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# Courses of Instruction

For each course, the numbering indicates its general level and the term in which it is offered. Courses numbered in the 100s, and some in the 200s, are introductory in material and/or approach. Generally courses numbered in the 200s and 300s are intermediate and advanced in approach. Courses numbered in the 400s and 500s are most advanced.

Although courses are normally limited to 40 students, some courses have lower enrollment limits due to space constraints (e.g., in laboratories or studios) or to specific pedagogical needs (e.g., special projects, small-group discussions, additional writing assignments). For example, writing-intensive courses are normally limited to 20 students, and seminars are normally limited to 12. Enrollment limits mean that a student might not always be able to take a course that he or she wishes to take.

To satisfy pedagogical needs, departments may set priorities to govern entrance into courses limited in enrollment."

The term in which the course will be offered is indicated by the letter immediately following the course number: F for fall semester, and S for spring semester.

F,S designates a course offered in both fall and spring semesters. Su designates a course comprising a summer field trip.

Courses with bracketed numbers will not be offered during 2017-18. In most cases, the description indicates the next date the course will be offered.

A single three-digit number preceding a course description indicates that the course may be elected for a single term. Most offerings are of this type. Two three-digit numbers separated by a hyphen indicate that normally the course will be elected for two terms. For such courses, a student may not enter the second term without having taken the first, unless otherwise indicated.

A course designated as open to a certain class (e.g., "Open to sophomores") is also open to all higher classes. A course with no statement concerning class eligibility is open to all students.

Unless otherwise stated, all courses meet for three 50-minute or two 75-minute class periods each week.

In the list of faculty members for each department, the letters (F,S) following a name indicate terms of leave or off-campus teaching. The following letters denote faculty members who are teaching in the following programs: ACC (Associated Colleges in China); AYS (Academic Year in Spain); DC (Term in Washington); JYF (Junior Year in France); MFE (Mellon Faculty Exchange); NYC (New York City Program).

# Africana Studies

## Faculty

Donald M. Carter  
Mark Cryer  
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Shelley P. Haley  
Heather Merrill  
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Nigel Westmaas

A concentration in Africana Studies consists of at least 9 courses: 101; 201; two courses selected from among: 220, 221, 224, 306, 382, or 405; 549; 550; and three electives. We encourage students to take at least one course focused on women or gender.

The senior program (549, 550) is a two-semester program culminating in a written thesis based on original research. The fall term course involves learning methodology and building a thesis proposal presented to the department faculty at the end of the term. Students with an average of at least 3.4 in the concentration may receive honors through distinguished work in 550.

A minor in Africana Studies consists of 101, 201, one course selected from 220, 221, 224, 382, or 405; and two electives.

Concentrators and minors to fulfill their core and elective requirements may use the following courses. Certain elective courses from other disciplines not listed may be substituted with permission of the chair. Please consult the appropriate departments and programs for full descriptions of courses, requirements and prerequisites. '

### **[101] Introduction to Africana Studies.**

Examines the nature, methods and development of black/Africana studies. A comparative and interdisciplinary introduction to the study of African and diaspora cultures and history. Emphasis will be on an exploration of some of the key texts and issues. Writing Intensive in the Spring.

### **102F Blackness Across the Diaspora.**

An interdisciplinary examination of the complex array of Black political, social and cultural practices across the Diaspora. It focuses on the historical and contemporary experiences of people of African descent in North and South America, the Caribbean, Latin America and Africa. The class will engage in close readings of classic texts and other readings from a variety of historical, literary, and artistic sources that offer insight into the dynamics of Black thought and practice and introduce core elements of the discipline. (Proseminar.) Maximum enrollment, 16. Westmaas.

### **103F Principles of Geoscience: Geology and Human Events in North Africa and the Middle East.**

An interdisciplinary study exploring the influence of environment, water resources, climate change and bedrock geology of North Africa and the Middle East on prehistory, history, international relations and prospects for the future. Special emphasis on developing GIS skills. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) (Proseminar.) Three two-hour class sessions per week. Required field trip to the Adirondack region. Not open to students who have taken any other course in Principles of Geoscience. (Same as Geosciences 103.) Maximum enrollment, 15. Tewksbury.

### **112F The Fundamentals of Race.**

An introductory course that contextualizes and critically analyzes the concept of race as it relates to people of African descent and in terms of the dynamics of how it emerges and operates within the social world. Transdisciplinary in nature, the course draws upon multiple domains and explores multiple ways in which race is constructed, functions, and contested. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Open to first-years only Maximum enrollment, 16. Franklin.

### **130F Envisioning Blackness.**

Examines lived experiences of blackness and anti-blackness in the West. How black women and men negotiate and contest place and identity, and the repressive institutions and dominant representations that normalize violence and social erasure. Case studies are from South Africa, the United States, and Europe. Selected writings by key figures such as Harriet Jacobs, W.E.B. Dubois, Frantz Fanon, bell hooks, Charles W. Mills, Saidya Hartman, and others. (Writing-intensive.) Open to first-year students only. Maximum enrollment, 20. H Merrill.

### **140S Understanding Caribbean Carnival.**

Introduces the Carnival tradition in the Caribbean, examining the rise of Carnival from its slavery and post-emancipation roots; the political and historical dynamic associated with Carnival customs; the complex cultural expressions forged by Carnival's unique mix of folklore and religion including vodun, dance and dress styles, satire and musical forms like reggae and calypso; the interrelations between the economic and cultural products created by Caribbean peoples, and the spread, content and impact of modern Carnival to large North American cities. Westmaas.

### **160/260F History of Jazz to the 1950s.**

A study of jazz from its origins (its African heritage, blues and ragtime) to 1950. A survey of jazz styles, including New Orleans and Chicago styles, boogie-woogie, swing, bebop and cool jazz. Open to seniors with consent of instructor. (Same as Music 160/260.) Woods.

### **190F Stand: New Voices of Protest.**

This course explores the contributions of a new generation of black leadership including students, women and community organizers during the civil rights and Black power movements. We will consider the contributions of well-known figures like Huey Newton and Malcolm X and lesser known figures like Septima Clark, the director of the freedom schools. (Writing-intensive.) Open to first-year students only. Maximum enrollment, 20. Carter.

### **201S Diversity Reconsidered.**

An examination of the emergence of Africana Studies as a transdisciplinary field of social and cultural critique and politics. Explores the work of foundational (e.g., W.E.B Dubois and Anna Julia Cooper) and contemporary figures. Topics include but are not limited to the history of Africana thought, race and global racial formation, resistance and politics, intersectionality, gender and sexuality, representation, white privilege, belonging, Blackness, and diaspora. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 101 or permission of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Carter D.

### **[203F] African-American History to 1877.**

Traces African-American history from the slave trade through the end of Reconstruction. Course material will include secondary and primary sources, including slave narratives, court documents, photography, music, and advertisements. The course will consider broad themes, including agency and resistance, the relationship of race to categories of gender, class, and sexuality, and the meaning of freedom. (Same as History 203.)

### **204S African-American History from 1877 to the Present.**

Examines the history of African Americans in the post-emancipation United States, looking closely at black communities during periods of industrialization, migration, war, and globalization. Lectures and discussion will draw on primary sources, including films, novels, poetry, radio and television, and speeches. Conversations will focus on the diversity of experiences and identities that have comprised the African-American experience in the United States. (Same as History 204.) Day Moore.

### **205S Haiti and the Caribbean.**

A broad introduction to Haiti's history since the slave revolt of 1791 leading to the creation of the Haitian state in 1804. The course examines the historical, political, and geo-political relationships between Haiti and Europe, and between Haiti and its Caribbean and North American neighbors; Haiti's antislavery impact on the Western hemisphere; the consequences of the U.S. occupation of Haiti; Haiti's political and economic tragedy of the reign of the Duvaliers (1957-1986); the rise and fall of President Aristide; and finally, the consequences of the tragic earthquake of 2010. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, One course in Africana Studies or consent of Instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16. Westmaas.

### **215F Global Race and Sport.**

The course is designed to examine race and diversity issues in the world of sports from the early 20th century to the present. Topics will examine and provide critical inquiry on the impact of race and racism in major world sports and the Olympic movement, including football(soccer), tennis, boxing, cricket, baseball, American football and athletics. The course is inter-sectional in scope and interrogates issues of masculinity, gender, the structures of power, as well as new forms of global capitalism in sports, and individuals that have personified their areas of sporting achievement. Westmaas.

### **216S Caribbean Literature in the Crucible.**

A critical overview of Caribbean literatures in the light of the complex legacies that have given rise to a body of creative work that seems to constantly fashion and refashion itself. Such literary recasting helps to communicate an intricate history of genocides, survival, exile, resistance, endurance, and outward migrations. Particular attention to writers such as Roger Mias, Martin Carter, George Lamming, Derek Walcott, Patricia Powell, Earl Lovelace, Paule Marshall and Michelle Cliff. (post-1900). Prerequisite, One course in literature. (History or Identity and Difference) (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 216.) Odamtten.

### **218S Politics of Africa.**

Comparative examination of the domestic politics of sub-Saharan Africa. Central focus on explaining the recent rise of both multi-party democracy and state collapse across the continent. Examination of the colonial legacy, the nature of the African state, ethnic conflict, class divisions, the role of the military and the problems of economic underdevelopment. Prerequisite, 112, 114 or Africana Studies 101. (Same as Government 218.) Olarinmoye.

### **220F Imagining Africa.**

The idea of Africa historically has served as a metaphor for exoticism, sexuality or savagery in western discourse. In the contemporary world, it has been imagined as the site of seemingly insoluble problems such as the collapse of the state, genocide and famine. The course explores popular notions of Africa and its relationship to a global African Diaspora. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Carter.

### **221S Africa in Diaspora.**

Examines the experience of African people in the Americas, Europe and Africa from the 13th century to 1968. Themes include slavery and resistance, the return to Africa, freedom after emancipation, the struggle for democracy and a place in civil society, the struggle against empire and imperialism, migration and immigration, race and color ideology, revolution and rebellion, and the struggle for civil liberty. Explores the historical meaning of being black in the Atlantic world and how African people have shaped and been shaped by the historical developments of the past seven centuries. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20. H Merrill.

### **[222F] Race, Gender and Culture.**

A critical philosophical examination of the normative categories of race, gender and culture. Topics include the origin, character and function of racial, gender and social identities. Analysis will focus on questions concerning the malleability of these identities, as well as questions concerning their psychological and social significance. (Writing-intensive.) Open only to 1st and 2nd year students. (Same as Philosophy 222 and Women's Studies 222.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[223] Black Female Voices: Writing Women of Color in the African Diaspora.**

Explores the different ways black women have struggled for equality, constructed their own identity and understood their own place in American history. Emphasizes critical thinking about African American women's history and focuses on the many forms with which we tell the stories of women's lives. (Same as American Studies 223.)

**[224S] Gender, Space and Identity in the African Diaspora.**

This course examines how racialized and gendered identities are made in relation to space. How does gender intersect with race, class and other power relations embedded in the places we live? How do women and men come to occupy different places in the world – literally and figuratively – or occupy the same places in different ways? Case studies focus on identity making in relation to the body, in diverse contexts such as homes, public and national spaces, across the African Diaspora. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as Women's Studies 224.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[230] Black Internationalism: The Making of Black Political Culture.**

An examination of the development of a vibrant black political culture that was transnational in scope and predicated on the shared experiences of people of African descent. Drawing upon the networks of communication created by the spread of ideas, news and rumor during the slave revolts in the Caribbean at the end of the 18th century, as well as writings that included novels, political tracts, speeches, newspapers and magazines in the 19th and 20th centuries. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 101 or one course in government, history or sociology. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**233F Geographies of Race and Gender.**

Examines how “natural” differences of gender and race are created through discourses, images and everyday practices in particular spatial contexts. Using historical and fictional texts, ethnographies, theoretical discussions and films the course explores the production of racial and gender differences in European development and imperialist expansion. Focuses on three historical periods in the production of racialized and gendered geographies: plantation/slave societies in the Americas, African Colonialism, contemporary globalization and ethnic diversity in Europe. (Same as Women's Studies 233.) Merrill.

**238F African-American Theatre from Ira Aldridge to August Wilson.**

Study, discussion and oral performance of selected works of drama by African-Americans from the 1860s to the present. Focuses on themes within the plays in relation to the current social climate and how they affect the play's evolution in the context of changing U.S. cultural and political attitudes. Prerequisite, Theatre 100 or a Africana Studies course. Open to sophomores and juniors only, or by instructors signature. (Same as Theatre 238.) Cryer.

**242S The Black Self: Identity and Consciousness.**

A philosophical exploration of a variety of historical and contemporary works that illuminate and influence the phenomenological experience of being black. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One course in philosophy or Africana studies, or consent of instructor. (Same as Philosophy 242.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Franklin.

**255F The Marrow of African-American Literature.**

Exploration of how African-Americans, in the face of enslavement, exclusion and terror, produced literature expressing their identities and aspirations. In examining themes such as abduction, separation and resistance, students will assess the inscription of self on the emergent national culture by writers such as Olaudah Equiano, Phillis Wheatley, Frederick Douglass, Harriet Wilson, Frances Harper, Sutton Griggs and Charles Chesnut (1660-1900). Prerequisite, One course in literature, or consent of instructor. (History or Identity and Difference) Open to sophomores and juniors only. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 255.) Odamtten.

**259S History of Jazz Since the 1950s.**

A study of the life, times and music of selected jazz musicians from 1950 to the present. Emphasis on the range of jazz styles from that era including funky, fusion and free jazz. Prerequisite, 160 or consent of instructor. Offered in alternate years. (Same as Music 259.) Woods.

**[262/362S] African-American Popular Music.**

A study of the music of selected popular African-American artists, including rhythm-and-blues artists, black gospel soloists and performers of soul music and rap music. Focus on the social issues, musical modes of expression and cultural importance of the artists. Prerequisite, one full-credit course in music. Music 362 has an additional independent project. Registration at the 300-level only with instructor's permission. Offered in alternate years. (Same as Music 262/362.)

**[278F] South Africa, 1652-1998.**

Survey from the first Dutch settlement on the Cape in 1652 through the first multiracial democratic election in 1994. Issues will be explored through the experiences of indigenous peoples, such as the Khoisan, Zulu and Xhosa, migrant laborers from Asia, the "coloured" community, Afrikaners and British settlers. (Same as History 278.)

**[303S] Black Popular Culture.**

Examines black popular culture of the African diaspora through an exploration of a series of representations, cultural practices and folk traditions. Participants will interrogate the "black experience" and its legacy in aspects of consumer culture, film, music (jazz, hip hop, blues), television, social class and gender. Considers the methodological and theoretical implications of these approaches for both anthropological inquiry and Africana studies. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**306S Seminar: Black Europe.**

Europe is a contested site of identity, citizenship and belonging where post-colonial African and other populations are increasingly visible. This crisis constitutes a critical moment in European history. Focusing on the lives of people of African descent the course examines such issues as colonial legacies, what it means to be part of this new Black diaspora, political subjectivities, citizenship and belonging, gender, anti-blackness, border conflicts, and the international refugee crisis. (Proseminar.) Maximum enrollment, 12. Merrill or Carter.

**[311F] Black Women's Experience in the United States.**

Examination of the experiences of black women in the United States from 1800-2006. Emphasis on the intellectual history of black women. Topics include the legacy of slavery, the role and influence of religion and the black church, the history of black women's education, the development of black feminism, the roles of and attitudes toward black lesbian and bisexual women, the role and impact of black women in popular culture and music. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 101 or consent of instructor. (Same as American Studies 311 and Women's Studies 311.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**313F Ghanaian Literature: From Colony to Post-Colony.**

Through a close examination of selected works by West African writers such as Kobina Sekyi, Casley-Hayford, Mabel Dove, Ayi Kwei Armah, Efuia Sutherland, Ama Ata Aidoo, Kofi Awoonor, Atukwei Okai, Yaw Asare, Akosua Busia, Kofi Anyidoho and Amma Darko, students will examine how the Slave Castles, the Sankofa Bird and Ananse the Spider have shaped the manner in which Ghanaian writers portray their society (post-1900). (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in literature (204, 205, 206 or 264 preferred). (History or Identity and Difference) (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 313.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Odamtten.

**[328S] Globalization and African Diaspora in Europe.**

Europe is a contested site of identity, citizenship and belonging where postcolonial populations have become increasingly visible. Focusing on the lives people of African descent and the border between Europe and Africa, explores globalization in contemporary Europe while examining such issues as economic and political restructuring, border politics, colonial legacies, national and 'hybrid' identity, transnationalism, the meaning of 'home', humanitarianism and refugees, European immigration policies and detention spaces, and the politics of fear. (Proseminar.) (Same as Anthropology 328.) Maximum enrollment, 16.

**[330] Digital History and New Media: Theories and Praxis.**

Focuses on the process of creating digital history and the impact of digital media technologies on the theory and practice of U.S. history and critical race theory, broadly defined. Readings, labs/workshops and discussions address the philosophy and practice of digital history, questioning how digital tools and resources are enabling and transforming analysis both in traditional print scholarship, and in emerging digital scholarship across the humanities. (Same as American Studies 330 and Cinema and Media Studies 330.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

**335S Urban Worlds.**

Since the great northern migrations of the World War II era much of African American experience has been lived out in urban worlds, from New York to San Francisco. The city has held out a peculiar hope for a better life, celebrated in fiction, scholarly literature and popular culture, since the Black exodus from the South. We explore the American story of promise and inclusion and the visible and at times hidden workings of exclusion, two stories that unfold simultaneously in the experience of urban America. Prerequisite, One course in Africana Studies or consent of Instructor. Carter.

**[340S] Race and American Democracy.**

Survey of the role of race and equality in American democracy. Special emphasis on understanding how notions of racial equality have advanced and declined throughout American history and the role of race in current American politics. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in American politics. (Same as Government 340.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[372] Unraveling Cleopatra.**

Cleopatra was a witness to and a shaper of the history of ancient Egypt and the late Roman Republic. To posterity the historical Cleopatra is an enigma, but her image in film, literature, art and popular culture is ever present. Through authors such as Horace, Plutarch, Shakespeare and George Bernard Shaw and through cinematic treatments from the 1940s-1970s, explores how the historical figure of Cleopatra became both the signifier and embodiment of sexual and racial politics across historical periods. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one course in classical studies or Africana studies. (Same as Classics 372 and Women's Studies 372.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[374F] Ancient Egypt.**

A study of the history of ancient Egypt and of its interaction with other ancient African kingdoms, including Nubia, Kush and Punt. Examination of Egypt's prehistory, language, social and gender relations, and cultural development. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One Classical Studies or Africana Studies course. (Same as Classics 374.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[376F] Africana Literatures and Critical Discourses.**

An examination of literature produced by writers of former European colonies in Africa and its Diaspora, with particular attention to literary and theoretical issues, as well as responses to such developments as Negritude, feminism and post-colonialism. Readings will include selected twentieth and twenty-first century writers. Assignments will involve both written and digital work. (Post 1900) (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in literature. Not open to first-year students. (Theory or Intermedia) Open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 376.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[378S] African American Literature Beyond the Edge.**

A critical survey of literatures from multiple genres concerned with conjuration, speculation, investigation, transgression or science fiction produced by African-American writers from the 19th century to the present. Includes works by such writers as Chesnutt, Sutton Griggs, W. E. B. Du Bois, Fisher, Chester Himes, Ernest Gaines, Octavia Butler, Walter Mosley, Steve Barnes, Jewelle Gomez, Samuel Delaney, Gayle Jones, Derrick Bell, Paula Woods, Tananarive Due and Nalo Hopkinson. (Post-1900) (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One 200-level course in literature. (Genre or Identity and Difference) Open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing

378.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**382S Global African Social Movements.**

A broad, interdisciplinary introduction to global social and political movements in Africa and the Americas throughout a 200-year period from the revolutions at the end of the 18th century to the modern political and social movements. Addresses theories of social movements, their racial and cultural formation, the variations in type and consequence of movements, and the contexts in which they arose. Examples of movements to be studied are the anti-slavery movement, the Pan-Africanist movement, the women's movement and the rise of modern NGOs. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 101, 220, 221 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Westmaas.

**405F Seminar: Black Feminist Thought.**

Interdisciplinary examination of the tradition of black feminist thought as it spans African and African-American heritages. Exploration of how black women are not simply victims of oppression but visionary agents of change. Areas examined include history, literature, music, art, education, sociology and film. There is intersectional analysis of the social, structural, and institutional hierarchies within the identities of women of African descent (gender/transgender, race, white supremacy, sexual/affectional orientation, class, color, and ability). Prerequisite, one course in women's studies or consent of instructor. (Same as Women's Studies 405.) Maximum enrollment, 12. Haley.

**[473] Seminar: Major African Writers.**

A comprehensive comparative investigation into works by two or more contemporary African writers. Attention to theoretical and practical questions of ideology, genre, language, gender, class and geographic region to determine the multiple articulations among authors, texts and audiences (post-1900). Prerequisite, three courses in literature or consent of instructor. Open to juniors and seniors only. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 473.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

**549F Senior Seminar in Africana Studies.**

The research process at it relates to fulfillment of the senior project, including the formulation of a research project, methodological approaches, frames of research, research design, collection of data, and analysis. Culminates in presentation of a thesis/project proposal. Maximum enrollment, 12. The department.

**550S Senior Program.**

An interdisciplinary project to be approved by the committee. Limited to senior concentrators. The Department.

# American Studies

## Program Committee

Joyce Barry (Women's and Gender Studies)

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The concentration in American studies consists of 10 courses: two offered by the program itself and eight selected among the range of U.S.-focused courses offered by other departments and programs at Hamilton College.

The American Studies Program offers students an opportunity to study American culture from a variety of perspectives and through the methodologies of different intellectual disciplines. Specialized studies in all fields of learning dealing with the United States are included in the program, and the impact of these studies is reflected in the work of the American studies introductory course (101) and the Senior Seminar (420).

Students work closely with faculty members in developing a plan of study that brings at least two disciplinary perspectives to bear on major issues in American culture. Required courses include 101, usually taken in the spring of the first year; 420, taken in the spring of the junior or senior year; two courses in American literature; and two courses in American history, chosen in consultation with the program director. Of the remaining four elective courses, at least two must be at the 300-level or higher. The departments and programs in Africana Studies, Anthropology, Art History, Cinema and New Media Studies, Communication, Economics, English and Creative Writing, Environmental Studies, Government, Hispanic Studies, History, Music, Philosophy, Religious Studies, Sociology, Theatre and Women's Studies all offer courses on issues pertinent to American Studies.

A minor in American Studies consists of five courses: 101; one course in U.S. literature or U.S. history; and three electives, one of which must be at or above the 300-level.

The only 100-level courses that may count toward the concentration in American studies are those offered by the program itself. Only one 100-level course may be counted toward the concentration or the minor.

Concentrators with a grade point average in the program of 3.5 or higher at the end of their junior year may, on approval, pursue an honors project in their senior year (550) under the direct supervision of a faculty member. To earn honors in American studies, students must maintain a grade point average of 3.5 or above in their coursework and earn a grade of A- or higher in 550. '

## 101S Introduction to American Studies.

An interdisciplinary introduction to culture and society in the United States, from the colonial era through the 21st century, as revealed in literary, cinematic and historical texts. (Writing-intensive.) Not open to seniors. Maximum enrollment, 20. Nieves.

## 117S Roots Music to Country Music: The Making of an American Sound.

Study of country music from its roots in cowboy songs, fiddle tunes, blues, bluegrass, and gospel hymns to current artists like The Dixie Chicks, Taylor Swift, and Brad Paisley. Artists include the Carter Family, Hank Williams, Patsy Cline, Dolly Parton, Willie Nelson, Emmylou Harris, Lynyrd Skynyrd, & Garth Brooks. Study of the musical elements,

social class, gender roles, and cultural contexts of styles such as Western Swing, Honky-Tonk, Rockabilly, the Nashville Sound, Southern Rock, and Alt-country. Includes films such as *Coal Miner's Daughter*, *Nashville*, and *O Brother, Where Art Thou?* (Same as Music 117.) Hamessley.

**[125] Introduction to History and Theory of New Media.**

What makes new media “new”? How do new media compare with, transform or incorporate earlier media? Examines the production, circulation, and reception of visual and sonic media, with emphasis on how consumers and artists shape the uses and values of media. Covers key issues raised by new media through close study of critical essays and creative texts. Examples of old and new media include the phonograph, radio, film, turntable, social networks, fantasy sports and gaming, podcast, MP3, Auto-Tune, hypertext literature and digital poetry. Open to first-year students and sophomores only. (Same as Cinema and Media Studies 125.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**129F Native American Spiritualities.**

In order to develop a broad understanding of the religious lives of Native Americans, we explore diverse practices and worldviews. We begin with an examination of how Native American worldviews are unique and differ from modern-Western worldviews. With this grounding, we delve into explorations of the multifaceted history of Native American traditions including the Ghost Dance, the Sun Dance, religious freedom issues pertaining to the use of peyote, struggles over sacred places, and complex native engagements with Christianity. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as Religious Studies 129.) Maximum enrollment, 16. Schermerhorn.

**[134F] Americanism, Ballots, and Consumption: The ABCs of American Religion.**

This course explores a variety of roles religion has played in American culture(s) and some of the ways that American culture has influenced Americans’ religious practices. We will focus on three areas: identity (Americanism), politics (Ballots), and economics (Consumption). In particular, we will consider how religion is involved in the construction of American identity and the exclusion of some people from American polity; how religion is (and is not) intertwined with our political system; and how religion affects – and is affected by – Americans’ economic practices (Same as Religious Studies 134.)

**[202] Introduction to Asian-American Studies.**

An introduction to Asian-American studies, an interdisciplinary field of inquiry that deals with the history, experiences and cultural production of Americans of Chinese, Japanese, Korean, South Asian, Filipino and Southeast Asian ancestry. Topics addressed include the history of Asian immigration to the United States; popular and self-representation of Asians in various cultural media; questions of race and ethnicity; and the category of gender as it is inflected along racial and class lines. Counts toward the concentrations in American studies or Asian studies. Not open to seniors. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**[205] Video Game Nation.**

Investigates how to critically interpret and analyze video games and the roles they play in visual and popular culture, and how to test the application of these approaches to various issues in gaming and digital media culture more generally. Topics and themes include genre and aesthetics, the game industry, spectatorship, play, narrative, immersion, gender, race, militarism, violence and labor. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as Cinema and Media Studies 205.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[214F] Queer Literature and Film.**

Examination of the historical and theoretical constructions of sexual and gender identities through the literature and film of the late 19th c – present. The course will explore a range of issues including the emergence, normalization and regulation of heterosexuality and “homosexuality” as categories of identity; intersections with race, class and queerness; transgender identity and subjectivity; constructions of the “family” among others. Our analyses of LGBT literature and film will be grounded by contemporary debates in feminist, gender, and queer studies. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one course in women's studies or consent of instructor. (Same as Women's Studies 214.)

Maximum enrollment, 20.

**215F Religion in Film.**

Study of the religious in film. Focus on the relationship between myth-making in film and post-modern culture. (Same as Religious Studies 215.) Humphries-Brooks.

**[223] Black Female Voices: Writing Women of Color in the African Diaspora.**

Explores the different ways black women have struggled for equality, constructed their own identity and understood their own place in American history. Emphasizes critical thinking about African American women's history and focuses on the many forms with which we tell the stories of women's lives. (Same as Africana Studies 223.)

**239S Native Rituals and Religious Freedom.**

Is American religious freedom a reality, an unfinished project, or merely a myth? This course explores how Native Americans have struggled for religious freedom in the United States, focusing on contemporary legal battles to protect sacred lands, repatriate ancestral remains and objects, and defend the ceremonial consumption of peyote. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as Religious Studies 239 and Government 239.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Seth Schermerhorn.

**[241F] Religion in the American West.**

This course explores and considers three themes in the history of religion in the American West: migrations (movement in and out of the region), locations (the designation of particular places as special), and adaptations (changes over time, in response to changing conditions). The course will use a variety of primary and secondary sources – some texts, but also films, photographs, and other kinds of sources. Students will also do their own research and contribute to the construction of a website about the religious history of the American West. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as Religious Studies 241.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**245/345S Music in American Film.**

An examination of music in American film from silent films to the present with an emphasis on the golden age of Hollywood. Topics include the development of musical conventions in film, different approaches of film composers (Steiner, Tiomkin, Rózsa, Herrmann, Newman, Bernstein, Williams), and the meanings that music brings to the films' narratives. Includes films such as *Casablanca*, *Citizen Kane*, *To Kill a Mockingbird*, *Of Mice and Men*, *A Streetcar Named Desire*, *West Side Story*, *Bonnie and Clyde*, *American Graffiti*, *O Brother, Where Art Thou?*, *The Hours*. Special attention to films of Hitchcock Prerequisite, two courses, in any combination, in music, film, or literature. Three hours per week for film viewings in addition to class time. Music 345 has an additional independent project. Registration at the 300-level only with instructor's permission. (Same as Music 245/345.) Hamessley.

**283F Introduction to Asian American Literature.**

Examination of themes, forms, and history of literary production by people of Asian descent in the United States. We will survey translated and English-language works by Asian American writers of varying ethnic affiliations, including Chinese, Japanese, Filipino, Korean, Indian, and others. We'll explore how each writer negotiates a relationship with a particular cultural heritage, as well as confronts the racial, cultural, and political formations of the U.S.. Authors include Maxine Hong Kingston, Carlos Bulosan, John Okada, the Angel Island poets, and others. Prerequisite, One course in literature. (post-1900) (Theory or Identity and Difference) (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 283.) Yao.

**310F Journalism: History, Theory, and Practice.**

Today the press is in a period of rapid change. Notions of journalistic objectivity and the social responsibility of the news media are subject to frequent challenges, and traditional business models are proving unworkable in the digital age. This course examines the historical evolution of journalistic norms, drawing on theories of communication scholars to clarify the interplay of media and politics. Students examine the tenets of objective reporting by crafting long form journalistic essays in response to current political debates. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one course in

communication, government or sociology. (Same as Communication 310.) Maximum enrollment, 20. T Recuber.

**[311F] Black Women's Experience in the United States.**

Examination of the experiences of black women in the United States from 1800-2006. Emphasis on the intellectual history of black women. Topics include the legacy of slavery, the role and influence of religion and the black church, the history of black women's education, the development of black feminism, the roles of and attitudes toward black lesbian and bisexual women, the role and impact of black women in popular culture and music. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 101 or consent of instructor. (Same as Africana Studies 311 and Women's Studies 311.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[325S] Media Theory and Visual Culture.**

We are bombarded with images, in myriad forms, on a daily basis. How do we interpret and analyze them? What is the relationship between an online advertisement for a movie and the movie itself, between a television program and a video game? An overview of contemporary media theory as it relates to visual culture in the 21st century. Readings will include seminal works in psychoanalytic theory, cultural studies, semiotics, postmodern theory, new media studies and visual studies. (Same as Cinema and Media Studies 325.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[330] Digital History and New Media: Theories and Praxis.**

Focuses on the process of creating digital history and the impact of digital media technologies on the theory and practice of U.S. history and critical race theory, broadly defined. Readings, labs/workshops and discussions address the philosophy and practice of digital history, questioning how digital tools and resources are enabling and transforming analysis both in traditional print scholarship, and in emerging digital scholarship across the humanities. (Same as Cinema and Media Studies 330 and Africana Studies 330.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[342F] Seminar: Written on the Wall: 20th-Century American Prison Writing.**

The writing of the men and women inside the American prison system constitutes a kind of shadow canon to that of better-known literary artists. We will read broadly in 20th- and 21st-century American prison writing, asking questions about the generic coherence, social and moral import of prisoners' non-fiction, fiction and poetry. Authors will include Jack London, George Jackson, Assata Shakur, and citizens serving time today. Students who are twenty-one or older will visit a book group inside a state prison. Prerequisite, one 200-level course in literature. (post-1900) (History or Identity and Difference) Open to juniors and seniors only. Does not fulfill the senior seminar requirement for ENGL or LIT concentration. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 342.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[350] Gender and Cyberculture.**

Explores critical approaches to media through the intersection of gender and the technological imaginary. Investigates how the production, use and circulation of digital media affect notions of representation, identity, the body and consciousness. Close visual and textual analysis of the ways writers, artists and theorists have conceived these issues. (Same as Cinema and Media Studies 350.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**420S Seminar in American Studies: American Folk Revivals.**

Study of the folk revivals that marked 20th-century U.S. cultural life. Topics include African and Native-American origins, 19th-century minstrels, Stephen Foster, the Appalachian ballad collections of Cecil Sharp, the legacy of the Lomax and Seeger families, bluegrass and hillbilly music, Woody Guthrie and union songs, the freedom songs of the Civil Rights Movement, the Washington Square scene in Greenwich Village, Bob Dylan and Joan Baez. Grounded in the study of music and its circulation, examines the impact of these revivals on dance, film, literature and politics. Prerequisite, two courses in literature, history or music (in any combination), or consent of instructor. (Same as Music 420.) Maximum enrollment, 12. Hamessley.

**[421S] Raging Gods: Scorsese and Coppola's Religious Films.**

The religious in the films of Martin Scorsese and Francis Ford Coppola. As American New Wave auteurs they

contribute to the emergence of a new sacramental style in American film. We pay attention to the film traditions that inform their development, e.g. Italian neo-realism, horror, film noir and French New Wave. A look at the influence of their Roman-Catholic, Italian-American religious culture. Prerequisite, two courses in religious studies and/or cinema & new media studies or consent of instructor. (Same as Religious Studies 421.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

**550F,S Honors Thesis.**

Independent study required for honors candidates, culminating in a thesis. Registration only by express approval of the program director. The Program.

