participation. Students will prepare several short papers, including single page “clerk’s notes,” which will present one or more sides of an issue and form the basis for classroom discussion. They will be asked to defend or reject the conclusions reached or approaches taken by our courts and legislatures and by our literature, as broadly defined, on environmental issues.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15. This course is appropriate for students eager to explore the material presented and prepared to argue assigned positions on important legal, literary and historical issues.

Cost: approximately $80 for books and materials.

Meeting time: mornings, 3 two-hour sessions a week.

PHILIP R. MCKNIGHT ’65 (Instructor)

SHANKS (Sponsor)

Philip R. McKnight ’65 is a trial and appellate attorney. At Williams he completed the honors program for both American History and Literature and European History. He earned his law degree from The University of Chicago Law School and then practiced in the state and federal courts of New York and Connecticut, as well as in Europe.

LGST 14 Mock Trial: Simulation of a Civil Trial

This course provides the opportunity for students to simulate the role of a civil trial attorney formulating trial strategy, opening statement, direct and cross examination of witnesses, and closing argument. Using case materials from the American Mock Trial Association which has a website at www.collegemock-trial.org, teams of 5-6 students will prepare for a civil trial. The initial class will review the role of trials in the American legal system, the anatomy of a trial, approaches to witness presentation, styles for direct and cross examination, and the role of opening statement and closing arguments. After the initial lecture, the students will work in pairs on the process using the materials provided to select the necessary witnesses to present their case as both plaintiff and defendant. Students on each team will then play the roles of the attorneys and witnesses to present their case, once as the plaintiff and once as the defendant. Evaluation will be based on the following: (1) short (2-3 page) memo on the strategy for the case as plaintiff/defendant and reasons for witness selection; (2) preparation of direct and cross examinations; (3) preparation of opening and closing arguments; (4) effectiveness as witnesses and (5) oral presentation of the case to a panel of “judges” as plaintiff and defendant.

No prerequisites, but interest in the legal system and potential career in law helpful. Enrollment limit: 24.

Cost: less than $100 for photocopying of case materials.

Meeting time: two 4-hour sessions on Mondays at 12:00 to 4:00 and Tuesdays at 10:00-2:00.

DAVID C. OLSON ’71 and GENE M. BAUER ’71 (Instructors)

SHANKS (Sponsor)

David C. Olson graduated from Williams in 1971 and then from Ohio State’s Law School in 1978. He joined what is now Frost Brown Todd 32 years ago and practices as a civil trial attorney. He handles a wide range of complex civil matters with a concentration on construction cases. Please see his attached firm profile for more details.

Gene M. Bauer graduated from Williams in 1971 and then from Harvard Law School in 1974. He held a variety of positions with law firms in New York for 6-7 years and thereafter assumed several positions as Associate General Counsel, General Counsel and other senior management positions with companies in New York, New Jersey and Massachusetts. Please see his attached Career Summary for more details.
The objective of this program and winter study course is to provide an alternative sentence for adolescents involved in the Juvenile Court system in Berkshire County. Many of these children cut school, are disruptive in the classroom, and do not find learning stimulating. The goal of this program is to teach these children, through experience, that learning can be fun, providing them with the motivation to succeed in school. These students, under the guidance of Williams College undergraduates, will select a topic of interest and learn how to research and present this topic to their peers in the program, with access to Williams College facilities. Williams undergraduate students will gain experience in teaching and motivating troubled teenagers and will also present a topic of their choosing to the students in the program, modeling a classroom setting. Furthermore, Williams students will be exposed to the Juvenile Court system, gaining insight into the causes of and solutions to the incidence of juvenile crime. Williams students will be expected to read relevant training materials, meet with their teenagers three times a week in the afternoons, give a final presentation, and keep a weekly journal detailing the meetings.

Evaluation will be based on the quality of the journal, the Williams students' own topic presentations, and a final paper about the experience, with a focus on how to improve the program, the juvenile sentencing system, and what they learned about the social and psychological repercussions of adolescent crime. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 6. Students will be asked to write an essay describing why they want to take the course.

Cost: $0.
Meeting times with the teens will be from 3:5 p.m. three times a week.

Mike Wynn is the Chief of Police of the Pittsfield Police Department and graduated Williams College in 1993.

MARITIME STUDIES

MATH 10 Ultimate Wellness: Concepts for Living a Happy Healthy Life (Same as Geosciences 10)
This course provides an opportunity to drastically improve your life by introducing concepts that can start making a difference in the way you feel today. We will be approaching post-modern Integrative Nutrition concepts such as: Bio-individuality, crowding out, deconstructing cravings, and primary food through discussion, reading material, and videos. Students will develop a healthy eating and feasible living approach that includes: Menu planning, food label reading, navigating the grocery store, overcoming sugar addiction, self-care, physical activity, journaling, and achieving balance.
Evaluation will be based on completion of assignments, class participation, reflective 10 page paper or equivalent creative project, and final presentation that demonstrates a level of personal growth.
After signing up for this course please email Nicole at nicole@zentrewellness.com with a brief statement describing your interest in the course and what you hope to get out of it. In the event of over-subscription, these statements will be used in the selection process.
There will be several books, videos, grocery store field trip and simple cooking required for this class.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15.
Cost: $100.
Meeting time: mornings, twice a week for three-hour sessions.

Nicole Anagnos is a local Health & Nutrition Coach and the founder and director of Zen Tree Wellness. She also holds a masters degree in education.

MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS

MATH 10 Contemporary Movie Criticism
Are there some movies that you love? Are there any movies that you despise? If so, can you make it clear why you feel so strongly about a film? In this course, students will watch the films of contemporary directors that have a very distinctive style-styles which they will either love or hate. The students will then study how various critics have reacted to these directors, and then write their own responses. Directors that will be focused on include David Gordon Green, Larry Clark, Terry Zwigoff, Kore-Eda Hirokazu, P.T. Anderson, Errol Morris, and Todd Solondz. Students will be required to turn in and present several critical essays throughout the term. Preference given to upperclassmen.
Evaluation will be based on a 2-page critical essay due every other class meeting.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15.
Cost: $0.
Meeting time: mornings, Monday-Friday, with two meetings at least two hours to show movies.

DEVADOSS

MATH 11 Lessons in Go (Same as Asian Studies 11)
Go is probably the oldest board game in the world, originating in China more than 4,000 years ago, and played today by millions of people. Unlike (Western) Chess, which focuses on hierarchical society and strictly defined and limited powers, and unlike (Middle Eastern) Backgammon, which is preoccupied with fate, chance and a wave of luck, Go has an Eastern spirit, where every piece is of equal value and can be played anywhere on the board. The aim is not to destroy but to build territory, where single stones become groups, and groups become organic structures. Two players alternate in placing black and white stones on a 19 x 19 ruled board with the aim of surrounding territory. The stones are left as they stand throughout the game, so that the game itself takes shape as a visible record of the thinking that went into it. The result is an amazing aesthetic and intuitive movement with deep complexity. Although easy to learn, no computer program exists which can beat a strong amateur player (even with a $5 million reward incentive). We look at how Go helped shape Asian culture, namely in Japan, and how this game is a reflection of Asian values. Strategic topics include: Joseki (openings), Tesuji (tactical magic), life and death, territory and influence, endgame, and handicap strategy. We will analyze famous games, discuss problems, as well as moderate a tournament among students and computer programs.
Evaluation will be based primarily upon attendance, participation, problem sets and a final exam.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 32.
Cost: approximately $35 for books and supplies.
Meeting time: mornings.

DEVADOSS

MATH 12 Modern Dance—Muller Technique
This dance class will be based on the modern dance technique developed by Jennifer Muller, with whom I danced professionally for 5 years in New York City and in Europe. Jennifer Muller was a soloist in the dance company of José Limon before she started her own company in 1974. She has added her own style of movement to the Limon technique, creating an expansive, free-flowing dance that is wonderful to do and to watch. The students will be multi-levelled and open to both men and women alike. Students will have the opportunity to choreograph a short piece either as a soloist or in small groups. We will finish the course with a short choreography illustrating what we have learned.
Previous dance experience preferred, but not required. Enrollment limit: 24.
Cost: $0.
Meeting times: Mornings. Six hours per week. 10-12, M, T, TH, F
SYLVIA LOGAN (Instructor)
SILVA (Sponsor)
Sylvia Logan received her B.A. in Slavic Literature from Stanford University. She danced professionally with the Jennifer Muller Dance Company, a modern company based in New York City for five years.

MATH 14 The Art and Science of Baking
This course will provide an introduction to baking, including cakes, meringues, cookies, pastry, quick breads, and chocolate. We will study the science behind the baking in addition to techniques of baking. Students will also contribute to a food blog, where they will write about and display their creations. The course is aimed at those without extensive baking experience, though some knowledge would be helpful.
Assessment will be based on class participation (in the Williams College bakeshop in Paresky), homework, and a final project that will include both a baking and writing component.
Evaluation will be based on final project and presentation.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10.
Cost: $200.
Meeting time: afternoons; class will meet afternoons (not Friday’s, an average of three days (9 hours) per week.

PACELLI

MATH 15 Mathematics of the Rubik’s Cube
The Rubik’s cube, one of the greatest toys ever invented, hides deep and subtle mathematical concepts. In this course the students will learn how to solve the Rubik’s cube and will investigate the solution using abstract mathematics and geometric intuition. The mathematical model associated with the cube is the Ru-
bik's Group, an algebraic structure with more than 43 quintillion elements. We will study the basics of Group Theory, an area of algebra used in the study of symmetry in two- and three-dimensional geometric figures. The mathematical theory will help us understand the beauty and some of the complexity of the Rubik's cube. We will also briefly investigate the other Rubik's cubes: the 4×4×4 Rubik's Revenge and the 5×5×5 Professor's Cube. Should the course be oversubscribed, selection will be based on responses to a questionnaire.

Evaluation will be based on class participation and homework.

Prerequisites: Mathematics 104 or its equivalent. Enrollment limit: 25.

Cost: $15 for Rubik's cube.

Meeting time: mornings.

MATH 16  A Critical Study of the Coen Brothers

Over the past 25 years, Joel and Ethan Coen, known professionally as the Coen brothers, have established themselves as among the most important independent filmmakers of our time. They write, direct, and produce their own films and have won numerous critical distinctions for their work, including tying the existing record for the most Academy Award nominations for a single nominee for their 2007 blockbuster No Country For Old Men. Notorious for their dark humor and twisted plots based upon a simple storyline, their filmography pays tribute to nearly every classic American movie genre, with a particular recurring postmodern twist on film noir. We will watch and critique a wide ranging sample of Coen brothers movies, such as Raising Arizona, Fargo, The Big Lebowski, No Country for Old Men, and True Grit. The class will meet daily, with movie screenings and discussions on alternate days.

Evaluation will be based on attendance, participation in class discussions, and a 2-page critical essay due every other class meeting.


Cost: $0.

Meeting time: Monday through Friday mornings, with 2-3 meetings per week at least 2 hours for movie screenings.