# Anthropology

## Faculty

Mariam Durrani  
Nathan B. Goodale, *chair*  
Chaise LaDousa  
Colin Quinn  
Julie Starr

## *Special Appointment*

Meredith Moss  
Alissa Nauman

The department offers two tracks within the concentration of anthropology: cultural anthropology and archaeology. A student must choose one of these two tracks.

## CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY

A track in cultural anthropology consists of a minimum of 10 courses: 106 or 108; 113, 114 or 115; 126, 127, or 201; 358; 500 and 501; and four other courses. Concentrators must fulfill their Senior Project requirement through satisfactory completion of the Senior Seminar (500) in the fall, which emphasizes the critical evaluation of scholarship as well as primary data culminating in a draft of a research paper, and the Senior Thesis (501) in the spring, which emphasizes expansion, revision, and refinement of the thesis. Honors will be granted to students with a departmental average of 3.3 (88) or higher at the close of their senior fall semester and an A- or better on their Senior Thesis (501).

All but two of the ten courses required for the Anthropology Concentration should be taken with faculty whose primary appointment is in the Hamilton College Anthropology Department; this includes visiting faculty. Any request for exceptions may be discussed with the department chair.

## ARCHAEOLOGY

A track in archaeology consists of a minimum of 10 courses: 106 or 108; 113, 114, 115, 126 or 127; 325, 358, 510 and 511; and four other courses, one of which must be 210, 234, 243, 245 or 249. Concentrators must fulfill their Senior Project requirement through satisfactory completion of the Senior Seminar (510) in the fall, which emphasizes the critical evaluation of scholarship as well as primary data culminating in a draft of a research paper, and the Senior Thesis (511) in the spring, which emphasizes expansion, revision, and refinement of the thesis. Honors will be granted to students with a departmental average of 3.3 (88) or higher at the close of their senior fall semester and an A- or better on their Senior Thesis (511).

A minor in anthropology consists of five courses, one of which must be at the 100 level and one of which must be at the 300 level. A student may elect to take one each from 106 and 108, 113, 114, 115, 126 or 127 as two of their five courses. Note to juniors and seniors: The following Anthropology Department courses have no prerequisite: 201 and 225. In addition, prerequisites may be waived with consent of instructor for 243, 249, 270, 315, 360 and 361.

Beginning with the class of 2020, students concentrating in Cultural Anthropology or Archaeology will satisfy the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies requirement by completing ANTH 200. The course will be open to sophomores who plan to declare anthropology, archaeology, or geoarchaeology concentrations and linguistics as a minor. (Exceptions may be made for students who make a late declaration.) Note that this will raise to 11 the number of courses required for both tracks. '

## **Courses in Anthropology**

### **113F,S Principles of Social and Cultural Anthropology.**

Cross-cultural approaches to the study of such topics as inequality, polity, language, economic behavior, the body, and other categorical distinctions emergent from human practice. Exposure to anthropological theory, methods, and ethnography. Not open to seniors. Chaise LaDousa.

### **121F Humor: Culture, Interaction, and Politics.**

Introduces the benefits of considering theoretical approaches, research methodologies, and data together and as interrelated in the production of anthropological scholarship. Stresses the gendered, racialized, and classed dimensions of humor, and the ways the exploration of such dimensions affords insights to questions about inequality, but also the possibilities of conscious reflection and subversion. Maximum enrollment, 16. Chaise LaDousa.

### **200S Stuff: Materiality and Inequality.**

This half-credit course fulfills the SSIH requirement for Anthropology and Archaeology concentrators. In keeping with the history of U.S. four-field anthropology, it examines the social origins of inequality through the lenses of material culture and technologies of production, labor and social structure, and hierarchy. The topical foci of the course will be developed around a contemporary issue or event. The course will engage students from both tracks, emphasizing the shared interest in material culture analysis and issues of labor, inequality, and political economy. Department.

### **201S Linguistic Theory: A Brief History.**

A general examination of the nature of language. Topics include the history of ideas about language; philosophical and cognitive aspects of language; evolutionary, structural and generative approaches to the analysis of language. (Writing-intensive.) (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 126, 127 or consent of instructor. Next taught spring 2016 (Same as Linguistics 201.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Urciuoli.

### **204F Globalization and the City: An Anthropological Interrogation.**

Examines why and how the city has taken on renewed focus as “site” in which contemporary global processes take place. Draws on anthropological literature and films on urbanization to provide theoretical foundations and empirical case studies to critically respond to the question: What does the globalization of the city look like? Students will choose their own city upon which to conduct secondary research drawing from scholarly articles, news media sources, and documentary film archives to create short essay films that illustrate how global processes reshape their selected urban locale. Prerequisite, one course in anthropology or consent of instructor. Arjun Shankar.

### **215F Anthropology of Muslim Youth.**

Investigates the social experiences and mediated representations of Muslim youth through ethnography and multimodal artifacts. Emphasizes deconstructing the semiotics of the “Muslim” figure in public discourse to understand, and critique, how this construction leads to various forms of anti-Muslim racism, but also attending to the forms of response and resistance from Muslim youth. Prerequisite, one course in anthropology or consent of instructor. Mariam Durrani.

### **217F Food, Body, and Health.**

Considers the specificity of local medical systems and the way they are entangled with culturally variant ideas about bodies, food, and health. Draws on ethnographic examples of from East Asia, the U.S., and the Pacific, to study the ways that medical traditions (including biomedicine) establish themselves as social institutions and as sources of authoritative knowledge. Covers topics such as: local theories of well-being; disease causation and healing efficacy; authoritative knowledge; theories of embodiment; and food-as-medicine. Prerequisite, One anthropology course or

consent of instructor. Julie Starr.

**[225S] Phonetics and Phonology: The Analysis of Sound.**

How the sounds of language are produced. The structure of sound systems in a variety of languages (including non-European). Organization of field projects: data collection, transcription analysis. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) (Same as Linguistics 225.)

**233F Anthropology of China.**

This course introduces students to social issues in contemporary China as seen through the lens of anthropological analysis. Through reading ethnographies, watching films, and engaging in classroom discussions, we will examine topics such as the individualization of China and consumer identity, censorship and emerging forms of social media, urbanization and migrant labor, the one-child policy and changing family values, and economic development and environmental degradation. Prerequisite, One course in anthropology or consent of instructor. Julie Starr.

**237S Indigenous Heritage Language Revitalization.**

Examines language endangerment and revitalization programs around the world. Analyzes the practices of more and less successful programs including Maori, Hawaiian, and Navajo, as well as the roles of technology and social media in grassroots language revitalization. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Meredith Moss.

**[257] Language, Gender and Sexuality.**

Stresses special lessons that anthropology has to teach about the gendered facets of linguistic expression, including the necessity of an approach that is both empirical, including moments of interaction, and critical, exploring issues of power and agency. Considers conceptual benefits and limitations to using gendered difference as a model for sexual difference in the study of linguistic expression. Prerequisite, one course in anthropology or consent of instructor. (Same as Linguistics 257 and Women's Studies 257.)

**259S Digital Technology and Social Transformation.**

Examines some of the ways in which digital technologies have been imagined to be important to social change, transformation, or innovation. Proponents of the use of digital technologies toward social change have focused on their speed, connectivity, and capacity. The course will introduce some of these arguments, will review some critiques of these arguments, and will suggest – via ethnographic cases – that digital technologies, like all sociocultural forms, should be studied with careful attention to contextual concerns. Prerequisite, One 100-level course in Anthropology or consent of instructor. Chaise LaDousa.

**264F Ethnography of Literacy and Visual Language.**

Theory and analysis of communication and meaning in social and cultural context with particular attention devoted to the often-neglected aspects of literate communication. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 113, 114, 115, 126, 127, or 201, or consent of instructor. (Same as Linguistics 264.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Ladousa.

**266F Dialects of American English.**

This course examines the dialects of English used in the United States. Topics covered will include language variation, language change, regional dialects, social and ethnic dialects, gender and language variation, style, applied dialectology, and ideologies of language (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Meredith Moss.

**[270F] The Ethnography of Communication.**

Theory and analysis of communication and meaning in social and cultural context. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 113, 114, 115, 126, 127 or 201, or consent of instructor. (Same as Linguistics 270.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**272S Anthropology of Food.**

This course examines how culturally variant practices of food and eating are actively involved in (1) creating and maintaining sociality, (2) constructing and reinforcing identity, and (3) in shaping global relations of power and

inequalities. Through reading ethnographies, watching films, and discussing materials in class, this course will introduce you to other ways of viewing, experiencing, and understanding food. It will also provide an opportunity to inquire how our role as consumers reinforces certain global food-ways, impacting many people who remain unseen in the process. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 113, 127, or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Julie Starr.

**[311] Youth and Cultural Reproduction.**

The notion of youth as a lifespan period has grown in salience and pervasiveness in the world. Explores three major aspects of social scientists' attention to youth: as a category to probe intersections among culture, aesthetics, and class in post-industrial societies; as a means for imagining the relationship between colonial and post-colonial forms of governance; and as a means for tracing the flows of capital among nation-states. Youth thus provides us with a window into pressing concerns in late-20th and early-21st century social science. Prerequisite, 100-level anthropology course or consent of instructor. (Same as Education Studies 311.)

**314S Ethnicity, Gender, and Sexuality in China.**

This course discusses the transformations in Chinese notions of ethnicity, gender, and sexuality from 1949 to the present. We will explore topics such as defining, naming, and preserving ethnic identity and culture; changing notions of femininity and masculinity; emerging forms of gendered inequality; and the growing importance of sex work and sex-at-work while considering the interrelationship between such phenomena and the broader political, economic, and social developments in 21st-century China. Prerequisite, 113, 127, or consent of the instructor. Julie Starr.

**[318] Anthropology of Education.**

Examines the school as a site for the reconstruction of cultural difference. Special attention paid to links between schooling and the nation, to connections between schooling and modernity, and to themes such as discipline, value, gender, language and labor. Examples from Bolivia, Tanzania, India and the United States, among other nation-states. Concludes with a consideration of globalization, specifically the rise in neoliberal approaches in the governance of school systems. Prerequisite, one course in anthropology or consent of instructor. (Same as Education Studies 318.)

**[323S] Verbal Art and Performance.**

Traces historical shifts in oral performance-based approaches to the study of verbal art. Probes connections between verbal art and notions of tradition, authenticity and heritage — the local and the national. Introduces emerging work in feminist, critical and reflexive stances in scholarship on verbal art. Prerequisite, one course in anthropology or consent of instructor.

**[326S] Semiotics of Liberal Arts Education.**

Examination of liberal arts education as a social institution: its history, institutional structure, social location, and cultural meaning. Particular attention to tensions between its economic and prestige dimensions. Ethnographic accounts and analyses of various aspects of student life, teaching, administration, admissions, and development. Prerequisite, Any Anthropology course, or Sociology 211, or consent of instructor.

**[328S] Globalization and African Diaspora in Europe.**

Europe is a contested site of identity, citizenship and belonging where postcolonial populations have become increasingly visible. Focusing on the lives people of African descent and the border between Europe and Africa, explores globalization in contemporary Europe while examining such issues as economic and political restructuring, border politics, colonial legacies, national and 'hybrid' identity, transnationalism, the meaning of 'home', humanitarianism and refugees, European immigration policies and detention spaces, and the politics of fear. (Proseminar.) (Same as Africana Studies 328.) Maximum enrollment, 16.

**358F History of Anthropological Ideas.**

A consideration of major paradigms in anthropology from the 19th century to the present. The influence of various

theoretical perspectives on ethnographic and archaeological description and analysis. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 106, 113, 114, 115, 126 or 127. Maximum enrollment, 20. Goodale and LaDousa.

**[370S] Sociolinguistics of Globalization.**

Explores the relationship between language variation and change, on the one hand, and the movement of sound and image in the wake of social and political economic processes variously identified as globalization, on the other hand. Of special concern are the ways in which processes of globalization are mediated by institutional and national forms. Prerequisite, One course in anthropology or by instructor approval.

**500F Senior Seminar in Cultural Anthropology.**

The research process as it relates to the fulfillment of the senior project, including the formulation of a research problem, frames for research, research design, collection of data and cultural analysis. department.

**501S Senior Thesis Project in Cultural Anthropology.**

The research process as it relates to the fulfillment of the senior project, including the revision of the draft created during the senior seminar and extension of cultural analysis. Honors in the concentration partly depends on an A- or higher in the course. department.

**Courses in Archaeology**

**106F,S Principles of Archaeology.**

An introduction to the fundamentals of archaeology, with emphasis on human biological and cultural records. Topics include a review of archaeological field methods such as sampling, survey and excavation, and analytic methods such as dating, typology and formation processes. Three hours of class with lab exercises embedded within that time. Occasionally two sections of this course are offered. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Maximum enrollment, 24. Department.

**[108] Humans Before History.**

Reviews the biological and material culture records of humankind before the advent of complex societies. Assesses fossil evidence for evolutionary relationships among human ancestors, evaluates the development of technologies and adaptations, and explores cultural achievements of modern humans during and following the last ice age.

**110F Archaeology of Hamilton's Founding.**

As an archaeological canvas, Hamilton College provides oral tradition and integrates historical documents. Its archaeological record on the lands it occupies within Northeastern North America can be peeled back in layers, focusing on both prehistoric and historic components from the first peoples in the area, the influence of Samuel Kirkland, and changes in the College over its history. Includes excavation of an archaeological site on the campus, several field trips to local historical societies and use of College archives. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Maximum enrollment, 16. Nathan Goodale.

**218F Landscapes: People, Place, and the Past.**

This course explores the deep histories of economic, socio-political, and ritual landscapes, and the tools that archaeologists use to study them. Landscapes, as both physical and cultural entities, are important spaces for human interaction. Archaeologists are uniquely positioned to examine the relationships among people, place, and the environment in the past. This course will link archaeological landscapes to modern issues of development, human-environment interaction, and social change. Prerequisite, 106 or consent of instructor. (Same as Environmental Studies 218.) Maximum enrollment, 24. Colin Quinn.

**[243S] North American Prehistory.**

The history of Native American cultural development north of the Rio Grande prior to European contact. Topics include the timing and effects of human entry into North America, ice-age adaptations, plant and animal domestication, agriculture and beginnings of complex societies. Prerequisite, 106 or consent of instructor.

**245S Human Ancestors.**

A review of the biological and cultural evolution of humans. Topics include human uniqueness, race and biological diversity, the earliest humans in Africa, radiations of fossil and modern humans. Prerequisite, One course in Archaeology, Biology, or Geoscience. Maximum enrollment, 24. Jones.

**249F The Archaeology of Continental Discovery.**

Explores the social, organizational and environmental consequences of initial human colonization of unoccupied landscapes. Examined through case studies, including initial colonization of Australia and North America, and the voyaging expansion of people across Pacific islands. Also addresses the consequences of European "rediscovery" of these areas for native peoples and environment. Jones.

**250F Hunter-Gatherers.**

Humans lived as hunter-gatherers for 99% of our evolutionary past. Today, just a small fraction of the world's population lives as hunter-gatherers and that number is rapidly decreasing due to modernization. Anthropologists and archaeologists are interested in studying the adaptive range of modern hunter-gatherers in order to help interpret the archaeological record. Explores the ethnographic and archaeological study of hunting and gathering with a focus on analogy and inference developed in ethnoarchaeology and behavioral ecology. Prerequisite, 106 or consent of instructor. Goodale.

**[251S] The Archaeology of Hamilton's Founding.**

As an archaeological canvas, Hamilton College provides oral tradition and integrates historical documents. Its archaeological record on the lands it occupies within Northeastern North America can be peeled back in layers, focusing on both prehistoric and historic components from the first peoples in the area, the influence of Samuel Kirkland, and changes in the College over its history. Includes excavation of an archaeological site on the campus, several field trips to local historical societies and use of College archives. Prerequisite, 106. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[281Su] Archaeology Field Course I.**

A three- to four-week introduction to archaeological field techniques, including excavation, survey and mapping. Conducted in conjunction with field research programs of faculty. Prerequisite, 106 or consent of instructor. Extra cost. Maximum enrollment, 8.

**[282Su] Archaeology Field Course II.**

A three- to four-week session building on training in archaeological field techniques received in Archaeology 281. Conducted in conjunction with field research programs of faculty. Prerequisite, 281. Extra cost. Does not count toward the concentration in archaeology or cultural anthropology. Maximum enrollment, 8.

**325F Analytic Methods in Archaeology.**

A survey of analytic techniques central to archaeological and paleoecological interpretation. Laboratory performance of artifact analysis and classification, computer-aided data management and statistical analysis. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 106. Maximum enrollment, 8. G T Jones.

**334S Method and Theory in Archaeology.**

An examination of the historical development of modern methodological and theoretical approaches and problems in American archaeology. Space-time frameworks, typology, form and function, research design, evolutionary, ecological and behavioral theory. Prerequisite, 106. Maximum enrollment, 24. Jones.

**380S Geographic Information Systems.**

Concepts in computer-based GIS emphasizing hands-on practice in portraying and analyzing spatially referenced data sets to produce a variety of types of digital products and to solve geospatial problems. Practice using data from multiple sources, including data downloaded from online sources, field-collected data and published map data. Emphasis on mastery of basic skills and techniques using ESRI ArcGIS software. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Maximum enrollment, 15. Nathan Goodale.

**510F Senior Seminar in Archaeology.**

Critical evaluation of selected topics in archaeology. Primary research, culminating in a paper for fulfillment of the senior project. department.

**[511S] Senior Thesis Project in Archaeology.**

Continuation of participation in Archaeology 551 with revision and expansion of the senior thesis. Honors in the concentration is partly dependent on an A- or better in the course.

# Arabic

## Faculty

Mireille Koukjian

Arabic is regularly offered at both the first- and second-year levels. Advanced language study is occasionally available at the discretion of the faculty. While there is no concentration or minor in Arabic, both Arabic and Hebrew are primary contributors to the minor in Middle East and Islamic World Studies. Also, World Politics majors with a focus on the Middle East must achieve at least a fourth-semester level of the language. Arabic can be useful to students with a background in political science or international studies because of the urgent demand for Arabic in contemporary world affairs. '

### **115F First Term Arabic.**

Introduction in speaking, writing, reading and aural comprehension. Textbook readings and exercises with a strong emphasis on interactive verbal production. Highly interactive with supplemental Language Center projects and activities. Maximum enrollment, 17. Koukjian.

### **116S Second Term Arabic.**

Continued study with emphasis on verbal proficiency, reading and listening comprehension. Highly interactive with supplemental Language Center projects and activities. Prerequisite, Arabic 115 or placement. Maximum enrollment, 20. Koukjian.

### **215F Third Term Arabic.**

Intermediate level study with emphasis on verbal proficiency, reading and listening comprehension. Highly interactive with supplemental Language Center projects and activities. Short readings from authentic sources. Prerequisite, Arabic 115 and 116 or placement. Maximum enrollment, 20. Koukjian.

### **216S Fourth Term Arabic.**

Advanced level study with emphasis on verbal proficiency, reading and listening comprehension. Highly interactive with supplemental Language Center projects and activities. Short readings from authentic sources. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, Arabic 115, 116 and 215 or placement. Maximum enrollment, 20. Koukjian.

### **315F Advanced Arabic.**

Advanced Arabic is a course designed for students who have completed four semesters of Arabic. The course will help students move from Intermediate Middle level to Advanced. Students will focus on acquiring more vocabulary and more knowledge of the fundamental grammatical and morphological structures of the language. They will also learn about the literary traditions of the Arab World through readings of abridged literary works. The instructor will select the literary work and prepare all the material used for the class. Prerequisite, Four semesters of Arabic or consent of Instructor. This course is sponsored by the New York Six Liberal Arts Consortium, from an award by the Andrew W.Mellon Foundation. Mireille Koukjian.

### **316S Advanced Arabic II.**

Advanced Arabic II is a course destined to students who have completed Arabic 315 or above. The course is conducted exclusively in Arabic twice a week, the third day is being used for grammar instruction and questions. The class meets MWF and will continue with the 8 theme-based units covering topics such as Arab minorities; education; religion; love and marriage; the Arab woman; economics; politics; military matters; and the environment. The course will help students attain an advanced level in interpersonal, presentational, and interpretive communications skills. Prerequisite,

Arabic 315 or equivalent. Mireille Koukjian.

# Art

## Faculty

L. Ella Gant  
Kevin Grant, *chair*  
Robert Knight  
Katharine Kuharic  
Robert B. Muirhead III  
Rebecca Murtaugh  
William Salzillo

## *Special Appointment*

Lorena Molina

Beginning with the class of 2018, a concentration in art consists of 11 courses: Art 104 Introduction to Drawing or 160 Figure Drawing; and eight additional (non-repeatable) art courses, one course in each of the following three areas:

- 1) Painting and Printmaking
- 2) Ceramics and Sculpture
- 3) Photography, Video, and Animation;

one 300-level course in the same area as the senior project before the end of the junior year; either the two-semester Senior Project (501-502), or 501 plus one additional 300-level course, and two courses in the Department of Art History, one of which must be pre-1900 or non-European. Students wishing to fulfill the art history requirement with a course about film must get approval from the Art Department chair. Students may not fulfill the art history requirement with a course cross-listed in Art History from another department.

All senior concentrators are required to register for the Senior Project in the fall of their final year. Based on a review by the studio faculty of work done in this course, students who have successfully completed 501 must continue for honors by registering for an additional semester of Senior Project work with the goal of preparing material for public exhibition at the end of the spring term. Other concentrators will complete an additional 300-level course in studio art.

Concentrators in the Art Department will fulfill the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies (SSIH) requirement through participation in the department's annual Visiting Artist Series and through subsequent discussion forums mediated by members of the art faculty in the contexts of their classes. Students must participate in a discussion of SSIH issues in the visiting artist series in at least two classes before engaging with these issues through the Visiting Artist Series as part of the senior program.

Honors in art will be awarded on the basis of a cumulative average of 92 or above in coursework toward the concentration and distinguished performance in the Senior Project. A complete description of the Senior Project is available in KTSA 103.

Students interested in studying abroad should consult with the chair of the department as soon as possible. Concentrators will need to consider the most appropriate means of integrating study abroad with the Advanced level course and other requirements and preparation for their Senior Project.

A minor in art consists of 104 or 160, one art history course and three additional studio art courses (which are not repeatable and are not all in the same media area). Interested students should meet with the chair. '

## **104F,S Introduction to Drawing.**

Study of the basic elements of drawing, including line, texture, mass and composition. Students work from the model during class time, do outside assignments and participate in group criticism. Not open to seniors. Maximum enrollment, 20. Muirhead or Salzillo.

[Fall 2014 02](#) (Salzillo W)

**105F Design.**

Introduction to the visual language in two dimensions. A series of projects exploring basic formal and expressive elements, color, composition, space and time relationships, and structural stress. Not open to seniors. Maximum enrollment, 20. Muirhead or Salzillo.

[Fall 2014 01](#) (Muirhead R)

**106F,S Introduction to Ceramics.**

Handbuilding techniques will be employed to explore the sculptural possibilities of clay. A developed visual and conceptual vocabulary will accompany the technical aspects of ceramics through studio practice and class critique. Not open to seniors. Maximum enrollment, 16. Murtaugh.

[Spring 2017 01](#) (Murtaugh R)

**109F,S Introduction to Sculpture.**

Fundamentals of sculpture using traditional and nontraditional materials and methods. A developed visual and conceptual vocabulary will accompany studio practice and class critique. Not open to seniors. Maximum enrollment, 12. Murtaugh.

[Spring 2017 01](#) (Murtaugh R)

**116F,S Introduction to Photography.**

Fundamentals of photography through the use of both analog and digital SLR cameras, black and white darkroom techniques, film scanning and digital printing. Emphasis on development of technical and aesthetic skills, and the potential of the medium as a tool for artistic expression. Cameras will be provided by the College. Not open to seniors. Maximum enrollment, 16. Knight.

[Spring 2017 01](#) (Knight R)

**160F,S Figure Drawing.**

Application of basic drawing principles to the representation of the human figure, with emphasis on anatomy and proportion. Examination of related topics such as the figure in the environment and portraiture. Not open to seniors. Maximum enrollment, 20. Kuharic.

[Fall 2014 01](#) (Kuharic K)

**203F Introduction to Painting.**

Introduction to the study of the methods and techniques of oil painting, with emphasis on still-life, figures and landscape. Not open to seniors. Maximum enrollment, 16. Salzillo.

[Fall 2014 01](#) (Salzillo W)

**213F Introduction to Video.**

Introduction to fundamentals of craft and study of experimental video. Emphasis on developing ideas and conveying meaning through video art, working outside commercial traditions. Not open to seniors. Maximum enrollment, 12. Gant.

[Fall 2014 01](#) (Gant L)

**[215] Scene Painting.**

Through a series of projects and demonstrations, introduces students to the basic principles of scenic painting for film, television and the performing arts. Topics covered will include color mixing, texture, faux finishing (wood grain, marble, etc.), brush and spray techniques, trompe-l'oeil and large scale cartooning and painting. Prerequisite, 105, 108 or 130, or a 100-level art course. (Same as Theatre 215.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

**221F,S Introduction to Animation.**

An introduction to the history, tools and language of basic animation styles. This course will trace the history of experiments in animated imagery from 19th Century photography through 20th Century film into 21st Century digital works. The class will cover basic techniques in Photoshop, Adobe Premier, and illustration and animation software interfaces. No pre-requisite. Not open to First Years. Maximum enrollment, 12. Ella Gant.

**[233F] Introduction to Printmaking.**

Introduction to the basic principles and techniques of printmaking as traditionally employed in intaglio and stone lithography. Includes brief discussions of the history of printmaking, printing editions, matting, paper conservation and safety. Not open to seniors. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**235F,S Intaglio Printmaking.**

Study in the process of intaglio printmaking, including etching, engraving, dry point, and hard and soft ground techniques. Students expected to participate in group criticism. May repeat for credit at increasingly advanced levels. Prerequisite, 104 or 160. Not open to first-semester students. Open to seniors. Maximum enrollment, 16. Muirhead.

[Fall 2014 01](#) (Muirhead R)

**302S Advanced Photography.**

Advanced investigation and study of the creative tools of black-and-white and color photography. Continued exploration of personal vision with emphasis on social and cultural contexts for photography. May repeat for credit at increasingly advanced levels with permission of the professor. Prerequisite, 113 or 115 or 116. Maximum enrollment, 16. Knight.

[Spring 2017 01](#) (Knight R)

**304F Advanced Painting.**

Further exploration of concepts and techniques presented in Introduction to Painting with emphasis on landscape and interiors as subject matter. Reinforcement of oil painting skills and introduction to egg tempera and acrylic. May repeat for credit at increasingly advanced levels with permission of the professor. Prerequisite, 203. Maximum enrollment, 16. Kuharic.

[Fall 2014 01](#) (Kuharic K)

**307S Advanced Three Dimensional and Material Studies.**

Advanced study of materials such as clay, wood, plaster, steel, and plastic utilizing processes such as moulding, casting, fabrication, carving and construction. May repeat for credit at increasingly advanced levels with permission of the professor. Prerequisite, 106 or 109. Maximum enrollment, 16. Murtaugh.

[Spring 2017 01](#) (Murtaugh R)

**313S Advanced Video.**

Advanced investigation and study of experimental video production. Exploration of personal vision combined with emphasis on social and cultural contexts for video. May repeat for credit at increasingly advanced levels with permission of the professor. Prerequisite, 213. Maximum enrollment, 12. Gant.

[Fall 2014 01](#) (Gant L)

**[370F] Special Topics in Photography: Curating the Archive.**

Exploration of the process and theory of museum exhibition curating, taught in conjunction with the preparation of an exhibition in the Wellin Museum. Emphasis on the history of photography and the role of western art institutions in the appropriation and repurposing of archival imagery. Studio-based artistic response required based on materials presented. Students will work collaboratively on exhibition materials, including image selection and layout, catalog and wall text production, and multimedia materials such as podcasts. Prerequisite, Art 113 or 115 or 116 or permission of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**377S Digital Arts Workshop.**

Emphasis on collaborative work among computer musicians and videographers in the creation of visual/sound works. Projects will include fixed media works, installations, and/or performance art pieces. Prerequisite, Art 211, Art 213, or Music 277. (Same as Music 377.) Maximum enrollment, 16. Gant, Pellman.

**501F Senior Project I.**

A required one semester course for senior concentrators. To be followed by 502S upon successful completion and approval of the senior project advisor. The Department.

**502S Senior Project II.**

A required one-semester course for senior concentrators working toward honors and the senior exhibition. Prerequisite, 501F and permission of the senior project advisor. The Department.

# Art History

## Faculty

Rand Carter

Brigit Ferguson

Steve Goldberg (on leave spring 2018)

Scott MacDonald (on leave spring 2018)

John McEnroe

Deborah Pokinski, *chair*

A concentration in art history consists of nine art history courses and at least one course in studio art. The nine art history courses must include 245, 248, 254 or 258; 282; 285; 292 or 293; 330 (beginning with the Class of 2016); three electives; and 401, 406, 490 or 491 to be taken during the senior year. A second course in studio art or a second 300-level course may be counted as one of the electives.

A minor in art history consists of five courses in art history, including at least one pre-modern or Asian course.

The Senior Project in art history includes an extensive research paper prepared in connection with the senior-year seminar and its oral presentation before the Department.

Beginning with the Class of 2020, students concentrating in Art History will satisfy the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies (SSIH) requirement by completing coursework in any one of the following courses: Art History 120 (Introduction to the History and Theory of Film), 259 (Defining American Art), 262 (Greece, Rome and the Mediterranean), 330 (Theory and Methods in Art History), or 350 (Gender Issues in Art History). While all Art History courses engage with issues of hierarchies and bias, the courses listed above most directly address those constructed on the bases of racial, gender, ethnic, class and geographic biases.

Honors in art history will be awarded on the basis of a cumulative average of 3.3 (88) or above in coursework toward the concentration and distinguished achievement on the Senior Project.

Students planning to apply for graduate studies in the history of art are advised to acquire or consolidate a fluency in two foreign languages. Students interested in preparing for a professional school of architecture should consult with the Chair as early as possible. '

## **120F Introduction to the History and Theory of Film.**

A general introduction to the wide world of cinema and cinema studies, focusing on crucial films from many cinematic traditions. Topics include the evolution of film from earlier forms of motion picture, the articulation and exploitation of a narrative language for cinema, the development of typical commercial genres, and the appearance of a variety of forms of critical cinema. Focuses on basic film terminology, with the cinematic apparatus and ongoing theoretical conversation about cinema and its audience. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 120 and Cinema and Media Studies 120.) MacDonald.

## **[145] Differencing the Visible: Perspectives on African-American Art and the Black Historical Experience.**

Traces the cultural achievements and struggles of African-American artists, both men and women, to make a people and a world they had known visible, and to be true to those who were misrepresented or erased entirely from the visibility of American history. The goals of the course are to foster an historical memory, intuitive empathy, and responsive understanding of the works of African-American artists, in the context of the societal and historical

circumstances in which they were produced. (Proseminar.) Maximum enrollment, 16.

**152F,S Proseminar in Art History.**

A writing-intensive course designed to introduce students to ways of critically evaluating differing viewpoints on the meaning and social significance of art. Writing assignments provide opportunities to engage students in a critical examination of the power of images to promote certain social values and to shape viewers' understanding of themselves, their relations to others, and to the world around them. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Open to first- and second-year students only. Maximum enrollment, 16. McEnroe and Pokinski.

**153F,S Proseminar in Architectural History: Architecture as Political Communication.**

An introduction to the study of architecture focusing on the ways in which architectural monuments create, reinforce, or disrupt political, socioeconomic, and religious hierarchies. Emphasizing architecture in the Western tradition, we will begin with the first major monuments in the ancient Near East and finish with the role of architecture in contemporary politics. Class time will emphasize discussion and examination of buildings around Hamilton's campus. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Maximum enrollment, 16. Ferguson, B.

**154F Arts and Cultures of Asia.**

An introduction to the traditional arts of India, China and Japan. Discussion focusing on the cultural and aesthetic values, religio-philosophical beliefs and historical conditions informing the practice of art and its reception within these cultures. Goldberg.

**[245S] Hindu, Buddhist and Islamic Arts of India.**

An introduction to Hindu, Buddhist and Islamic traditions of art and architecture in India, as well as the art and architecture of the colonial and post-colonial periods.

**254F Courtier, Samurai, Priest and Chonin: The Arts of Japan.**

A historical examination of the social and aesthetic values and sensibilities expressed in the indigenous arts associated with the court aristocracy, samurai warrior, Zen priest and chonin or townsman. Japanese material culture, including painting, calligraphy, sculpture, architecture, gardens, kimono, ceramics and the tea ceremony. Goldberg.

**257F The World of Spanish Art: From the Alhambra to Guernica.**

Intensive study of the artistic production of Spain, as reflected in the most significant expressions of architecture, painting and sculpture, along with the cultural and historical context in which these works were created. To be included, among others: Moorish, Romanesque, Gothic, Renaissance, Baroque, Neoclassic and Modernist styles (in architecture); El Greco, Velázquez, Zurbarán, Ribera, Murillo, Goya, Sorolla, Picasso and Dalí (in painting); and Vasco de la Zarza, Bigarny, Diego de Siloé, Juni, Montanás, Cano, Mena, Berruguete (in sculpture). Prerequisite, 200, 201 or consent of instructor. Taught in Spanish (Fall 2017) (Same as Hispanic Studies 257.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Medina, J.

**258F Political Power and Cultural Authority: The Arts of China.**

Historical examination of the ethico-aesthetic, religio-philosophical and socio-political values expressed in the indigenous arts associated with the imperial court, the scholar's studio, the marketplace and the subtle art of dissent. Chinese material culture, including painting, calligraphy, sculpture, ceramics, jade, ritual bronzes, architecture and silk robes. Goldberg.

**259F Defining American Art.**

The role of art and its development in the United States between 1800 and 1950. Topics include the effects of the colonial experience, the search for a national identity, expressions of race, class and gender, the sense of inferiority in relation to European art, popular and vernacular art forms, and debates over public support of the arts. Prerequisite, one course in art history, American history, American literature or American studies. Pokinski.

**[261S] Art of Ancient Greece and Rome.**

An examination of Mediterranean art from the Bronze Age through the Roman Empire. Special emphasis on the archaeological discovery and reshaping of ancient art by later scholars and the concept of the "classical." (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one course in art history or classics. (Same as Classics 261.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**262S Greece, Rome, and the Mediterranean.**

Traditionally we have studied ancient Greece and Rome in isolation from the surrounding world, as places that shaped the beginnings of "western" civilization. This course takes a broader view. We shall explore the ancient Mediterranean as a place of dynamic interaction from the Levant through Egypt, North Africa, Greece, Italy, and the islands in between. Far from standing in isolation, the arts of ancient Greece and Rome participated in these transnational cultural networks. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as Classics 262.) Maximum enrollment, 20. McEnroe.

**[266S] Art of the Islamic World.**

The Near and Middle Eastern origins, the classical inheritance, and the Eastern and Western diffusion of Islamic civilization. Prerequisite, Art History 150 or one 200-level art history course.

**270F Medieval Art and Architecture.**

Examines the arts of Europe and the Mediterranean from the Early Christian to the Gothic periods. Major questions include: Why do these objects and buildings look the way they do? How did medieval people use and think about them? Did different types of people – monks, nuns, nobles, city dwellers – use and think about them differently? What roles did the arts play in interactions among Romans, "barbarians," Christians, Jews, and Muslims? Our objects of study will include architecture, sculpture, paintings, mosaics, metalwork, and manuscripts. Ferguson, B.

**282S Renaissance Art History.**

An examination and reevaluation of Renaissance art. Topics include the relations between art and craft, the social functions of art, gender and ethnic stereotypes. McEnroe.

**[283S] Global Renaissance.**

Whose Renaissance? An introduction to visual and material cultures in the early era of global expansion and colonization (1450-1600). The course focuses on European relations with Latin America, Asia, Africa, and the Middle East. In addition to painting, sculpture, and architecture, it includes ceramics, textiles, and maps. A series of transcultural case studies will interrogate approaches to global networks of exchange, confrontation, and conflict. Themes include: immigration, commerce, religion, and science; also definitions of center/periphery, native/foreign, and self/other. (Writing-intensive.) There is no overlap with ARTH 282; students may elect to enroll in either or both. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**285F Seventeenth-Century Art.**

The internationalization of Italian Renaissance classicism in the Age of Expansion, beginning with its origins in Rome and continuing with its development in the new artistic capitals of southern, western and northern Europe. Emphasis on major figures such as Caravaggio, Rubens, Bernini, Velasquez, Poussin, Vermeer and Jones. R Carter.

**[286S] Art in the Age of the Enlightenment.**

The 18th century in Europe and its overseas dominions seen as a watershed between a rational and an empirical attitude to nature and reality. The rococo, sentimental and picturesque/sublime traditions and their assimilation into neoclassicism. Attention given to the landscape garden and the decorative arts as well as architecture, painting and sculpture.

**288F Show and Tell: Comics and Graphic Narratives.**

In Reading Comics, Douglas Wolk states "The cheap way of referring to them is "comics" or "comic books"; the fancy way is "graphic novels". Erasing these common prejudices, this class reinforces that comics is a sophisticated

and complex medium that bears close affinities with art, film, and literature. This is an introductory study of comics across cultures and within global contexts—Tintin, Astro Boy, Wonder Woman, Watchmen and others—one that emphasizes visual narrative storytelling as well as the socio-political and visual trends that have shaped the powerful creative industry of comics. (Theory or Intermedia) (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 288.) N Serrano.

### **290F Facing Reality: A History of Documentary Cinema.**

The history of cinema as representation and interpretation of "reality," focusing on nonfiction film and video from a variety of periods and geographic locales. Emphasis on the ways in which nonfiction films can subvert viewers' conventional expectations and their personal security. Forms to be discussed include the city symphony, ethnographic documentary, propaganda, nature film, direct cinema, *cinéma vérité*, the compilation film and personal documentary. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 290 and Cinema and Media Studies 290.) MacDonald.

### **291S American Film Comedy: Classic and Modern.**

An exploration and analysis of major contributions to the history of American film comedy, from its origins in slapstick to the flowering of silent physical comedy in the 1910s and 20s (performer/directors Charlie Chaplin, Buster Keaton, Harold Lloyd); to the sophisticated comedy that dominated the early decades of sound (directors Ernst Lubitsch, George Cukor, Howard Hawks, Billy Wilder); to attempts in the 1960s and 70s to rethink comedy by commercial directors and independent filmmakers working "underground" (George Kuchar, John Waters); to recent work that has built on this tradition. (Same as Cinema and Media Studies 291.) MacDonald.

### **[292S] Modern Architecture: 1750 to the Present.**

The origins of an essentially modern attitude toward architecture during the late 18th century and its development in the 19th and 20th centuries.

### **293F Modernism into Contemporary Art.**

Developments in European and American art from the beginnings of Modernism through the emergence of Contemporary Art. Topics include the effects of shifting social and gender roles on subject matter and audience, the hegemony of formalist aesthetics and avant-gardism, the relationship between art and popular culture, the role of the audience, and the role of art institutions. Pokinski.

### **[301F] Cinema as Theory and Critique.**

A history of alternatives to commercial movies, focusing on surrealist and dadaist film, visual music, psychodrama, direct cinema, the film society movement, personal cinema, the New American Cinema, structuralism, Queer cinema, feminist cinema, minor cinema, recycled cinema and devotional cinema. While conventional entertainment films use the novel, the short story and the stage drama as their primary instigations, experimental and avant-garde films are analogous to music, poetry, painting, sculpture and collage. Not open to first-year students. (Same as Cinema and Media Studies 301 and Literature and Creative Writing 301.)

### **330F Theory and Methods in Art History.**

Changing interpretations of art from the Renaissance to the present: biography, connoisseurship, formalism, iconology, feminist and postmodern theory. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in art history. Maximum enrollment, 20. McEnroe.

### **[350F] Gender Issues in Art History.**

Examination of the role of gender in the production and content of art in the Western tradition. Special attention to the challenges facing women artists, the role of images in constructing and reinforcing gendered identities, the impact of feminist and gender-based scholarship. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in art history. Next offered Fall 2018. Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **352S Contemporary Chinese Art in the Global Cultural Economy.**

Examines the radical transformations in Chinese visual culture in the post-Mao era (1976-present): painting and

calligraphy, sculpture and photography, installation and performance art. Topics include the impact of transnational forces of cultural and economic globalization, artistic expressions of cultural identity, historical memory, personal subjectivity and voice independent of the official government line, the rise of a Chinese avant-garde movement, art after Tiananmen, and the place of contemporary Chinese art within a global perspective. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 154, 293 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Goldberg.

**[359F] North American Architecture before the Civil War and the British North America Act.**

A brief outline of architecture, planning and design in the Americas before Columbus, followed by a fuller discussion of the period of European colonization and the era of political independence. The Canadian experience will be included. Field trips to accessible sites.

**[365S] Major Figures in Cinema.**

Focus on crucial contributors to the wide world of cinema. The work of one, two, or three particular filmmakers, each from a different sector of the geography of cinema, will be examined in detail. Possible filmmakers include Alfred Hitchcock, James Benning, Ross McElwee, Stan Brakhage, Fritz Lang, the Coen brothers. Prerequisite, ARTH/CNMS/CPLIT 120; or ARTH/CNMS/CPLIT 290; or ARTH/CNMS/CPLIT 301; or permission of the instructor. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 365 and Cinema and Media Studies 365.)

**[375S] Seminar: Religion, Art and Visual Culture.**

What do the visual arts tell us about religions in ways that written texts alone cannot? How do religious practices actually train religious people to see? Such questions will begin our examination of various media (including painting, calligraphy, architecture, film, and comics) in conjunction with various religious traditions (Christianity, Islam, Judaism, Hinduism, Buddhism). Prerequisite, one course in either art history or religious studies. Required weekend field trip to New York City. (Same as Religious Studies 375.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

**406S Seminar in Modern and Contemporary Art.**

Topics in modern and contemporary art and historiography. Prerequisite, 293. Maximum enrollment, 12. Pokinski.

**[490S] Seminar: History of Design and the Decorative Arts.**

Study of style and social function in the arts of design, with special emphasis on furniture and interior design. Student presentations may include such media as ceramics, glass, metalware and textiles. Visits to public and private collections. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 285 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

# Asian Studies

## Program Committee

Abhishek Amar (Religious Studies)

Steve Goldberg (Art History)

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The Asian Studies Program offers an interdisciplinary approach to studying the cultures, societies, and languages of Asia. Concentrators may study one of three tracks that focus on China, Japan, or India. Students may, in consultation with the program director, elect to develop a comparative course of the study of Asia.

The program requires that concentrators pursue an in-depth understanding of at least one Asian culture and society (1) through courses in at least three of the following departments—Anthropology, Art History, Chinese, Japanese (linguistics, literature, and film), English, Government, History, Religious Studies, and Theatre (see below for listings of courses that satisfy the culture and society requirement. (2) Concentrators also study an Asian language or, in consultation with the program director, test out of the language requirement.

Building upon this interdisciplinary approach, Asian Studies concentrators are well-prepared for study in an Asian country. In the senior year, concentrators draw together their knowledge from coursework and experiences in Asia to complete senior projects.

A concentration in Asian Studies consists of nine courses distributed among at least three departments. These courses should be selected according to the requirements listed below. Honors in Asian Studies will be awarded to concentrators with at least an 3.3 (88) average in the concentration and who complete 550 with a grade of at least A-.

Beginning with the class of 2019, Asian Studies 550 will comprise two parts. (1) A series of thematic sessions taught by the main instructor and other affiliated faculty, who assign reading and writing assignments. (2) A research project for which students work with the main instructor and a thesis advisor to write an essay of approximately 15-20 pages. Students will orally present their research during the semester and at the end of the semester to Asian Studies faculty and students.

A minor in Asian Studies consists of five courses, including 180 and four electives approved by the program director.

Students double majoring in Asian Studies and East Asian Languages and Literatures (EALL) may use upper-level Chinese or Japanese language courses to satisfy the Asian Studies requirements, providing they are not used to count toward the EALL concentration.

There are three tracks within the Asian Studies concentration: China Studies, Japan Studies, and India Studies. Ordinarily, students choose to focus their coursework and language study in one of these three regional areas. Students with thematic interests in Asia may pursue a comparative course of study in consultation with the Director. A partial list of courses regularly offered in each of these three areas follows a list of requirements for each track.

China Studies track

1. 180F Exploring Culture in the Great Cities of Asia or 181 China, Japan, and Korea: Interconnected Histories, 1368 to the Present
2. Asian Language: The completion of intermediate language study, Chinese 140. In consultation with the program director, students may fulfill this requirement through appropriate language study abroad or through an intensive summer program. Chinese language courses numbered 140 and higher may be used to meet this requirement. (Language courses numbered 140 and above may also be counted toward the 7 core courses.) Students are strongly encouraged to pursue advanced language courses beyond the intermediate level.
3. Core Courses: In consultation with the program director, students design their concentration through the completion of seven courses chosen from at least two departments. Besides Asian Studies 180, one other 100-level course may be counted toward the concentration. At least three of these courses should be at the 300 level or above.
4. Senior Project: Students complete the senior project by enrolling in AS 550F.

#### Japan Studies

1. 180F Exploring Culture in the Great Cities of Asia or 181 China, Japan, and Korea: Interconnected Histories, 1368 to the Present
2. Asian Language: The completion of Japanese 140. In consultation with the program director, students may fulfill this requirement through appropriate language study abroad or through an intensive summer program. Japanese language courses numbered 140 and higher may be used to meet this requirement. (Language courses numbered 140 and above may also be counted toward the 7 core courses.) Students are strongly encouraged to pursue advanced language courses beyond the intermediate level.
3. Core Courses: In consultation with the program director, students design their concentration through the completion of seven courses chosen from at least two departments. No more than two 100-level courses may be counted towards the concentration. At least three of these courses should be at the 300 level or above.
4. Senior Project: Students complete the senior project by enrolling in AS 550F.

#### India Studies

1. 180F Exploring Culture in the Great Cities of Asia.
2. Asian Language: The completion of intermediate level Hindi, offered through Critical Languages. (Language courses numbered 140 and above may also be counted toward the 7 core courses.) In consultation with the program director, students may fulfill this requirement through appropriate language study abroad or through an intensive summer program. Hindi language courses numbered 140 and higher may be used to meet this requirement. Students are strongly encouraged to pursue advanced language courses beyond the intermediate level.
3. Core Courses: In consultation with the program director, students design their concentration through the completion of seven courses chosen from at least two departments. Besides Asian Studies 180, one other 100-level course may be counted toward the concentration. At least three of these courses should be at the 300 level or above.
4. AS 550F Senior Project.

#### **China Studies**

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##### *Anthropology*

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248 Peoples of China

338 The Anthropology of Globalization and Transnationalism

##### *Art History*

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258 Political Power and Cultural Authority: The Arts of China

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150 Chinese Culture, Society and Language

200 Advanced Chinese I  
203S Women in Chinese Literature  
205 Modern China Through Film  
210 Modern and Contemporary Chinese Literature: Traditions and Modernists  
215 Chinese Literature in Translation  
220 Advanced Chinese II  
230 Translation Workshop  
320 Chinese Press and Television  
360 Readings in Modern Chinese Literature  
400 The Changing Face of China  
420 Selected Readings in China's Post-Cultural Revolution Era  
425 Current Issues in Contemporary China  
430 Masterpieces of Chinese Literature  
445 Classical Chinese Language and Culture  
450 Remembering the Chinese Revolution through Film  
470 History of Chinese Language  
490 Advanced Readings in Chinese Literature, History and Philosophy

*Government*

211 Politics in China  
329 Authoritarian Politics

*History*

180 Exploring Culture in the Great Cities of Asia  
233S Laozi and Confucius in History  
235 Women in Modern Asia  
280 Chinese Culture in Imperial Times  
285 Modernity and Nationhood in China  
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363 Seminar: Colonial Encounters in Asia  
396 History of Gods

*Religious Studies*

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225 *Buddhist Worlds in the USA*  
425 *Seminar in Mahayana Buddhism*

*Theatre*

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322 *Men On Stage: Masculinity and Desire in Physical Performance.*

***Japan Studies***

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*Anthropology*

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*Art History*

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340 *The Arts of Zen Buddhism*

*Comparative Literature*

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*East Asian Languages and Literatures - Japanese*

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239 *Modern Life and War in Japanese Literature*

255 *The languages of East Asia*

263 *Deconstructing Orientalism: Representations of Japan in Popular Culture*

401 *Selected Readings in Japanese*

402 *Japanese Textual Analysis and Translation*

*History*

180 *Exploring Culture in the Great Cities of Asia*

235 *Women in Modern Asia*

270 *Emperor, Courtier and Samurai in Japan*

283 *A Modern History of Japan: From Samurai to Salaryman, 1800-1989*

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***India Studies***

*Anthropology*

220 *Contemporary Politics and Culture in India*

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266 *Art of the Islamic World*

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180 *Exploring Culture in the Great Cities of Asia*

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220 *Culture & Politics of India*

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239 *The Making of Modern India, 1526-1947*

247 *"Cracking India:" Historical and Literary Perspectives on Partition*

305 *Nomads, Conquerors and Trade: Central and Inner Asia*

309 *Seminar on Asian Temples in a Virtual World*

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*History* 124 *Silk Road*

*English* 283 *Introduction to Asian American Literature* '

***158F Performing Culture: Shamans, Tourists, and Cross-dressers.***

*Examination of performing arts across Asia from traditional theatre to contemporary pop culture, and how performance functions in society. Topics include shamanic rituals, "invented" traditions, tourism, cross-dressing, and other formations of sociocultural identities. The course will be open to first year students and have no prerequisites. (Same as Dance and Movement Studies 158 and Theatre 158.) Chuyun Oh.*

***[180F] Exploring Culture in the Great Cities of Asia.***

*An interdisciplinary exploration of Asian cultures through cities in China, India and Japan from early times to the 20th century. Examines the history and geography of greater Asia; its diverse peoples and their philosophical and literary traditions; their religious and commercial practices; and their art. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as History 180.) Maximum enrollment, 20.*

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***181F China, Japan, and Korea: Interconnected Histories, 1368 to the Present.***

*Introduction to the histories of China, Japan, and Korea from the fall of the Mongol Empire to the present. It introduces the writing systems, languages, religions, classical traditions, and social political institutions throughout East Asia, and the transformative events in which their histories intersected. Readings include scholarly works, primary texts in translation, and non-textual sources. Prior knowledge of Asian histories and proficiency in Asian languages not required. (Same as History 181.) Shiu On Chu.*

***550F Senior Project.***

*Seminar in which concentrators develop individually-designed research projects in consultation with the instructor and one other member of the Asian Studies Program Committee. Students discuss their ongoing research with their peers throughout the semester, culminating in formal presentations of the final projects – usually written – which demonstrate mastery of the methods of the study of Asia in one or more discipline. Prerequisite, at least one Asian Studies course offered at the 300-level. Maximum enrollment, 20. Program Director.*

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# Biochemistry/Molecular Biology

## Program Committee

Wei-Jen Chang, *director* (Biology)

Herman K. Lehman (Biology)

Michael L. McCormick (Biology)

The departments of Biology and Chemistry offer an interdisciplinary concentration in biochemistry/molecular biology (BMB). Prospective concentrators should elect both chemistry and biology in their first year. The concentration consists of 11 courses (and Math 113 and 116, or equivalent, as prerequisites for certain courses), including four courses in BMB, three courses in biology, three courses in chemistry and one course from a list of selected courses provided below. BMB courses must include 270, 346, 550 and one from 320, 321 or 322. Biology courses must include 101, 102 (or 115), and 248. Chemistry courses must include 120 (or 125), 190 and 255. Math 113 and 116, or equivalent, are prerequisites for BMB 320, 321 and 322. The elective course must be chosen from BMB 551, Biology 212, 221, 312, 331, 357, or 442, and Chemistry 320, 321, 322 or 360. BMB 550 satisfies the Senior Thesis requirement. A complete description of the Senior Program is available from the departments. Honors in BMB will be based on excellence in coursework and on the Senior Thesis. '

## 270S Biological Chemistry.

A survey of the chemical and physical nature of biological macromolecules, including nucleic acids, proteins, lipids and carbohydrates; biochemistry of enzyme catalysis; bioenergetics and regulatory mechanisms. Principles and techniques of experimental biochemistry, focusing on isolation methods and techniques for analyzing structure and function. This course satisfies the second semester of a one-year General Chemistry requirement for post-graduate Health Professions programs, however, this course might not also satisfy a Health Profession program's requirement for a course in Biochemistry. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 190. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. (Same as Chemistry 270 and Biology 270.) S Rosenstein.

## [320S] Biophysical Chemistry.

A study of the fundamental concepts and principles of physical chemistry applied to biological systems. Topics include the spectroscopy, thermodynamics and kinetics of proteins and other biomolecules, and the use of this knowledge to explain the physical basis of biochemical properties. Prerequisite, 270 and Mathematics 116. Physics 105, 195 or 205 is recommended. (Same as Chemistry 320.)

## 321F Physical Chemistry I.

A study of the fundamental concepts and principles of quantum chemistry. Topics include the fundamental postulates of quantum mechanics, the nature of the chemical bond, and applications of molecular quantum mechanics including spectroscopy and computational electronic structure methods. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 125 or 190, Mathematics 116, Physics 105, 195 or 205. (Same as Chemistry 321.) Dawood; Van Wynsberghe.

[Fall 2015 01](#) (Dawood F)

## 322S Physical Chemistry II.

A study of the fundamental concepts and principles of thermodynamics and kinetics. Topics include statistical and classical thermodynamics, prediction of the direction and extent of chemical reactions, equilibrium, chemical kinetics, catalysis, and reaction rate theory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 125 or 190, Mathematics 116, Physics 105, 195 or 205. The department recommends that students take 321 prior to 322. Three hours of lecture. (Same as Chemistry 322.) Dawood; Van Wynsberghe.

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**346F Biochemistry.**

The advanced study of biochemical pathways in living organisms, with emphasis given to gene regulation and metabolism of four major macromolecules: carbohydrates, lipids, proteins and nucleic acids. Includes in-depth discussion of contemporary developments in molecular biology and comprehensive training in molecular techniques. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. Prerequisite, 101 and 102, 115, or consent of instructor. (Same as Biology 346.) Mohan.

**550F,S Senior Thesis I.**

A research project carried out in association with a faculty member. One course credit. Must be approved by May of the junior year. The Program.

**551S Senior Thesis II.**

A research project carried out in association with a faculty member. Includes written and oral presentations. Candidates for honors should elect both 550 and 551. Prerequisite, 550. One course credit. The Program.

# Biology

## Faculty

Christopher Briggs  
Wei-Jen Chang  
Simon Coppard  
Cynthia Downs  
Jessica Fellmeth  
Herman Lehman  
Michael McCormick, *chair* (on leave spring 2018)  
Natalie Nannas  
William Pfitsch  
Patrick Reynolds (on leave fall 2017)  
Andrea Townsend (on leave 2017-18)

## *Special Appointments*

Ken Bart  
Harvey Cramer  
Jason Townsend

A concentration in biology consists of 12.5 credits, including 9.5 credits in biology, two credits in chemistry and one credit related to science in society. Biology courses must include 101 and 102 (or 115), at least four additional courses with laboratories, 550 and 551. Chemistry courses must include 120 (or 125) and 190. The science and society course must be chosen from a list of courses provided by the department that discuss issues in public policy or ethics related to science or technology. To meet the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies (SSIH) requirement of the college, students must take three courses with an SSIH designation, at least two of which are biology courses; the third course can be selected from a department list of other SSIH designated college courses that address issues in biology or science in general. With prior departmental approval, up to two credits may be transferred into the concentration from study off-campus. No more than one credit of independent study may be applied to the concentration. Students preparing for graduate studies in biology should take at least one year each of calculus and organic chemistry and should have knowledge of statistics. Departmental honors are determined on the basis of distinguished achievement in coursework and in the Senior Thesis.

A minor in biology consists of five courses, which must include 101 and 102 (or 115) and at least one course at the 300 level or higher. The following courses do not count toward a concentration or minor in biology: 120, 145, 150, 215, 216, 218, and 252. Biology 101 and 102 are open to juniors and seniors. '

### **101F General Biology: Genetics and Evolution.**

An introduction to the life sciences. The diversity of living organisms, the molecular basis of life, the mechanisms of inheritance, and the process and patterns of evolution. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Maximum enrollment, 60. The Department.

### **102S General Biology: Cells to Ecosystems.**

An introduction to the life sciences with a focus on how structure promotes function at cellular, organismal, and ecosystem levels of organization. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Maximum enrollment, 60. The Department.

**115F Biology: Fundamentals and Frontiers.**

One-semester introduction to biology at the college level for students with a strong background in biology and chemistry. From early in Earth's history to the present, microbes have ruled our planet. Recent advances in DNA sequencing reveal a vast, complex and diverse microbial world living around and within us (our personal microbiomes). This course examines the origin, function, and diversity of microbial life on our planet and explores recent discoveries in host-microbiome research. Three hours of class/discussion and three hours of laboratory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, high school AP Biology score of 4 or 5 or consent of department. Maximum enrollment, 22. McCormick.

**145S Biology of Aging.**

An examination of aging from molecules to cells to systems. The course will examine the contributions of both genetics and environment to the process of aging, explore how we measure aging, and examine the proposed theories of the aging process. An overview of aging in the major organ systems as brought about by change at the molecular and cellular level and examination of the relationship between aging and disease. Three hours of class. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) May not be counted toward the concentration or the minor. Maximum enrollment, 16. Harvey Cramer.

**150F Environmental Science and Society.**

An introduction to environmental science. Emphasis on scientific understanding of the causes and implications of, and potential solutions for, problems that result from human interactions with the environment. Current environmental problems examined from an ecological perspective. ES 150 is *not* required for the ES major. (Same as Environmental Studies 150.) Environmental Studies and related faculty.

**200S Scientific Digital Imaging.**

An introduction to digital imaging techniques used to acquire, enhance and derive quantitative information from a variety of image sources. Use of Adobe Photoshop and other software to produce publication-quality images and extract data from digital images. Topics include digital photography, artifact removal, 3D rendering and quantitative analysis. Two hours of class and two hours of lab. Prerequisite, two science courses. Maximum enrollment, 12. Bart.

**202F Research design and biostatistics.**

A broad overview of experimental design and implementation, and the analysis of biological data. Topics include the scientific hypothesis, descriptive statistics, hypothesis testing and the use of common statistical tests. Emphasis on practical application of statistics to biological and medical data, enabling students to choose and apply appropriate statistical tools and to interpret their results. Three hours of class combining lecture and computer lab. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 101 and 102, or 115, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16. Chris Briggs.

**[212S] Introduction to Bioinformatics.**

An introduction to the study of both prokaryotic and eukaryotic genome structures and molecular evolution. Topics also include surveys of different "omics" (e.g. proteomics, metabolomics, ...) and their application toward medicine. Three hours of lectures and three hours of laboratory. Prerequisite, 101, 102, or 115. Not open to students who have taken 443. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**213S Marine Biology.**

Introduction to life in the sea from a global, ecological and evolutionary perspective. Study of marine habitats, food webs, biodiversity, ecological processes, adaptations of marine organisms and human impacts on marine life. Three hours of class and three hours of lab per week. Prerequisite, Bio 101 and 102, or 115, or consent of instructor. One required weekend field trip to the coast. Maximum enrollment, 20. Coppard.

**216S Introduction to Public Health.**

A multidisciplinary examination of the facets that underlie determinants of our collective health. The history of public health and core public health sciences, including: the biomedical basis of disease; analytical methods; social, behavioral and economic factors; environmental issues; and the future of public health. Three hours of class. May not be counted toward the concentration or the minor. Lehman.

**221S Microbiology.**

Introduction to microorganisms, including bacteria, archaea, single-cell eukaryotes (yeast, algae, protozoa) and viruses, with an emphasis on prokaryotic metabolism and ecology. Basic laboratory techniques, including isolation, cultivation and identification of microbes. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. Prerequisite, 101 and 102, or 115 and Chemistry 120 or 125, or consent of instructor. Mohan.

**222S Survey of Human Anatomy: Introduction to Pathology.**

A comprehensive overview of human anatomy with emphasis on the practice of human pathology. Topics include disease pathology of major organ systems, review of diagnostic tools, functional and molecular imaging, as well as a forensic pathology component. Thoughtful dissections of animal model systems and analysis of histology will be the focus of the laboratory. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. Prerequisite, 101 and 102, or 115, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 18. Jessica Fellmeth.

**223F Bioethics.**

Comprehensive overview of ethical questions and social impacts arising from the use of new biotechnologies. Topics include stem cells and regenerative medicine, human reproductive technologies, genetic screening and counseling, cloning, plant and animal transgenics, genome mapping and patenting, and genetic engineering. This Speaking-Intensive course will use oral presentations and student-led discussions to examine the potential merits and pitfalls of these technologies. Three hours of class. Does not count towards the concentration but fulfills the Biology science in society requirement. (Speaking-Intensive.) Prerequisite, 101 and 102, or 115, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Nannas.

**228F Invertebrate Biology.**

Survey of animal diversity, including marine and freshwater fauna, parasites, insects and the origin of vertebrates. Emphasis on morphology, physiology, ecology and evolution. Three hours of class, three hours of laboratory. Prerequisite, 101 and 102, or 115, or consent of instructor. Coppard.

**233F Developmental Biology.**

Study of events and processes of animal development, including early development, organogenesis, signaling, developmental genetics, imprinting, stem cells, cloning and evolution of development. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. Prerequisite, 101 and 102, or 115, or consent of instructor. Not open to students who have taken 333. Maximum enrollment, 18. TBD.

**237F Ecology.**

The relationships among living organisms and their physical environment, population growth and regulation, interspecific interactions, community and ecosystem structure and function, and biogeography. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 101 and 102, or 115, or consent of instructor. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory or field exercises. Maximum enrollment, 20. Townsend.

**240S Plant Diversity.**

Evaluation of the diversity of form and function of vascular and non-vascular plants in an evolutionary context. Field exploration of the diversity of local plant communities. Laboratory and greenhouse study of external and internal structure of terrestrial plants. Three-hours class and three hours of laboratory or field exercises. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 101 and 102, or 115, or consent of instructor. Next offered Spring 2017 Maximum enrollment, 20. Pfitsch.

**248S Genes and Genomes.**

Study of the structure and function of genetic material using classical, molecular and genomic analyses. Consideration of the social, medical and agricultural applications of genetic technologies. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. Prerequisite, 101 and 102, or 115, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 32. Sasaki.

**270S Biological Chemistry.**

A survey of the chemical and physical nature of biological macromolecules, including nucleic acids, proteins, lipids and carbohydrates; biochemistry of enzyme catalysis; bioenergetics and regulatory mechanisms. Principles and techniques of experimental biochemistry, focusing on isolation methods and techniques for analyzing structure and function. This course satisfies the second semester of a one-year General Chemistry requirement for post-graduate Health Professions programs, however, this course might not also satisfy a Health Profession program's requirement for a course in Biochemistry. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 190. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. (Same as Chemistry 270 and Biochemistry/Molecular Biology 270.) S Rosenstein.

**[280S] Plant Function and Structure.**

Study of how physiology and anatomy enable plants to make a living. Consideration of how plant structures facilitate photosynthesis, uptake and transport of water and nutrients, and the survival of environmental stress. Investigation of environmental influences on plant growth and development. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 101 and 102, or 115, or consent of instructor. Next offered Spring 2018

**290F Paleontology.**

A study of the history of life, evolution and the fossil record. Topics include the general principles of paleontology, nomenclature, taxonomy, identification techniques, fossilization processes, plants, microfossils, invertebrates and vertebrates. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory with field trips. Prerequisite, Principles of Geoscience. (Same as Geosciences 290.) Maximum enrollment, 24. C Domack.

**298F,S Biology Research.**

Independent research under the supervision of a faculty member. May be repeated for credit. Students may count up to one credit of biology research toward the concentration. One-quarter, one-half, or one credit per semester. No senior concentrators. Prerequisite, Instructor's permission. The Department.

**312S Molecular Phylogenetics Workshop.**

Project based introduction to comparative evolutionary techniques using molecular sequences. Students will learn to produce robust molecular phylogenies, edit and align genetic sequences, select and apply best-fit models of molecular evolution, carry out phylogenetic analyses, interpret phylogenetic tree topologies, and determine timing of divergence using fossil calibrated phylogenies. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 101 and 102, or 115, or consent of instructor. Two ninety-minute workshops per week. Maximum enrollment, 12. Coppard.

**330S Systems Neuroscience.**

The primary focus of this course is on the physiological and chemical basis of behavior from a systems perspective. Topics include analysis of sensory and motor systems; motivated behaviors; stress, anxiety and mental illness; and learning and memory. Laboratory exercises introduce students to the anatomy and physiology of the mammalian central nervous system and to some of the principal techniques used in systems and behavioral neuroscience. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. Prerequisite, 204 or 205 or Biology 101 and 102, or Biology 115. Does not count toward the lab requirement in Psychology. (Same as Psychology 330 and Neuroscience 330.) Maximum enrollment, Other. Robinson.

**331F Vertebrate Physiology.**

Fundamentals of vertebrate physiology, emphasizing the functional and homeostatic controls that regulate nerve and

muscle tissue, and the cardiovascular, respiratory, renal and endocrine systems. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 101 and 102, or 115 plus one other biology course or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Downs.

#### **[340F] Plant Physiology.**

The physiology of flowering plants. Includes plant growth and development, photosynthesis, mineral nutrition, water relations and stress physiology. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. Prerequisite, 101 and 102, or 115, or consent of instructor.

#### **343S Ecological Physiology.**

Students will learn how evolution has shaped physiological adaptations of vertebrates to the environment. Topics may include adaptations that regulate and integrate water and energy balance, immune defenses adaptations that help organisms deal with disease challenges, and endocrine adaptations that help organisms deal with changes in their environment and that coordinate life-cycle events. Adaptations will be discussed within a comparative and integrative framework. Students will learn techniques to ask ecological physiology questions. Prerequisite, Biology 101 and 102 or Biology 115. Maximum enrollment, 16. Cynthia Downs.

#### **346F Biochemistry.**

The advanced study of biochemical pathways in living organisms, with emphasis given to gene regulation and metabolism of four major macromolecules: carbohydrates, lipids, proteins and nucleic acids. Includes in-depth discussion of contemporary developments in molecular biology and comprehensive training in molecular techniques. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. Prerequisite, 101 and 102, 115, or consent of instructor. (Same as Biochemistry/Molecular Biology 346.) Mohan.

#### **352F Scanning Electron Microscopy and X-Ray Microanalysis.**

Theory, practice and application of the scanning electron microscope and energy dispersive X-ray microanalysis to selected research projects. Three hours of class and three hours of lab. Prerequisite, two laboratory courses in science. Open to juniors and seniors with consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 6. Bart.