TOWNESEND BEAZLEY

MATH 19  Humor Writing (Same as English 19)

What is humor? The dichotomy inherent in the pursuit of comedic intent while confronting the transient nature of adversity can ratchet up the devolving psyche’s penchant for explication to a catastrophic threshold, thwarting the existential impulse and pushing the natural proclivity for causative norms beyond the possibility of pre-situational adaptation.

Do you know what that means? If so, this is not the course for you. No, we will write funny stuff, day in and day out. Or at the very least, we will think it’s funny. Stories, plays, fiction, nonfiction, we’ll try a little of each. And we’ll read some humor, too.

Is laughter the body’s attempt to eject excess phlegm? Why did Plato write dialogues instead of monologues? Who backed into my car in the Bronfman parking lot on the afternoon of March 2, 2011? These are just a few of the questions we will not explore in this course. No, we won’t have time because we will be busy writing. (But if you know the answer to the third question, there’s a $10 reward.)

Plan to meet 6 hours a week, and to spend at least 20 hours a week on the course. No slackers need apply. Produce or become produce. Everyone will submit at least one piece for publication. Selection based on submitted samples of humor writing.

Requirements: Reading, attendance, participation and writing at least 20 pages of material.

Prerequisites: sense of humor (broadly interpreted.) Enrollment limit: 15.

Cost: no more than $50.

Meeting time: mornings.

ADAMS

Colin Adams is the author of the book “Riot at the Calc Exam and Other Mathematically Bent Stories” and the humor columnist for the Mathematical Intelligencer.

MATH 30  Senior Project

To be taken by candidates for honors in Mathematics other than by thesis route.

MATH 31  Senior Thesis

To be taken by students registered for Mathematics 493-494.

MUS 10  Black Gospel Music, History and Performance Ensemble (Same as Africana Studies 10)

(See under AFR 10 for full description.) AVERY SHARPE

MUS 11  Tuning and Temperament

Our musical system conceals a fundamental flaw—an inherent, mathematical incommensurability of its intervals: a finite collection of tones cannot be built from pure fifths and thirds and also be closed at the octave (i.e. twelve fifths from C returns not to another C, but to the distinct pitch Eb). Equal temperament is our modern solution to this problem: we make the space between all tones exactly the same, spreading the discrepancy between C and Eb evenly among all intervals, thereby creating a pure pitch compass. Historically this was always the case: in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, myriad competing methods arose to distribute the discrepancy in uneven but usable ways. As a result, different keys had different sounds—some were more harmonious, others less so; triads in those keys were not simply major or minor, but involved many shades of major and minor. Drawing on ancient legends, writers ascribed specific characters to particular key signatures, and such key characters undoubtedly shaped composers’ choices: Mozart, for instance, reserved g minor for particularly tragic topics; E-flat suggested particular paths for modulation by Bach. The class will explore the theory, the mythology, and most importantly, the practice of diverse, microtonal tuning systems from the Baroque era: much of the class work will involve learning how to tune a harpsichord, realizing various historical temperaments on the instrument, and performing works therewith in multiple keys, exploring the distinct sound worlds those temperaments create. Evaluation will be based on a student’s tuning project, and its accompanying presentation and paper.

Enrollment limit: 12. Preference given to music majors, performers, and students who have taken a music theory course.

Meeting time: mornings.

MUS 12  African Marimba Music

Created in the 1960s, Zimbabwean marimba band has made its mark in countries around the world. The compositions of Alport Mhlanga are in the repertoire of virtually every marimba band that plays in Zimbabwean style. Beginning students (no musical prerequisites) will learn to play simpler Zimbabwe marimba songs, many composed by Alport Mhlanga. Advanced students will learn to play more advanced Zimbabwean songs and, time permitting, new compositions and arrangements commissioned by the Zambezi Marimba Band.

Students in this intensive course will learn to play Zimbabwean marimba music, perform with the Zambezi Marimba Band in the last week of WSP, and investigate the history, aesthetics, and acoustics of the African marimba. The course will be taught by Prof. Ernest Brown, Director of the Zambezi Marimba Band who developed the African marimba played by Zambesi, and Mr. Alport Mhlanga, a composer, teacher, and marimba virtuoso who helped develop the Zimbabwean marimba style and has toured internationally with his own marimba bands. Mr. Mhlanga currently teaches marimba at Maru a Pula School in Botswana.

Beginning Section: Mondays-Fridays 10 AM to 12 PM. Advanced Section: Mondays-Fridays 4-6 PM. Possible weekend rehearsals Jan. 21 and/or Jan. 22, 2012. Evening Concert in the last week of WSP. Students are required to practice individually and to come to group lessons prepared to play the material taught in the last lesson. Performing with the Zambezi Marimba Band in the last week of WSP. Students are expected to attend all lessons, rehearsals, and the final concert. Medical emergencies must be documented. Students who are not present for the first class will be dropped from the class and may not be allowed to re-enroll. Readings, viewing, and video viewings will be assigned. Method of evaluation: 50% from 1 page paper, topic to be arranged. 50% from regular participation in lessons and rehearsals and progress as a marimba musician.

Prerequisites: No musical prerequisites for the beginning section. Musical ability is a prerequisite for the advanced section. For the beginning section, the student statement of interest will be used to select student. Students in the advanced section should have a high level of performance experience on any instrument. All students should email Prof. Brown, indicating student is one or two paragraphs, the level of their musical skills, their interest in the course, and their class year.

Enrollment limit: 14-7 in the advanced section and 7 in the beginning section. If over-enrolled: for the beginning section, the student statement of interest is the criterion. There are no musical prerequisites. For the advanced section, musical ability and the student statement of interest are the criteria. All else being equal, students who are earlier rather than later in their college career are preferred.

Cost: approximately $50.

Preferred meeting times: For the beginning section: Mondays-Fridays 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Advanced section: Mondays-Fridays, 4-6 p.m. Possible weekend rehearsals January 21 and/or January 22, 2012. Evening concert in the last week of WSP.

E. D. BROWN

MUS 13  I/O Fest ’12

Students enrolled in the I/O Fest ’12 Winter Study will direct, manage, perform in, and compose for the student run Iota Ensemble. Members of the ensemble will take part in every aspect of planning for the final concert, including choosing the program, organizing rehearsals, and producing the concert. Student performers
will have the opportunity to rehearse and perform in an ensemble comprised completely of other students and explore the vast terrain of new music and contemporary performance practice. Composers will write for the ensemble and be able to work with it directly in a laboratory setting. Students will also work with the I/O Ensemble in presenting a professional concert, and will travel to New York to hear a concert and meet other musicians and composers. Meetings will include regular rehearsals and workshops, as well as several concerts. Evaluation will be based on participation, preparation for performances, and a final written critical exercise on a relevant class topic.

Prerequisites: this course is open to composers, instrumentalists, singers, and others interested in contemporary music, at the discretion of the instructor. Enrollment limit: 20. If overenrolled selection will be based on experience and appropriate skills.

Cost: $0.

Meeting times will include rehearsals and concerts, and will be primarily in the afternoons and evenings.

MATTHEW GOLD (Instructor)

BLOXAM (Sponsor)

Matthew Gold is studio instructor of percussion at Williams, where he directs the Williams Percussion ensemble and I/O New Music. He is one of the leading contemporary percussionists in NYC, leading TimeTable Percussion and touring with many major New York based ensembles.

MUS 14 Classic American and European Musical Theatre

This Winter Study will give participants an opportunity to study and perform numbers for one or more singers in great American musicals and European light operas. You have sung a solo, you are in a chorus—now practice the exacting art of singing in an ensemble on stage. Selections from Stephen Sondheim’s Sweeney Todd will be a special focus. The course will culminate with a performance of ensembles, solos, and duets from a variety of musical theater shows. Other ensembles from European models may also be included. Singers, actors, and pianists are all welcome to participate. The course is intended especially for singers who wish to have some stage time, and for actors who wish to work on their singing. Evaluation: A student may fulfill the requirements of the course by performing, writing a 5-page descriptive paper, or some combination of the two approved by the teacher. A student may fulfill the requirements of the course by performing, writing a 5-page descriptive paper, or some combination of the two approved by the teacher. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15. If over-enrolled students will be accepted based on a discussion with the instructor.

Cost: $0.

Meeting time: afternoons.

KEITH KIBLER (Instructor)

BLOXAM (Sponsor)

Keith Kibler is an adjunct teacher of voice at Williams College, and has performed under some of the finest directors currently working including David Alden, Peter Sellars, and Galina Vishnevskaya.

MUS 15 Contemporary American Songwriting (Same as American Studies 15 and Special 15)

(See under SPEC 15 for full description.)

MUS 25 Choral Singing and South Africa

During the first two weeks of Winter Study, students will live on campus, rehearsing music South African and North American works, including a commissioned work by Prof. David Kechley. Readings on South African history and its musical traditions will be assigned. In the final two weeks the students will travel to South Africa where they will perform with and for South African choirs and singing communities. The trip will involve performing for and with Sinikithembu, a Durban choir—aftiliated with a local hospital—in which all members are HIV positive. We also intend to perform with and for a choir of inmates at Polsmoor prison in Cape Town.

Students will be assessed on their level of proficiency in the music to be performed.

Prerequisites: Membership in Williams Concert Choir during the fall of 2011. Enrollment limit: 45 (preference based on seniority)

Meetings: four hours each day.

Wed. TUE.

MUS 31 Senior Thesis

To be taken by students registered for Music 493, 494.

NEUROSCIENCE

NSCI 31 Senior Thesis

To be taken by students registered for Neuroscience 493-494.

PHILOSOPHY

PHIL 10 Above Us Only Sky: Atheist Understandings of Reason, Morality and the Meaning of Life

Atheists are often defined by “that which they are not”: they do not believe in God, they do not think that the universe was created by a powerful being for a good reason, they are not religious, and so on. However, the purpose of human life makes no sense to them, and they live their lives without hope of eternal salvation or fear of eternal damnation. To enrich and deepen such a negative understanding of atheism, this course will explore the vibrant and diverse tradition of positive atheist thought in both theoretical and practical domains.

We will not consider arguments for and against atheism in this course; rather, taking the atheistic position as our starting point, we will explore some aspects of atheism epistemology, metaphysics and moral philosophy, thus sketching a positive philosophical characterization of atheism. Specifically, we will consider the following questions: What is the relationship between skepticism and atheism? Must an atheist have a higher standard for justified belief than a theist? Should an atheist try to prove her position, should she try to recommend it to others, or should she treat her religious stance as a private matter? Since, for an atheist, the universe is lifeless, how does she ever experience the beauty of nature, the sense of reverence for the known world? What is the source of atheists’ morality? Must an atheist be a moral relativist or a moral nihilist? Finally, how can an atheist find meaning in her life, contingent and short as it is? How can she find joy in it despite what she must perceive as pointless suffering?

The readings for this course will mainly be drawn from the history of Western philosophy, starting with ancient Greek philosophers and ending with our contemporaries.

Requirements: Class attendance, preparedness, and participation; three short papers (2-3 pages each); and a final paper (4-5 pages).

Prerequisites: none. Open to first year students. Enrollment limit: 15. Priority will be given to philosophy majors, intended philosophy majors, and students seriously committed to the course.

Meeting times: three times a week, in the afternoons.