#### **355F Molecular Methods in Microbial Ecology.**

Research project based introduction to molecular methods for assessing the diversity and activity of microorganisms in natural and engineered environments. A workshop format class with emphasis on quantitative measurement of environmental variables in microbial habitats (environmental chemistry), diversity of microbial metabolic strategies, and DNA based characterization of bacterial and archaeal communities. Three hours of class. Required weekend field trip. Prerequisite, 101, 102 or 115, Chemistry 120 or 125 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. McCormick.

#### **357F Cellular Neurobiology.**

A study of the fundamental functions of eukaryotic cells. The interrelationships of cellular structure and function, the cell cycle, protein trafficking and cellular communication will be examined through the study of neurons, the basic unit of the nervous system. Additional topics will include specialized activities of neurons. Three hours class and three hours of laboratory. Prerequisite, 101 and 102, 115, or consent of instructor. (Same as Neuroscience 357.) Lehman.

#### **430S Seminar in Animal Behavior.**

Seminar in Animal Behavior. Advanced study of animal behavior from an evolutionary perspective. Topics include communication and signals, game theory and evolutionarily stable strategies, and the evolution of social behavior, mating systems, and reproductive behavior. Discussion of foundational readings and the primary literature. Prerequisite, Prerequisite BIO237 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. Andrea Townsend.

#### **[437S] Seminar in Tropical Ecology.**

In-depth study of basic and applied topics in tropical ecology including biodiversity and the structure and function of

tropical ecosystems. Discussion of readings from the literature. Prerequisite, 237 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

#### **442F Seminar in Cancer Biology.**

Cancer kills millions of individuals worldwide each year. It is a complex disease that takes on many forms and we are only beginning to understand the mechanisms involved for tumorigenesis. This seminar will explore cancer epidemiology, the molecular mechanisms of tumorigenesis, and the moral and ethical implications stemming from cancer research. Prerequisite, 101 and 102, or 115, and junior standing. Maximum enrollment, 12. Mark Sasaki.

#### **443S Seminar in Bioinformatics.**

Study of computer-based approaches to molecular investigations: sequence variation, molecular evolution, functional and comparative genomics, and computational biology. Both literature-based lecture and training on the use of bioinformatic software are included. Prerequisite, 101 and 102, or 115, or consent of instructor. 215, 248 or 346 recommended. Chang.

#### **444S Seminar: Evolutionary Medicine.**

An in-depth discussion of human diseases from an evolutionary perspective. Topics include proximate versus ultimate causation, reproduction, nutritional and metabolic adaptations, defense, behavior and social organization, evolutionary principles applied to medical practice. Three hours of discussion of papers and topics. Prerequisite, 101 and 102, or 115. Maximum enrollment, 12. Cynthia Downs.

#### **[451S] Seminar in Global Change Ecology.**

Study of the ecological, physiological, behavioral, and evolutionary responses of organisms to environmental change. Current research on global climate change, changing species distributions, extinctions and invasions, emerging infectious diseases, urbanization, pollution, and mitigation potential will be explored. Discussion of readings from the literature. Prerequisite, 237 or consent of instructor. Next offered spring of 2020 Maximum enrollment, 12.

#### **452S Seminar in Evolutionary Change.**

This course explores the process of evolution and the patterns generated by it. Evolution is a way of thinking about biological diversity and life in general. Using primary literature as our main tool, we will explore topics including population genetics, the history of evolutionary theory, concepts of fitness and adaptation, genetic and developmental mechanisms of change, speciation, extinction, macroevolution, sexual selection, origins of life, and human evolution. Three hours of lecture/discussion. Prerequisite, Bio 101 and 102 or Bio 115 and Junior or Senior standing. Maximum enrollment, 12. Jessica Fellmeth.

#### **550F Senior Thesis I.**

An intensive library and laboratory or field research project carried out in association with a faculty member. Prerequisite, acceptance by the department of a written proposal. Maximum enrollment, 6. The Department.

#### **551F,S Senior Thesis II.**

Completion and presentation of the senior research project. Includes written and oral presentation. Prerequisite, 550. One-half credit. Maximum enrollment, 6. The Department.

#### **552F,S Senior Thesis III.**

A continuation of the senior research project for a more in-depth study of special topics in biological research. Open to students whose project in 550 warrants additional investigation. To be taken concurrently with 551. Prerequisite, 550 and consent of instructor. One-half credit. The Department.

# Chemical Physics

## Faculty

Farah Dawood (Chemistry)

Gordon Jones (Physics)

Adam Van Wynsberghe, *director* (Chemistry)

The departments of Chemistry and Physics jointly offer a concentration in chemical physics. The concentration consists of 10 courses in chemistry and physics, which include Chemistry 120 or 125, 190, 321 and 322; Physics 190, 195, 290 and 295. Students must also complete a course in research methods in one of the departments, either Chemistry 371 or Physics 390, followed by a Senior Project, chosen in consultation with the committee, in the appropriate department. To complete the college's Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies requirement, students may fulfill either the Chemistry or Physics Department's criteria. Mathematics 113 and 116 are required for 200-level classes in physics and 300-level classes in chemistry. Honors in chemical physics is based on outstanding work in courses and in the Senior Project. '

# Chemistry

## Faculty

Angela Blum  
Karen S. Brewer  
Farah Dawood  
Max M. Majireck  
Ian J. Rosenstein, *chair*  
Sarah Spisak  
Adam W. Van Wynsberghe

## *Special Appointment*

Robin Kinnel  
Greg Rahn

A concentration in chemistry consists of eight courses: 120 or 125; 190; 255; 265 or 270; 321 or 322; 371; one additional 300- or 400-level course; and 551. Beginning with the Class of 2019, a concentration in chemistry consists of nine courses: 120 or 125; 190; 255; 265 or 270; 321 or 322; 325; 371; one additional 300- or 400-level course; and 551. In addition, calculus through Math 116 and two semesters of physics (calculus-based physics recommended) are prerequisites for 321 and 322. Students who are considering a concentration in chemistry are strongly encouraged to enroll in 120 or 125 in their first semester.

Students who plan to pursue graduate work or employment in chemistry or a related science are encouraged to satisfy the requirements for a degree certified by the American Chemical Society (ACS). In order to qualify for an ACS certified degree, students must take both 265 and 270, in addition to satisfying all other concentration requirements. Students who plan to attend graduate school in chemistry or chemically related fields are advised to take both 321 and 322. We invite all interested students to attend the departmental seminar series, which is a required part of 371, 551 and 552. Departmental honors are determined on the basis of distinguished coursework in chemistry (normally a minimum GPA of 3.5) and in the Senior Thesis.

A minor in chemistry consists of five courses, at least one of which must be at the 300-level or above. The minimum requirement in chemistry for preparation for medical school consists of 120 or 125; 190 and 255; and one additional course at the 200 level. Students who take Chem 270 as their additional 200-level course may also need to take Bio 346 to satisfy medical schools' Biochemistry requirement. '

## **120F Principles of Chemistry.**

Exploration of the central principles and theories of chemistry including stoichiometry, thermodynamics, equilibrium, reaction kinetics, and molecular structure and bonding. For students intending to pursue post-graduate work in the Health Professions, this course satisfies the first semester of a one-year General Chemistry requirement. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Three hours of lecture and three hours of laboratory. Brewer, Dawood.

[Fall 2015 04](#) (Dawood F)

## **125F Principles of Chemistry: Fundamentals to Applications.**

Intended for students with strong preparation in chemistry and high motivation, the course explores central principles in the context of current issues, including human health and the environment. Main topics include the unifying concepts in chemistry and their use to develop critical-thinking skills. A discovery-based lab component addresses analytical and chemical approaches to environmental chemistry and toxicology. For students intending to pursue post-graduate work

in the Health Professions, this course satisfies the first semester of a one-year General Chemistry requirement. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. Two years of high school chemistry or equivalent required. Registration is open to first-year students only. Upperclassmen may enroll with instructor's consent. Maximum enrollment, 24. Van Wynsberghe.

### **190S Organic Chemistry I.**

Structure and bonding of organic compounds and their acid-base properties, stereochemistry, introduction to reactions and reaction mechanisms of carbon compounds and the relationship of reactivity and structure. Three hours of class and four hours of laboratory. Prerequisite, 120 or 125. Blum, Majireck and I Rosenstein.

[Spring 2015 01](#) (Rosenstein I)

### **255F Organic Chemistry II.**

Chemistry of conjugated alkenes and aromatic and carbonyl compounds, emphasizing mechanism and synthesis; introduction to carbohydrate and amino acid chemistry. Three hours of class and four hours of laboratory. Prerequisite, 190. Blum, Majireck and I Rosenstein.

[Fall 2015 01](#) (Rosenstein I)

### **265S Inorganic Chemistry and Materials.**

Topics in inorganic chemistry, including periodicity and descriptive chemistry of the elements, electrochemistry, transition metal coordination chemistry, and the structure and properties of solid state materials. Laboratories emphasize synthesis and characterization of inorganic coordination compounds, electrochemistry, and inorganic materials. This course satisfies the second semester of a one-year General Chemistry requirement for post-graduate Health Professions programs. Prerequisite, 120 or 125. Three hours of lecture and three hours of laboratory. Brewer.

[Spring 2014 01](#) (Brewer K)

### **270S Biological Chemistry.**

A survey of the chemical and physical nature of biological macromolecules, including nucleic acids, proteins, lipids and carbohydrates; biochemistry of enzyme catalysis; bioenergetics and regulatory mechanisms. Principles and techniques of experimental biochemistry, focusing on isolation methods and techniques for analyzing structure and function. This course satisfies the second semester of a one-year General Chemistry requirement for post-graduate Health Professions programs, however, this course might not also satisfy a Health Profession program's requirement for a course in Biochemistry. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 190. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. (Same as Biochemistry/Molecular Biology 270 and Biology 270.) S Rosenstein.

### **298F,S Chemistry Research.**

Independent work in the research laboratory under supervision of a faculty member. Prerequisite, instructor's signature. May be repeated for credit, but not counted toward concentration requirements. Students may count up to one credit of chemistry research toward graduation. One-quarter, one-half or one credit per semester. No senior concentrators. The Department.

### **[320S] Biophysical Chemistry.**

A study of the fundamental concepts and principles of physical chemistry applied to biological systems. Topics include the spectroscopy, thermodynamics and kinetics of proteins and other biomolecules, and the use of this knowledge to explain the physical basis of biochemical properties. Prerequisite, 270 and Mathematics 116. Physics 105, 195 or 205 is recommended. (Same as Biochemistry/Molecular Biology 320.)

### **321F Physical Chemistry I.**

A study of the fundamental concepts and principles of quantum chemistry. Topics include the fundamental postulates of quantum mechanics, the nature of the chemical bond, and applications of molecular quantum mechanics including spectroscopy and computational electronic structure methods. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite,

125 or 190, Mathematics 116, Physics 105, 195 or 205. (Same as Biochemistry/Molecular Biology 321.) Dawood; Van Wynsberghe.

[Fall 2015 01](#) (Dawood F)

### **322S Physical Chemistry II.**

A study of the fundamental concepts and principles of thermodynamics and kinetics. Topics include statistical and classical thermodynamics, prediction of the direction and extent of chemical reactions, equilibrium, chemical kinetics, catalysis, and reaction rate theory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 125 or 190, Mathematics 116, Physics 105, 195 or 205. The department recommends that students take 321 prior to 322. Three hours of lecture. (Same as Biochemistry/Molecular Biology 322.) Dawood; Van Wynsberghe.

[Spring 2014 01](#) (Van Wynsberghe A)

### **325F,S Physical Methods for Chemical Analysis.**

An integrated lecture-laboratory course in which students learn to design, build, and use instrumentation to study the physicochemical properties of atoms and molecules. Topics include the theory and practice of optical spectroscopy, thermochemical measurements of gases and condensed phases, and the measurement of reaction kinetics. Evaluations stress mastery of laboratory technique and communication of results with an emphasis on oral communication. Speaking-Intensive. One hour of lecture, three hours of laboratory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) (Speaking-Intensive.) Prerequisite, Must have taken or be concurrently enrolled in either Chem 321 or 322. Maximum enrollment, 12. Dawood; Van Wynsberghe.

### **360F Organic Synthesis Toward Improved Human Health.**

An investigation into the concepts of organic synthesis as applied to small molecule drug and probe development for the treatment and understanding of human disease. Emphasis will be placed on modern organic synthesis, medicinal chemistry, and chemical biology research aimed toward the realization of personalized therapeutics. The process of developing an original research proposal will be a primary mechanism to reinforce the concepts of this course. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, Chem 255 (Chem 270 or Biology 346 strongly recommended.). Three hours of lecture. Maximum enrollment, 20. Majireck.

[Fall 2014 01](#) (Majireck M)

### **371F,S Research Methods in Chemistry.**

Development of research skills in chemistry through a semester-long intensive laboratory project. Emphasis on laboratory work focusing on advanced synthetic techniques and spectroscopic characterization. Scientific writing, oral presentation skills and use of the chemical literature are also stressed. Six hours of laboratory and one hour of class. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 265 or 270. Maximum enrollment, 12. The Department.

### **[393S] Advanced Organic Chemistry I.**

Spectroscopy and synthesis. Exploration of advanced techniques in spectroscopic identification of organic compounds, including mass spectrometry and two-dimensional NMR spectroscopy. Study of strategies for the synthesis of complex molecules with examples taken from the primary chemical literature. Offered in alternate years. Prerequisite, 255. Offered in alternate years. Next offered in Spring 2019

[Spring 2015 01](#) (Rosenstein I)

### **412S Advanced Organic Chemistry II.**

Physical Organic Chemistry. Study of structure and bonding in organic compounds, stereochemistry and conformational analysis, the mechanisms of organic reactions and free radical chemistry with an emphasis on the exploration of experimental methods for probing reaction mechanisms. Taught primarily through readings from the primary literature. Prerequisite, 255. Offered in alternate years. I Rosenstein.

[Spring 2014 01](#) (Rosenstein I)

**[423S] Advanced Inorganic Chemistry.**

Introduction to the chemical applications of group theory, including molecular structure and spectroscopy. Structure, bonding and reaction mechanisms of coordination and organometallic compounds with readings in the primary literature. Prerequisite, 321 or 322. Offered in alternate years. Next offered in Spring 2019.

[Spring 2014 75](#) (Brewer K)

**551-552F,S Senior Project.**

An intensive research project carried out in association with a faculty member, culminating in a thesis. Prerequisite, 371. Attendance at weekly departmental seminars is required. Candidates for honors should elect both 551 and 552. The Department.

# Cinema and Media Studies

## Program Committee

Ella Gant (Art)

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Cinema and Media Studies is an interdisciplinary concentration that brings together courses involving historical and theoretical study and/or hands-on experience of photochemical, electronic and digital media. The focus of the concentration is to develop critical perspectives on visual representations and new technologies in terms of their aesthetic and cultural forms and expression of individual and collective visions.

A concentration in Cinema and Media Studies (CNMS) consists of nine courses: five core courses and four electives. These core courses include CNMS 120; one course on media or cinema theory or genre: CNMS 125, 201, 290, 301 or 330; one course in production: ART 113, ART 116, ART 213, MUSIC 277, THETR 130 or THETR 213, or alternative courses in production; World Cinemas (see list below); CNMS 500: senior seminar. Additionally, students take four electives in at least two of the three elective categories below; two of the electives must be at the 300 level or higher and only one can be at the 100 level. All interdisciplinary majors require careful planning since course offerings depend of the needs of individual departments. Honors in CNMS is awarded to concentrators with at least a 3.3 average in the concentration and who complete 550 with a grade of at least A-.

Beginning with the class of 2017 and forward, a minor in Cinema and Media Studies comprises five courses: CNMS 120; two core courses from two of the three categories: theory, production or world cinema; one elective in "Cinema and Arts and the Humanities" and one elective "Social Science and Modern Media."

## REQUIRED COURSES (4 credits)

### I. CNMS 120: Introduction to the History and Theory of Film – 1cr.

A general introduction to the wide world of cinema and cinema studies, focusing on crucial films from many cinematic traditions. Topics include the evolution of film from earlier forms of motion picture, the articulation and exploitation of a narrative language for cinema, the development of typical commercial genres, and the appearance of a variety of forms of critical cinema. Focuses on basic film terminology, with the cinematic apparatus and ongoing theoretical conversation about cinema and its audience (Same as Literature 120 and Art History 120).

### II. ONE CREDIT IN THEORY OR GENRE (CHOICE AMONG THE FOLLOWING COURSES)

CNMS 125: Introduction to History and Theory of New Media.

ARTH/CNMS 201W: Introduction to Digital Humanities

ARTH/CNMS 290: Facing Reality: An Introduction to Documentary

ARTH/CNMS 301: Cinema as Theory and Critique

AFRST/CNMS 330: Digital History and New Media: Theories and Praxis.

### III. ONE COURSE IN PRODUCTION (CHOICE AMONG THE FOLLOWING COURSES)

ART 116: Introduction to Photography

ART 213: Introduction to Video

MUSIC 277: Music for Contemporary media  
THETR 130: Visual Story Telling  
THETR 213: Lighting Design  
CNMS 335: Media and Production  
Or other courses specifically involving production approved by the director of the concentration.

#### IV: WORLD CINEMAS

Taught in English:  
CHNSE 205: Modern China Through Film  
CNMS 202: African-Americans and Cinema  
FRNCH 160: French Cinema  
JAPN 160: Japanese Film, Animation, Literature  
RSNST 169: Dreams, Visions and Nightmares: Introduction to Russian Film.  
JAPN 356/CPLIT 356: Introduction to Japanese Film  
LIT 230: Bollywood  
And other courses dealing with the history of world cinemas.

Taught in the language of origin:  
CHNSE 450: Chinese Revolution through Film (in Chinese)  
FRNCH 350: Francophone Cinema (in French)  
FRNCH 428: Cinematographic Memory (in French)  
HSPST 223: Introduction to Hispanic Cinema (in Spanish)  
HSPST 362: Literature on Film (in Spanish)  
HSPST 371: Latin American History through Cinema (in Spanish)

#### V. ONE CREDIT FOR THE SENIOR SEMINAR

CNMS 500: Senior Seminar in Cinema and Media Studies  
This course will be offered in the Fall Semester only. Students will explore and discuss topics that relate to both cinema studies and media studies. They will also develop individually-designed research projects through peer reviews and workshops. This seminar will be taught by the director of the Cinema and Media Studies program with collaboration from other faculty in Cinema and Media Studies. Students who achieve an average grade of 3.3 or better in all courses for the concentration and in the Senior Seminar will be encouraged to pursue an honors project in the Spring semester.

#### VI. ONE CREDIT FOR THE SENIOR HONORS PROJECT

CNMS 550: Senior Honors Project  
The Senior Honors project in Cinema and Media studies allows students the opportunity to demonstrate independence, maturity, and mastery as emerging scholars and/or media producers. Honors projects require a written proposal or abstract with an annotated bibliography signed by the student's proposed advisor. The director in consultation with the Cinema and Media Studies faculty will approve proposals and assign a second faculty member to the student's advisory committee.

The honors project must be completed no later than April 30. Written theses should be 35-50 pages. Curatorial projects must result in a series of carefully contextualized events open to the college community and a 4-5 page reflection paper on the projects' challenges and achievements. Video projects must include 2-3 short (5-10 minute) works or one longer work (40 minutes maximum) and a 4-5 page reflection paper on the context and concepts that inform the project. Digital scholarship (hybrid works of textual/visual/ technical production) will be evaluated based on the quality of the research and presentation of the project and a 4-5 page reflection paper on the context, process, and results of the project. A public presentation of honors projects will be scheduled the last week of classes. A final grade of A- or better

on the honor's project is necessary to receive honors in Cinema and Media Studies.

## ELECTIVES (4 credits)

Students must complete four electives chosen from at least two categories out of the three categories below. At least two of these courses must be at the 300 level or above. No more than one course can be at the 100 level. An additional course chosen in the core courses (Genre, Production, or Regional Cinema) can be substituted for one of the electives below.

### I. THE LITERARY AND THEATRICAL ARTS

Cinema and Media Studies students should understand the influence of literary and theatrical histories and forms on cinema, television, and other media.

CLASC 135: Film and the Classics

LIT 211: Readings in World Literature I

LIT 212: Readings in World Literature II

JAPN 239/339: Japanese Culture and Society From A(-Bomb) to (Dragon Ball)Z

LIT 258: Opera

LIT 285: Detective Story, Tradition and Experiment

LIT 346: Comedy of Terror

CRWR 215: Introductory Poetry and Fiction Workshop

LIT 203: The Short Story

LIT 204: Poetry and Poetics

LIT: 205: The Study of the Novel

LIT 256: American Literature of the 19th Century

LIT 266: Modernisms

LIT 315: Literary Theory and Literary Studies

LIT 353: Anglo-American Modernism

LIT 375: Contemporary American Fiction

LIT 380: The Graphic Novel

LIT 474: Major African American Narratives

THETR 212: Scene Design

THETR 214: Sound Design

THETR: 216: Costume Design

THETR 224: Playwriting

THETR 236: Outrageous Acts: Avant-Garde Theatre and Performance Art

THETR 244: Tragedy: Then and Now

THETR 245: Modern Drama

### II. CINEMA AND THE ARTS AND HUMANITIES

Cinema and Media Studies students should have experience seeing cinema and media within the contexts of the other arts and humanities.

ARTH 293: Modernism into Contemporary Art

CLASC 320: The Romans on Film

CNMS/ARTH 319: Text and Image in Cinema

CNMS/ARTH 349: The Garden in the Machine: Place in Modern American Cinema

LIT/CNMS 300: Women Filmmakers

LIT 374: The Hollywood Novel  
LIT 435: Seminar: Jane Austen—Text and Film  
FRNCH 432: Picturing War (in French)  
HSPST 224: Women in Spanish Film and Literature (in Spanish)  
HSPST 323: The Power of Looking (in Spanish)  
MUSIC 245: Music in American Film  
RELST 215: Religion in Film  
RELST 407: The Celluloid Savior  
RSNST 295: Bloodsucking as Metaphor: Vampires, Werewolves  
RELST 421: Raging Gods; Scorsese and Coppola's Religious Films  
THETR 261: Performing Life

### III. SOCIAL SCIENCE AND MODERN MEDIA

Cinema and Media Studies students should have an understanding of the social contexts for cinema including the practical, historical, ideological, and aesthetic challenges posed by recent developments in electronic and digital media.

AMST 304/AFRST 304: Seminar in e-Black Studies: Race and Cyberspace  
ANTHR 264: Ethnography of Literacy and Visual Language  
ANTHR 270: Ethnography of Communication  
ANTHR 319: Freaks, Cyborgs, Monsters, and Aliens  
ART 302: Advanced Photography  
ART 313: Advanced Video  
CPSCI 105: Explorations in Computer Science  
CPSCI 110: Introduction to Computer Science  
COMM 310: Media: Forms and Theory  
COMM 380: Social History of Advertising  
COMM 451: Seminar: Communication, Technology and Society  
ENGL 317: The Laws of the Cool  
RELST 304: Religion and Media  
SOC 213: Culture and Society  
WMNST 211: Women, Gender and Popular Culture '

#### **120F Introduction to the History and Theory of Film.**

A general introduction to the wide world of cinema and cinema studies, focusing on crucial films from many cinematic traditions. Topics include the evolution of film from earlier forms of motion picture, the articulation and exploitation of a narrative language for cinema, the development of typical commercial genres, and the appearance of a variety of forms of critical cinema. Focuses on basic film terminology, with the cinematic apparatus and ongoing theoretical conversation about cinema and its audience. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 120 and Art History 120.) MacDonald.

#### **[125] Introduction to History and Theory of New Media.**

What makes new media “new”? How do new media compare with, transform or incorporate earlier media? Examines the production, circulation, and reception of visual and sonic media, with emphasis on how consumers and artists shape the uses and values of media. Covers key issues raised by new media through close study of critical essays and creative texts. Examples of old and new media include the phonograph, radio, film, turntable, social networks, fantasy sports and gaming, podcast, MP3, Auto-Tune, hypertext literature and digital poetry. Open to first-year students and sophomores only. (Same as American Studies 125.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

#### **[135S] The Classics on Film.**

A study of films reflecting ancient Greek and Roman themes, including westerns (such as Unforgiven and The

Searchers), works of science fiction (such as Star Wars and Blade Runner), detective stories (such as The Maltese Falcon), and films explicitly based on Greek and Roman sources (such as Spartacus and O Brother, Where Art Thou). Classical texts will be juxtaposed with their film representations, there will be readings from modern writers on film and the classics, and attention will be given to the way in which films about the ancient world reflect the times in which they were made. (Same as Classics 135.)

### **201S Introduction to Digital Humanities.**

Introduction to the concepts, tools and methods of digital humanities through readings and various projects. Examines the impact of computing and technology on society in the U.S. and abroad: social and cultural implications of computing; social networking; thinking with/about computers; gaming; virtual/3D worlds; strategies for online research; building websites and evaluating electronic resources. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Nieves.

### **[205] Video Game Nation.**

Investigates how to critically interpret and analyze video games and the roles they play in visual and popular culture, and how to test the application of these approaches to various issues in gaming and digital media culture more generally. Topics and themes include genre and aesthetics, the game industry, spectatorship, play, narrative, immersion, gender, race, militarism, violence and labor. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as American Studies 205.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **228F Philosophy and Film.**

Explores film through the lens of philosophy and conversely. Most philosophers agree that films can at least stir up interest in philosophical problems, raise philosophical questions, or record philosophical arguments. But there is no such agreement on the more interesting question -- the main one the course examines -- of whether films can also philosophize, or advance philosophical positions. Students will be required to watch one full length movie a week outside of class time. One course in philosophy required. Prerequisite, one prior course in Philosophy. (Same as Philosophy 228.) Doran.

### **290F Facing Reality: A History of Documentary Cinema.**

The history of cinema as representation and interpretation of "reality," focusing on nonfiction film and video from a variety of periods and geographic locales. Emphasis on the ways in which nonfiction films can subvert viewers' conventional expectations and their personal security. Forms to be discussed include the city symphony, ethnographic documentary, propaganda, nature film, direct cinema, cinéma vérité, the compilation film and personal documentary. (Same as Art History 290 and Literature and Creative Writing 290.) MacDonald.

### **291S American Film Comedy: Classic and Modern.**

An exploration and analysis of major contributions to the history of American film comedy, from its origins in slapstick to the flowering of silent physical comedy in the 1910s and 20s (performer/directors Charlie Chaplin, Buster Keaton, Harold Lloyd); to the sophisticated comedy that dominated the early decades of sound (directors Ernst Lubitsch, George Cukor, Howard Hawks, Billy Wilder); to attempts in the 1960s and 70s to rethink comedy by commercial directors and independent filmmakers working "underground" (George Kuchar, John Waters); to recent work that has built on this tradition. (Same as Art History 291.) MacDonald.

### **[301F] Cinema as Theory and Critique.**

A history of alternatives to commercial movies, focusing on surrealist and dadaist film, visual music, psychodrama, direct cinema, the film society movement, personal cinema, the New American Cinema, structuralism, Queer cinema, feminist cinema, minor cinema, recycled cinema and devotional cinema. While conventional entertainment films use the novel, the short story and the stage drama as their primary instigations, experimental and avant-garde films are analogous to music, poetry, painting, sculpture and collage. Not open to first-year students. (Same as Art History 301 and Literature and Creative Writing 301.)

**[325S] Media Theory and Visual Culture.**

We are bombarded with images, in myriad forms, on a daily basis. How do we interpret and analyze them? What is the relationship between an online advertisement for a movie and the movie itself, between a television program and a video game? An overview of contemporary media theory as it relates to visual culture in the 21st century. Readings will include seminal works in psychoanalytic theory, cultural studies, semiotics, postmodern theory, new media studies and visual studies. (Same as American Studies 325.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[330] Digital History and New Media: Theories and Praxis.**

Focuses on the process of creating digital history and the impact of digital media technologies on the theory and practice of U.S. history and critical race theory, broadly defined. Readings, labs/workshops and discussions address the philosophy and practice of digital history, questioning how digital tools and resources are enabling and transforming analysis both in traditional print scholarship, and in emerging digital scholarship across the humanities. (Same as American Studies 330 and Africana Studies 330.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

**335S Media and Production.**

Students in this course will produce digital media projects that explore the aesthetic, educational, and technological issues of using media to communicate human experience. They will learn how to make choices that reflect the history of audiovisual media production in combination with convergent digital culture and their own creative ideas. Students will engage the language of film, the functions of scripts and storyboards, and production management. They will understand the conceptual underpinnings of multimedia technologies and use of digital technologies and equipment. Prerequisite, ARTH/CNMS/CPLIT 120, Art 213, or permission of instructor. This class has a humanities working lab session requirement. Maximum enrollment, 20. Janet Simons.

**[350] Gender and Cyberculture.**

Explores critical approaches to media through the intersection of gender and the technological imaginary. Investigates how the production, use and circulation of digital media affect notions of representation, identity, the body and consciousness. Close visual and textual analysis of the ways writers, artists and theorists have conceived these issues. (Same as American Studies 350.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[365S] Major Figures in Cinema.**

Focus on crucial contributors to the wide world of cinema. The work of one, two, or three particular filmmakers, each from a different sector of the geography of cinema, will be examined in detail. Possible filmmakers include Alfred Hitchcock, James Benning, Ross McElwee, Stan Brakhage, Fritz Lang, the Coen brothers. Prerequisite, ARTH/CNMS/CPLIT 120; or ARTH/CNMS/CPLIT 290; or ARTH/CNMS/CPLIT 301; or permission of the instructor. (Same as Art History 365 and Literature and Creative Writing 365.)

**500F Senior Seminar in Cinema and Media Studies.**

Exploration and discussion of topics that relate to both cinema studies and media studies. Students will deepen their understanding through individually-designed research projects, peer reviews and workshops. This seminar will be taught by the director of the Cinema and Media Studies program with collaboration from other faculty in CMS. Students who achieve a grade of 88 or better will be encouraged to pursue an honors project. Prerequisite, Consent of Instructor. (required for Senior Concentrators in the Fall Semester) Maximum enrollment, 12. Nieves.

**550F,S Senior Honors Project.**

The Senior Honors project in Cinema and Media studies allows students the opportunity to demonstrate independence, maturity and mastery as emerging scholars and/or media producers. Honors projects require a written proposal or abstract with an annotated bibliography signed by the student's proposed advisor. The director in consultation with the CMS faculty will approve proposals and assign a second faculty member to the student's advisory committee. Prerequisite, Consent of Instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. Nieves.

# Classics

## Faculty

Anne Feltovich (on leave 2017-18)

Barbara Gold, *chair*

Shelley Haley

Jesse Weiner

Classics is the study of the languages and civilizations of ancient Greece and Rome, as well as of related civilizations, both ancient and modern. The department offers courses in ancient Greek and Latin and also in classical studies, where no knowledge of Latin or Greek is required. Students wishing to concentrate or minor in classics may take one of two directions.

A concentration in classical languages, which emphasizes work in Latin and Greek as keys to understanding the ancient world, requires a minimum of ten full-credit courses. Four of those courses, at least two of which must be numbered 300 or above, should be in one of the two languages; and three of them, at least one of which must be numbered 300 or above, should be in the other. Two courses in classical studies, in addition to 550, the Senior Project, are also required. (With the approval of the department, exemptions to these requirements may be made for students who come to Hamilton with substantial preparation in Latin or Greek.) Students concentrating in classical languages are also required to complete at least one course each year in Greek or Latin. Because the language concentration requires substantial accomplishment in both Greek and Latin, prospective concentrators entering the College with no knowledge of those languages should make an immediate start with the prerequisite 100- and 200-level courses.

A concentration in classical studies, which offers a study of ancient Greece and Rome with emphasis on only one of the languages, requires a minimum of ten full-credit courses. Six of those courses should be in classical studies, at least four of them numbered 200 or above and at least one numbered 300 or above. Two courses in either Greek or Latin are required, one of which must be numbered 300 or above, along with 550, the Senior Project. (With the approval of the department, certain courses in Greek or Latin may be substituted for classical studies courses). In addition, students concentrating in classical studies must complete at least one course each year in classical studies, Greek or Latin.

Hamilton is a member of the Intercollegiate Center for Classical Studies in Rome (the Centro) and of the American School of Classical Studies in Athens. Many students have also attended other programs in Rome and Athens. Concentrators and other students trained in Latin or Greek are encouraged to spend one or two semesters of their junior year in a program in Greece or Rome or in another suitable program abroad. Interested students should note that admission to the Intercollegiate Center and the American School is competitive and that preparation in Latin or Greek, and sometimes both, is an important factor in determining admission.

Hamilton's distinguished tradition in classics ensures that funds are available from numerous awards earmarked for classics students, especially for students who continue with Greek or Latin, or who choose to do graduate work in Greek.

Students who have earned an A- (3.67) average in the concentration may receive honors by earning a grade of A- in the Senior Seminar. A description of the program may be obtained from any member of the classics faculty.

A minor in classical languages requires at least two courses numbered 300 or above in Latin or Greek, as well as two courses in classical studies, one of which must be numbered 200 or above. Because the language minor requires advanced work in either Latin or Greek, interested students entering the College without either of those languages

should make an early start with the prerequisite 100- and 200-level courses.

A minor in classical studies requires a minimum of five classical studies courses, three of which must be numbered 200 or above, with at least one numbered 300 or above, and one year of college Latin or Greek or a grade of B or higher in a 200- or 300-level course in Latin or Greek.

Beginning with the class of 2020, students concentrating in Classics will satisfy the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies Requirement by completing coursework in any of the following courses: Classical Studies 205 (Pompeii), 280 (Ancient Comedy), 325 (Sexuality and Gender in Greece and Rome), 335 (Re-imagining the Classics), 372W (Unravelling Cleopatra), or 374W (Ancient Egypt). '

## **Classical Studies**

### **[105F] Classical Mythology.**

An introduction to ancient mythology through readings from sources such as Gilgamesh, Egyptian mythology, Homer, Hesiod, Greek tragedy, Herodotus, Livy, Ovid and contemporary mythmakers. Origins, creation myths, divinities and heroes, and mystery religions. Open to first-year students only. Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **115F The Civilizations of Greece and the Near East.**

An introduction to the legacy of ancient Greece and the Near East through the study of history, literature, philosophy and art. (Same as History 115.) Weiner.

### **120F Roman Civilization.**

An introduction to the history and culture of ancient Rome. Stress on social history and basic skills in the study of history. (Same as History 120.) .

### **[130] Socrates, Cleopatra and the Caesars.**

An introduction to classical studies and the ancient Mediterranean world that focuses on some pivotal figures. Consideration of the multiple facets of ancient Mediterranean society and culture, including multiculturalism, race, class and gender. Attention to literature, art, religion, philosophy and history. Readings from ancient and modern sources, and films dealing with the world of the ancient Greeks and Romans. Not open to students who have taken Classics 100.

### **[135S] The Classics on Film.**

A study of films reflecting ancient Greek and Roman themes, including westerns (such as Unforgiven and The Searchers), works of science fiction (such as Star Wars and Blade Runner), detective stories (such as The Maltese Falcon), and films explicitly based on Greek and Roman sources (such as Spartacus and O Brother, Where Art Thou). Classical texts will be juxtaposed with their film representations, there will be readings from modern writers on film and the classics, and attention will be given to the way in which films about the ancient world reflect the times in which they were made. (Same as Cinema and Media Studies 135.)

### **[140] Women in the Ancient Mediterranean World.**

An introduction to the roles of women in the ancient world through various sources: history, art and archaeology, law, literature and medicine. Covers the period from Egypt to early and classical Greece and down to the Roman empire, and traces the shifts in attitudes during these periods. (Same as Women's Studies 140.)

### **201F History of Ancient Western Philosophy.**

A study of the philosophical classics from early Greek times to the Renaissance. Emphasis on Plato and Aristotle. Section 01 is lecture only. Other sections are writing intensive and registration priority is given to junior and senior philosophy concentrators (limit 20; with an additional weekly discussion session). (Same as Philosophy 201.) Werner.

**[205S] Pompeii.**

Provides an interdisciplinary introduction to the field of classical studies, focused through the Roman site of Pompeii and the eruption of Vesuvius in 70 CE. Through Pompeii, its destruction, and its remarkable level of preservation, we will study the art, architecture, archaeology, literature, philosophy, religion, history, daily life, sexuality, food, and social structures of Rome, as well as the place of Rome in the modern imagination. Students will gain a comprehensive overview of the many approaches and sub-disciplines represented within classical studies.

**[225S] Atoms, Gods and Monsters: Lucretius and His Legacy.**

This course investigates the enduring influence of Lucretius' poetry and philosophy in Western culture and religious thought. Lucretius was a Roman poet whose *On the Nature of Things* expounds Epicurean physics, cosmology, and ethics. Lucretius teaches that atomistic physics govern the universe and all its phenomena. This radical atheistic materialism challenged the religious, social, and political values of Rome while pushing the boundaries of science and poetry. Lucretius' controversial influence spans atomic physics to evolutionary biology to Botticelli to Thomas Jefferson to Frankenstein.

**[235S] Greek Archaeology: A Look At the Past.**

A study of major archaeological excavations and material remains of ancient Greece from the Bronze Age through the Hellenistic Period, with particular attention to the relationship between material remains and political and cultural history. Examines the exchange of archaeological and artistic influences with contemporary cultures of Europe, Africa and Asia. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**240F Classical Mythology.**

An examination and discussion of the myths of ancient Egypt, Greece and Rome, with particular focus on the reception of these myths in the literature, art, intellectual traditions and social issues of contemporary societies and analysis of how these myths continue to enrich our culture today. Gold.

**242S The Classical Tradition in American Political Life: Cicero, Hamilton, Jefferson and the Making of the Republic.**

A study of ancient Greek and Roman influences on the creation of the United States, with special attention to the influence of Cicero and the rivalry between Alexander Hamilton and Thomas Jefferson. Readings include biographies of and writings by all three figures. (Same as Government 242.) Anechiarico and Rubino.

**[244F] Tragedy: Then and Now.**

How did Greek tragedy work in the city of Athens? Athens was a radical democracy but was based on slave labor and the exclusion of women. How is this implied contradiction displayed in the works of Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides? But tragedy also has contemporary life. How do these plays transcend their time of production? An opportunity to examine relations of gods/humans, fate/choice, as well as gender, class/ethnicity and sexuality. Readings to include works by Seneca, Racine, Sartre, O'Neill, Heaney, Fugard. (Genre) (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 244 and Theatre 244.)

**[250S] Heroism Ancient and Modern.**

An examination of ancient and modern views of the hero. Consideration of Homer's *Iliad* and *Odyssey*, Vergil's *Aeneid*, modern works such as Voltaire's *Candide* and films such as *Shane*, *The Maltese Falcon*, *Blade Runner*, *Joan the Maid* and the *Star Wars* series.

**[260] Power and Corruption in Ancient Rome.**

An examination of personal and political corruption in ancient Rome, with particular attention to the manner in which it

is depicted by writers such as Sallust, Livy, Horace, Tacitus and Juvenal. Some attention to depictions of corruption in modern America, especially to Robert Caro's portrayals of Robert Moses and Lyndon Johnson.

**[261S] Art of Ancient Greece and Rome.**

An examination of Mediterranean art from the Bronze Age through the Roman Empire. Special emphasis on the archaeological discovery and reshaping of ancient art by later scholars and the concept of the "classical." (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one course in art history or classics. (Same as Art History 261.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**262S Greece, Rome, and the Mediterranean.**

Traditionally we have studied ancient Greece and Rome in isolation from the surrounding world, as places that shaped the beginnings of "western" civilization. This course takes a broader view. We shall explore the ancient Mediterranean as a place of dynamic interaction from the Levant through Egypt, North Africa, Greece, Italy, and the islands in between. Far from standing in isolation, the arts of ancient Greece and Rome participated in these transnational cultural networks. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as Art History 262.) Maximum enrollment, 20. McEnroe.

**280S Ancient Comedy.**

Readings of Greek and Roman comedies in English translation: Aristophanes, Plautus, Terence, Lucian, Apuleius, mime. Discussions of why and for whom comedy is funny, comedic perspective, theories of humor, roles of women and slaves in comedy, cultural values, themes and plots, history of comedy, staging and theatrical technique. May also include class production of a play. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as Theatre 280.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Feltovich.

**[320] The Romans on Film.**

Critical examination of films such as *Spartacus*, *Julius Caesar*, *The Last Temptation of Christ*, *Ben Hur*, *I Claudius*, *Fellini Satyricon*, *The Fall of the Roman Empire* and *Gladiator*. Readings from ancient writers such as Plutarch, Tacitus and Suetonius, as well as from selected modern sources. Prerequisite, one course in Latin, Greek or classical studies.

**325S Sexuality and Gender in Greece and Rome.**

This course examines issues of sex, sexuality, and gender in the ancient societies of Greece and Rome through the study of literature, art, sociology, and science. We will investigate the representation of gender cross-culturally over time to learn what we know, and what we can't know, about the lives of ancient men and women, their interaction, communication and their roles in culture and society. Particular attention will be given to the lives of women, whose voices are often underrepresented in Greek and Roman literature and historical records. Prerequisite, 1 course in Classics or Women's Studies. (Same as Women's Studies 325.) Jesse Weiner.

**[335] Re-Imagining the Classics.**

Investigates how, and why, ancient Greek and Roman literature and art has influenced the history of literature, art and ideas since antiquity, with special emphasis upon comparing post-classical texts, artwork and performances with their classical sources of inspiration and provocation. Topics and readings vary according to the focus of the course in a given semester. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one course in Latin, Greek or classical studies, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[350] Ethics and Politics in Ancient Greece and Rome.**

A study of Greek and Roman attitudes toward the question of private and public behavior, concentrating on such topics as the meaning of success, the use of power, the function of language in political life, the relationship between the individual and the state, and the role of the state in regulating behavior. Contemporary applications. Readings from Thucydides, Plato, Aristotle, Cicero, Sallust and Tacitus. Prerequisite, one course in Latin, Greek, classical studies, political theory, philosophy or consent of instructor.

**[372] Unraveling Cleopatra.**

Cleopatra was a witness to and a shaper of the history of ancient Egypt and the late Roman Republic. To posterity the historical Cleopatra is an enigma, but her image in film, literature, art and popular culture is ever present. Through authors such as Horace, Plutarch, Shakespeare and George Bernard Shaw and through cinematic treatments from the 1940s-1970s, explores how the historical figure of Cleopatra became both the signifier and embodiment of sexual and racial politics across historical periods. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one course in classical studies or Africana studies. (Same as Africana Studies 372 and Women's Studies 372.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[374F] Ancient Egypt.**

A study of the history of ancient Egypt and of its interaction with other ancient African kingdoms, including Nubia, Kush and Punt. Examination of Egypt's prehistory, language, social and gender relations, and cultural development. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One Classical Studies or Africana Studies course. (Same as Africana Studies 374.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**550S Senior Seminar.**

Topics to be arranged. Open only to senior concentrators. Maximum enrollment, 12. Gold.

**Greek**

**110S Elementary Greek I.**

An introduction to the language and culture of Greece and the ancient Mediterranean. Thorough grounding in the grammar, syntax and vocabulary of ancient Greek. Reading and discussion of elementary passages from classical or New Testament Greek that cast light on ancient Mediterranean society and culture. For those with no previous knowledge of Greek. Three class meetings a week, in addition to a drill session. Feltovich.

**120F Elementary Greek II.**

Continuation of Greek 110. Further study of grammar, syntax and vocabulary, accompanied by reading and discussion of passages from classical or New Testament Greek that cast light on ancient Mediterranean society and culture. For students who have completed Greek 110 or those who have had some Greek but require review. Three class meetings a week, in addition to a drill session. Feltovich.

**210S Intermediate Greek: The World of Greece and the Ancient Mediterranean.**

Reading and discussion, with grammar review, of intermediate-level passages from classical, Hellenistic or New Testament Greek selected to illuminate the history, society and culture of Greece and the ancient Mediterranean. Readings from the New Testament and from writers such as Xenophon and Lucian. Prerequisite, knowledge of elementary Greek. Weiner.

**[340] Homer and the Greek Hero.**

Reading from Homer's *Iliad* and *Odyssey* in the original Greek. Consideration of the Greek concept of heroism and the role of epic poetry, with attention to the society and culture of the Homeric world. Prerequisite, any 200 or 300 level Greek course.

**[350] The Greek Historians.**

The story of ancient Greece as told in the words of the Greeks themselves. Readings, in the original Greek, from Herodotus, Thucydides and Xenophon. Attention to the wider issues of ancient Mediterranean society and culture. Prerequisite, any 200 or 300 level Greek course.

**360S Greek Drama.**

Readings, in the original Greek, from the tragedians Aeschylus, Sophocles and Euripides and from the comic playwrights Aristophanes and Menander. Attention to matters such as the role of women and slaves, social and cultural values, and theories of tragedy and comedy. Prerequisite, any 200 or 300 level Greek course. .

### **390F Topics in Ancient Greek Society and Culture.**

Reading and discussion of original Greek texts that cast light on the history, society and culture of Greece and the ancient Mediterranean. Authors and topics vary; may be repeated for credit. Prerequisite, any 200 or 300 level Greek course. Weiner.

## **Latin**

### **110F Elementary Latin I.**

An introduction to the language and culture of ancient Rome. Thorough grounding in Latin grammar, syntax and vocabulary. Reading and discussion of elementary passages that cast light on the society and culture of ancient Rome and its empire. No knowledge of Latin required. Three class meetings a week, in addition to a drill session. Gold.

### **120S Elementary Latin II.**

Continuation of Latin 110. Further study of grammar, syntax and vocabulary, accompanied by reading and discussion of passages that cast light on the society and culture of ancient Rome and its empire. For students who have completed Latin 110 or those who have had some Latin but require review. Three class meetings a week, in addition to a drill session. Gold.

### **210F Intermediate Latin: The World of Ancient Rome.**

Reading and discussion, with grammar review, of intermediate-level Latin passages selected to illuminate the history, society and culture of ancient Rome and its empire. Readings from writers such as Caesar, Cicero, Sallust, Catullus, Ovid and Martial. Prerequisite, knowledge of elementary Latin. Feltovich.

### **340S The Roman Hero.**

Readings, in the original Latin, from Vergil's *Aeneid* and other Roman epics. Consideration of the nature of heroism and epic poetry, with attention to the history, society and culture of the Roman world. Prerequisite, any 200 or 300 level Latin course. Gold.

### **[350S] The Roman Historians.**

The story of ancient Rome and its empire as told in the words of the Romans themselves. Readings, in the original Latin, from Sallust, Livy, Tacitus and other historians. Prerequisite, any 200 or 300 level Latin course.

### **[360] The Literature of Love and Desire.**

Readings, in the original Latin, from the love poetry of Catullus, Horace, Tibullus, Propertius and Ovid. Attention to Greek influences on Roman love poetry, to its Roman context and to the Roman influence of subsequent notions of love and erotic poetry. Prerequisite, any 200 or 300 level Latin course.

### **[370] Letters, Society and History.**

Readings, in the original Latin, from the letters of such writers as Cicero, Pliny and Seneca. Attention to the ways in which those letters cast light on Roman society and the movement of history. Prerequisite, knowledge of intermediate Latin.

### **390F Topics in Roman Society and Culture.**

Reading and discussion of original Latin texts that cast light on the history, society and culture of Rome and the ancient Mediterranean. Authors and topics vary; may be repeated for credit. Prerequisite, any 200 or 300 level Latin course.  
Haley.

# College Courses and Seminars

College Courses are interdisciplinary or substantially outside the continuing curriculum of any department or program, and are normally team-taught or taught within an integrated cluster of related courses. College Courses provide opportunities for students to present their work to a larger audience during the semester. '

## **101S Special Topics in Leadership: Levitt Leadership Initiative Commitment Project Lab.**

This course extends content taught in the Levitt Leadership Initiative (LLI) through expanded coverage of organizational and team leadership processes. Ongoing study of leadership theory in practice is offered. Study and use of appropriate design, development, implementation, and evaluation protocols is offered. Culminating activity is the implementation of students' Commitment Project Proposals into actionable ventures in the local or larger community. Prerequisite, Enrollment restricted to Levitt Leadership Initiative participants. Quarter credit. Maximum enrollment, 12. Susan Mason.

## **105S A World of Impending Disaster.**

Explores natural hazards, both modern and historical, and their effect on humanity. The course seeks to provide students with an accurate data-driven framework for understanding catastrophes of a non-human origin while contrasting scientific with media accounts of these disasters. Investigates geologic, hydrologic, celestial, and biological hazards, and their impact on society; will contrast quantitative and qualitative reports, including government data, accounts in popular media, and scientific reports. Course culminates in a research project on a particular disaster. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, One year of high school algebra. Open only to students who have not fulfilled the QSR requirement Maximum enrollment, 16. Ben Smith.

## **110S Special Topics in Leadership: Leadership Experience and Preparation (LEAP) for First-Year Students.**

Designed for first-year students to explore and apply leadership practices within our College community from interdisciplinary perspectives, e.g. humanities, sciences, arts, and social sciences. Using readings, guest lectures, peer tutors, and projects, students learn about their personal leadership styles and pursue activities that will connect them with other first-year students across diverse academic and co-curricular interests. Topics addressed include: self-awareness, individual and group communication and networking approaches within the Hamilton Community. (Proseminar.) Only open to first-year students. Grading satisfactory/unsatisfactory. Quarter credit. Maximum enrollment, 16. Mason.

## **217F Beyond speeches: Genres of oral communication.**

Oral communication is much more than political speeches or boardroom presentations. This course explores genres of oral communication as they vary across disciplines and contexts, while also considering how technology has impacted the ways in which people express themselves. By examining the development and use of oral communication approaches, students will develop a deeper understanding of the constraints and opportunities offered by various genres of communication. (Speaking-Intensive.) (Same as Communication 217.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Amy Gaffney.

## **220F,S Forever Wild: The Cultural and Natural Histories of the Adirondack Park.**

Study of America's largest inhabited wilderness. Survey of natural and cultural histories of the park and examination of ecological, political and social issues. Study of literary, scientific, historical and political texts. Exploration of environmental issues such as acid rain, development and land-use, predator re-introduction and population controls. Prerequisite, one course in literature, biology, geology or environmental studies. May count toward a concentration in environmental studies. Field trip required. Open to sophomores, juniors and seniors in the fall. Oral Presentations (Fall-2 sections); Writing-intensive (Spring). (Same as Environmental Studies 220.) Maximum enrollment, 14. Environmental Studies and related faculty.

**[223S] Gender and Violence in the Middle Ages.**

An introduction to the field of medieval and renaissance studies. Drawing on multiple disciplinary perspectives, including those of literature, law, history and art, examines the intersection of ideas about the body, gender and violence in the European Middle Ages. Readings may include the Bible and early patristic writings; the lives of saints; poems and advice manuals on courtly love; depictions of women in the Crusades; Icelandic sagas; and perspectives on the trial of Joan of Arc. Prerequisite, one 100-level course in literature or history, or AP 4 or 5 in English or History. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 223.) Maximum enrollment, 24.

**[229F,S] The American Founding: Ideals and Reality.**

An intensive analysis of the philosophical ideals of the Founding Era (1763-1800) and their uneven realization. Social histories of various races, genders and classes will help illuminate the inherent ambiguities, weaknesses, strengths and legacies of the social and political philosophies of late 18th-century America. Prerequisite, Government 117, Philosophy 117 or a 100-level course in history. May count toward a concentration in either history or government. Not open to students who have taken History 240 or 374. (Same as History 229 and Government 229.) Maximum enrollment, 24.

**236F Thought for Food: The Culture and Politics of Food.**

A multi-disciplinary approach to study of the food system. Examination of the origins of culinary traditions, contemporary politics of the food movement, the GMO debate, food sovereignty, hunger and food security, and Slow Food. Laboratory sessions include activities in the Community Farm, tastings, and cooking instruction with the college. (Same as Environmental Studies 236.) Maximum enrollment, 12. Sciacca.

**237S Food for Thought Introduction to the Science of Food.**

An interdisciplinary exploration of food with focus on nutrition biology of food and food science; the history of food and contemporary issues related to food production and the food industry. Tastings, films, gardening. Prerequisite, one course in Biology or Chemistry. (Same as Environmental Studies 237.) Maximum enrollment, 12. Gapp.

**[258S] Opera.**

Study of literary and musical dimensions of operas by major composers from Monteverdi and Mozart to the present. Emphasis on the transformation of independent texts into librettos and the effects of music as it reflects language and dramatic action. Includes such works as *Orfeo*, *The Marriage of Figaro*, *Otello*, *The Turn of the Screw* and *Candide*. Prerequisite, two courses in literature or two in music or one in each field, or consent of instructors. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[260F] Leadership: Theories and Practices.**

This course offers an introduction to the basic theories, concepts, methods, and practices of leadership in all types of organizational cultures and settings. Review and critical evaluation of classical and emerging theories of leadership is offered. Emphasis is placed on the impact and influence of power, ethics, public discourses, and technology on 21st century leadership strategies and practices. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[340] Ethnography of Leadership in Organizations.**

Study and investigation of organizational leadership theories and practices from a liberal education standpoint. Specific attention to how organizational culture, ethics, and communications systems impact leadership practices and decision-making processes. Review of contemporary leadership models that address diversity, globalization, transformational change, and uses of power. Systematic observation within a specific organizational setting to document leadership theory in practice. Prerequisite, Minimum overall GPA of 2.5. Summer Seminar; Oral Presentations; Field Placement; Open to rising sophomores, juniors and seniors. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**370F Wilderness, Culture, Science: Reading the Adirondacks (Intensive Seminar, Adirondack Program).**

The place we know as the "Adirondacks" is produced by a process of reading and inscribing across multiple disciplines,

perspectives, and eras. Legal, political, literary, and scientific texts—from the 19th Century to the present—all help to define, frame, and regulate our understandings and use of this vast local wilderness. Students will examine such texts in situ for their ability to deepen and complicate our sense of wilderness and place. Students will also produce their own critical and creative writing to explore how their visions can transform the landscape of this complex resource. This credit is discipline-specific in its credit bearing designation, in accordance with the Faculty-in-Residence's home department or program or by permission from the student's major/minor department or program. Maximum enrollment, 20. Onno Oerlemans.

**371F Stewardship and Sustainability in the Adirondack Park (Common Experience Seminar, Adirondack Program).**

This Common Experience Seminar is an interdisciplinary course taught jointly by several faculty members and guest speakers in consultation with the Faculty-in-Residence and General Director, and is designated as a College Course. This course focuses on a particular shared topic or issue over a three-to five-year span (e.g. “stewardship and sustainability”), in order to introduce students to the diverse and intersecting issues at play in the Adirondacks through expert voices from around the Park and to showcase how the research and interests of current Hamilton faculty speak to, reflect and inform these issues. Does not count toward Concentration. Maximum enrollment, 20. TBA.

**372F Field Component, Adirondack Program.**

The field component allows for practical applications of the theories and methodological approaches that students will be studying in their two seminars during the Adirondack semester. Structured readings will accompany the field work/research, and a final project and/or presentation will be required for completion of this credit. Does not count toward Concentration. Maximum enrollment, 20. Janelle A Schwartz, in consultation with a variety of organizations within the Adirondack Park.

**373F Independent Capstone Project, Adirondack Program.**

The independent capstone project is a culminating project to be determined by individual students, or students working in small groups, in consultation with the Faculty-in-Residence and General Director. The capstone project will demonstrate the knowledge and skills acquired during the students' semester study in the Adirondack Park within a framework of real world perspectives and possible career paths. This credit will require a cumulative project and/or presentation for completion. This credit is discipline-specific in its credit bearing designation, in accordance with the Faculty-in-Residence's home department or program or by permission from the student's major/minor department or program. Maximum enrollment, 20. Faculty-in-Residence and Janelle A Schwartz.

**395F,S Hamilton in New York City: Special Topic.**

Topic changes each term to reflect the discipline of the director of the Program in New York City. For a more specific description, see [www.hamilton.edu/academics/programs\\_abroad/nyc/](http://www.hamilton.edu/academics/programs_abroad/nyc/). May count toward the concentration in the department or program of the director. Open only to program participants. Maximum enrollment, 16. The Faculty.

**396F,S Hamilton in New York City: Independent Research.**

An independent study supervised by the director of the Program in New York City and based on an internship and additional research. For a more specific description, see [www.hamilton.edu/academics/programs\\_abroad/nyc/](http://www.hamilton.edu/academics/programs_abroad/nyc/). May count toward the concentration in the department or program of the director. Open only to program participants. Maximum enrollment, 16. The Faculty.

**397F,S Hamilton in New York City: Internship.**

Internship with firm, organization, agency or advocacy group appropriate to the theme of the semester. For more information, see [www.hamilton.edu/academics/programs\\_abroad/nyc/](http://www.hamilton.edu/academics/programs_abroad/nyc/). Does not count toward concentration credit. Open only to program participants. Maximum enrollment, 16. The Faculty.

**398F,S Hamilton In New York City: Seminar in Global Processes.**

Foundational course of the Program in New York City. Perspectives on the influence of global markets, transnational culture and political forces on contemporary life. Organized around readings, student debates, guest discussion leaders and field trips within New York City. For more information, see [www.hamilton.edu/academics/programs\\_abroad/nyc/](http://www.hamilton.edu/academics/programs_abroad/nyc/). Does not count toward concentration credit. Open only to program participants. Maximum enrollment, 16. The Faculty.

# Communication

## Faculty

Catherine Phelan, *chair*

Tim Recuber

The mission of the Communication Department is to ensure that students are critically aware of the ways in which communication technologies inevitably alter interpersonal and social environments.

Courses in communication examine the ways people use various communication technologies—ranging from mobile devices to social media—to maintain relationships, create community, express identity, and understand their place in the world.

We are interested in exploring the varied ways in which the digital revolution alters how we talk and what counts as conversation. Have you ever considered how our awareness of privacy, identity and community are being altered by the ubiquitous screen? Or have you considered how different your friend networks are as a consequence of social media?

Whatever your intellectual interests or career goals, knowing more about communication will help you recognize and respond to the complexities of your social world.

Courses are designed to prepare students for the demands of civic engagement beyond the classroom. That means the study of communication links key theories to examples that illustrate why those theories are useful. Whether one is interested in politics, public service, art and design, or community service, a theoretical understanding of the ways in which communication technologies implicitly shape our social and personal perspectives may enhance your engagement in the world beyond the classroom.

Learning goals for the curriculum include:

1. To critically investigate the diverse ways in which information technologies can alter the human communication environment.
2. To understand the complex ways in which concerns with communication cannot be separated from ethical concerns.
3. To discern how interpersonal communication is fundamentally different from the varied forms of mediated communication.

A minor in communication consists of five communication courses: 101, and four additional courses (two of which must be at the 300 level or above). The department is dedicated to helping students discern the connections between the study of communication and their major research focus. '

### **101F,S Introduction to Communication.**

An introduction to the fundamental questions of the discipline. Investigates the role of symbolic communication, the essential features of interpersonal communication and group process, as well as the ways in which mediated communication alters perceptions of community and identity. Communication theories are supported by case studies that illustrate the relevance of communication for everyday life. Dane.

### **103F Free Speech: Privacy and Advocacy.**

Focuses on speech, privacy, and advocacy in order to explore the liberties and constraints of living in community with others. Instantaneous access to information via social media contributes to emerging questions regarding privacy and challenging new experiences of community. The course focuses on four related questions: Why do our communities

require privacy? What does the American tradition teach us about privacy? How can advocacy weaken or strengthen community? What new forms of advocacy challenge our understanding of privacy? (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 16. Phelan, CW.

### **106S History of Communication.**

Communication is a fundamental part of human existence. Yet the ways in which we communicate with one another vary over time and with the development of new technologies. Communication became a topic of sustained scholarly inquiry once new mass communication technologies like radio and television had begun to radically alter the ways that humans exchange ideas. This seminar provides a broad historical overview of the most important developments in communication—from the printing press to the Internet—and considers the social, cultural, and political implications of these technologies. T Recuber.

### **[202S] Explorations in Communication.**

An exploration of the fundamental questions regarding how human communication differs from the communication of other living creatures. Drawing on key readings from the communication discipline, students work collaboratively to discover what makes humans unique. Readings incorporate articles on human communication and scientific studies of birds, frogs, chimps, bees, elephants, among others. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **207S Life and Death Online.**

Is the Internet making us smarter or dumber? Does it bring people together across vast geographical expanses, or does it isolate us in bedrooms and basements? Does it open up space for political activism, or does it expand the surveillance and control capabilities of those already in power? To answer such questions, we need to explore the nuances and subtleties that animate our digital lives. This interdisciplinary seminar draws on philosophy, sociology, and communication to more fully understand the consequences of digital technology in everyday life. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, Entry level course in social sciences, psychology or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16. T Recuber.

### **[208F] Witnessing Disaster.**

This course explores the cultural, technological, and ethical dimensions of bearing witness to the suffering of others, especially when such suffering occurs at a great distance, and is brought to us via mass media. (Proseminar.) Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **217F Beyond speeches: Genres of oral communication.**

Oral communication is much more than political speeches or boardroom presentations. This course explores genres of oral communication as they vary across disciplines and contexts, while also considering how technology has impacted the ways in which people express themselves. By examining the development and use of oral communication approaches, students will develop a deeper understanding of the constraints and opportunities offered by various genres of communication. (Speaking-Intensive.) (Same as College Courses and Seminars 217.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Amy Gaffney.

### **230S Group Communication in Virtual & Digital Formats.**

Virtual and digital formats alter our experience of groups. In order to address the challenges of geographically dispersed rather than face-to-face meetings, the course builds on the study of small-group communication to explore the multi-faceted components of virtual groups versus face-to-face interactions. The theories of group process will be contrasted with simulations that illustrate virtual and digital group work. Students will participate in detailed exercises that challenge assumptions about the consequences of cross-cultural differences, as well as online credibility and authority. Prerequisite, Course in communication, government, public policy, sociology, or consent of instructor. T Phelan.

### **280F Conflict Resolution: Policies and Strategies.**

This course examines conflict from a variety of perspectives. We will investigate how arbitration, adjudication, and mediation differ, in addition to exploring how the policies and strategies of cultural and legal institutions dictate different approaches to mediation. Societies cope with conflict by enacting policies consistent with their culture and values. This course examines conflict resolution policies in the U.S. and abroad, including the legal system, the media, the educational sector, and international dispute resolution. Prerequisite, 101 or 222, or consent of instructor. (Same as Public Policy 280.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Dane.

**[303] Crisis Communication: Social Change for Vulnerable Communities.**

Theories of environmental, health, safety, agricultural, and corporate risks and crises will be addressed. Focusing on the public, private and not-for-profit sectors, this course examines how communication policies and procedures provide a framework for social change in vulnerable communities. Based on real scenarios, students study risk assessment, risk perception, message design, crisis management, media relations, and barriers to effective risk and crisis communication. Prerequisite, Course in communication, government, public policy, sociology, or consent of instructor.

**310F Journalism: History, Theory, and Practice.**

Today the press is in a period of rapid change. Notions of journalistic objectivity and the social responsibility of the news media are subject to frequent challenges, and traditional business models are proving unworkable in the digital age. This course examines the historical evolution of journalistic norms, drawing on theories of communication scholars to clarify the interplay of media and politics. Students examine the tenets of objective reporting by crafting long form journalistic essays in response to current political debates. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one course in communication, government or sociology. (Same as American Studies 310.) Maximum enrollment, 20. T Recuber.

**[314S] Communication Law: Freedom of Speech.**

Detailed investigation of the first amendment. Study of case law which has contributed to the creation of a unique American perspective on the role of speech in a free society. Exploration of historical origins of the first amendment, political consequence and technological constraints. Legal distinctions regarding print, broadcast and electronic media focus on implications for the 21st century. Prerequisite, one course in communication, government or sociology. Open to seniors and juniors; sophomores and first-year students with permission.

**316F Digital Divisions: Race, Class, and Gender Online.**

Though conventional wisdom suggests that the internet is a force for freedom and tolerance, it is also a place where existing biases and inequalities get replicated and at times magnified. This course explores the way social categories such as race, class, and gender persist online and the way various biases and prejudices are both combatted and enflamed in online spaces. Prerequisite, One course in Communication, Sociology, or Psychology. Recuber, T.

**318S Communication and Emotion.**

Classical works of philosophy and economics that regard humans as rational actors engaged in reasoned thought tend to cast communication as non-emotional. Yet researchers throughout the social and human sciences increasingly recognize the centrality of emotions in all human interactions. Indeed, emotions are central to the processes of communication—they are often essential in our communication to one another. This course explores the ways that emotions like fear, love, trust, and grief get communicated today in face-to-face interactions and via mass media broadcasts. Prerequisite, 200-level course in Social Sciences or Philosophy. T Recuber.

**[370S] Seminar: Privacy, Policy & Digital Communication.**

This course will explore how American conventions concerning privacy are challenged by digital communication technologies. We will investigate how the concept of privacy is related the speech clause of the First Amendment, and seek to understand why that relationship is crucial for participation in democratic societies. This course also focuses on the concept of privacy in ways that encourage an ongoing semester long dialogue between a specific group of high school students and Hamilton students regarding their interest in and use of digital media. Maximum enrollment, 12.

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**[380F] Social History of Advertising.**

Provides an historical overview of advertising and consumption within the US. Investigates the emergence of consumer culture and the advertising industry in the context of shifts from agrarian to industrial society. Addresses the social significance of consumption habits, the impact of advertising strategies from late 19th century to the present, the social, economic and political contexts that contributed to the emergence of particular marketing practices, and the impact of consumerism as a site of identity practices. Prerequisite, 101 or a course in history, sociology, or psychology, or consent of instructor.

**[451S] Seminar: Communication, Technology and Society.**

Theoretical analysis of how communication technology alters social construction of time, space, community and identity. Readings detail historical precedents in order to address future implications of emerging technologies.

Prerequisite, Communication 101 or consent of the instructor. Open to juniors and seniors. Maximum enrollment, 12.

# Comparative Literature

NOTE: The requirements for the concentrations and minors in comparative literature outlined in this section pertain to students in the classes of 2016 and 2017. Beginning with the Class of 2018, students pursuing the study of comparative literature and/or English and creative writing will take courses through the [Literature and Creative Writing Department](#). See that department for more information. For more information about comparative literature contact Nancy Rabinowitz at [nrabinow@hamilton.edu](mailto:nrabinow@hamilton.edu).