Mladenovic

PHIL 12 Bioethics According to The Simpsons

Active Euthanasia? Okely Doke! Human cloning? Don’t have a cow, man! Over the past twenty years The Simpsons has included a healthy dose of stinging and sometimes illuminating critique of numerous bioethical issues. In this winter study course we will use clips and episodes from the classic animated series as a launch pad for investigating the deeper philosophical concepts and ethical questions involved in a variety of bioethical topics. Good comedy has a way of driving straight to the core of contested issues and painful circumstances, providing a point of entry for students in the class to more serious, academic material. Along the way, the course will also investigate what makes The Simpsons’ treatment of these bioethical issues “funny”—how does satire play on common misunderstandings, contradictions and inconsistencies in social policy and individual decisions, and how serious issues drive the comedic effect. During the first portion of the course, the instructor will present selections from The Simpsons that take up several core bioethical issues, paired with related readings from the bioethics literature and possibly from the philosophical literature on humor and on The Simpsons. In the second portion of the course, the students themselves will identify and present material pertaining to bioethical issues. The final project for the course will be collaborative in nature: small groups of students will be asked to develop and pitch (to the other class members) a storyline for a Simpsons episode (or portion thereof) that centers on a bioethical topic. Classes will meet two or three afternoons each week, and students will be expected to read a substantial amount of philosophical material in preparation for these meetings. In addition, students will need to spend amounts of time outside of class viewing videos and developing their final projects.

Evaluation will be based on class participation, one in-class presentation, and the final collaborative project.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 12. Preference will be given to students who indicate intellectual seriousness about philosophical bioethics.

Cost: $20-$30 for reading packet; students may also wish to obtain their own copies of relevant video material, although one copy of all episodes should be available on library reserve or freely available on the internet.

Meeting time: ?

J. Pedroni

PHIL 14 Plato’s Symposium and Its Afterlife (Same as Classics 14, Comparative Literature 14, and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 14)

(See under CLAS 14 for full description.)
PHIL 15 Film and/or Philosophy (Same as English 15)
(See under ENGL 15 for full description.)

PHIL 16 Chekhov, An Unlikely Revolutionary (Same as Comparative Literature 16, Russian 16, and Theatre 16)
“The Anglo-American theater finds it possible to get along without the services of most of the best playwrights. Achesylus, Lope de Vega, Racine, Molieres, Schiller, Strindberg—would one could prolong indefinitely the list of great dramatists who are practically unknown in England and America except to scholars? But why did Chekhov preserved from the general oblivion? Why is it that scarcely a year passes without a major Broadway or West End production of a Chekhov play? Chekhov’s plays—by reputation, which in commercial theater is the important thing—are plotless, monotonous, drab, and intellectual: find the opposites of these four adjectives and you have a recipe for a smash hit.” —Eric Bentley, Craftsmanship in Uncle Vanya
In this course, we will try to find an answer to Bentley’s question through close readings of Chekhov’s four major plays: Uncle Vanya, The Seagull, Three Sisters and The Cherry Orchard. We will trace the development of the revolution that Chekhov’s plays have provoked in the practice of acting, directing and playwriting by reading excerpts from Stanislavski’s works, Chekhov’s correspondence with him, researching production history of Chekhov’s major works and watching some major productions of his plays available on film.
Requirements: conscientiousness, preparedness and participation; one class presentation on production history; and a final paper (7-10 pages).
Prerequisites: none; open to first year students. Enrollment limit: 15. In case of overenrollment, priority will be given to students with some background in Chekhov, and to those students who demonstrate a serious commitment to the course.
Cost: about $40 for books and Course Packet.
Class meetings: Evenings. The class will meet three times a week in three hour sessions. Two weekly meetings will be devoted to lecture and discussion, while the third will involve a screening, followed by discussion.
MILOS MLADENOVIC (Instructor)
GERARD (Sponsor)

Milos Mladenovic is a theatre director (MFA, Yale School of Drama; National Endowment for the Arts Award) with extensive experience in European theatre.

PHIL 20 Tavern of Crossed Destinies: The Video (Same as English 20)
Italo Calvino’s The Tavern of Crossed Destinies is a novella in which characters who are unable to speak tell their life stories by placing Tarot cards on a table. These are black and white reproductions of the cards, printed in the margins of the book; as one reads, one must glance back and forth between the text and the images. In this course, we will make videos so that, as viewers hear the stories, they will see high-resolution color images of the cards, as the cards become relevant. The instructor, who has never before undertaken a project of this sort, hopes that imaginative and enthusiastic students will join him in bringing the project to at least partial completion.
Evaluation will be based on contributions to production of videos.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 20. Selection will be based on letter explaining interest.
Cost: $50.
Meeting time: afternoons.
WHITE

PHIL 25 Morocco (Same as English 25 and International Studies 25)
Students in this course will spend winter study in Morocco. Morocco presents a compelling blend of historical influences and modern world currents. Threads of Islamic, Jewish and the heritage of the native Berber peoples are woven into a distinctive cultural tapestry, while traces of French colonialism can still be seen in the political and social structure. Morocco is at the intersection of the West, the Middle East, and Africa. Travel there is therefore a powerful way to introduce intellectual themes that require and reward a subtle blend of insight from history, political science, religion, and philosophy.
We will take the first steps in engaging some of these challenging topics in order to enable independent study facilitated by serious and multifaceted exposure to the country. For the first two weeks, students will study at the Center for Cross Cultural Learning (CCCL) in Rabat, taking Arabic lessons (classical or Moroccan dialect) each morning and then gathering for lectures by local university faculty in the afternoon. During this span students will live with Moroccan families in the Rabat medina. In the third week of the course students will travel in the interior of Morocco, exploring Fez and Marrakech, riding camels in the desert, and hiking through Berber villages in the Atlas Mountains.
Students will be expected to attend all seminars, lead a group presentation, and complete a substantial research paper (10-15 pages). The presentation and research paper will be occasions to explore a special topic in depth including, for instance, justice and gender, art, literature, colonial studies, or Islam.
No prerequisites. Arabic is the official spoken language of Morocco, and French is spoken widely. While desirable, neither is required. Enrollment limit: 11. Preference given to students whose goals are more important than class year or academic major. Final participants will be chosen on the basis of interviews regarding student goals and intellectual interests.
Estimated cost: $4000.
BARRY and KNOPP

PHIL 31 Senior Thesis
To be taken by students registered for Philosophy 493-494.

PHYS 10 Light and Holography
This course will examine the art and science of holography. It will introduce modern optics at a level appropriate for a non-science major, giving the necessary theoretical background in lectures and discussion. Demonstrations will be presented and students will make several kinds of holograms in the lab. Thanks to a grant from the Science Foundation, we have 7 well-equipped high-power holography darkrooms available for student use. At the beginning of the WSP, the class will meet for lecture and discussion three mornings a week and for lab 2 afternoons a week. Later classes will be mainly laboratory.
Students will be evaluated on the basis of regular attendance, completion of 4 laboratory exercises, and a holography laboratory project or a 10-page paper. Attendance at all classes and labs is required for a passing grade.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10. Preference will be given to students with no previous college course in physics more advanced than Physics 109.
Cost: about $50 for holographic film, chemicals, and photocopies. Meeting time: lectures for all students will be in the morning; labs will be in the afternoon.

PHYS 12 Drawing as a Learnable Skill
Representational drawing is not merely a gift of birth, but a learnable skill. If you wanted to draw, but have never had the time to learn; or you enjoy drawing and wish to deepen your understanding and abilities, then this course is for you. This intensive course utilizes discoveries in brain research along with traditional drawing exercises to teach representational drawing. By using simple techniques and extensive exercises you will develop the perceptual shift from your symbolic hand to your visually based right hemisphere. This cognitive shift enables you to accurately see and realistically represent the physical world. You will learn to draw a convincing portrait, interior, and still life. This course is designed to develop your powers of observation and enhance your innate creative problem solving abilities, which are applicable in any field. Students need no previous artistic experience, just the willingness and desire to learn a new skill. Students will be expected to attend and participate in all sessions. They will also be required to keep a sketchbook recording their progress and complete a final project.
Evaluations will be based on participation, effort, and development.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 18. If overenrolled, selection will be based on seniority.
Cost: for materials.
Meeting time: Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10:00 until 12:45, with substantial independent student work. There will be an exhibition of coursework on the final day of Winter Study.
STELLA EHRICH (Instructor)
AALBERTS (Sponsor)

Stella Ehrich lived in Italy for sixteen years, where she spent seven years studying figurative realism in the atelier of Nera Simi in Florence. She holds an MFA in painting from Bennington College. Stella is a professional painter whose work includes portraits, landscapes and still life subjects.

PHYS 13 Media Immersion: Creativity through multimedia animation and video production
This course is designed to introduce concepts and workflows associated with multiple formats of video production, ranging from still image and 2D animation to holography and TV production. Midway, we will form groups to undertake production of a five-minute piece in the format of their choosing. We will meet for 3, two-hour sessions each week (lecture and workshop) with an additional required labproduction time (minimum of 6 hours/week, additional during final project weeks)
Weekly assignments will be completed during (and outside of, as needed) three 2-hour lab sessions each week. There will also be a short 4-page paper on a select list of topics. Software introduced includes: iMovie, Final Cut Pro, Motion, Flash, Soundtrack, Photoshop.

Evaluation will be based on weekly assignments, short paper and final project.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15. If overenrolled, selection will be based on student interest.

Cost: $25 for blank media.

TREvor MURPHY and TAMRA HJERMSTAD (Instructors)

AALBERTS (Sponsor)

Trevor Murphy has been an Instructional Technology Specialist at Williams College for 9 years. He has taught two winter study courses in the past that focused on video and animation. Tamra Hjermstad has been an Instructional Technologist and media production consultant for more than 14 years at both Williams and Mount Holyoke colleges. She has created and delivered course integrated workshops and multi-part learning modules on digital media production and animation.

PHYS 22 Research Participation

Several members of the department will have student projects available dealing with their own research or that of current senior thesis students. Approximately 35 hours per week of study and actual research participation will be expected from each student.

Students will be required to keep a notebook and write a five-page paper summarizing their work. Those interested should consult with members of the department as early as possible in the registration period or before to determine details of projects then expected to be available.

Prerequisites: permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: 1 or 2 per project.

Cost: $0.

Meeting time: to be arranged with instructor.

Tucker Smith and members of the department

PHYS 31 Senior Thesis

To be taken by students registered for Physics 493, 494.

POLITICAL ECONOMY

POEC 21 Fieldwork in Public Affairs and Private Non-Profits (Same as Political Science 21)

(See under PSCI 21 for full description.)

POEC 22 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (Same as Economics 22)

(See under ECON 22 for full description.)

POEC 23 Institutional Investment

This course is an internship with the Williams College Investment Office in Boston. This unique opportunity is a structured program designed to give students an overview of endowment and investment management. Through formal training and project work, students will gain a better understanding of how an institutional investment portfolio is managed and how investment managers are selected and monitored. Students will learn about global equities, hedge funds, venture capital, buyouts, commodities, real estate and fixed income. Students are integral members of the Investment Office team and will assist on projects that influence investment and operational decisions. Students will sharpen their professional skills and have the opportunity to meet investment professionals from across the investment industry. The instructors are investment professionals in the Williams College Investment Office.