A concentration in comparative literature consists of nine courses, including five designated as comparative literature, two in a national literature in the original language (e.g., Chinese, Russian, Greek) and two in either a second national literature in the original language or in linguistics or in a related art (music, dance, visual arts, or film and media studies) selected in consultation with a departmental advisor. Students pursuing the linguistics or related arts option must complete study in a foreign language to the 140 level or equivalent. All concentrators are required to take 211 or 212, and 297, and all senior concentrators will take part in a Senior Program in which 500 (Senior Seminar) is required and 550 (Senior Project) is recommended. A complete description of the Senior Program is available from the department chair. Only one 100-level course may be counted toward the concentration. It is to the student's advantage to begin foreign language study early; those planning graduate work in literature are urged to take two additional courses in a national literature and to study two foreign languages.

Honors in comparative literature will be awarded on the basis of a cumulative record of 3.5 (90) or above in all courses counting toward the major, as well as distinguished performance in 550.

A minor consists of five courses, including either 211, 212 or 297; two other courses designated as comparative literature; and two other courses in comparative, English or foreign literature, or linguistics. Only two 100-level courses may be counted toward the minor.

Many courses at the 200-level are open to seniors without prerequisites. For details, see the specific descriptions below.

(Same as History 220 and East Asian Languages and Literatures 120 and Literature and Creative Writing 236 and Africana Studies 101 and Education Studies 340 and Classics 210.)

# Computer Science

## Faculty

Mark Bailey, *chair*  
Alistair Campbell  
Richard Decker  
Thomas Helmuth  
Stuart Hirshfield  
David Perkins

Beginning with the Class of 2013, a concentration in computer science consists of 11 courses: 110, 111, 123, 210, 220, 240, 410, and four 300-level courses numbered 310 and above. Furthermore, two of the 300-level courses must be designated programming intensive, and two of the 300-level courses must be designated theory intensive.

Concentrators fulfill the Senior Program requirement by taking 410. Students may earn departmental honors by maintaining a grade point average of 3.5 or higher in courses counting toward the concentration and distinguished achievement in 500.

Students contemplating a concentration in computer science should begin with 110. Students looking for a computer-related course but not necessarily contemplating a concentration in the subject should consider any course numbered less than 111.

A minor in computer science consists of 110, 111, two courses numbered 210 or higher, and one course numbered 310 or higher. '

## **100F Contemporary Computing Concepts.**

The course demonstrates how modern, familiar instances of computing technology—Siri, jpeg files, streaming data, the cloud, hacking, social media, drones, self-driving cars and Watson—all derive from the “big ideas” that make up the field of Computer Science. Topics include what it means to “compute,” building machines to compute, how humans communicate with computers, computer networks, computer security, current and future computer applications. Students will use a variety of programs to experiment with all ideas presented. No knowledge of computer programming required. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Not open to students who have completed 110. May not be counted toward the concentration or the minor. Enrollment limit - 26 per section. Maximum enrollment, 26. Hirshfield.

## **110F,S Introduction to Computer Science.**

The first course in computer science is an introduction to algorithmic problem-solving using the Python programming language. Topics include primitive data types, mathematical operations, structured programming with conditional and iterative idioms, functional abstraction, objects, classes and aggregate data types. Students apply these skills in writing programs to solve problems in a variety of application areas. No previous programming experience necessary. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Maximum enrollment, 26. The Department.

## **111F,S Data Structures.**

A second course in programming, concentrating on the implementation of dynamic structures for data representation. Students will write programs in the C++ programming language which implement the following classic data structures, among others: stacks, lists, queues, hash tables, and trees. Course discussion will emphasize recursion, efficient implementations in terms of memory space and running time, computational complexity of algorithms, and

introduction to two important fields of study: searching and sorting. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 110, or placement by the department. Maximum enrollment, 26. Campbell.

### **112F Problem Solving and Data Structures.**

An accelerated first course in programming. Students demonstrate skill in writing programs to solve problems using Python in a variety of application areas. Concentrates on the implementation of dynamic structures for data representation. Students will write programs in the C++ programming language to implement classic data structures. Course discussion will emphasize recursion, efficient implementations in terms of memory space and running time, computational complexity of algorithms, and introduction to two important fields of study: searching and sorting. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, High school AP Computer Science A score of 4 or 5 or placement by the department. Previous programming experience required. Maximum enrollment, 20. Bailey.

### **123F,S Discrete Mathematics.**

Study of mathematical models and techniques commonly used in computer science. Emphasis on analytical and logical skills, including an introduction to proof techniques and formal symbolic manipulation. Topics include set theory, number theory, permutations and combinations, mathematical induction and graph theory. Topics will be reinforced with hands-on experiences using the ML programming language. Appropriate for students with strong pre-calculus backgrounds. No previous programming experience necessary. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Not open to seniors; open to juniors by consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 26. Perkins.

### **210F Applied Theory.**

An investigation of the nature of computation through development of several models of computation. Topics include finite state machines, pushdown automata and Turing machines, the Chomsky language hierarchy, discussion of computational complexity, and illustration of how these abstract models of computation may be applied to language recognition problems such as lexical analysis and parsing. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 123; or, senior standing and permission of instructor. Decker.

### **220S Principles of Programming Languages.**

Investigation into the nature, features, design and implementation of programming languages. Students will gain experience with a wide variety of programming languages through programming exercises. Topics will include, among others, object-oriented programming, functional programming, higher-order functions, type systems and polymorphism. Prerequisite, 111 or 112; or, senior standing and permission of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 24. Hirshfield.

### **240F Computer Organization and Assembly Language.**

A study of the connection between high-level programs and the machines on which they run by means of extensive programming experience using assembly language. Topics will include translation of high-level language idioms into assembly language, number systems and representation schemes, exceptions, interrupts, polling, and an introduction to the structure of the underlying hardware. In the final project, students develop an assembler. Prerequisite, 111; or, senior standing and permission of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 24. Hirshfield.

### **[290F,S] Programming Challenges.**

Study of classic programming problems from regional and national programming competitions. Students are required to participate in a regional programming contest. Prerequisite, CPSCI 111 or 112, and consent of instructor. One-quarter course credit. Offered credit/no credit. May be repeated. Students may count up to one credit from courses numbered 290-298 toward graduation. Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **[307] Topics in Computer Science II.**

In this course we will explore the state-of-the-art in natural language processing, that is, algorithms for extracting useful information from written text, and tools that employ these algorithms in various ways. Topics include NL parsing,

morphological analysis, part-of-speech tagging, semantic mapping of terms, knowledge representation, and ontologies. A particular domain of interest, though not an exclusive one, will be the extraction of knowledge from abstracts of scientific papers in bio-medicine. Prerequisite, CPSCI 110. Maximum enrollment, 10.

### **310F Compilers.**

Study of the translation of high-level languages into assembly language. Topics will include tokenizing, parsing, type checking, code generation and optimization. Each student will implement a significant portion of a compiler. Programming intensive. Prerequisite, 210, 220 and 240. Maximum enrollment, 24. Bailey.

### **320S Computer Architecture.**

Study of how computers are built. Starting with fundamental logic gates, students will learn how to construct fundamental computational, memory and control components using digital logic. Students study the implementation of arithmetic logic units, processor control and datapath design. Topics will include performance analysis, pipelining, cache design, virtual memory, disk storage, and multicore design. Theory intensive. Prerequisite, 240. Some programming required. Maximum enrollment, 24. Bailey.

### **[330S] Algorithms.**

Discussion of the canon of standard algorithms, with analysis of time and space complexity. Topics will include, among others: sorting, searching and selection; numerical algorithms; string matching; graph algorithms; parallel algorithms; non-determinism and NP-completeness. Theory intensive. Prerequisite, 111 or 112, and 123. Maximum enrollment, 24.

### **340S Operating Systems.**

Study of the design and implementation of computer operating systems. Students will develop at least four significant projects related to the topics of process scheduling, interprocess communication, memory management, file systems, access control, device drivers and security. Programming intensive. Prerequisite, 240. Maximum enrollment, 24. Decker.

### **[350F] Database Theory and Practice.**

A study of modern database systems. Topics include data models, query languages, topics in database design, efficiency issues in query processing and database system architecture. Typical activities will consist of design and analysis of parts of a relational database, implementing queries in the SQL language, and time and space analysis of possible database architectures. Theory intensive. Prerequisite, 111 or 112. Maximum enrollment, 24.

### **[375S] Artificial Intelligence.**

Exploration of AI theory and philosophy, as well as a variety of algorithms and data structures, such as heuristic strategies, logic unification, probabilistic reasoning, semantic networks and knowledge representation. Topics include application areas such as natural language understanding, computer vision, game playing, theorem proving and autonomous agents. Programming intensive. Prerequisite, 220. (Same as Neuroscience 375.) Maximum enrollment, 24.

### **410F Senior Seminar.**

Practicum in which teams of students provide computer expertise and support for faculty research projects. Topics include software engineering analysis, design, coding, testing, maintenance, and documentation. Prerequisite, 210, 220 and 240. Open to senior concentrators only. Maximum enrollment, 24. Decker.

### **[420] Readings in Computer Science.**

Reading in a field of computer science. The class will read several papers assigned weekly from research conference proceedings and journals. Classes will consist of discussions of the day's paper(s). Students will develop a comprehensive annotated bibliography and lead the daily discussions. Does not count toward the concentration or minor. Prerequisite, Consent of instructor. May be repeated for credit with permission of the department. Maximum enrollment, 6.

**500S Honors Thesis.**

A semester-length research project. Open to qualified senior concentrators. Prerequisite, Three 300-level courses numbered 310 and above, 410 and consent of the department. Maximum enrollment, 26. Bailey.

# Critical Languages

## Faculty

Mary Beth Helderle, *Program Director*

The Critical Languages Program is a self-instructional program where students meet three times a week in small groups with a student tutor who is fluent in the language. The student tutor is not a "teacher" in the usual sense. Students, therefore, are expected to exercise the self-discipline and motivation required of independent work. Courses follow established curricula and are not self-paced. In addition to being highly motivated and self-directed, students must be willing to make a daily commitment to the rigorous study and practice of the language through the use of written, recorded and computer materials. Course grades are determined by mid-term and final exams, administered by external examiners.

Language study requires practice and conscientious preparation on a daily basis in order to participate fully in highly interactive classes. Classes are conducted with very little use of English.

The Critical Languages Program does not offer courses beyond second year and there is no minor or concentration available for these languages. Only languages listed in the Course Catalogue are offered.

Students with prior language experience must take a placement test prior to enrolling to determine appropriate level in order to receive course credit.

Students enrolled in the self-instructional courses must contact Mary Beth Helderle by 4 p.m. the first day of classes in order to schedule the class. As classes are contingent upon student tutor availability, on rare occasions a class is cancelled or, due to scheduling conflicts, a student is unable to take the class.

For additional information on the self-instructional format or languages currently offered, visit [Critical Languages web site](#).

### **121F First Term Swahili.**

Introduction in speaking, writing, reading and aural comprehension. Textbook readings and exercises with a strong emphasis on interactive verbal production. Highly interactive with supplemental Language Center projects and activities. Self-instructional format. Maximum enrollment, 10. The Program.

### **122S Second Term Swahili.**

Continued study with emphasis on verbal proficiency, reading and listening comprehension. Highly interactive with supplemental Language Center projects and activities. Self-instructional format. Prerequisite, Swahili 121 or placement. Maximum enrollment, 10. The Program.

### **141F First Term Korean.**

Introduction in speaking, listening comprehension, reading, and writing. Small, highly participatory and interactive classes with a strong emphasis on spoken and listening comprehension skills to develop communicative competency. Self-instructional format that meets three times weekly with a student tutor with supplemental on-line and Language Center projects and activities. Midterm and final exams administered by an outside examiner. Maximum enrollment, 10. Helderle.

**142S Second Term Korean.**

Continued study with emphasis on verbal proficiency, reading and listening comprehension. Highly interactive with supplemental Language Center projects and activities. Self-instructional format. Prerequisite, Korean 141 or placement. Maximum enrollment, 10. Helderle.

**221F Third Term Swahili.**

Intermediate level study with emphasis on verbal proficiency, reading and listening comprehension. Highly interactive with supplemental Language Center projects and activities. Self-instructional format. Prerequisite, Swahili 121 and 122 or placement. Maximum enrollment, 10. The Program.

**222S Fourth Term Swahili.**

Advanced level study with emphasis on verbal proficiency, reading and listening comprehension. Highly interactive with supplemental Language Center projects and activities. Self-instructional format. Prerequisite, Swahili 121, 122, 221 or placement. Maximum enrollment, 10. The Program.

**241F Third Term Korean.**

Intermediate level study with emphasis on verbal proficiency, reading and listening comprehension. Highly interactive with supplemental Language Center projects and activities. Self-instructional format. Prerequisite, Korean 141 and 142 or placement. Maximum enrollment, 10. Helderle.

# Dance and Movement Studies

## Faculty

Elaine Heekin

Bruce Walczyk, *chair*

Paris Wilcox

## *Special Appointments*

Richard G. Lloyd

Sandra Stanton

A concentration in dance consists of 201, 203, 205, 305, 307, 550 or 560, and four semesters of Martial Arts and Dance (208, 308) and/or Intermediate Technique (213, 215, 216) and/or Advanced Technique (313, 315). The Senior Program in dance may be fulfilled through satisfactory completion of one of the following options: a Senior Thesis (550), which may be a research paper or a field study in movement behavior and its analysis/notation, or Senior Performance/Choreography (560), which may be a performance of dance works, choreography or both. No student who has completed the requirements and maintained at least a 3.0 (85) average in dance courses will be prohibited from selecting the performance/choreography option as his/her senior project. The department highly recommends that students qualifying for and electing Dance 560 (Senior Performance/Choreography) be enrolled in technique class during that semester. Students falling below the 3.0 (85) average will be required to register for an independent study as preparation for the project.

Beginning with the class of 2020, students concentrating in Dance and Movement Studies must fulfill the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies requirement by completing one of the following courses: Kinesiology (205), Ballet in the 20th Century (250W), Martial Arts and Dance (208/308), or Composition/Choreography (305/307).

Departmental honors may be earned through outstanding achievement in coursework, a history of distinguished contribution to the dance program and excellence in the performance, composition, research or production component of the Senior Program, as judged by the department.

A minor in dance consists of three course selected from 201, 203, 205, 305 and 307, and two semesters of Martial Arts and Dance (208, 308) and/or Intermediate Technique (213, 215) and/or Advanced Technique (313, 315). '

## **112F Elementary Contemporary Dance.**

Fundamentals of contemporary dance incorporating technique, theory and criticism. No previous dance training required., not open to Seniors Maximum enrollment, 25. Stanton.

## **113S Elementary Jazz Dance.**

This course focuses on the basic movement principles found in contemporary jazz technique. The class will also focus on proper alignment and basic anatomical terminology. There will be several quizzes addressing the history of jazz dance as well as movement vocabulary. An introduction to critiquing dance works and several reviews of dance performances will be part of the grading criteria. Required Text: *Jazz Dance*, Giordano, Gus Maximum enrollment, 25. Elaine Heekin.

## **114F,S Elementary Ballet.**

Beginner-level study of classical ballet with a focus on ballet's basic vocabulary in both barre and center floor exercises, studio-stage directions and designations for the classical positions of the body in space. Work on such

stylistic aspects of ballet as musicality, dynamics and use of the head. Readings in kinesiology pertaining to muscular alignment analysis. No previous dance experience required. Maximum enrollment, 25. The Department.

#### **141-142F,S Performance.**

The study of dance through performance of a role in a main stage dance concert. Prerequisite, invitation of the department. One-quarter credit per semester. May be repeated for credit. The Department.

#### **158F Performing Culture: Shamans, Tourists, and Cross-dressers.**

Examination of performing arts across Asia from traditional theatre to contemporary pop culture, and how performance functions in society. Topics include shamanic rituals, "invented" traditions, tourism, cross-dressing, and other formations of sociocultural identities. The course will be open to first year students and have no prerequisites. (Same as Asian Studies 158 and Theatre 158.) Chuyun Oh.

#### **180S Sound, Performance and Creativity.**

An introduction to the development and use of sound in its relationship to performance. Topics include creation of original sound/movement structures, using vocal/body sounds as well as found objects; introduction to sound recording and the digital-audio workstation; aural analyses of music from a variety of genres to understand certain structures and aesthetics; analyses of group pieces developed in class workshops; creation of different types of non-traditional sound/movement scores; creation of audio recordings to be used in conjunction with performances. Individual and group projects. No previous musical, dance or theatre experience required. Maximum enrollment, 14. Lloyd.

#### **201F History of Dance.**

Study of the theatrical, social and ritual aspects of dance through cross-cultural comparisons among dance forms. Exploration and analysis of such historical issues as the evolution of dances, the struggle to preserve traditional dances and dance fusions in a global society. Lectures, discussions and films. (Writing-intensive.) No previous dance training required. Maximum enrollment, 20. Paris Wilcox.

#### **[203] Movement Analysis.**

Observing, analyzing and recording movement using Laban's principles. Emphasis on cultural and aesthetic concepts of movement as a system of communication. Investigation of alignment techniques, movement behavior and kinesiological principles. No prior dance training required. Maximum enrollment, 15.

#### **204S Pilates For Dance.**

A focus on the basic exercises found in the Pilates method of body conditioning including various apparatus (mat, magic circle, reformer, barrel and cadillac). An overview of anatomy as it applies to the Pilates system will be addressed. The history and philosophical approach to the Pilates system will be included. The discipline focuses on the muscles that are the linchpin of good posture and a stable, strong core. Prerequisite, dance technique course taken within the department. Maximum enrollment, 16. Heekin.

#### **205F Kinesiology.**

An investigation of the musculoskeletal system and use of biomechanical principles to improve efficiency of motor behavior. Emphasis on joint, muscular and alignment analysis. Lectures, discussions and practical application of movement concepts. No prior dance training required. Maximum enrollment, 30. Walczyk.

#### **208F Martial Arts and Dance.**

An investigation into the relationship between martial arts and dance emphasizing the abstraction of movements of self-defense into dance. The study of many cultures that utilize body awareness and movement efficiency in their performance and fighting forms. A major component is the implementation of impact weapons such as olisi (Philippines/Malaysia) and the jo (Japan). Prerequisite, any dance, athletic or martial art experience. Maximum enrollment, 35. Walczyk.

**213S Intermediate Contemporary Dance.**

The study of contemporary dance incorporating technique and theory. Emphasis on alignment and efficiency of movement focusing on increasing strength and flexibility. May be repeated for credit. Prerequisite, Any dance training in contemporary, ballet or jazz. Maximum enrollment, 25. Heekin.

**[215S] Intermediate Ballet.**

Continuation of the study of ballet. Technique classes are combined with studies in kinesiology, dance theory and dance criticism. May be repeated for credit. Prerequisite, 114, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 25.

**[216] Intermediate Jazz Dance.**

Prerequisite, Any dance training in contemporary, ballet or jazz. Developing the technical skill and comprehension of jazz vocabulary and history beyond the elementary level. Focusing on proper alignment and increasing strength, flexibility, endurance as applied to jazz technique. Maximum enrollment, 25.

**[250] Ballet in the Twentieth Century.**

Study of the history of ballet from the Imperial Ballet of the Tsars to the present. Study of Diaghilev's Ballets Russes, the Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo, New York City Ballet, American Ballet Theatre, the Royal Ballet of England and the Kirov and Bolshoi of Russia. Examination of aesthetic principles and their influence on the development of modern ballet. Study of dancers, choreographers, composers and visual artists associated with the ballet world. (Writing-intensive.) No previous dance experience required. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[305] Composition.**

A study of the elements of choreography, emphasizing personal development in movement invention, phrasing and design. Improvisation, costume, set, props, music and technical theatre are introduced. Prerequisite, consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 15.

**307F Choreography.**

The application of fundamentals from 305 to more complex choreographic work, incorporating set, props, costume and text. Exploration and analysis of other art forms as related to dance composition. Prerequisite, 305 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 15. Walczyk.

**308S Advanced Martial Arts and Dance.**

A continuation of 208, emphasizing martial arts from Africa, Asia, Southeast Asia and South America. Students will study cultural background, history, philosophy and terminology along with practical application of movement theories. Prerequisite, 208 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 25. Walczyk.

**[313] Advanced Contemporary Dance and Repertory.**

The study of contemporary dance incorporating technique and theory. Emphasis on performance techniques and ability to comprehend the conceptual framework of movement. Supplemental training in Pilates, jazz and yoga. Guest artists invited each year to teach master classes. May be repeated for credit. Prerequisite, 213 or consent of instructor. Required for students to perform in a faculty or guest artist's work for the Family Weekend Concert. Maximum enrollment, 25.

**315F Advanced Ballet.**

The study of classical ballet emphasizing style and performance quality in addition to technical mastery of the ballet vocabulary. Meets five times weekly. While out-of-class assignments are minimal, daily attendance, effort and consistent improvement in the technical and stylistic aspects of this art form are of critical importance. May be repeated for credit. Prerequisite, 215 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 25. Stanton.

**322S Men On Stage: Masculinity and Desire in Physical Performance.**

An interdisciplinary exploration of masculinity through the analysis of male performers from concert dance to pop

culture. Students will examine how the male body onstage has constructed traditional or non-conventional notions of masculinity, sexuality, and desire across time and space. Themes include male performers in hip-hop, drag, ballet, modern dance, theatre, musical, cross-dressing, and pop music videos from early modern to contemporary era. The class will consist of lectures, discussions, student presentations, and creative responses and activities. No prior performance experience is necessary. (Same as Women's Studies 322 and Theatre 322.) Oh, Chyun.

**550F,S Senior Thesis.**

A research paper or a field study in movement behavior and its analysis/notation. Open to senior concentrators only. The Department.

**560F,S Senior Performance/Choreography.**

A performance of dance works, the choreography of dance works or both. Substantial written component comprising research into the historical, theoretical and socio-cultural contexts of the chosen work. Following submission of the monograph and completion of production, each student will participate in the evaluation of her/his project with an evaluating committee. Open to senior concentrators only. The Department.

# Digital Arts

## Program Committee

Ryan Carter (Music)  
L. Ella Gant, *director* (Art)  
Robert Knight (Art)  
Thomas Marhenke, *ex officio*  
Bret Olsen, *ex officio*  
Samuel F. Pellman (Music)

The introduction of digital media into creative fields has changed the very nature of their study and production. Musicians, scientists, creative writers, film makers, and visual and performing artists have developed multiple fluencies with digital media. This, in turn, has made collaborative and cross-disciplinary work practically inevitable. The program in digital arts provides a formal framework for the exploration of these creative possibilities.

The minor in digital arts consists of five courses: the Digital Arts Workshop (Art/Music 377) and four other courses, including at least two from the digital arts studio course list. Courses counted toward this minor cannot also be counted toward another concentration or minor.

## DIGITAL ARTS STUDIO COURSES

### Art

116 Introduction to Photography  
213 Introduction to Video  
221 Introduction to Animation  
302 Advanced Photography  
313 Advanced Video

### Dance

180 Sound, Performance and Creativity

### Music

109 or 110 Music Theory for Non-Majors or 210/211 Theories of Music: Fundamentals and Chromatic Harmony  
277 Music for Contemporary Media

### Theatre

213 Lighting Design  
214 Sound Design

## RELATED COURSES

### Cinema and Media Studies

125 Introduction to History and Theory of New Media  
201 Introduction to Digital Humanities  
205 Video Game Nation  
325 Media Theory and Visual Culture

330 Digital History and New Media: Theories and Praxis

335 Media and Production

350 Gender and Cyberculture

Computer Science

110 Introduction to Computer Science

375 Artificial Intelligence

Physics

136 Physics and Art

175 The Physics of Musical Sound

245 Electronics and Computers '

# East Asian Languages and Literatures

## Faculty

Xi Chen

Chen-An Chou

Tiao-Guan Huang

Masaaki Kamiya (on leave spring 2018)

Yang Li

Kyoko Omori, *chair*

Zhuoyi Wang

## *Special Appointments*

Jessie Jia

Saori Nozaki

Yumi Saito

Wenqian Sun

Meng Wang

Lian Xue

The East Asian Languages and Literatures Department offers courses in Chinese and Japanese languages, literatures and cultures, and offers a Chinese concentration and minor, as well as a Japanese minor. (For Japanese and Chinese major concentrations in Asian Studies, see the Asian Studies Program site.)

The Chinese Program sends students to its own study abroad program, Associated Colleges in China (ACC). The Japanese Program has a list of recommended programs, and students will select a program in consultation with faculty.

Language courses focus on language acquisition and introduction to the cultures and civilizations of the target countries and regions. Both the Chinese and Japanese Programs also offer culture, literature, film, media, and linguistics courses in English translation for those who have not studied the languages but are interested in the culture and society.

Both the Chinese and Japanese concentrations emphasize work in the original language as a key to understanding China/Japan and related issues aiming at and preparing students for further studies in graduate schools and professional careers in international trade, government service, diplomacy, private business, journalism, and other related fields.

A concentration in Chinese consists of nine courses offered by the Chinese Program and numbered 140 or higher, including at least one 400-level course in each semester of the senior year and the required senior project (550). A minor in Chinese consists of five courses offered by the Chinese Program and numbered 140 or higher, including at least one 400-level course. After consulting the Chinese Program, students may use courses focusing on China offered by the Asian Studies Program or another department to satisfy the Chinese concentration or minor requirements. For a major in Asian Studies China track, see the Asian Studies Program site.

A minor in Japanese requires five courses. Those courses include at least three language courses beyond Japanese 120 (i.e., 130, 140 and 200) and one non-language course offered by the program. The fifth course may be either a language (220 and above) or a non-language course. Consult the faculty in the Japanese Program. For a major in Asian Studies Japan track, see the Asian Studies Program site.

Students of Chinese and Japanese are strongly encouraged to participate in study abroad programs in China and Japan.

Students of Chinese are eligible for the ACC program. Students of Japanese have the opportunity to study abroad through such programs as ICU-Middlebury (Tokyo), CIEE-Sophia University (Tokyo), AKP (Kyoto), Kyoto Center for Japanese Language (Kyoto), and Nanzan University (Nagoya). Consult the faculty in Japanese to find the best program for your interests.

To obtain departmental honors, students must have an average of A- or higher in all coursework in Chinese and must be a Chinese major. For honors in Asian Studies (China or Japan), see the Asian Studies site.

Study of the Chinese and the Japanese languages (Chinese 140/Japanese 140) in the East Asian Languages and Literatures Department also satisfies the two-year language requirement of the Asian Studies Program. Students are encouraged to strengthen their understanding of cross-cultural issues by integrating their language and culture studies with courses offered in Asian studies.

Students interested in beginning or continuing their Chinese or Japanese language studies should make an immediate start with the 100- or 200-level courses in the first semester, or consult with the department chair. All 100-, 200- and 300-level courses taught in English are open to juniors and seniors without prerequisites, unless otherwise noted.

### **SSIH Requirements**

#### **Chinese**

All senior-level courses in the Chinese concentration discuss issues that would satisfy the SSIH requirement. The department emphasizes the breadth of this requirement and students satisfy this requirement through one of the following pairs of courses: 410/420/425/426 and 430/450/465

Along with its curricular mission and disciplinary expectations, the Chinese program requires its concentrators to fulfill the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies (SSIH) requirement in their senior year. Only at this level are students ready with sufficient Chinese language and cultural proficiency and usually a study abroad experience in China for an education of the social, structural, and institutional hierarchies in and surrounding the Chinese-speaking world through its own language, on its own terms, and with adequate breadth and depth.

All conducted in Chinese and offered annually or biannually, the seven courses mentioned below integrate advanced-level training of language skills with enhancement of cultural awareness, intercultural sensitivity and reflections, translingual and transcultural competency, and understanding of issues related to social, structural, and institutional hierarchies. Requiring students to take one from each of the two groups of courses will combine breadth and depth in their SSIH education.

#### **Japanese**

Although the Japanese Program does not have its own concentration, we offer the following non-language courses (taught in English) that can be taken by students in other concentrations to satisfy the SSIH requirement. These courses all help students gain an understanding of structural and institutional hierarchies based on one or more of the social categories of race, class, gender, ethnicity, nationality, religion, sexuality, age, and abilities/disabilities.

JAPN 160 “Modern Selves and Ways of Seeing: Japanese Film, Animation, and Literature” (FYC)

JAPN 205 “Topics in Japanese Linguistics”

JAPN 239/339 “Modern Japan: Japanese Culture and Society From A(-Bomb) to (Dragon Ball)Z”

JAPN 260 “Place, Memory, and Empathy: Japan and Its Others”

#### **Associated Colleges in China**

Administered by the East Asian Languages and Literatures Department, the program provides summer, fall and spring study in Beijing (Capital University of Economics and Business) with intensive coursework through individualized instruction with a high level of participation and interaction. The courses are taught entirely in Chinese and encompass topics including advanced language, Chinese politics, society, economics, religion, art, folklore and literature. Unique

features and activities of the program include the language pledge (speaking Chinese only), language practicum (individual projects conducted with local citizens), Chinese host families, Chinese language table, field trips in historically and culturally important sites outside of Beijing and extracurricular activities such as Taichi, Chinese food cooking, calligraphy, etc.

The courses taken with ACC will count toward the Chinese concentration requirement. However, students with concentrations other than Chinese should consult with the appropriate department for transfer of credit for the concentration.

The ACC Program is open to sophomores, juniors and first-semester seniors. It is in principle a full-year program (summer, fall and spring); however, applications may be made for any of the three sections. To be admitted, students must take at least two semesters of Chinese, a course on the culture and civilization of China and have the permission of the ACC director. '

## Chinese

### **110F First-Term Chinese.**

An introduction to spoken and written modern Chinese through conversational drills, comprehension, reading and writing practice in classwork and homework. Four hours of class, with additional lab work and individual sessions for each student. Maximum enrollment, 16. Jin and Huang.

### **120S Second-Term Chinese.**

Continued work in speaking, listening and reading. Emphasis on patterns that facilitate speaking and reading. Four hours of class, with additional lab work and individual sessions for each student. Prerequisite, 110. Maximum enrollment, 16. The Department.

[Spring 2014 01](#) (Hou X,Li Y,Wu S,Wu Y)

### **130F Third-Term Chinese.**

Comprehensive review of grammar and development of language skills through communicative teaching. Four hours of class, with additional lab work and individual sessions for each student. Prerequisite, 120 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16. Lin.

### **140S Fourth-Term Chinese.**

Continuation of third-term Chinese. Development of spoken and written skills, as well as familiarity with current Chinese culture. Class discussions in Chinese. Four hours of class, with additional lab work and individual sessions for each student. Prerequisite, 130 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16. The Department.

[Spring 2014 01](#) (Xue L,Chen Y,Li Y)

### **160F Modern China Through Film.**

Examines how films produced in diverse socio-economic contexts generate conflicting modern representations of China, ranging from a legendary land, a rapidly changing society, to an everlasting patriarchy, and how these representations produce hegemonic and subversive cultural knowledge. Students will gain broad understanding of Chinese cinema and history, theory of film and cultural studies, and pertinent Hollywood films. All films have English subtitles. Requirements include film viewings, presentations, quizzes, class discussions and a final paper. All lectures and discussions in English. All lectures and discussions in English. Wang.

### **165F Americans & Chinese: Case Studies of Cross-Cultural Communication.**

Through film screening, role-play, skit performances and discussions, students learn to identify differences in the behavioral culture between Americans and Chinese. The course brings students of different cultural backgrounds together and conducts cross-cultural comparison through observation, first-hand experience sharing, and critical analysis. It helps Americans to interact more effectively when dealing with Chinese counterparts in their future careers. It also helps Chinese native speakers to better adjust to the American culture. All course materials are in English or subtitled. Junqing Jia.

### **200F Third-Year Chinese I.**

Designed for students who wish to use Chinese beyond everyday conversation. Concentrates on subtleties of Chinese grammar and builds a vocabulary through extensive use of short texts. Includes expository writing. Four hours of class, with additional tutorial and laboratory work. Taught primarily in Chinese. Prerequisite, 140 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16. The Department.

### **[210S] Modern and Contemporary Chinese Literature: Traditions and Modernities.**

Since 1919, Chinese literature has played a decisive role in interactions between tradition and modernity. This course examines the development of Chinese literature against such interactions. Students will familiarize themselves with the most representative modern and contemporary Chinese literary works and gain a broad understanding of many modernity-related issues, including politics, culture, class, labor division, ethnicity, gender and sexuality. All lectures and discussions in English. Requirements: presentations, class discussions, film viewings and a final paper. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 210.)

### **220S Advanced Chinese II.**

Continuation of Advanced Chinese I, with emphasis on making the transition from textbook to an advanced level of competence for reading periodicals and journals in China. Discussion, written and oral work. Taught in Chinese. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, 200 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16. The Department.

[Spring 2014 01](#) (Chen Y)

### **380S Seminar: Transcultural Chinese-Language Cinema and Hollywood.**

Does Hollywood cinema dictate its reception across the world? Are there clear-cut boundaries between non-Hollywood cinema's submission and resistance to Hollywood? Facing worldwide competition, how does Hollywood maintain its dominance of global culture? This seminar examines such questions by focusing on the nuanced negotiations between Hollywood films and diverse Chinese-language cultures, including China, Taiwan, and Hong Kong. Students will gain insight into Chinese-language films, literatures, and cultures as well as their own culture shaped by Hollywood-dominated media. All discussions in English. Maximum enrollment, 12. Zhuoyi Wang.

### **[410F] Advanced Chinese: Reading and Writing.**

Designed for students who are approaching advanced level Chinese but need further refinements on vocabulary usage and formal expression, this course aims at increasing reading and composition capabilities with a primary focus on language accuracy and appropriateness. Students will be exposed to a large amount of authentic and formal Chinese texts covering current issues in China to obtain the skills necessary to complete various writing tasks. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, Any 200-level or 300-level course conducted in Chinese or consent of the instructor. Taught in Chinese. Maximum enrollment, 12.