The work will be based in Boston and will run for four weeks during Winter Study (January 3-January 26). Students are expected to work at the office for a minimum of 32 hours a week (four days/week), complete a set of relevant readings, keep a journal, and write an analytic essay. No prerequisites are required.

To apply for enrollment, please select this course (WS POEC 23) as your first choice when registering for Winter Study. Additionally, please send an email with your resume and a cover letter discussing why you are interested in this course and what you hope to gain from it to: investmentoffice@williams.edu by 11:59 PM ET on Thursday, October 13, 2011. Enrollment limit: 2. If oversubscribed, students will be selected via interviews.

Students are responsible for the cost of housing, food, and incidentals. The Investment Office will provide help in locating low-cost/no-cost housing in the Boston area as needed.

COLLETTE CHILTON, Chief Investment Officer (Co-instructor)

ABIGAIL WATTLEY, Investment Associate (Co-instructor)

ANNA SOYBEL, Investment Analyst (Co-instructor)

POEC 31 Honors Thesis

To be taken by students registered for Political Economy 493.

POLITICAL SCIENCE

PSCI 10 Opening Up the Corporate World: Research on Corporate Ethics

With the downsizing of government at all levels, large corporations have more than ever become the dominant institutions of American culture and politics. Whether you are considering a career in corporations or wish to understand their dynamics and policy making, they remain relatively opaque compared to other major institutions. This course will explore the issue of corporate ethics from various perspectives and develop your skills in corporate research. You will conduct extensive research on the structure, policies, operations, and ethics of one large U.S. corporation, during a 100-hour internship with the Investment Office team and will assist on projects that influence investment and operational decisions. Students will sharpen their professional skills and have the opportunity to meet investment professionals from across the investment industry. The instructors are investment professionals in the Williams College Investment Office.

The work will be based in Boston and will run for four weeks during Winter Study (January 3-January 26). Students are expected to work at the office for a minimum of 32 hours a week (four days/week), complete a set of relevant readings, keep a journal, and write an analytic essay. No prerequisites are required.

To apply for enrollment, please select this course (WS PSCI 10) as your first choice when registering for Winter Study. Additionally, please send an email with your resume and a cover letter discussing why you are interested in this course and what you hope to gain from it to: investmentoffice@williams.edu by 11:59 PM ET on Thursday, October 13, 2011. Enrollment limit: 2. If oversubscribed, students will be selected via interviews.

Students are responsible for the cost of housing, food, and incidentals. The Investment Office will provide help in locating low-cost/no-cost housing in the Boston area as needed.

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ANNA SOYBEL, Investment Analyst (Co-instructor)

PSCI 11 Editorial Cartooning and the Art of Propaganda (Same as ArtH 11)

(See under ARTH 11 for full description.)

PSCI 13 States, Foreigners and Famine in Africa

The Ethiopian famine of 1984 left two enduring images. First, it reinforced the conventional wisdom that African governments lack the technical capacity and political will to respond to famine. Secondly, because of the success of the Band Aid and Live Aid campaigns, it suggested that international humanitarian intervention and aid can (and should) make up for the inadequacies of domestic governments. This course considers the prescriptions to address the underlying problems with the African state, democratizing it and building its administrative capacity, on the one hand, and growing a robust international disaster relief industry, on the other hand. Have these prescriptions been successful in arresting famine across Africa?

Evaluation will be based on a final 10-page paper; class attendance and participation in discussion will also be taken into consideration.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 30. Preference to seniors, juniors, sophomores and then first-year students.

Cost: $80 for books.

Meeting time: mornings.

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PSCI 14 Making Sense of the CIA (Same as Leadership Studies 14)

MCallISTER and DONALD GREGG '51 (Instructors)

PSCI 16 Political Aikido, Embodied Leadership, and the State of the Union

Aikido is a Japanese martial tradition that combines the samurai arts of sword and grappling with the philosophical desire to forge a path of harmony in the midst of chaos. As such, it addresses situations of conflict that manifest themselves physically, but also offers insight into how to redirect the energies—social, psychological, or political—that might otherwise become conflict in one or another aspect of our lives. As a martial art, Aikido teaches more than simply how to survive; it also teaches us how to physically express our noblest intentions—our compassion—in movements that protect not only ourselves but the attacker as well. Put another way, Aikido is ethical persuasion made physical.

By integrating physical and intellectual components, the course seeks to forge in each student a more coherent perspective not on how to avoid conflict, but how
to actually eliminate it. The course also seeks to provide an opportunity for students to imagine and articulate what full commitment to an integrated and conflict-free life would be like, and for one intensive month, to live it.

The physical training (two hours each morning on mats in Currier Ballroom) will improve each student's strength, balance, posture, and flexibility. Everyone will also learn how to throw their friends across the room. About 25% of training time will be devoted to sword, staff, and dagger techniques.

The academic component of the course will engage with how the physical training resonates with the practical successes of successful social change movements (Gandhi in India, Martin Luther King Jr. in the US, and 2011’s events in Tunisia and Egypt). It will also touch on the embodied leadership the idea that much of what we find compelling in a leader is how they exist and communicate physically) and inspired rhetoric (language that moves hearts as well as minds, that reframes problematic issues, and that conveys a speaker’s authentic conviction). All of this academic work will be undertaken mindful of the upcoming State of the Union address in late January. The 2012 SOTU will entail not just an articulation of priorities for the coming legislative calendar, but will also be given in the midst of a heated Republican response.

Students will each be responsible for investigating a policy area likely to be discussed in the SOTU and then writing sections on those policy areas for the address consistent with the tactical insights of Aikido they've been studying. Students of a more conservative bent are welcome to craft equivalent text suitable for the Republican response.

Additional relevant experiences, such as meditation practice, outdoor misogi, and Samurai films will be an integral part of the course.

Students will be evaluated on the quality of their participation in both physical and intellectual course components, and on the quality of the proposed policy text they generate, and present, for the upcoming State of the Union address.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 20. If overenrolled, selection will be based on a questionnaire.

Cost: $1355 (100 for uniform and wooden training weapons); $35 for books.

Meeting time: mornings.

ROBERT KENT '84 (Instructor)

MAHON (Sponsor)

Robert Kent '84 spent 3 years in Kyoto, Japan earning his Sho Dan (first degree black belt) directly after majoring in both Philosophy and Religion at Williams. He currently holds a Yon Dan rank (Fourth degree black belt), having studied since 1991 at Aikido West in Redwood City under Frank Doran Shihan, where he helped run the youth program for 18 years. He is currently President of Aiki Extensions, Inc, a nonprofit that supports programs that bring the strategic insights and wisdom of Aikido into non-traditional settings. He is also founding coordinator for The PeaceCamp Initiative (a scholarship program that seeks to use Aikido principles to heal the Israeli/Palestinian conflict a few kids at a time) for which he won Ben & Jerry’s 2008 Peace Pioneer Prize. He earned a Masters degree in Philosophy at Claremont Graduate School in 1993, writing his thesis on the Ethics of Authenticity. This will be the sixth time he has offered an Aikido-based Winter Study course.

PSCI 21 Fieldwork in Public Affairs and Private Non-Profits (Same as Political Economy 21)

This course is a participant-observation experience in which students work full-time for a governmental agency, nongovernmental (including voluntary, activist, and community organizations), or for a nonprofit organization in which their work involves significant involvement with public issues. Examples include: town government offices; state or federal administrative offices (e.g., environmental agencies, housing authorities); interest groups that lobby government (e.g., ACLU, NRA); nonprofit organizations such as service providers or think tanks (e.g., Habitat for Humanity, Common Cause); and grassroots community development organizations (e.g., Greenpeace, or neighborhood associations). The students will work with each student to arrange a placement; such arrangements must be made in advance of the Winter Term. Students should first make their own contacts with an institution or agency. The instructors and members of the Political Science department are available to help students find placements, if necessary. Each student’s fieldwork mentor shall send a confirmation letter to the instructors verifying the placement and describing the nature of the work to be performed by the student. Students will each read a few short articles distributed at the beginning of Winter Term and must agree to keep a journal, maintain weekly contact with the instructors, and write a final paper summarizing and reflecting upon the experience. A group meeting of all students will occur after winter study to discuss the experiences.

Requirements: 90 hours of fieldwork; satisfactory evaluation from the institutional sponsor; 10-page final paper or equivalent; participation in final meeting. At the time of submission, interested students should send a resume and letter of interest to Paula Consolini.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 30.

Cost: approximately $15 for readings, student covers transportation costs to and from internship site.

CATHY JOHNSON and PAULA CONSOLINI

PSCI 24 Politics and History in Cuba (Same as Africana Studies 24 and History 24)

A brief overview of recent Cuban history and politics, based mainly in Havana. After several days of reading, classes, and preparation in Williamsstown, the class moves to Havana and engages in two weeks of course work with instructors from the Universidad de la Habana. We then travel to historically significant destinations in western Cuba before returning to the capital. We will also interview representatives of the Cuban revolutionary regime and civil-society leaders, visit museums and monuments to the Revolution and its heroes (e.g., Cienfuegos, Camaguey, the Bay of Pigs, the Revolution Museum, Che Guevara’s mausoleum), and to Cuban culture, and talk to Cuban U.S. citizens. The course will be taught in English (students may request to be in a Spanish-speaking section), and in the context of current events. Costs: approximately $2700.

Meeting time: mornings.

ROBERT PECK (Instructor)

MAHON (Sponsor)

Former Athletic Director of the College, Robert Peck has been doing this trip for ten years.

PSCI 25 Eye Care and Culture on the Atlantic Coast of Nicaragua

In cooperation with Ray Hooker, President and founder of FADCANIC (the Foundation for the Autonomy and Development of the Caribbean Coast of Nicaragua) and optometrists from the New England College of Optometry, we prescribe and dispense reading and distance glasses to people in remote and often impoverished communities. In this, the tenth iteration of the course, we will return to a number of small villages on the rim of Pearl Lagoon where we have not visited for 6 or 7 years, then head north to Wawashan, the experimental school and from where students spend time in regular demanding high school classes and also learn how to tend their own farm when they graduate. If time and weather permits we may spend the last day of our stay on a trip to the Pearl Keys for a day of relaxation and recuperation after 10 solid days of clinics and travel to widely dispersed and seldom visited communities.

Evaluation will be based on a journal and final 10-page paper.

No prerequisites. Not open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 12. Selection will be based on enthusiasm and preparation.


BENSON and MAHON

PSCI 26 Catholic Social Teaching and Practice in Jamaica

The Catholic Church has from its beginning thought and taught on social, political and economic relations, and counted works of ‘charity’ (caritas, i.e., ‘love’) as the foundation of Christian obligation and the highest virtue. Over the last century or so, however, the Catholic Church has devoted particular attention to the problems of modern economies - poverty, inequality, class conflict, private property, globalization and human freedom to name just a few - and wrestled with means of addressing such conditions of modern economic life: What do the rich owe the poor? How do national boundaries affect our moral obligations? What are the merits and flaws of capitalism? Of socialism? Is love a relevant concept in political and economic analysis? What is an economy for?