### **420S Introduction to Taiwanese Society and Culture.**

This course will focus on a wide range of social and cultural issues of Taiwan. Students in this class will be exposed to a large number of authentic and academic Chinese texts covering various issues of Taiwan to obtain the skills necessary to produce effective argumentative writing. Particularly designed for advanced-level Chinese students who want to achieve near-native proficiency in reading and writing skills. Taught in Chinese. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, Any 200-level or 300-level course conducted in Chinese or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Chen-An Chou.

### **425F Current Issues in Greater China.**

Presentation and analysis of different perspectives on 21st-century Greater China Region, including geopolitical and economic issues, social changes, political situation and popular culture. Class materials includes documentaries, video/films, web sources and traditional texts. Short papers and oral presentation. Particularly designed for students who wish to improve their speaking and writing skills before working on their senior projects. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, Any 200-level or 300-level course conducted in Chinese or consent of the instructor. Taught in Chinese. Maximum enrollment, 20. Yan Li.

[Fall 2014 01](#) (Li Y)

### **426S Advanced Spoken Chinese.**

This course is designed to improve students' oral Chinese proficiency to advanced level and to help students prepare for ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI). Through guided discussions on various topics in both formal and informal settings, students will be trained to master Chinese speaking skills to support opinion, hypothesize, and discuss topic concretely and abstractly in a fluent and accurate manner. Prerequisite, Limited to senior Chinese concentrators or consent of the instructor. Taught in Chinese. Maximum enrollment, 12. The Department.

### **430S Masterpieces of Chinese Literature.**

Reading and discussion of the masterpieces from Chinese literature including essays during the early Qin and Han dynasties, poetry and prose from the Tang and Song dynasties, the novels from the Ming and Qing dynasties. Taught in Chinese. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, A 400-level course in Chinese or consent of instructor. Limited to seniors or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Wang.

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### **450F Remembering the Chinese Revolution through Film.**

The 20th century saw waves of revolutions shape the history of modern China. This course examines how Chinese films produced in diverse socio-economic contexts represent this century of revolution. Students will gain a broad understanding of the history of modern China, familiarize themselves with film analysis techniques and post-1949 Chinese cinema, and learn to understand film as the most powerful modern art form for constructing historical memories. Requirements for the course include group presentations, film analysis assignments, and one final paper. Taught in Chinese. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, A 300-level course in Chinese or permission of instructor. Limited to seniors or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. Wang.

### **[465S] Chinese Education in the Age of Americanization: Crises and Reforms.**

Schools in the United States have seen a rapidly increasing influx of Chinese students. In China, this trend corresponds with a growing idealization of the US educational system and dissatisfaction with the Chinese one. Yet the US system has also found itself in crisis, and turned to educational methods at the center of the Chinese system in its reforms. This course will discuss the respective strengths and weaknesses of the Chinese and the American systems, the crises they are facing, and possible directions of reforms. Presentations, weekly writing assignments, and a final paper. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, a 400 level course. Limited to seniors or consent of instructor. Next offered spring 2018. Maximum enrollment, 12.

### **[495S] Practicum in Chinese Language and Culture Education.**

This course combines study in Chinese language and culture and experience in teaching one or two Chinese language and culture courses at K-5 programs in the Oneida-Herkimer-Madison BOCES school districts. Students in the course participate in weekly classes focusing on various aspects of Chinese language, culture, and teaching through lectures, group discussions, papers, and presentations on curriculum, instruction and assessment. Taught in Chinese. Prerequisite, Any 200-level or 300-level course conducted in Chinese or consent of instructor.

### **550F,S Senior Project.**

A research project using sources in Chinese culminating in a paper, designed by the student, in consultation with at

least two members of the East Asian Languages and Literatures Department. Students are expected to develop analytical and linguistic skills in the Chinese language through culture study in upper-level coursework and/or study abroad. Prerequisite, Limited to senior Chinese concentrators. Maximum enrollment, 6. The Department.

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## Japanese

### **110F First-Term Japanese.**

Introduction to basic structures and vocabulary. Emphasis on oral communication with practice in reading and writing, using the two syllabaries (hiragana and katakana) and 28 kanji characters. Four 50-minute classes a week (Monday-Thursday). Maximum enrollment, 16. Kamiya.

### **120S Second-Term Japanese.**

Continued work in speaking, listening, reading, and writing, with mastery of 99 kanji characters. Four 50-minute classes a week (Monday-Thursday). Prerequisite, 110, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16. Kamiya.

### **130F Third-Term Japanese.**

Completion of introduction to basic structures of the language. Continued emphasis on oral communication, with practice in reading simple texts. An additional 104 kanji characters will be introduced. Four 50-minute classes a week (Monday-Thursday). Prerequisite, 120 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16. Nozaki.

### **140S Fourth-Term Japanese.**

Intermediate Japanese with continued emphasis on oral communication. An additional 108 kanji characters will be introduced. Four 50-minute classes a week (Monday-Thursday). Prerequisite, 130, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16. Nozaki.

### **160S Modern Selves and Ways of Seeing: Japanese Film, Animation, and Literature.**

Modern technology has changed the ways in which we see and understand the world around us, as well as ourselves. Up to today, technological advancements have continued to inspire artists to create works that depict such sensorial changes in human experience. This course will examine Japanese animation, films, and literary works that draw our attention to new modes of perception and ways of engaging with the world in the modern age. Open to First-years only. (Writing-intensive.) Taught in English. No prior knowledge of Japan is required. Maximum enrollment, 16. Kyoko Omori.

### **200F Advanced Japanese I.**

Increasing emphasis on written Japanese, with acquisition of an additional 160 kanji characters. Prerequisite, 140, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16. Nozaki.

### **[205S] Topics in Japanese Linguistics.**

This course explores Japanese phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax and semantics. Students will compare Japanese with English and examine universal perspectives of language. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 110, Anthropology 201 or consent of instructor. (Same as Linguistics 205.)

### **219/319F Language Acquisition.**

Examines interface phenomena between pragmatics and language acquisition. Students will learn theoretical issues of semantics/pragmatics and the theory of the first language acquisition. Target languages to examine various phenomena are Chinese, Japanese, Korean and English. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) (Same as Linguistics 219/319.)

Kamiya.

### **220S Advanced Japanese II.**

Continuation of Advanced Japanese I, with guided practice in reading modern texts with acquisition of additional 250 kanji characters. Prerequisite, 200, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16. Nozaki.

### **[230S] Morphology and Syntax.**

This course explores the relationship between word formation and sentence formation by examining English and Japanese grammar (and, to a certain degree, that of other languages). Ultimately, both morphology and syntax play important roles in the interpretation of sentences. No previous linguistics background or Japanese language background is necessary. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) (Same as Linguistics 230.)

### **239/339F Modern Japan: Japanese Culture and Society From A(-Bomb) to (Dragon Ball)Z.**

This course explores issues of imperialism, military conflict, pacifism, nuclear victimhood, foreign occupation, national identity, and social responsibility in 19th to 21st-century Japan. Materials include nonfiction, science fiction, poetry, war propaganda, novels, censorship documents, animé, and film. Taught in English. No knowledge of Japanese language or history required. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 239.) Omori.

### **[255] The Languages of East Asia.**

Examines Chinese, Japanese and Korean as well as other languages found in East Asia. Topics include the syntactic (possible word order, inflections, particles, and combinations of all of them) and phonological structures (phoneme, pitch vs. tone, sound patterns) of these languages; the relationships of the languages to each other; differences and similarities of these languages from the universal point of view; the geographical, social and historical settings. No knowledge of any Asian language necessary. (Same as Linguistics 255.)

### **260S Place, Memory, and Empathy: Japan and Its Others.**

Focusing on Japan as a point of reference, this course will consider how the notion of “place” gets constructed through human emotions as something more than just a set of geographical coordinates. Examining a range of literary works and films, we will study how “Japan” has been imagined, constructed, and remembered in the 20th century through storytelling. Topics to be covered include Japan’s imperialism in Asia, Hiroshima/Nagasaki, Vietnam War, minorities in Japan, and anime. Taught in English. No prior knowledge of Japan is required. Open to Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors only. Kyoko Omori.

### **298S Field Study in Japan: Place, Memory, and Empathy.**

Focusing on Japan as a point of reference, this spring recess field study will consider how the notion of “place” gets constructed through human emotions. Students will take basic language and culture sessions at Doshisha Univ in Kyoto, as well as visit locations of historical, cultural, or political significances in Kyoto and Hiroshima. After the trip, students will upload to a digital archive the stories of the places they studied. Concurrent registration in JAPN260 required. A quarter credit course. Selection of participants takes place in November of the previous semester. Maximum enrollment, 6. Omori.

### **356F Introduction to Japanese Film.**

Traces the history of one of the world’s most innovative film industries. Since the early 20th century, Japanese film makers have experimented with and improved upon cinema; their work has been influential not only in Japan but throughout the world. From the drama of early silent movies to anime, we’ll cover some of the “greatest hits” of Japanese film, whether widely popular or critically acclaimed. This exploration of cinema in Japan will offer both a new perspective on cinema itself as well as an opportunity to view the genre’s development in a specific cultural context. Prerequisite, Cinema and New Media Studies 120, Comparative Literature 120, Art History 120, any 100-level course in Asian studies or Japanese, or consent of the instructor. No prior knowledge of Japanese history, language or film required. Omori.

**401F Selected Readings in Japanese.**

Reading in modern literary and non-literary texts and mastery of the remaining kanji characters on the joyo kanji list. Through advanced-level reading of original texts and in-depth discussion, students focus on topics such as Japanese literature, film, culture and linguistics. This course also accommodates and guides senior theses. Prerequisite, 220, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16. Omori.

**402S Japanese Textual Analysis and Translation.**

Designed for students who want to achieve near-native proficiency in all four skills in Japanese language. Particular attention given to translation of literary and other texts. This course also accommodates and guides senior theses. Course conducted in Japanese. Prerequisite, 401, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16. Omori.

# Economics

## Faculty

Erol Balkan (New York City Program, fall 2016)

Emily Conover

Christophre Georges

Paul Hagstrom (on leave spring 2018)

Mike Hsu

Elizabeth Jensen, *chair*

Derek Jones

Ann Owen (on leave spring 2018)

Javier Pereira

Jeffrey Pliskin

Olga Rud

Julio Videras

Stephen Wu

Wei Zhan

## *Special Appointments*

John Markert

Margaret Morgan-Davie

Stephen Owen

A concentration in economics consists of nine economics courses plus one diversity course taken outside the department. The economics courses must include: 101,102, 265, 275, 285 and four elective courses. Math 113 or its equivalent is one of the prerequisites for 275. At least two of the elective courses must be at the 400 level or above, with at least one at the 500 level and taken as a senior. The Senior Project will be completed in a designated 500-level course. The Senior Thesis is a written report of a project containing original research. Students writing a thesis must enroll in 560 (Research Seminar).

Beginning with the class of 2020, students concentrating in economics must satisfy a diversity requirement by taking one course from an approved list. The diversity requirement broadens students' understanding of the roles of identity, culture, and social class in the U.S. in order to enrich the study of economics. The course must be completed by the end of the junior year.

230 and 235 do not count toward the concentration. Concentrators must complete 265, 275 and 285 by the end of the junior year so that they may apply these analytical tools in their 400 level and 500 level courses. Additionally, 265, 275 and 285 must be taken at Hamilton. For purposes of fulfilling the requirements for the concentration, the Department does not classify any transferred courses at the 400 level or above. See the departmental website for additional information on procedures for transferring credit for economic courses taken off-campus. Additionally, Independent Study 499 is not classified as a 400 level elective. Exemption from these requirements is granted only in unusual cases. Because Economics 265 is not open to students who have taken or are concurrently taking Math 253 or Math 352, these students must substitute Economics 400 for Economics 265 in the requirements for the concentration.

Students planning graduate work in economics should consult a member of the department for specific advice. They should take 400, selections from the other 400-level courses, 560 and obtain as strong a background in mathematics as possible. The sequence in calculus and linear algebra is required by virtually all good Ph.D. programs in economics;

additional work in mathematics, such as courses in differential equations and real analysis, is strongly recommended. Students who plan to study for an M.B.A. should complete at least one semester of calculus and should consult "Information for Prospective M.B.A. Students," a document available at the Career Center Web site, for additional recommendations.

Departmental honors will be awarded to concentrators who demonstrate superior performance in economics, as evaluated by members of the department. To be eligible for honors, a student must complete 400 and 560, have a grade point average of at least 3.3 for all courses that satisfy the concentration and write an outstanding Senior Thesis.

A minor in economics consists of 101, 102, 275, 285 and one additional economics course, with the exception of 230 or 235, which do not count toward the minor. 275 and 285 must be taken at Hamilton. If the student's concentration is in public policy, Economics 101 and 102 cannot count in both the student's concentration and the minor. These courses will be used to satisfy concentration requirements, and they will be replaced by alternative courses in the minor requirements. These alternative courses will be chosen by the chair of the Economics Department in consultation with the director of the Public Policy Program.

Seniors may not preregister for Economics 101 but may add this course at the beginning of each semester, space permitting. '

#### **101F,S Issues in Microeconomics.**

The price system as a mechanism for determining which goods will be produced and which inputs employed; profit-maximizing behavior of firms under differing competitive conditions; pricing of factors of production and income distribution; taxation, discriminatory pricing and government regulation; theory of comparative advantage applied to international trade. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Department (Fall); Department (Spring).

#### **102F,S Issues in Macroeconomics.**

Gross domestic product; its measurement and the determination of production and employment levels; the role of the government in the economy, particularly fiscal policy; the money supply, monetary policy and inflation; foreign exchange rates. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 101. Department (Fall); Department (Spring).

#### **220F Corporate Finance.**

This course explores theories which provide the basis for the decision-making processes employed by financial managers within the firm. The course will stress application of these theories in both non-profit and for-profit settings. Topics include: time value of money, project evaluation rules such as net present value and internal rate of return, capital budgeting, long-term financing, capital structure and payout policy, and working capital management. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Does not count toward the concentration or minor. Open to sophomores, juniors and seniors only. Steve Owen.

#### **230F,S Accounting.**

Study of the fundamental principles underlying financial accounting. Strong emphasis on understanding and analysis of companies' annual reports and the four basic financial statements included therein: balance sheet, income statement, statement of changes in stockholders' equity and statement of cash flows. Does not count toward the concentration or minor. Open to sophomores, juniors and seniors only. Not open to students who have taken 330. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) S Owen.

#### **235S Policy, Poverty and Practice.**

Investigates policies to alleviate poverty, with a focus on the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC). Topics include: poverty, income inequality and inequality of opportunity; tax policy; and incentives created by policies aimed at alleviating poverty. The class has a significant service learning component in which students complete IRS training and assist low-income families in Utica in filling out Federal tax forms to claim the EITC. Prerequisite, None. The course meets one hour per week through April 15, with a minimum in-class time of 10 hours. Requires significant self-paced

training prior to start of classes. Course can only be taken credit/no credit. Does not count toward the concentration or minor. Maximum enrollment, 30. Morgan-Davie.

### **265F,S Economic Statistics.**

An introduction to the basic concepts of probability and statistics. Topics include descriptive statistics, probability theory, estimation, hypothesis testing and linear regression. Computer laboratory will make use of statistical software packages. 150 minutes of lecture and 75 minutes of laboratory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 102 or consent of instructor. No previous experience with computers required. Not open to seniors or students who have taken or are concurrently taking Math 253 or Math 352. Hagstrom (Fall), Wu (Spring).

### **275F,S Microeconomic Theory.**

The theory of consumer behavior. Theories of the firm and market structures, and of resource allocation, pricing and income distribution. General equilibrium and economic efficiency. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 102 and Math 113 or the equivalent. Not open to senior concentrators. Maximum enrollment, 27. Jensen (Fall); Conover (Spring).

### **285F,S Macroeconomic Theory.**

Theories of business cycles and economic growth. Theories of monetary policy, budget and trade balances, aggregate consumption and investment activity, unemployment, inflation, technological change and productivity growth. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 102. Not open to senior concentrators. Maximum enrollment, 27. Hsu (Fall) ; A Owen (Spring).

### **318F The Economics of Technology and Innovation.**

An examination of the nature and implications of innovation and technological change. We will investigate the history and economic theory of innovation and technological progress, related policy debates, and future prospects. Particular attention to the implications of recent developments in information technology and robotics for labor markets and the distribution of economic wellbeing. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 102. Maximum enrollment, 20. Georges.

### **325S Comparative Economic Systems.**

A comparative analysis of economic systems and criteria for evaluation. An examination of market, command, mixed and market socialist economies. Emphasis on problems of transition in former communist countries and Japan and Germany compared to the United States. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 102. Maximum enrollment, 20. Jones.

### **331S International Trade Theory and Policy.**

Theoretical and empirical analysis of the pattern of international trade and international trade policies. Emphasis on theoretical models used by economists. Topics include the determinants of the pattern of international trade, immigration, foreign direct investment, the gains from trade, tariffs, quotas, voluntary export restraints, dumping, subsidies, trade-related intellectual property rights, international labor standards, trade and environmental issues, the WTO, customs unions, free trade agreements and trade adjustment assistance. Prerequisite, 102. Not available to student who are or have taken Economics 433 Pliskin.

### **333S Development and Social Change.**

Introduction to the theoretical and practical aspects of the political economy of development and social change. It draws on research in development economics, anthropology, sociology, history, and political science. The first readings will be on the theory of social change as applied to the developing and developed countries. It then focuses on debates in the literature of sociocultural, political, and economic change. The focus will be themes and analyses in contemporary development studies to give students an idea of the challenges and possibilities for social change today. Prerequisite, 102. Balkan.

### **339F Introduction to Behavioral Economics.**

Rather than assume that people, firms, or leaders are always purely rational, behavioral economics relaxes this assumption and analyzes situations where rationality does not always hold. The field integrates research across disciplines, drawing from neuroscience, behavioral and developmental psychology, and economics. As such it allows economists to study why people choose outcomes that seem to violate traditionally held views of rationality and why markets actually behave as they do. It allows economists to better understand how individuals, groups, and firms respond to policies. Prerequisite, Economics 101 and 102. Tsang, Ming.

### **340F Economic Development.**

Introduction to the study of international development. Topics include economic growth, poverty, inequality, health, demography, education, child labor, the environment, conflict and corruption. Prerequisite, 102. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Econ 102. Balkan.

### **[341S] Energy Economics.**

This course explores the theoretical and empirical perspectives on the demand and supply sides of the energy markets. This course starts with an energy outlook in both domestic and global scales. Then it discusses the natural resource modelling, energy supply, and the behavioral underpinnings of the energy demand. The course continues with current and historical aspects of national, and global markets for oil, natural gas, coal, electricity, nuclear power, and renewable energy. Prerequisite, Economics 101 and 102.

### **348F Economics of Social Responsibility.**

This course explores how ethical values and social norms influence economic behavior by individuals and groups. Topics include altruism, civic engagement and contributions to public goods, the philanthropic sector, socially responsible investment, corporate responsibility, and social entrepreneurship. Prerequisite, Econ 101. Videras J.

### **[350] Economics of Poverty and Income Distribution.**

A study of domestic poverty and of government programs designed to address poverty. Topics include the definition and measurement of poverty, the factors associated with becoming poor and the design, purpose, financing and individual incentive effects of various state and federal public assistance programs, as well as their effectiveness in reducing the incidence or duration of poverty. Prerequisite, 102.

### **360S Health Economics.**

An analysis of the economics of health and medical care, with particular emphasis on the provision of health care in the United States. Topics include the structure of public and private health insurance programs, financing the rising costs of medical care and the impact of health status on labor supply and retirement decisions. Relates these issues to current public policy debates surrounding the health care profession. Prerequisite, 102. Wu.

### **365F Economic Analysis of American History.**

An examination and explanation of the development of the American economy, focusing on the period from 1840 through World War II. Topics include the economics of slavery and share cropping, the rise of big business, railroads and economic growth, the development of banks and the causes of the Great Depression. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 102. Maximum enrollment, 20. Jensen.

### **[375] History of Economic Thought.**

A survey of economic theory and methodology from the early Greeks to the present. Discussion of the ideas of major economic writers such as Smith, Marx, Marshall and Keynes, with attention paid to historical context as well as relevance to current economic debates. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 102. Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **380F Environmental Economics.**

An examination of issues in environmental policy from the perspective of economic theory. Topics include the measurement of benefits and costs of curtailing pollution and preserving ecosystems, the design of public policies to improve environmental quality, and the examination of past and current environmental programs in the United States

and their success. Also considers sustainable growth and issues of environmental equity. Prerequisite, 101. O'Hara.

#### **400F Econometrics.**

An introduction to econometric methods that are frequently used in applied economic research. Emphasis on interpreting and critically evaluating empirical results and on establishing the statistical foundations of widely used econometric methods. Topics include the classical linear regression model, functional form, dummy explanatory variables, binary choice models, panel data models, heteroskedastic and autocorrelated disturbance terms, instrumental variables estimation and an introduction to simultaneous equation models. Three hours of class and 75 minutes of laboratory. Prerequisite, 265 or Mathematics 253 or 352. Pliskin.

#### **[415S] Economics of Higher Education.**

A study of issues in the economics of higher education. Topics will include the financing of higher education, determinants of tuition costs, trends in admissions policies, determinants of academic success at college, and the economic returns to higher education. Maximum enrollment, 20.

#### **425S Financial Economics.**

A study of individual level investment decisions and the equilibrium determination of asset prices. Mean-variance analysis motivated by the tradeoff between risk and return. An introduction to asset pricing models, including the CAPM and multi-factor models. An introduction to derivatives, including stock options, futures and swaps. Discussions of the Efficient Markets Hypothesis, arbitrage, and contributions from behavioral finance. Other topics may include: fixed income pricing, Arrow-Debreu securities and the completeness of markets, and the binomial asset pricing model. Prerequisite, 265 and 275 or equivalent, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Pereira.

#### **[432F] International Finance.**

Survey of international financial markets in both theory and practice. Topics include optimal monetary and fiscal policy in an open economy and central banking; international financial markets for foreign exchange; Eurocurrencies and international bonds; the nature and operation of the principal international financial institutions; financial and currency crisis; international debt issues and country risk. Prerequisite, 265, 275 and 285. Maximum enrollment, 20.

#### **433 International Economics.**

Topics on international trade and finance in the global economy. Prerequisite, 265, 275, and 285 or permission of instructor. Not available to student who are or have taken Economics 331 Maximum enrollment, 20. .

#### **435F Industrial Organization Theory and Applications.**

Theoretical and empirical analysis of firm conduct with emphasis on firms in oligopolistic industries. Examination of conduct primarily, but not entirely, from a game theory perspective. Exploration of business practices such as product differentiation and advertising, research and development, and price discrimination. Consideration of relevant public policies, especially antitrust policy. Prerequisite, 265 and 275 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Jensen.

#### **[440] Public Economics.**

The course addresses the role of governments and government policies in the U.S. economy and on individual behavior. You will develop an understanding of the theories of taxation and government expenditure and their impact on a wide range of real-world problems and situations. Topics include market failures; voting behavior and its implications for resource allocation, expenditure program evaluation, the incidence and efficiency of various taxes, and redistribution of income policies such as public assistance and Social Security. Prerequisite, Econ 265, Econ 275. Maximum enrollment, 20.

#### **[445S] Economic Growth.**

Why are some countries so rich while others are so poor? Examines the difference in living standards both across and

within countries, using both theoretical and empirical methods. Topics include the effects of income distribution, technology, population growth, international trade, government policy and culture on the level and growth of per capita income. Prerequisite, 265, 275, 285 and Mathematics 113 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20.

#### **446F Monetary Policy.**

A study of the goals, strategies and tactics of monetary policy. The interaction of the central bank with financial markets, the tools and the transmission mechanism of monetary policy, and structure of the Federal Reserve System and the international financial system. Emphasis on policy application. Students in the class have the opportunity to participate in the College Fed Challenge, a national competition in which teams of students make a presentation to monetary policy experts about the current state of the economy and the future course of monetary policy. (Oral Presentations.) Prerequisite, 285 and 265 or GOV 253 or Math 253. Not open to students who have taken Econ. 346. Maximum enrollment, 20. Ann Owen.

#### **[451S] Behavioral Economics.**

Why do people tip at restaurants that they will never go to again? Why do people pay for health club memberships that cost them more than if they just paid at the door each time they went? Why do successful bidders tend to bid in the final minute in online auctions? Recent research involving both economics and psychology has identified ways in which human behavior consistently deviates from standard rationality. Topics which explore these deviations include time-inconsistent preferences, emotion, attitudes toward risk, overconfidence, information processing problems and altruism. Prerequisite, 265 and 275. Maximum enrollment, 20.

#### **453F Topics in Economic Development of Latin American.**

A study of the methods used in empirical research in development economics with a specific focus on Latin America. Students will read and analyze papers on topics including labor markets, education, health, institutions, gender, and poverty. Students will learn and apply the theory behind different empirical methods in assignments that will require them to work with data. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 265 and 275 or consent of Instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Conover.

#### **460F Game Theory and Economic Behavior.**

An introduction to theories of strategic behavior as they have been developed and applied in economics. Applications include strategic behavior in oligopolistic markets, auctions, bargaining, trade policy, procrastination, standards setting and the provision of public goods. Prerequisite, 265 and 275, or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Rabinal.

#### **484S Experimental Economics.**

The goal of this course is to introduce students to economic inquiry using experimental methodologies. Experimental economics is a relatively new field in which decision making is examined in a controlled laboratory setting. The data from these experiments are used to evaluate theories as well as to test and fine tune policies that could not be easily tested with naturally-occurring data. Students will learn how to combine theories and experimental methodologies to help them answer the economic questions they want to research. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Economics 265 and 275. Maximum enrollment, 20. Tsang.

#### **501S International Finance.**

A look at theories and issues in international finance, including the evolution of the current global financial markets, balance of payments problems, exchange rate determination and currency markets, financial and currency crisis, international capital flows, international banking, and macroeconomic policies in an open economy. Prerequisite, 265 and 275. Course is intended for those fulfilling the senior project requirement. Not open to students who have taken 432. Maximum enrollment, 12. E Balkan.

#### **[502] Topics in Sustainability.**

Topics include relationship between standards of living and conservation of the natural environment, effects of trade on the environment, the role of formal and informal institutions, research on the environmental Kuznets curve, and the determinants of sustainable consumption choices. The course relies on empirical methods. Goals in this area include learning to read critically economics journal articles, being able to replicate and extend empirical analyses, and learning how to use economic theory and statistical methods to develop and test hypotheses. Prerequisite, 265 and 275. Intended for those fulfilling the senior project requirement. Maximum enrollment, 12.

### **503S Economic Analysis of Human Resource Management Practices.**

Topics include the choice of the form of labor compensation (e.g., fixed wage, salary, piece rates and other forms of pay for performance), the effects on firm performance of employee involvement programs (e.g., self-directed teams) and of financial participation schemes (e.g., profit sharing and employee stock ownership) and the level and structure of executive compensation and corporate governance. As well as reviewing the existing literature of these topics, students will carry out their own econometric analyses of data. Prerequisite, 265 or consent of instructor, and 275. This course is intended for those fulfilling the senior project requirement. Not open to students who have taken 462. Maximum enrollment, 12. Pliskin.

### **504S Topics in Macroeconomics.**

An advanced treatment of selected topics of current interest in macroeconomics. Theoretical and empirical approaches to explaining recent recessions and trends in economic growth, unemployment, inflation and income inequality, with a focus on the recent global recession. Prerequisite, 265, 275, 285. This course is intended for those fulfilling the senior project requirement. Not open to students who have 430. Maximum enrollment, 12. Georges.

### **[505S] Topics In Development Economics.**

This course covers topics in microeconomics of international development including: political economy, health education, program evaluation and agriculture. The course will be mostly empirical. We will study methods used by applied microeconomists. There will be frequent discussions of journal articles and the policy implications derived from empirical findings. Students will learn to replicate and extend existing studies. Intended for those fulfilling the senior project requirement. Prerequisite, ECON 265 and ECON 275. Maximum enrollment, 12.

### **506F Economic Growth.**

Why are some countries so rich while others are so poor? Examines the difference in living standards both across and within countries, using both theoretical and empirical methods. Topics include the effects of income distribution, technology, population growth, international trade, government policy and culture on the level and growth of living standards. Prerequisites 265, 275, 285 or consent of instructor. This course is intended for those fulfilling the senior project requirement. Not open to students who have 445. Prerequisite, ECON 265, 275, 285 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. Owen A.

### **508F Topics in Industrial Organization.**

Theoretical and empirical analysis of firm conduct with emphasis on firms in oligopolistic industries. Examination of conduct primarily, but not entirely, from a game theory perspective. Exploration of business practices such as product differentiation and advertising, research and development, and price discrimination. Consideration of questions of firm organization such as vertical integration. Prerequisite, 265 and 275 or consent of instructor. Course is intended for those fulfilling the senior project requirement. Not open to students who have taken 435. Maximum enrollment, 12. Prerequisite, Econ 265 and Econ 275 ,or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. Elizabeth Jensen.

### **509F,S Topics in Public Economics.**

Examines the effects of taxation and government expenditure programs at the federal, state, and local levels. Emphasis on empirical literature to test theoretical predictions and to inform effective policy. Topics include the need for a public sector, provision of public goods, voting behavior, externalities, income distribution, the incidence and efficiency of alternative taxes, and redistributive policies such as public assistance and Social Security. This course is intended for

those fulfilling the senior project requirement. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, ECON 265, 275, 285 or consent of instructor. Not open to students who have taken 540. Maximum enrollment, 12. Paul Hagstrom.

**510S Topics in Environmental and Resource Economics.**

A study of the methods used in empirical research in environmental and natural resource economics. Students will read and analyze papers on topics such as pollution, carbon efficiency, non-market valuation, natural resource scarcity, and sustainability efforts of colleges and universities. The focus will be on conducting a systematic, transparent, and reproducible investigation into an empirical question through data visualization and econometric techniques, culminating in the senior research project. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Economics 265, 275, and 285. Course is intended for those fulfilling the senior project requirement. Maximum enrollment, 12. O'Hara.

**560S Research Seminar.**

Each student works intensively on a topic chosen in consultation with the instructor. Weekly meetings held to hear progress reports and to discuss research techniques pertinent to student topics. Candidates for honors must complete this course. Prerequisite, 265, 275, 285, 400 and permission of the department. Maximum enrollment, 6. Conover, Owen, Temesvary, Videras.

# Education Studies

## Faculty

Meredith Madden

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Richard Hunt

Kim Wieczorek

Characterized by an inquiry-oriented approach to the field of education, coursework in this interdisciplinary minor is integrated into, rather than separated from, the liberal arts curriculum of the College. This course of study is recommended for students who are interested in school administration, public policy and education, school counseling, design and development of curriculum, educational assessment, K-12 private school teaching, graduate studies leading to teaching certification and other related fields. Support from local public school districts allows students to complete upward of 120 hours of field experience in the elementary, middle and/or secondary school environments.

The five-unit minor in education studies consists of 200, 350, 370 and two other approved courses. As each student's interests and needs are unique, specific course selection beyond the required 200, 350 and 370 will be individually determined with guidance and approval from the director in consultation with members of the Education Studies Program Committee.

Courses applied toward meeting concentration requirements may not be applied toward a minor in education studies. Placement for 370 is contingent upon the student achieving at least a 2.7 (B-) overall GPA and the approval of the director of the Education Studies Program. '

## **200F Issues in Education.**

Exploration of the cultural foundations of the American Public Education system. Study of the impact of key education reform movements on today's dynamic and often troubled pre-K through 12th grade classroom environments. Consideration of several contemporary educational issues from historical, philosophical, scientific, multicultural and pedagogical perspectives. Includes lecture, discussion, multi-media projects and small-group interaction. Department.

## **201F,S Methods of Tutoring English to Speakers of Other Languages.**

Prepares students to perform as ESOL tutors by providing discussion of the practical approaches, methods and techniques tutors use in classroom settings. Using a communicative curricula that emphasizes function over form, this course addresses language teaching methods, interactive strategies for integrated learning for non-native speakers or English language learners and limited English proficient students. Discussion of the concept of culture helps tutors recognize the influence of culture on patterns of thinking and behaving, and language acquisition. Course provides students with the Hamilton College ESOL Tutor Certificate of Completion. Fifteen lecture hours and 20 field study and/or service learning hours required. One-quarter course credit. Evaluated Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory. Maximum enrollment, 18. Britt-Hysell (fall), Bartle (spring).

### **208S Curiosity: An Ethnographic Approach.**

Examines education as a site to analyze shifting cultural, political, and economic processes. The course will use the concept of curiosity as a fulcrum by which to dig into these debates: who can be curious, about what, when, and why? What are the economic, political, and social processes that enable or constrain curiosity for different populations? Students will create podcasts based on fieldwork across Hamilton's campus. They will use ethnographic techniques to identify the manifestations of curiosity while learning the tenants of rapport building, ethics, and research-based narrative. Prerequisite, EDUC 200 or permission of instructor. Arjun Shankar.

### **210S Curriculum Decision-Making.**

The research and scholarship of curricular decision-making is studied to better understand the form and substance of the American public school. Federal and state regulations, standards, and testing processes will be considered when looking at innovative and sometimes controversial curricular plans and models. Case studies, curriculum development activities, and oral reports are used. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, 200 or permission of instructor. Next offered spring, 2017. Maximum enrollment, 16. Department.