This course involves both an experiential and intellectual engagement with one portion of the larger body of thought known as ‘Catholic Social Teaching,’ namely the theme of poverty and inequality within a globalized economy. Students will have an opportunity to work for a week with a Catholic missionary group, mustard seed communities and to work within demanding high school classes and also learn how to tend their own farm when they graduate. If time and weather permits we may spend the last day of our stay on a trip to the Pearl Keys for a day of relaxation and recuperation after 10 solid days of clinics and travel to widely dispersed and seldom visited communities.

Evaluation will be based on a journal and final 10-page paper.

No prerequisites. Not open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 10. Selection will be based on an interview.

Cost: $1500. (Funding for the trip to Jamaica with Mustard Seed Community is being provided by Williams Catholic Alumni.)

DAREL PAUL and Fr. GARY CASTER, Catholic Chaplain at Williams

PSCI 31 Senior Thesis

To be taken by students registered for Political Science 493-494.

PSCI 32 Individual Project

To be taken by students registered for Political Science 495 or 496.
PSYCHOLOGY

PSYC 10  Group Dynamics and Leadership
This course will immerse students in group dynamics through experiential and didactic material. Readings will range from popular culture, group psychotherapy and organizational development. Students will learn group leadership and facilitation skills and explore group roles. Class structure will include 3 hour classes that will meet twice a week. In addition to readings, student may view video and internet based media for out-of-class assignments. This course will involve a level of self exploration and participation in role play and experiential exercises.
Evaluation will occur with process logs at the close of each class period an initial 3 page paper at the beginning of the course and a 5 page paper for the final assignment.
Cost: $10 for course packet.
Meeting time: afternoons.
PAUL GITTERMAN (Instructor)
ZIMMERBERG (Sponsor)
Paul Gitterman holds a Masters Degree from the Smith College School for Social Work and a Masters Degree in Psychoanalytic Developmental Psychology from the University College London and the Anna Freud Center. He is a Certified Group Psychotherapist, an adjunct assistant professor for the Smith College School for Social Work, and has facilitated groups in a variety of human services settings. In addition, Paul provides psychotherapy services for Bennington College's Psychological Services and has a private practice in Pittsfield, MA and Bennington, VT.

PSYC 12  Alternative Birth Choices (Same as Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies)
This course will consider the range of women's experiences surrounding pregnancy and childbirth. Among the topics we will cover are: alternative birthing choices (midwifery, homebirth, water-birth), the medicalization of childbirth, and attitudes regarding breastfeeding. We will view documentaries about pregnancy and childbirth, including films of labor and delivery; hear from a number of local professionals, such as a midwife, a doula, a childbirth educator, and a lactation consultant; and take a tour of a birthing center.
Method of Evaluation: Class presentation and participation in class discussions
Cost: $30 for photocopying expenses.
Meeting time: mornings.
KRISTEN SAVITSKY (Instructor)
ZIMMERBERG (Sponsor)
Kristen Savitsky holds a Bachelor’s of Science degree in nursing and has worked as a labor and delivery nurse.

PSYC 13  Coming Down from the High: 12 Step Recovery and Counseling
This course will explore the history and culture of the 12 Step Recovery Movement as well as diagnosis rubrics and methods of counseling/interventions that are commonly used at clinics and Employee Assistance Programs throughout the world. Students will read the text Slaving the Dragon, a variety of texts published by different 12 Step groups and watch movies such as Days of Wine and Roses, My Name is Bill, Clean and Sober, and When Love is not Enough: The Lois Wilson Story. Students will be expected to attend and report on their impressions on two different 12 Step meetings that they attend per week. This class is designed to help familiarize students with the disease model of addiction and help act proactively and with understanding with addicts, be it personally, socially, or professionally.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 25.
Cost: approximately $50 for books and course packet.
Meeting time: Monday and Wednesday 7:00-9:40 p.m.
RICK BERGER (Instructor)
DEAN OF FACULTY (Sponsor)
Rick Berger earned his M.A. in 2009 from Hazelden Graduate School of Addiction Studies.

PSYC 14  Beyond Hooking Up: Creating Meaningful Relationships (Same as Chemistry 14 and Special 14)
(See under CHEM 14 for full description.)

PSYC 15  Ephquilts: An Introduction to Traditional Quiltmaking
This studio course will lead the student through various piecing, appliqué and quilting styles and techniques, with some non-traditional methods included. Samples will be made of techniques learned, culminating in the completion of a sizable project of the student’s choosing (wall quilt or lap-size quilt). There will be an exhibit of all work (ephquilts), at the end of winter study. “Woven” into the classes will be discussions of the history of quilting, the controversy of “art” quilts vs. “traditional” quilts, machine vs. hand-quilting and the growing quilting market. Reading list: Pieces of the Past by Nancy J. Martin; Stitching Memories: African-American Story Quilts by Eva Ungar Grudin; Sunshine and Shadow: The Amish and Their Quilts by Phyllis Haders; A People and Their Quilts by John Rice Irwin; Treasury of American Quilts by Cyril Nelson and Carter Houck; The Quilt: New Directions for an American Tradition, Nancy Roe, Editor.
Requirements: attendance of all classes (two field trips inc.), a love of fabric, design and color, an enthusiasm for handwork, participation in exhibit. Extensive time will be spent outside of class working on assigned projects.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15.
Cost: $200 for materials and supplies.
Meeting times: 1-3 p.m., MWF.
DEBRA ROGERS-GILLIG (Instructor)
ZIMMERBERG (Sponsor)
Debra Rogers-Gillig, one of the top quilters in New England, has been quilting for 32 years, and teaching classes and coordinating shows and exhibits for 27 years. She has received numerous prizes and awards from quilt shows in New York and New England and been published in quilt magazines.

PSYC 19  Psychology Internships
Would you like to explore applications of psychology in the “real world?” This course gives students an opportunity to work full time during winter study in a mental health, business, education, law or other setting in which psychological theories and methods are applied to solve problems. Students are responsible for locating their own potential internships whether in the local area, their hometown, or elsewhere, and are welcome to contact the course instructor for suggestions on how to do this. In any case, all students considering this course must consult with the instructor about the suitability of the internship being considered before the winter study registration period. Please prepare a brief description of the proposed placement, noting its relevance to psychology, and the name and contact information of the agency supervisor. Before Thanksgiving break, the student will provide a letter from the agency supervisor which describes the agency, and the student’s role and responsibilities during Winter Study. Enrolled students will meet the instructor before Winter Study to discuss matters relating to ethics and their goals for the course, and after Winter Study to discuss their experiences and reflections.
Evaluation will be based on a 10-page minimum final paper summarizing the student’s experiences and reflections, a journal kept throughout the experience, and the supervisor’s evaluation.
Prerequisite: approval of Professor Kavaughn is required. Enrollment limit: 20.
Cost: Travel expenses in some cases.
KAVANAUGH

PSYC 22  Introduction to Research in Psychology
This course provides a research opportunity for students who want to understand how psychologists ask compelling questions and find answers about behavior. Several faculty members, whose subfields include behavioral neuroscience, cognitive psychology, social psychological clinical psychology, developmental psychology, and the psychology of education, will have student projects available. Since projects involve faculty research, interested students must consult with members of the Psychology Department before electing this course.
Evaluation will be based on the quality of research participation, student’s lab journal and either an oral presentation or a written 10 page report of the research project.
Required Activities: A minimum of 20 hours per week of research participation will be expected of each student.
Prerequisite: permission of instructor. Enrollment limit: space available in faculty research labs.
Student selection criteria: Decision will be based on evaluation of departmental application and number of faculty available as mentors.
Cost: $0.
Meeting time: mornings.
P. SOLOMON

PSYC 31  Senior Thesis
To be taken by students registered for Psychology 493-494.
REL 10  Kierkegaard and Religion
This course will examine the works of the 19th century philosopher and proto-existentialist, Soren Kierkegaard, focusing on his importance to existentialism in the study of religion, identity, and meta-ethics. In addition to Fear and Trembling/Repetition, a course packet will contain samplings of works from the mid 1840’s, his most productive period. Class will meet eight hours weekly, two hours daily in the afternoons except Monday, with a brief 10-page paper to conclude, along with active participation throughout. Evaluation will be based on a final 10-page paper. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 12. If overenrolled, preference will be based on strength of interest.
Cost: $50.
Meeting time: afternoons.
SHUCK

REL 12  Wellness, Yoga, and the Art of Fully Thriving
The art and science of yoga invites us into an ongoing conversation of who we are, why we are here and how we manage our energy of mind, body, and heart. Inquire into the rich fabric of your life as you explore:
* The stress reducing effects of breath, yoga, attention, and meditation.
* The more subtle influences of diet and non-secular conscious nutrition.
* Practical tools to align what you think, feel, say and do to live the life you have always wanted.
* The potential of re-inhabiting your physical body with ease and grace.
* The synergistic effects of the primary systems of the body including our nervous, heart, lungs, hormones, digestive organs and lymph.

This course meets M-W-Th 10am-1pm and includes yoga in every session (no prior experience needed), breath work, meditation, an optional discounted field trip to Kripalu Center for Yoga & Health, multimedia presentations, reflection papers, and two mandatory reading texts (Nourishing Wisdom by Marc David and Nourishing the Teacher: Inquiries, Conceptualizations, & Insights on the Path of Yoga by Danny Argyrett).
Evaluation will be based on the final project/presentation and a 5- to 10-page research paper on a topic related to the course. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 30. If overenrolled, students will be selected based on an essay explaining why they want to take the course.
Cost: $70 for field trip cost.
Meeting time: MWR 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
DANNY ARGUETTY (Instructor)
BUELL (Sponsor)

Danny Argyrett, M.A., E-RYT, has studied and practiced extensively in the Anusara and Kripalu approach to yoga. He blends a mix of skillful alignment cues, playful postures, creative vinyasa flows to facilitate a heartcentered journey of conscious inquiry. Danny links the potency of posture practice and nature to the possibility of living in the world with mindfulness, skillfulness, and heartfelt intent. He is a faculty member at Kripalu Center for Yoga & Health and has been involved in Kripalu School of Yoga 200- hr and 500-hr teacher trainings over the last six years.

REL 13  Write a Novel
How many of you have always wanted to write a novel, but never managed to find the time? This course will give you the chance to do just that. Inspired by National Novel Writing Month, participants in this class will be challenged to complete a significant portion of a novel over the course of Winter Study. We will gather four days a week for three-hour intervals to blitz write text for our respective projects. Over the course of these meetings, we will likely spend some time informally discussing the craft of creative writing, but our primary focus will simply be putting words down on the page every day. Although no formal experience with creative writing is required, students should come into the class prepared to begin writing and with at least some vague idea of the work they wish to produce. Students interested in using the class to complete other equivalent length writing projects (such as screenplays, memoirs, etc) will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 8. If overenrolled, selection will be based on the submission of a short letter describing the proposed novel (or other project).
Cost: $10.
Meeting time: afternoons.

JOSEPHSON

REL 14  Yoga as Integration of Knowledge and Practice
Many have encountered yoga as a popular form of exercise. In this class we approach yoga as an interconnected system of embodied knowledge and intellectual knowledge. We will provide an overview of the traditional and contemporary dimensions of yoga. The yoga we will practice in the class is Anusara Yoga, a form of Hatha yoga which combines life-affirming Tantric philosophy with universal principles of alignment and community. We shall investigate two classic Indian texts to elucidate yoga’s context alongside some Western texts that resonate with yogic ideas. Class discussions will consider key issues such as the relationship of books to selves and of organic to inorganic existences, as well as the ethical implications of yoga. The overarching orientation will be to emphasize the synergy of practice and study of yoga for a life in the world. Required Texts: The Yoga Sutras of Patanjali, Bhagavad Gita.
Evaluation is based on attendance and participation in all classes and sessions, a personal practice journal, one short reflection paper (2 pages.), and a ten page final paper focusing on the relationship between textual study and yoga practice. To earn a passing grade, students must complete all practice hours and assignments. Enrollment limit: 12. Apply by email explaining your experience and interest in the class to Natasha. Judson@gmail.com and Denise.K.Buell@williams.edu.
Cost: $70 for books and yoga mat.
Meeting time: MWF 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
NATA JUDSON & BUELL (Instructors)

Tasha Judson began practicing Hatha Yoga in 1980. She returned to yoga practice as an adult to heal from chronic low back and neck pain. In 1999 she met John Friend and in 2007 became a Certified Anusara Yoga teacher. Since 2008 she has held her classes at her studio Tasha Yoga in Williamstown, MA. As well as offering her own classes and workshops, she practices with John several times a year and has assisted Anusara Teachers as Kripalu Center. In addition to Hatha Yoga practice, Tasha loves meditation and contributes yoga instruction at two meditation retreats for young people annually at Insight Meditation Society. Currently also she is a meditation student of Paul Muller Ortega, founder of Blue Throat Yoga.

REL 25  Jerusalem
Jerusalem excites the imagination, the emotions, and the spiritual aspirations for many people. An ancient city that was the locus of holiness and conflict for one hundred generations still retains that description today. Through the first half of Winter Study, we will engage readings, (primarily Karen Armstrong’s JERUSALEM), class discussions, and additional study, to prepare for travel to Jerusalem. We will leave Williamstown on January 11, taking up residence in Jerusalem on January 12. We will visit the Western Wall, the Dome of the Rock, the Al-Aqsa mosque, and many other holy sites.
No prerequisites; not open to first-year students. Evaluation: 10. Each will submit essay to determine level of interest and social compatibility; we hope for a multi-faith group of participants.
Cost: approximately $2300.
ROBERT SCHERR, Jewish Chaplain for the College (Instructor)
WINTER STUDY COMMITTEE (Sponsor)

REL 26  Explorations in Solidarity: A Meeting of Minds and Hearts in Nicaragua
This course will explore the lived realities of the hemisphere’s second most impoverished nation, and the relevance of faith and religious community to the continued challenge of social justice. Students will reflect on these realities in the company of subsistence farmers, urban factory laborers, and leaders of grassroots organizations working for social change. The effects of free trade policies (CAFTA and FTAA) in an increasingly globalized economy, natural disasters, and the changeable attentions of the developed world will be explored, along with other influences—Christian, Marxist and neo-Liberal—on the material and spiritual aspects of Nicaraguan people. In particular, the course will explore in ways in which the paradigms of liberation theology and the base Christian community movement have shaped some Nicaraguans’ views of the economic system and the natural environment in which they live, and some of their traditional folkloric and contemporary artistic responses to it.
Nicaragua offers a unique lens through which to view the culture and influence of the U.S., as well as the daily struggles, the dignity, and the hope of some of the hemisphere’s most marginalized citizens. The experience of the course will include approximately ten days of living (with minimal amenities) with families in a subsistence farming community. Students will also attend a number of Christian religious services, and take part in dialogues with communities in which liberation theology shapes perspectives and daily choices. (The course is open to students of any religious background or no affiliation.) And for a portion of the course we will be joined by Nicaraguan peers who are involved in youth empowerment movements or in the midst of university education, who will fully share in the
experience of the course. Travels in Nicaragua will be organized by the staff of the Escuela Asociación Kairos para la Formación, an NGO that facilitates educational programs and fosters faith-based partnerships for communities in North America and Nicaragua. Throughout, students will be invited to accompany our Nicaraguan hosts as they live their daily lives, and to reflect on their own identities and assumptions as North Americans. The goal is to explore the relevance of religious community to the possibilities for restorative justice, and to discover what it would mean to shape a relationship with the people of Nicaragua according to a paradigm of solidarity—in contrast to the more familiar paradigms of charity and national self-interest.

The course will begin in Williamstown with several days of background reading (Nicaraguan history, liberation theology and current political and economic reporting), writing, and orientation. Once in Nicaragua there will be daily reflection sessions, in preparation for which students will keep a detailed personal journal. Other requirements include attendance at several orientation sessions during the latter weeks of the fall semester; participation in a group oral presentation to the Williams community upon return; and a final 10-page paper. As in years past, in order to get the maximum benefit from the opportunity to live among the Nicaraguans, the course will continue into the first 2 or 3 days of “Dead Week”; students will return to Williamstown on Saturday, January 28.

Conversational knowledge of Spanish is, of course, helpful; but we will be accompanied by several translators who will help to make the experience accessible to non-Spanish speakers as well. Willingness to live in physically demanding situations is essential. Enrollment limit: 12.

Booth's budget estimates, the cost of the trip to each student (including all food, lodging, round-trip travel between Williamstown and Managua, all in-country transportation and fees) will be approximately $3,400. Students are individually responsible for the cost of travel to Williamstown at the beginning of WSP.

RICHARD SPALDING (Instructor)
BUELL (Sponsor)

REL 31 Senior Thesis
To be taken by students registered for Religion 493 or 494.

ROMANCE LANGUAGES

FRENCH

RLFR S.P. Sustaining Program for French 101-102
Students registered for 101-102 are required to attend and pass the sustaining program during the Winter Study period. There are five 50-minute meetings per week.
Meeting time: mornings; 9-9:50 a.m.
TBA (Teaching Associates)

RLFR 10 Fictions of Domesticity (Same as English 10)
We visit an author’s home in search of a connection to the origin of their writing: here’s the site from which a novel or poem sprang. Museums dedicated to authors’ lives, too, this fantasy, that in looking at Melville’s desk (complete with glasses) or at the room where Dickinson dwelt we are even closer to them than in their words. However, as we will explore in the course, far from an unmediated visit to the source of genius, museums of author’s homes construct narratives of their own about authorship, art, even about the value of daily life. Moreover, the writers themselves shaped conceptions of domestic space in ways that do not always correspond to the tales told by the museums made of their homes. We will visit the homes of, and read works by, Herman Melville, Emily Dickinson, Mark Twain, and Harriet Beecher Stowe.
Students will write a 5-page final paper.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 10.
Cost: $377 (for transportation and museum admission).
PIEPRZAK and DAVIS

RLFR 16 Contemporary Queer Cinema in France (Same as Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 16)
From the streets of “Gay Paris” to the cinematic premieres of the Cannes Film Festival, France has long been a beacon of queer representation. French writers from Gide and Proust to Colette and Genet have celebrated gay and lesbian identities in their novels. American expatriates Gertrude Stein and Natalie Barney have mentored new generations of queer writers and artists in their Parisian salons. And openly gay couturiers Jean-Paul Gaultier and Yves Saint-Laurent have projected fabulous French fashion out into the world. In the past few decades, queer political activism in France has led to the creation of the national “PACS” or domestic partnership law, as well as greater rights and protections for queer men, women, and people living with HIV/AIDS. This course will examine representations of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender identity in French cinema from 1968 to 2005. We will discuss a wide variety of issues on queer cinematic representation, including the closet and coming-out, race and ethnicity, lesbian (in)visibility, bisexuality, transgender identity, butch-femme and drag performative representations of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender identity in French cinema from 1968 to 2005. We will discuss a wide variety of issues on queer cinematic representation, including the closet and coming-out, race and ethnicity, lesbian (in)visibility, bisexuality, transgender identity, butch-femme and drag performativity, queer political engagement, and HIV/AIDS. Our film discussions will be complemented by readings from contemporary French and American queer theory. Films to include works by Balasko, Berliner, Chabrol, Collard, Denis, Ducastel, Epstein, Faissbinder, Friedman, Guibert, Lifshitz, Martineau, Molinario, Ozon, and Veber. Readings to include texts by Aaron, Butler, Castle, Garber, Halberstam, Martel, Russo, and Sedgwick.
Films in French with English subtitles. Discussions in English.
Requirements: active class participation and a 10-page paper in English.
No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 15. If overenrolled, preference given to seniors in Romance Languages, Comparative Literature, and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies.
Cost: approximately $35 for readings.
Meeting time: 2-3 mornings per week.
MARTIN

RLFR 30 Honors Essay
To be taken by candidates for honors other than by thesis route.

RLFR 31 Senior Thesis
To be taken by students registered for French 493-494.

ITALIAN

RLIT S.P. Sustaining Program for Italian 101-102
Students registered for 101-102 are required to attend and pass the sustaining program during the Winter Study period. Three 50-minute meetings per week.
Meeting time: mornings; 9-9:50 a.m.
NICASTRO

SPANISH

RLSP S.P. Sustaining Program for Spanish 101-102
Students registered for 101-102 are required to attend and pass the sustaining program during the Winter Study period. Three 50-minute meetings per week.
Meeting time: mornings; 9-9:50 a.m.
TEACHING ASSOCIATES

RLSP 25 US-Mexico Border Issues (Same as Latina/o Studies 25)
This course takes a close look at life and issues along the US-Mexico border, specifically the border with Arizona. The first week will be on campus and devoted to investigating the political-economy of global immigration, cultural flows and identities in both a social science and literary context, social transformations and domestic political coalitions, security concerns in the wake of 9/11, and US immigration policy and practice, all with specific reference to US-Mexican immigration. The course will provide students with background and references in preparation of their experiential learning in Arizona and Mexico. The two-week travel portion of the course will be organized through the Borderlinks program, a non-profit that specializes in academic programs on the Arizona/Mexico borderlands (www.borderlinks.org). Students will extend their understanding of the immigration issues on-site with the Borderlinks delegation and profit from an intensive experiential learning component where they have exchanges with migrants, youth groups, humanitarian activists, and community organizations in Arizona and neighboring Mexico. There will also be a service component in Arizona and/or Mexico with non-profit groups involved in border issues. Upon their return to campus, students will meet with the instructors to evaluate their experience in light of the reading they did before departing.
Each student will complete a 10-page paper on some facet of US-Mexico immigration and the borderlands.
No prerequisites; not open to first-year students. Enrollment limit: 10.
Cost: approximately $2595.
JANE CANOVA and NICHOLAS GOODBODY (Instructors)
FOX (Sponsor)

Jane Canova is the Administrative Director of Center for Foreign Languages Literatures and Cultures at Williams College. Nicholas Goodbody is Visiting Assistant Professor of Spanish.
RUSS S.P. Sustaining Program for Russian 101-102
Required of all students enrolled in Russian 101-102. Three meetings per week, 50 minutes per session. Practice in speaking and comprehension based on materials already covered as well as some new vocabulary and constructions. Designed to maintain and enhance what was acquired during fall semester, using new approaches in a relaxed atmosphere. No homework. Regular attendance and active participation required to earn a “Pass.” Open to all.
Meeting time: mornings; 9-9:50 a.m.
INYASHKIN

RUSS 16 Chekhov, An Unlikely Revolutionary (Same as Comparative Literature 16, Philosophy 16, and Theatre 16)
(See under PHIL 16 for full description.) MILOS MLADENOVIĆ

RUSS 25 Williams in Georgia (Same as Special 25)
Williams has a unique program in the Republic of Georgia, which offers students the opportunity to engage in three-week-long internships in any field. Our students have worked in the Georgian Parliament, helped in humanitarian relief organizations like Save the Children, interned in journalism at The Georgian Times, taught unemployed women computer skills at The Rustavi Project, documented wildlife, studied with a Georgian sculptor, done rounds at the Institute of Cardiology, and learned about transitional economics at the Georgian National Bank. In addition to working in their chosen fields, students experience Georgian culture through museum visits, concerts, lectures, meetings with Georgian students, and excursions. Visit the sacred eleventh-century Cathedral of Sveti-tskhoveli and the twentieth-century Stalin Museum, take the ancient Georgian Military Highway to ski in the Caucasus Range, see the birthplace of the wine grape in Kakheti and the region where Jason sought the Golden Fleece. Participants are housed in pairs with English-speaking families in Tbilisi, Georgia’s capital city. At the end of the course students will write a 10-page paper assessing their internship experience. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 8. Not open to first-year students. Cost: approximately $2000.
SECKLER

RUSS 30 Honors Project
May be taken by candidates for honors other than by thesis route.

RUSS 31 Senior Thesis
To be taken by students registered for Russian 493-494.

SOCIIOLOGY—See under ANTHROPOLOGY AND SOCIOLOGY

THEATRE

THEA 10 Playwriting Studio: Art of the Everyday
This is a studio course designed for students interested in exploring what it means to write realism for today’s theatre. Inspired by contemporary dramatists, like Annie Baker and Elizabeth Meriwether, as well as photographers, like Alec Soth and Stephen Shore, the class will focus on gaining an appreciation for the “art of the everyday.” Participants will be asked to examine the daily, perhaps mundane, aspects of their own “realities” and form them into something meaningful for the stage. This class will involve extensive in-class writing and revising.
Students will complete weekly exercises and work towards a larger 10- to 12-page one-act project.
Cost: $0.
Meeting time: mornings.
HOLZAPFEL

THEA 15 CAMP IT UP! The Politics of Queer Performance (Same as History 15 and Theatre 15)
(See under WGSS 15 for full description.) FISHZON

THEA 16 Chekhov, An Unlikely Revolutionary (Same as Comparative Literature 16, Philosophy 16, and Russian 16)
(See under PHIL 16 for full description.) MILOS MLADENOVIĆ

THEA 17 Cabaret: Creation and Performance
This studio class will be dedicated to the creation and performance of original cabaret performance. Students will develop skills in song writing, staging, character development, performance and the use of the emotional voice through the creation of their own short cabaret performances individually or in small groups. The official class meetings (6 hours/week in the studio) will have to be supported by substantial commitment to collaborative work and rehearsal. Evaluation will be based on the final performance.
Cost: $0.
Meeting time: afternoons.
ABGAIL and SHAUN BENGSON (Instructors)
BAKER-WHITE (Sponsor)
The Bengsons are internationally renowned performers, activists, and teachers, known for developing their own unique brand of performance dubbed Vaude-villian Indie Folk.

THEA 32 Senior Honors Thesis
See description of Degree with Honors in Theatre.

WOMEN’S, GENDER AND SEXUALITY STUDIES

WGSS 12 Alternative Birth Choices (Same as Psychology 12)
(See under PSYC 12 for full description.)

WGST 13 Understanding Similarities, Bridging Differences (Same as Africana Studies 13 and Latina/o Studies 13)
(See under LEAD 13 for full description.)

WGSS 14 Plato’s Symposium and Its Afterlife (Same as Classics 14, Comparative Literature 14, and Philosophy 14)
(See under CLAS 14 for full description.) WILCOX

WGSS 15 CAMP IT UP! The Politics of Queer Performance (Same as History 15 and Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies 15)
(See under WGSS 15 for full description.) FISHZON

WGSS 16 Contemporary Queer Cinema in France (Same as French 16)
(See under RLR 16 for full description.) MARTIN
WGSS 30 Honors Project
To be taken by candidates for honors other than by thesis route.

SPECIALS

SPEC 10 Quest for College: Early Awareness in Berkshire County Schools
Today's extremely competitive higher education market places significant pressure on students nationwide to start planning for college at an increasingly early age while simultaneously demanding ever-higher standards of excellence for admission to top schools. 'Early Awareness' initiatives aim to educate middle school students about the reality of what lies ahead on the college horizon, empowering them to make sound academic and extracurricular choices that will keep open a maximum of options. The first week of this course will be spent in the classroom, exploring and discussing problems and issues germane to the national trends towards greater (and earlier) college-related pressures. Students will respond to a series of readings dealing with such issues as tracking, paid test preparation and untimed testing, gender and racial differences, parental and peer pressures, special interests, misrepresentation of information, independent counseling, and others. Class time will also be devoted to familiarizing students with both the nuances of the college admission process, visiting other higher educational institutions in Berkshire County, and learning how to facilitate the early awareness game; Quest for College. Students will spend the next two weeks visiting 10-12 Berkshire County middle classes, administering the game. If student and community interest is sufficient, the course may culminate in a public presentation and open forum regarding early college awareness initiatives.

Evaluation will be based on completion of field work (school visits), organization and a final paper (approximately 10 pages) reflecting on a course-related issue of the student's choosing. No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 8. Preference given to a) students with prior experience working with middle school aged youth, b) students who can be approved to operate college vehicles c) juniors and seniors. Interested students must consult with the instructor prior to registration.
Cost: reading packet and meals while off campus.
Meeting time: mornings.
GINA COLEMAN '90 (Instructor)
WSP COMMITTEE (Sponsor)
Gina Coleman '90 is Associate Dean of Students and Head Women's Rugby Coach. Coleman, who holds a Ph.D. in Educational Leadership and Policy from the University of Nebraska, designed the early college awareness board game used in the course, Quest for College.

SPEC 11 Science for Kids (Same as Chemistry II)
(See under CHEM 11 for full description.)

SPEC 12 The Amber Room and Hidden Treasures: Impressionist Art Held Hostage? (Same as Astronomy 11 and History 11)
(See under ASTR 11 for full description.)

SPEC 14 Beyond Hooking Up: Creating Meaningful Relationships (Same as Chemistry 14 and Psychology 14)
(See under CHEM 14 for full description.)

SPEC 15 Contemporary American Songwriter (Same as American Studies 15 and Music 15)
This course will focus on learning how to write and perform songs in a contemporary style. Topics addressed will include song structure, how to create a lyric that communicates, vocal and instrument presentation, recording and performing techniques, publicity for events, and today’s music industry. This class will culminate in a public performance of material written during the course. To successfully pass this course, students are required to create, edit, perform, and possibly record two original songs. These songs must be conceived during the course period (previously written material is not usable). Students will be guided to create both music and lyrics. They may also be required to participate in a co-write session. One of these songs will be presented during the final performance, preferably by the student. Attendance at classes, feedback sessions, and final presentation is mandatory. Please note: this class meets every day. A short writing assignment will be passed in on the last day of class.
No prerequisites. Students with a musical background and the ability to play an instrument may be given preference, but anyone interested is encouraged to register. (Bernice.Lewis@williams.edu). Enrollment limit: 15.
Cost: books plus $35 lab fee for recording and xeroxing costs.
Meeting time: M, Tu, W, Th, F 10 a.m.-noon.
BERNICE LEWIS (Instructor)
WINTER STUDY COMMITTEE (Sponsor)
Bernice Lewis is an accomplished singer, songwriter, producer and educator. She has been a national touring artist for over twenty years and has performed at the Kerrville Folk Festival, PBS’s Mountain Stage, and the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. She was chosen recently by the National Park Service to be an Artist in Residence. She has released six recordings of original material.

SPEC 17 Learning Intervention For Troubled Teens (LIFT) (Same as ANSO 17 and Legal Studies 17)
(See under LGST 17 for full description.)

SPEC 19 Medical Apprenticeship
Firsthand experience is a critical component of the decision to enter the health professions. Through this apprenticeship, students can clarify their understanding of the rewards and challenges that accompany the practice of all types of medicine. Apprenticeships are arranged in two distinct ways: some students live on campus and work with local practitioners while others live off campus, or the opposite arrangement is made. The expectation is that each student will observe some aspect of medicine for the better part of the day, five days per week. In recent years, students have shadowed physicians, veterinarians, dentists, nurses, and public health experts.
A 5-page reflective paper is required, as is attendance (for those shadowing near campus) at three Tuesday evening programs. Students will meet from 6:30-8:30 p.m. over dinner to hear from invited speakers from the medical community as a stimulus to discussion about their apprenticeship experiences.
Prerequisites: Interested students must attend an information meeting in early October. Local enrollment is limited by the number of available practitioners.
Preference for placements will be given on the basis of seniority and demonstrated interest in the health professions. Costs: (a) local apprenticeships: required vaccinations, local transportation and possibly lunches. Distant apprenticeships: costs will vary based upon location.


JANE CARY Health Professions Advisor

SPEC 21 Experience the Workplace: an Internship with Williams Alumni/Parents
Field experience is a critical element in the decision to enter a profession. Through this internship, students can clarify their understanding of the rewards and challenges that accompany the practice of many different aspects within a profession, and understand the psychology of the workplace. Internship placements are arranged through the Office of Career Counseling, with selected alumni and parent acting as on-site teaching associates. The expectation is that each student will observe some aspect of the profession for the better part of the day, five days per week. It is also expected that the teaching associate will assign a specific project to be completed within the three-to-four week duration of the course depending upon appropriateness.
It is expected that students will complete assigned readings, keep a daily journal, and write a 5- to 10-page expository review and evaluation that will become public record as a resource for other students. The expectation is that each student will be in the field to observe some aspect of the profession for the better part of the day, five days per week. In addition to observation there may be an opportunity to
Prerequisites: interested students must attend an information meeting in early October, and meet individually with John Noble to go over the details of their
placements. Preference for placements will be given on the basis of seniority and demonstrated interest in the profession of interest. Preference for placements will be given on the basis of seniority and demonstrated interest in the profession of interest. Teaching associates will make the final selections.

Meeting Times: each student will be in the field to observe some aspect of the profession five days per week, at least 6 hours per day.

Cost: Local apprenticeships—local transportation. Distant apprenticeships—costs will vary based upon location, BUT ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STUDENT. The college has no extraordinary funding to support the internship.

Teaching Associates (instructors): Williams College alumni and parents of current Williams students will be recruited to become instructors for this course. A broad range of professions will be represented as the course develops. Alumni and parents will receive individual orientations with the course director in person or via telephone conference.

JOHN NOBLE, Director of the Office of Career Counseling

SPEC 25 Williams in Georgia (Same as Russian 25)
(See under RUSS 25 for full description.)

SPEC 26 Travel Course: Resettling Refugees in Maine (Same as History 26)
Sponsored by the Gaudino Scholar and the Gaudino Fund in 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011, this Winter Study travel course will allow a small group of students to live in Portland, Maine for the month of January 2011, where they will experience and explore the impact of over thirty years of refugee resettlement in the ‘whitest’ of the United States. Each student will live with a refugee family from one of the dozens of countries represented by the refugee communities of Portland and will work with a service provider, and will encounter first-hand the issues confronting recent immigrants to the United States from Southeast Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, and South America. While only 4 hours from Williams, Portland students speak almost 60 languages in the school system. WSP students will learn a great deal not only about others, but also about their own assumptions and values. Students will be exposed to such issues as race, ethnicity, and national identity; the interplay of public and private values; and the wide variety of educational, health, governmental, and religious agencies and providers serving refugee families. Students meet weekly with the course instructor to discuss how their experiences are going; they will also attend arranged community meetings or events. Students as a group will also have time in Maine at the beginning of the program for an orientation session, and at the conclusion to share experiences with each other and write a short reflection paper.

No prerequisites. Enrollment limit: 6; not open to first year students. If student interest exceeds the enrollment limit, preference will be given to those students who demonstrate, in a short conversation with and 1-page essay submitted to the instructor, their interest in experiential learning generally and the problems confronting recent immigrants to the United States specifically.

Cost: here will be a small per diem paid to each host family for room and board. For financial aid students, costs for this WSP travel course will be paid by the Gaudino Fund.
JEFF THALER ’74 (Instructor)
BERNHARDSSON (Sponsor)

Jeff Thaler ’74 participated in Williams-at-Home with Professor Robert Gaudino in 1971-72. After Professor Gaudino’s death in 1974, Jeff and some other alumni developed an initiative that eventually became the Gaudino Memorial Fund. Jeff served on the Board of the Fund for many years, including as its Chair; in 2010 he was elected to come back onto the Board, and now is Vice-Chair. Jeff graduated from Yale Law School in 1977, worked as a public defender in Portland, Oregon in 1977-79, and has lived in Maine since 1979, where he has worked as a trial and environmental attorney. He taught a course on refugee issues as an adjunct professor at the University of Southern Maine, as well as courses at Maine Law School and Bowdoin College. Jeff has volunteered with many refugee groups in Portland; was elected in 2009 to the Williams College Tyng Scholarship Committee; and has worked as a group facilitator for the past ten years at the Center for Grieving Children.

SPEC 28 Teaching Practica in New York City Schools
Students in this course learn about the front-line challenges of urban public education by working in one of New York City’s public schools. Participants will be exposed to day-to-day life of the school’s program of observing, teaching, tutoring and mentoring in their choice of more than 20 different school situations from elementary through high school. Each of the participating schools will have a resident supervisor who will meet with the student interns to arrange individual schedules and provide mentoring during the month. There will be weekly seminar meetings of all the interns who are expected to participate in group discussions, keep a journal and complete one paper reflecting upon their experience. The course will conduct a job fair the second week of January, meeting students prior to January, matching each student’s interest with appropriate teaching subject areas and a host school. Dormitory-style housing will be provided along with some assistance with transportation and food costs-estimated at $400 for the term. Further assistance is available for financial aid students.

Evaluation will be based on a journal and a 5-page paper.
Prerequisites: sophomore, junior or senior standing. Enrollment limit: 12.
Cost: $400.
Meeting time: off-campus fieldwork: daily 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. and weekly seminar dinners.
TRACY FINNEGAN (Instructor)
WINTER STUDY COMMITTEE (Sponsor)

Tracy Finnegar is a master’s level teacher with training and teaching experience in a variety of approaches and settings.

SPEC 25 Making Pottery on the Potter’s Wheel
Each class will begin with a lecture-demonstration, followed by practice on the potter’s wheel. Each student will have the use of a potter’s wheel for each class. We will work on mugs, bowls, pitchers, plates, jars, lids, vases, and bottles, and will finish these shapes as required by trimming and adding handles, lugs, spouts, and knobs. We will also work on several different handbuilding projects. After the tenth class session, all class work will be biscuit-fired. The eleventh class will be devoted to glazing the biscuit-fired pieces. Glazing techniques will include pouring, dipping, layering, brushing, and stamping, and using wax resist and other methods to deliberately design the glazed pieces. The last meeting will be devoted to a final project: gallery show of your best work. Woven into lecture-demonstrations will be presentations on various topics relating to the science and history of pottery making.

Requirements: attendance at all class sessions and enthusiasm for the craft of pottery making.
No prerequisites or pottery-making experience necessary. Enrollment limit: 8
Cost: $300 lab fee, plus makeup class fees ($45.00 per class) if applicable.
Meeting time: mornings.
RAY BUB (Instructor)
WINTER STUDY COMMITTEE (Sponsor)

Ray Bub is a ceramic artist and teacher at Oak Bluffs Cottage Pottery in Pownal, Vermont, 10 minutes north of the Williams College campus. All classes except the slide show and final project exhibition take place at Oak Bluffs Cottage Pottery.

SPEC 39 “Composing a Life” Finding Success and Balance in Life After Williams
To be at Williams you have learned to be a successful student, but how do you learn to be successful in life? How will you define success in both your career and in your personal life? How will you achieve balance between the two? In short, what will constitute the “good life” for you? We borrow the concept of “composing a life” from Mary Catherine Bateson, as an apt metaphor for the ongoing process of defining success and balance in life. This course is designed: (1) To offer college students an opportunity to examine and define their beliefs, values, and assumptions about their future personal and professional lives before entering the “real” world; (2) To encourage students to gain a better understanding of how culture, ideology, and opportunity affect their life choices; (3) To provide an opportunity for students to consider different models of success and balance through “living cases” (in the form of guests from various professions and lifestyles); and (4) To aid students in contemplating their life/career options through individual advising and introducing various career and life planning resources. Using selected readings, cases, and guest speakers, we will explore both the public context of the workplace as well as the private context of individuals and their personal relationships in determining life choices.

Requirements: regular attendance, class participation, field interview, and a 10-page final paper. Paper will include cases and readings from a variety of related fields, and some self-reflection exercises
No prerequisites. Questions about the course: please contact Michele Moeller Chandler at (413) 458-8106 or michele.chandler2@verizon.net Enrollment limit: 15
Cost: approximately $30-$55 for cases/reading materials.
Meeting time: mornings, two-hour classes three times a week.
MICHÈLE MOELLER CHANDLER and CHIP CHANDLER (Instructors)
TOOMAJIAN (Sponsor)

Michele Moeller Chandler (’73) and Chip Chandler (’72) have taught this Winter Study course for the past fifteen years. They have been both personally and professionally engaged in the course topic. Micheile, a former college administrator, has an M.A. from Columbia, and a Ph.D. from Northwestern. Chip, a retired McKinsey senior partner, has an M.B.A. from Harvard, and currently teaches in the Leadership Studies Program.

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WILLIAMS PROGRAM IN TEACHING

Students interested in exploring one or more of the following courses related to teaching and/or working with children and adolescents should contact Susan Engel, Director of Education Programs, who will be able to help you choose one that best suits your educational goals.

ANSO 12  Children and the Courts: Internship in the Crisis in Child Abuse
(See under ANSO 12 for full description.)

BIOL 11  Project BioEyes: Zebrafish Genetics and Development in the K-12 Classroom
(See under BIOL 11 for full description.)

CHEM 11  Science for Kids (Same as Special 11)
(See under CHEM 11 for full description.)

ENVI 14  Environmental Ed--What, Why, and How
(See under ENVI 14 for full description.)

LGST 17  Learning Intervention For Troubled Teens (LIFTT) (Same as Special 17)
(See under LGST 17 for full description.)

SPEC 28  Teaching Practica in New York City Schools
(See under SPEC 28 for full description.)

WILLIAMS-MYSTIC PROGRAM IN AMERICAN MARITIME STUDIES

An interdisciplinary one-semester program co-sponsored by Williams College and Mystic Seaport which includes credit for one winter study. Classes in maritime history, literature of the sea, marine ecology, oceanography, and marine policy are supplemented by field seminars: offshore sailing, Pacific Coast and Louisiana. For details, see “Williams-Mystic Maritime Studies Program” or our website: www.williams.edu/williamsmystic.
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Seniors ........................................ 539
Juniors .......................................... 532
Sophomores ..................................... 550
First-Year Students ............................ 552
Total ............................................. 2225

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Sophomores ..................................... 546
First-Year Students ............................ 549
Total ............................................. 2180

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CALENDAR 2011-2012

2011

Aug. 31 - Sept. 6  Wednesday through Tuesday  First Days
September 7     Wednesday                      First-Year Student Advising
September 8     Thursday                      First day of classes Fall Semester
September 10    Saturday                     Convocation
October TBA      One of the first three Fridays  Mountain Day
October 10-11    Monday & Tuesday             Fall Reading Period
October 28-30    Friday through Sunday       Class of 2015 Family Days
November 12      Saturday                     Homecoming
November 23-27   Wednesday through Sunday    Thanksgiving Recess
December 9       Friday                        Last day of classes Fall Semester
December 10-13   Saturday through Tuesday    Reading Period
December 14-19   Wednesday through Monday    Final Examinations
December 20      Tuesday                       Vacation begins

2012

January 3        Tuesday                       First day of Winter Study Period
January 26       Thursday                      Last day of Winter Study Period
February 1       Wednesday                      First day of classes Spring Semester
February 2       Thursday                      Claiming Williams Day, no classes
February 3       Friday                        Classes resume a normal schedule
February 17-18   Friday & Saturday             College Holidays (Winter Carnival)
March 17 -April 1 Saturday through Sunday    Spring Recess
May 11           Friday                        Last day of classes Spring Semester
May 12-15        Saturday through Tuesday     Reading Period
May 16-21        Wednesday through Monday     Final Examinations
June 2           Saturday                      Class Day
June 2           Saturday                      Baccalaureate Service
June 3           Sunday, 10:00 a.m.              Commencement
June 7-10        Thursday through Sunday      Alumni Reunions

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The Winter Study Period covers 24 calendar days.

NOTE: Because no Williams student should ever have to choose between important religious, academic and athletic commitments, College policy provides for students who wish to participate in religious observances that conflict with other obligations to make arrangements with their instructors to do so.

The policy, approved in 1984 by the faculty and trustees in compliance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, states that "Any student who is unable, because of his or her religious beliefs, to attend classes or to participate in any examination, study, or work requirement on a particular day shall be excused from any such requirement, and shall be provided an opportunity to make up such requirement which she may have missed because of such absence now—provided, however, that such makeup examination or work shall not create an unreasonable burden upon the College. No adverse or prejudicial effects shall result to any student" who makes use of this provision of college policy.

The faculty (including coaches) receive annual reminders of this policy, and are encouraged to work carefully with students in anticipating and resolving conflicts to their mutual satisfaction.