### **215S Education, Teaching and Social Change.**

Analysis of teaching as an act of social justice in response to fundamental societal problems embedded in educational institutions. Through the lenses of critical theory, pedagogy, and policy, this course examines the praxis of teaching and education policy to explore critical methodologies for transforming the classroom and liberating learners. Using a decolonial framework, connections between the classroom and contemporary world issues are studied so that students can address, respond to, and actively participate in engaged citizenship for the good of education and the greater society. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, EDUC 200 or permission of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Meredith Madden.

### **220F Sign Language and Deaf Culture 1.**

An introduction to the techniques and uses of American Sign Language (ASL). Study of deaf culture and the pedagogical role of ASL in the education of hearing-impaired and deaf learners. Maximum enrollment, 18. Allen.

### **[250] Technology in Education: Issues and Opportunities.**

What is the difference between learning from technology and learning with technology? This course explores the role of technology in learning and critically analyzes the cognitive, social, political, and logistical aspects of education technology in the K-12 public school setting. Students will research and develop a learning model incorporating technology in a proposal for a specific grade range in a public school system of the future. Hands-on experiences critically assessing technology in constructivist based learning are required. Prerequisite, one full-unit education studies course or permission of instructors. Multimodal assignments are required. Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **301S Seminar in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages.**

Addresses the general principles of language acquisition and pedagogy for teaching English to non-native speakers as a second or foreign language. Specific classroom application of principles and guidelines are emphasized through lesson and unit plan development. Themes are taught interactively, creating a collaborative learning environment that facilitates communicative language teaching focusing on student-to-student interaction and learning. Students finish course with an experiential and theoretical understanding of how to facilitate a quality ESOL classroom. Prerequisite, permission of instructor. Three lecture hours and three field study and/or service learning hours per week. Course provides students with the Hamilton College ESOL Teacher Certificate of Completion. Maximum enrollment, 18. Britt-Hysell.

### **[311] Youth and Cultural Reproduction.**

The notion of youth as a lifespan period has grown in salience and pervasiveness in the world. Explores three major aspects of social scientists' attention to youth: as a category to probe intersections among culture, aesthetics, and class in post-industrial societies; as a means for imagining the relationship between colonial and post-colonial forms of

governance; and as a means for tracing the flows of capital among nation-states. Youth thus provides us with a window into pressing concerns in late-20th and early-21st century social science. Prerequisite, 100-level anthropology course or consent of instructor. (Same as Anthropology 311.)

**[318] Anthropology of Education.**

Examines the school as a site for the reconstruction of cultural difference. Special attention paid to links between schooling and the nation, to connections between schooling and modernity, and to themes such as discipline, value, gender, language and labor. Examples from Bolivia, Tanzania, India and the United States, among other nation-states. Concludes with a consideration of globalization, specifically the rise in neoliberal approaches in the governance of school systems. Prerequisite, one course in anthropology or consent of instructor. (Same as Anthropology 318.)

**[333] Design, Development, and Delivery of Instruction.**

Study of theoretical and practical approaches to the design, development, delivery, and assessment of learner-centered instruction. Topics include planning and organizing instructional messages, adapting to learner styles, using Socratic discourse, integrating instructional technologies, and identifying classroom teacher prerogatives. Experiential sessions and videotaping. Prerequisite, One full unit Education Studies course or permission of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 18.

**335S Educational Leadership.**

Investigation of critical topics/issues/contexts of educational leadership using the pillars of engaged citizenship, social innovation, and transformational leadership. Some topics to be addressed are: Qualities of Leaders; Federal Policies and Leadership; State Leaders, Local Leadership; K-12 Administrators as Leaders; Teacher Leadership, and Parental Leadership (e.g. Opt Out, Advisory Boards, Classroom Volunteers, Parent-Teacher Associations. This seminar will draw on Hamilton's network of education leaders at the Federal, State, and Local levels for in-class lectures and discussions. Prerequisite, EDUC 200 and EDUC 350. Maximum enrollment, 12. Richard Hunt.

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(Same as History 220 and Comparative Literature 460 and East Asian Languages and Literatures 120 and Literature and Creative Writing 236 and Africana Studies 101 and Classics 210.)

**350F Seminar in Ethnography of Learning Environments.**

Systematic observation of a specific learning environment. Examination of classroom discourse and the development and analysis of curriculum. Assessment of the effect social context and relationships have on the enactment of teaching and learning. Prerequisite, 200 and consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. Department.

**370S Education Practicum.**

Applied field experience in a K-12 functional area, including classroom instruction, guidance counseling or school administration. Mentored activities with education professionals. Semester-long placements directed toward analysis and evaluation of educational theories in practice. Prerequisite, 350 and consent of director. Maximum enrollment, 15. Wiczorek.

**395N Clinical Teaching Intensive Special Needs.**

Each student is assigned full-time teaching responsibilities, under supervision, in a setting with learners with intensive special needs. Includes extensive practicum experience with a focus on teaching and case management. Papers and attendance at weekly seminars required. Course available to students enrolled in the cooperative program at the New England Center for Children; earns two course credits with only one course credit counting toward requirements for the minor in education studies. Evaluated Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory.

# English for Speakers of Other Languages

Barbara T. Britt-Hysell, *Coordinator*

John Bartle (German and Russian Languages and Literatures)

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) is a program that provides a variety of instructional services to a broad range of students for whom American English is not their first or native language. The program critically engages the cultural traditions and perspectives that challenge a student's analytic discernment while discovering and explaining their ideas and solving problems using higher level thinking and writing skills. We aim to learn and benefit from how culture and language affect learning, speaking, listening, and reading as well as the writing process and the evaluation of academic discourse in the college classroom. Activities include a weekly radio show and a Spectator column called "From Where I Sit" as well as on-going tutorials, weekly conversation tables, pronunciation workshops, an interactive website, and two writing intensive courses.

The courses facilitate ESOL students to sharpen their writing skills for college-level work in all academic disciplines. Both courses focus on teaching students how to organize standard academic essays and how to form clear, coherent arguments at the college level. The 102S is open to all students. Both provide regular academic credit toward graduation requirements and satisfy the College-wide requirements of writing-intensive courses. '

## **101F The American Academic Essay.**

Students will learn how to write deeper, clearer, richer, and more satisfying papers than they have ever written before. This course will explore the techniques and methodologies in the processes of reading, writing, and critical thinking. By experimenting with genres, students will learn to pay attention to what other writers have to say and why and how they make the genre work for them. Students will deepen their understanding of American academic writing, augmenting the confidence and strengthening the skills necessary for college level writing and beyond. (Writing-intensive.) Generally limited to first-year students. Upperclass students, see instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16. Britt-Hysell.

## **102S The Etymology of American Social Movements.**

Words matter. In collaboration with a select group of guest lecturers, we will explore which cultural-symbolic concepts are best applied to understanding social movements across disciplines: history, religion, music, art, philosophy, genetics, and literature. We will examine the ideology of racism and discrimination through the lens of human rights activism, in particular, the reasons why leaders, like Cornel West believe a coalition strategy is the best approach to the American struggle to secure equal rights for all. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 16. Britt-Hysell.

# Environmental Studies

## Program Committee

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Environmental studies concerns human interaction with the biophysical world. The Environmental Studies Program offers an opportunity to explore that interaction from a variety of perspectives and using the tools of different academic disciplines. A number of departments contribute courses to this interdisciplinary program.

## The Concentration in Environmental Studies

The concentration in Environmental Studies encourages both interdisciplinary breadth and depth of study in a discipline. Upon declaring their ES concentration, students also declare a focus academic division in which to pursue their ES program, and work closely with faculty advisors to develop an individualized plan of study. Note that ES 150 is NOT a required course for the concentration.

To avoid redundancy, students double-majoring in Environmental Studies and another field may substitute other courses for specific ES requirements, but ONLY with the approval of their advisor and the Environmental Studies Program Director.

The concentration consists of 13 courses, grouped as follows (see below for lists of specific courses):

1) Six foundational courses distributed among the two academic divisions (these should be taken before the completion of the junior year): 1) natural sciences and 2) social sciences/humanities, including:

- one 100-level Geosciences course AND one of the following lab science courses: Biology 101, 102 or 115, Chemistry 120 or 125, or Physics 100 or 200.
- two in the social sciences/humanities, either from the following list or at the discretion of the student's advisor:  
Anthropology 272 Anthropology of Food  
Archaeology 218 Landscapes: People, Place, and the Past  
ES 212 Global Warming  
ES 220 Forever Wild: The Cultural and Natural Histories of the Adirondack Park  
ES 236 Thought for Food: The Culture and Politics of Food  
ES 250 Interpreting the American Environment  
ES 255 Gender and the Environment  
ES 285 Introduction to Environmental Politics  
ES 287 Political Theory and the Environment  
ES 334 Environmental Justice Law and Policy  
Economics 380 Environmental Economics (prerequisite Economics 101)

Government 360: The Theory and Politics and Place and Space

Literature 267 Literature and the Environment

Philosophy 235 Environmental Ethics

- two additional courses selected from the student's focus division (natural sciences OR social sciences/humanities) and in consultation with the student's advisor (starting with the class of 2019, students must take ES 210 in lieu of one of these two courses).

2) ES 210: Gateway to Environmental Studies (starting with the class of 2019, all sophomore majors must take ES 210 in lieu of one of the two courses from the student's focus division).

3) Four elective courses chosen from a specific discipline at Hamilton College (OR from either the Food Studies or Geography cluster) and within either the natural science or the social sciences/humanities focus division. These courses are intended to provide the student with sufficient depth of understanding to enable competent pursuit of the Senior Project. At least three of these electives must be above the 100 level.

4) One data analysis and/or statistics course (taken prior to senior year). Eligible courses include:

Archaeology 380 Geographic Information Systems

Economics 265 Economic Statistics

Geosciences 380 GIS for Geoscientists

Government 230 Data Analysis

Mathematics 100 Statistical Reasoning and Data Analysis Mathematics 253 Statistical Analysis of Data

Psychology 201 Statistics and Research Methods in Psychology

5) One elective course with explicit environmental content from outside of one's chosen discipline, to be selected in consultation with the student's advisor.

6) One course in fulfillment of the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies (SSIH) requirement. NOTE: This need not constitute an additional course to the required 13, but may instead simultaneously fulfill one of the following requirements for the major:

- one of two foundational courses in the social sciences/humanities
- one elective course with explicit environmental content

The following courses fulfill the SSIH requirement (to reflect changes in Hamilton's curriculum, students may choose other courses subject to approval by their advisor):

Africana Studies 233 Geographies of Race and Gender

Anthropology 272 Anthropology of Food

ES 255 Gender and the Environment

ES 334 Environmental Justice Law and Policy

Government 360 The Politics and Theory of Place and Space

History 218 South Asia in the Age of the Anthropocene

Women's and Gender Studies 323 Gender, Health and Technology

Women's and Gender Studies 334 Kitchen Culture: Women, Gender and the Politics of Food

7) ES 550, the Senior Project. Note that students pursuing science- or other empirically-oriented Senior Projects are normally expected to begin their empirical research as ES 549 with a faculty member in the semester (or summer) preceding their enrollment in ES 550. ES 549 can be undertaken as a half- or full-credit course and will be counted toward completion of the ES concentration.

A complete description of the Senior Project is available from members of the advisory committee.

A maximum of four credits may be transferred into the concentration from study off-campus with prior approval.

Students who have earned at least a 3.5 (90) average in courses toward the concentration may receive honors in Environmental Studies through distinguished work on the Senior Project.

### The Minor in Environmental Studies

The minor in Environmental Studies consists of five courses: An introductory environmental science course (one of ES150 or an introductory Geosciences course) and four from the Natural Sciences and Social Sciences/Humanities lists above (with the exclusion of introductory biology, chemistry, and physics courses). A student may substitute other courses with an explicit environmental focus, subject to approval from the Environmental Studies Program Director. The five courses must include at least one course from outside the natural sciences. A student may count for the minor at most two courses from a single department, and at most two courses from programs away from Hamilton. '

#### **150F Environmental Science and Society.**

An introduction to environmental science. Emphasis on scientific understanding of the causes and implications of, and potential solutions for, problems that result from human interactions with the environment. Current environmental problems examined from an ecological perspective. ES 150 is *not* required for the ES major. (Same as Biology 150.) Environmental Studies and related faculty.

#### **156F Making Modern Cities.**

This course examines the design of buildings and cities by professional architects, urban planners, and developers in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. It also addresses utopian projects and theoretical texts that have influenced modern design. We will furthermore illuminate in western and non-western contexts the relationships between the architecture of cities and economic and political processes. (Writing-intensive.) Open to first-year students only (Same as History 156.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Faiza Moatasim.

#### **157F Environmental History: An Introduction.**

This course introduces students to environmental history by examining both foundational scholarship and new research in the field. It will explore the methods and sources—including texts, images, sounds, artifacts, and site visits—that historians use to uncover the natural environment's past. As an introduction to the history of the natural environment, this course equips students to pursue new areas of inquiry and provide them with a different lens through which to view familiar topics. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as History 157.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Simons.

#### **210S Gateway to Environmental Studies.**

This is a comprehensive introduction to Environmental Studies. Through a set of case studies, the course investigates key concepts that define ES: complexity, holism, feedbacks, thresholds, scale, thermodynamics, benefit-cost analysis, environmental ethics, collective action, uncertainty, environmental justice, and sustainability. The format is lecture/discussion, plus field trips. Students pursue individual and group assignments. The final project is a research paper (and in-class presentation) by 3 or 4 students analyzing a case study via the aforementioned concepts. Prerequisite, Two Environmental Studies or related courses, or permission of the instructor; preference will be given to sophomores choosing to major in Environmental Studies. Peter F Cannavò.

#### **212S Global Warming: Is the Day After Tomorrow Sooner than We Think?.**

Investigates the historical/political/geographic context for our hydrocarbon economy, the scientific and economic debate behind global warming, the social and ecological consequences of action or inaction regarding greenhouse gas emissions and the role of public policy and international relations in global environmental change. Prerequisite, One semester of science. May count toward a concentration in environmental studies. (Same as Government 212 and Geosciences 212 and Government 212.) Maximum enrollment, 25. Beck.

#### **218F Landscapes: People, Place, and the Past.**

This course explores the deep histories of economic, socio-political, and ritual landscapes, and the tools that archaeologists use to study them. Landscapes, as both physical and cultural entities, are important spaces for human interaction. Archaeologists are uniquely positioned to examine the relationships among people, place, and the environment in the past. This course will link archaeological landscapes to modern issues of development, human-environment interaction, and social change. Prerequisite, 106 or consent of instructor. (Same as Anthropology 218.) Maximum enrollment, 24. Colin Quinn.

**220F,S Forever Wild: The Cultural and Natural Histories of the Adirondack Park.**

Study of America's largest inhabited wilderness. Survey of natural and cultural histories of the park and examination of ecological, political and social issues. Study of literary, scientific, historical and political texts. Exploration of environmental issues such as acid rain, development and land-use, predator re-introduction and population controls. Prerequisite, one course in literature, biology, geology or environmental studies. May count toward a concentration in environmental studies. Field trip required. Open to sophomores, juniors and seniors in the fall. Oral Presentations (Fall-2 sections); Writing-intensive (Spring). (Same as College Courses and Seminars 220.) Maximum enrollment, 14. Environmental Studies and related faculty.

**236F Thought for Food: The Culture and Politics of Food.**

A multi-disciplinary approach to study of the food system. Examination of the origins of culinary traditions, contemporary politics of the food movement, the GMO debate, food sovereignty, hunger and food security, and Slow Food. Laboratory sessions include activities in the Community Farm, tastings, and cooking instruction with the college. (Same as College Courses and Seminars 236.) Maximum enrollment, 12. Sciacca.

**237S Food for Thought Introduction to the Science of Food.**

An interdisciplinary exploration of food with focus on nutrition biology of food and food science; the history of food and contemporary issues related to food production and the food industry. Tastings, films, gardening. Prerequisite, one course in Biology or Chemistry. (Same as College Courses and Seminars 237.) Maximum enrollment, 12. Gapp.

**[250F,S] Interpreting the American Environment.**

A survey of responses to and interpretations of the American landscape. Study of historical, political, literary, and critical texts. Puts contemporary environmentalism in a historical and geographical perspective. Emphasis on changing notions of wilderness, urban development and the cultural contexts of expansion and development.

**[255S] Gender and Environment.**

The theoretical, historical and material links between gender and the natural world. We explore how the social category of gender relates to environmental issues, but also focus on how other human differences based on race, class, sexuality and nation connect to the so-called "non-human environment." The course begins with feminist historical and theoretical analysis of the links between gender and environment, including examinations of Ecofeminism and Deep Ecology. Building on this foundation, we then explore Health and Technology, Environmental Justice, and Global Climate Change. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as Women's Studies 255.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[285S] Introduction to Environmental Politics.**

An overview of environmental politics, domestic and global. Topics include the environmental movement and its history and values, anti-environmentalism, environmental policy analysis, the relation between environmental science and politics, the domestic and international environmental policy processes, the North-South debate, globalization, race and environmental justice, and the implications of environmental politics for liberal democracy. Students will explore these topics directly and through selected policy issues, including forest politics, sprawl and climate change. (Same as Government 285.)

**287F Political Theory and the Environment.**

What is the relationship between theorizing about politics and theorizing about nature? Explores how conceptions of

the natural world and our relationship to it have shaped political thought since ancient times and how contemporary "green" political thinkers attempt to craft principles for an ecologically responsible society. (Same as Government 287.) Cannavó.

### **305F Global Climate Change Seminar.**

An exploration of the scientific evidence for anthropogenic global climate change through analysis and discussion of primary literature. The course covers data interpretation, critical thinking about scientific articles, and use of scientific evidence to inform thought about the causes and consequences of climate change. Prerequisite: one Environmental Studies Science Foundation course. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, One Environmental Studies Science Foundation course. Maximum enrollment, 16. TBA.

### **[310S] Seminar: Native Ecologies.**

This interdisciplinary seminar explores the traditional ecological knowledge (TEK) of indigenous peoples. Drawing upon scholarship from such diverse fields as acoustic ecology, ethno-ecology, ethnography, geography, environmental history, Native American and Indigenous Studies, and religious studies, we will examine indigenous knowledge about particular species and relationships between them. (Same as Religious Studies 310.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

### **334F Environmental Justice Law and Policy.**

This writing-intensive course examines environmental justice from a policy and legal perspective. The course reviews the development and goals of the movement, evidence and causes of inequitable distribution of environmental hazards, critiques of the movement, and legal and policy responses. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One course in Africana Studies, Government, Environmental Studies, or Women's and Gender Studies. Not open to first-year students. Maximum enrollment, 20. Alma Lowry.

### **[354S] The History of American Exploration and Outdoor Adventure.**

This research course examines how the history and culture of the United States is bound up with that of the discovery and exploration of the New World. A focus on the meaning of that legacy for Americans from the 19th century on. Topics covered will include military exploration and surveys of the west, the development of a wilderness and a conservation ethic, and the growth of mountaineering and similar outdoor endeavors. (same as Environmental Studies 354.) (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level U.S. history course, or consent of instructor. (Same as History 354.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **367S The History and Literature of Himalayan Mountaineering, from the 19th Century to the Present.**

Examines Himalayan mountaineering over the past 150 years, and its roots in imperial expansion, national competition, and cultural and social evolution. Topics include mountaineering in the age of empire, George Leigh-Mallory's death on Everest, American mountaineering in the Himalaya, conquest of the 8,000 meter peaks, Sherpas' role in mountaineering, and the rise of commercial mountaineering. Special attention to mountaineering on Everest. Includes an optional two-week, spring break trip: students, supervised by Hamilton's Outdoor Leadership program, will trek in Nepal's Everest region. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as History 367.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Maurice Isserman.

### **549F,S,Su Preparatory Research for Senior Project.**

Students doing experiments, data-gathering, or other significant empirical or field work in preparation for their senior project should carry out this work prior to taking 550 and under the guidance of their thesis adviser. This research course is generally done in the fall of senior year, but in certain circumstances may be completed in the spring of junior year or the summer before senior year. Depending on the extent of their research, students may take this course for full or half credit. Environmental Studies and related faculty.

### **550F,S Senior Project.**

An independent study developed in consultation with a faculty advisor and the environmental studies advisory committee to explore in detail an environmental topic, culminating in a substantial research paper and oral presentation.

Proposals for Senior Projects are developed with a faculty advisor and submitted to the ES advisory committee prior to course registration. Prerequisite, Permission of instructor. The Program.

# Foreign Languages

Martine Guyot-Bender, chair  
Anne Feltovich  
M. Cecilia Hwangpo  
Masaki Kamia  
Edna Rodriguez  
Zhuoyi Wang

A concentration in foreign languages requires the completion of ten courses, at least five at the 200-level and above in each of the languages; it also requires a senior project/thesis in one of the languages of study. All concentrators in foreign languages are also required to take a language proficiency test in the two languages during senior year. Students should have an advisor in each of the languages. Study abroad is strongly encouraged. Each department involved in the major has specific requirements with which students must comply. See below:

## Chinese

Two 200-level  
One 300 level  
One 400 level

If Chinese is chosen for the thesis, a research paper written with Chinese and English material will be required and defended in Chinese.

## Classics (Latin or Greek)

Two 300-level courses in either Latin or Greek  
Senior project will be determined in consultation with the department.

## French

Two 200-level  
One 300- or 400-level  
One 400-level during senior year

If French is chosen for the thesis, a research paper written and defended in French will be required.

## Hispanic studies

Two 200-level  
One 300-level  
One 400-level during senior year

If Hispanic Studies is chosen for the thesis, a research paper written and defended in Spanish will be required

## Japanese

4 courses in Japanese at the 200 level or above  
1 course in translation at the 200 level or above

If Japanese is chosen for the thesis, a research paper written and defended in Japanese will be required.

Students are advised to begin, or continue, their study of a foreign language early in their college career.

The College administers study abroad programs in China, France and Spain. In addition, Hamilton is a member of the Intercollegiate Center for Classical Studies in Rome and the American School of Classical Studies in Athens. (For further information, see "Academic Programs and Services.")

Instruction in the following languages is offered at Hamilton:

Part of the foreign language major:

Chinese (see East Asian Languages and Literatures)

French (see French)

Greek (see Classics)

Japanese (see East Asian Languages and Literatures)

Latin (see Classics)

Spanish (see Hispanic Studies)

Not part of the foreign language major

Arabic (intermediate level, see Critical Languages)

Italian (intermediate level, see Critical Languages)

German (see German and Russian Studies)

Russian (see German and Russian Studies)

Other languages (see Critical Languages) '

# French

## Faculty

Theodore Abitbol  
Martine Guyot-Bender  
Roberta Krueger (Hamilton in France, 2017-18)  
Rebecca Loescher  
Cheryl Morgan, *chair*  
Claire Mouflard  
Joseph Mwantuali

## GENERAL

Starting with the class of 2019, a concentration in French and Francophone Studies consists of nine courses numbered 140 or higher. All courses must be taught in French and include: one course focusing on writing (200); one course in text analysis and critical reading (211, 212); one course focusing on historical/social/cultural/political aspects of France (250, 285); one course focusing on historical/social/cultural/political aspects of another Francophone area of the world or African/North African diaspora in France (280, or equivalent); two 400-level seminars during senior year, one each semester; two electives beyond Fr 200 taken on campus or abroad. Majors fulfill the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies requirement by taking a course that focuses on historical/social/cultural aspects of any Francophone areas of the world, including France (250; 265; 280 or an approved equivalent).

Note: At least one course taken for the concentration must include literature, history or the arts from before the twentieth century.

Any course in the arts and the social sciences offered by another department and concentrating specifically on France or another Francophone region can satisfy one of the 200-level culture courses requirement but does not count as one of the nine concentration courses. The student would need to take a third elective.

With the department's permission, students who start their study of French at Hamilton in French 110, 120, or 130 and attend HiF or another approved Francophone program abroad entirely conducted in French (e.g. Hamilton in France) for at least one semester may count 130 toward the total of nine courses for the major. Students whom the Department places, after the placement test, in and take a course above French 200 in the Fall semester of their first year may count one course taught in English from another department that focuses specifically on France or another Francophone area of the world as part of the nine courses.

## SENIOR YEAR

During their senior year, concentrators must: 1) enroll in at least one 400-level course during both the fall and spring semesters; 2) complete a senior project in conjunction with one of the 400-level seminars; 3) participate in an assessment of their oral proficiency in an interview conducted by outside examiners.

## HONORS

There are two tracks to receive honors: 1) an average of A- in nine courses in the department plus A- on the senior project, or 2) an average of A- in nine courses in the department plus A- in an independent research thesis in 550. A senior writing an honor thesis is exempted from writing the senior project in the spring seminar, but is expected to complete all the other assignments.

MINOR: A minor in French consists of five courses numbered 140 or higher, including at least one course focusing on

literature (211, 212 or other) and one course at the 300 level or higher.

[Former concentration requirement for classes 2018] A concentration in French consists of nine courses numbered 140 or higher, including 200; 211 or 212; 250 or 280 or 285; two 400-level seminars (one each semester of senior year, including at least one pre-modern seminar); and two electives at the 300 or 400 level. Any history, civilization or culture course offered by another department and concentrating specifically on France or another Francophone country satisfies the 250-285 requirement but will not count as one of the nine concentration courses.

During their senior year, concentrators in French must: 1) enroll in at least one 400-level course during both the fall and spring semesters; one of these courses must focus on a period before 1800; 2) complete a substantial research paper in a 400-level course, normally in the spring semester; 3) participate in an assessment of their oral proficiency in an interview conducted by outside examiners early in the spring semester. Concentrators may not normally fulfill the requirement for the major through the election of a 200-level course during their senior year. A complete description of the Senior Program is available in Christian Johnson 202.

Candidates for honors must have a 3.50 or better average grade in the nine courses required for the major, must receive a grade of A- or better on their Senior Paper in a 400-level seminar or in 550 their senior year, and must be approved by a vote of the department faculty.

A minor in French consists of five courses numbered 140 or higher, including at least one literature course and one course at the 300 level or higher.

Hamilton in France

## HAMILTON IN FRANCE

Hamilton in France is fully integrated in Hamilton academic program. It can enhance every student's studies, regardless of his or her major. It open to students in good standing with Fr 140/200 level.

After a preliminary orientation in Biarritz in the Basque Country (Fall) and/or Paris, students, in consultation with the director, enroll in four courses among courses designed for Hamilton students and/or courses offered at various Paris universities and post-secondary institutions in all academic fields.

Depending on their linguistic ability and academic preparation, HiF students have the choice between a large variety of courses in the Arts and Art History, Cinema, Economics, French language and literature, History, Music, Philosophy, Political Science, Natural Sciences and Math, Sociology, and Theatre, at the University of Paris3, Paris6, PV7 or at institutes such as the Institut d'Etudes Politiques, the Institut Catholique and the Ecole du Louvre. With permission of their department, majors in the Arts may also take courses in their field including Studio Art, Photography, and Theater. For more complete information refer to [hamilton.edu/academics/offcampusstudy/france](http://hamilton.edu/academics/offcampusstudy/france)

All courses taken through Hamilton in France count toward Hamilton graduation requirement. In addition, students with concentrations other than French and Francophone Studies may, after consultation with the appropriate department before departure, transfer some HiF credits to their concentration (e.g. Government, History).

While the French and Francophone department believes that far greater linguistic and cultural benefits are gained from an academic year in France than from a semester, Hamilton in France program welcomes student for a full academic year and for one semester. Concentrators and other engaged language students are encouraged to participate in the nine-month program. '

### 110F Elementary French.

A thorough grounding in speaking, writing, reading and comprehension for beginners. This is an intensive, interactive course in which students gain oral fluency and reading ability fast and start writing short texts. Textbook readings, daily on-line and written exercises supplemented by short texts and films. Prerequisite, For students with no prior experience in French. Four hours of class, plus one session with a teaching assistant. First-year students who follow the sequence through 140 may qualify for Hamilton in France, with consent of the director. Maximum enrollment, 20. Laborde.

### **111S Power Accelerated Beginners' French.**

This fast pace course covers two semesters of beginning French. Students who receive a B can enroll in Fr 130 in fall (thus can apply to HiF for during their Junior year). This is a highly interactive course that first emphasizes conversation and vocabulary acquisition, and moves into reading, written communication and the discussion of cross-cultural issues. The course meets five times a week plus conversation sessions and/or lab. It is designed for students who have taken some French before (no more than one year in high school) and dynamic true beginners. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, No more than one year of high school French. Maximum enrollment, 16. Guyot-Bender.

### **120S Second-Term French.**

Increased instruction in aural comprehension, speaking, reading and writing. In 120, students engage in more in-depth conversation topics and writing assignments about everyday life and cultural topics related to French-speaking areas around the world. Four hours of class, with additional independent drill and laboratory work as well as Internet exploration. Prerequisite, 110 or placement in 111/120. Although a natural continuation of 110, 120 can be taken independently. First-year students who follow the sequence to 140 may qualify to attend Hamilton in France. Maximum enrollment, 16. TBA (Spring).

### **130F Communication in Francophone Cultural Contexts: Intermediate French I.**

The diversity of the French-speaking world will provide the material for students' active engagement and greater proficiency in speaking, comprehending, reading and writing French. Strengthening of basic grammar, oral practice and conversation, readings in contemporary cultures and social issues. Incorporates texts, films and other activities as the basis for discussion, debate, exposés and short compositions. Three hours of class and session with teaching assistant. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, 111, 120 or French placement exam. Maximum enrollment, 16. Diaz.

### **140F,S Communication in Francophone Cultural Contexts: Intermediate French II.**

This intermediate-level French course is based on the study of French films. In this course, you will focus on listening and reading ability to express ideas and arguments in a nuanced, precise and elaborate way. Students progress in complex grammar structures and expand vocabulary to develop strategies to express tastes and opinions with precision and conviction. Critical thinking and textual/audiovisual analysis through debates, discussions, and essays are at the center of the course. The class is entirely conducted in French. Prerequisite, 130, placement exam or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Morgan (Fall); Laborde (Spring).

### **200F,S Written and Oral Argumentation Through Contemporary Texts.**

An intensive course to improve all language skills, focusing on oral and written argumentation, proper nuanced expression, improvement of syntax and vocabulary-building strategies through the analysis of contemporary literary and cultural texts. A necessary course for study abroad and French culture and literature courses. Mandatory discussion session TBA. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 140, placement exam or heritage speakers with instructor permission. Regular class meetings plus a weekly discussion session with a teaching assistant. Maximum enrollment, 20. Guyot-Bender (Fall); TBA (Spring).

### **211F Introduction to French Lit I: Communities, Belonging and Discontent.**

This course examines forms of community and belonging, as well as their failures, in literature spanning the 18th to 21st centuries. Topics include class divisions; racial, ethnic, and gender conflicts; individualism; nationalism; and immigration. Special attention is given to close reading, literary analysis and coherent written argumentation. The course lays a solid basis for strong general knowledge of French literatures and familiarizes students with a range of

different genres. Reading and class discussion in French. (Writing-intensive.) (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, French 200, appropriate score on placement exam, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Loescher.

### **212S Introduction to French Literature II.**

Text analysis focused on one literary genre or theme. Topic for Spring 2018 will be announced soon. Class discussions, oral presentations and papers in French. Writing-intensive. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, French 200, appropriate score on placement exam, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Morgan.

### **230S Cric, Crac, Boum Comics and Graphic Novels in France.**

This course explores France's "Ninth Art," the French comic books, or Bandes Dessinées (BD). We will analyze a variety of BDs from classics such as Tintin and Asérix to Persepolis (Satrapi), from fantasy to autobiographies. Not only are BDs a popular cultural and art form, they also participate in French literary culture in a broader sense. Key concepts include the representation of immigration, war, national and personal identity, consumerism, and the environment. Students will write response papers, do an oral presentation and make their own comics (no drawing skills required!). Cynthia Laborde.

### **[250F] Exploring Contemporary France: Current Events.**

Analysis of a variety of perspectives on contemporary France, including geography and recent history, regionalism, religions and cultures as they have shaped the social evolution of the population, socio-political groups and popular culture. Exploration of recent reforms and initiatives led by François Hollande's government. Students will design part of their syllabus from the French media and TV5. Students conduct individual research to be presented orally or electronically during the semester. Prerequisite, French 200, appropriate score on placement exam, or consent of instructor.

### **[276S] Francophone Theaters.**

An exploration of diverse playwrighting techniques and themes in different French-speaking areas. Plays read or watched on video. Assignments include text analysis as well as dramatic readings and/or reenacting of scenes from the plays. Authors read include: Michel Tremblay and Marie Brassard (Québec), Aimé Césaire (Martinique), Maryse Condé (Guadeloupe), Mikanza Mobyem (Congo-Kinshasa), Marie Ndiaye, Sartre, Camus, Beckett, or Ionesco (France), Guillaume Oyono Mbia (Cameroun), Guy Régis Jr. (Haiti), Sony Labou Tansi (Congo-Brazzaville), and Werewere-Liking (Cameroun-Côte d'Ivoire). (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, French 200 or permission of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **[280] Francophone Cultures.**

An introduction to cultures of French-speaking areas beyond the Hexagon: Africa, the Caribbean, Canada. Topics include the history of slavery, colonization and neo-colonization; literatures; sculptures, masks, paintings; fashion; and cuisines. Discussion based on readings, films and presentations by native informants. Taught in French. Prerequisite, French 200, appropriate score on placement exam, or consent of instructor. Instructor's consent also required for those returning from study in France.

### **285F 1968: Is Paris Burning?.**

In May 1968, France experienced social unrest on an unprecedented scale: massive student demonstrations preceded a general labor strike by millions of workers from all sectors of employment. Social and political unrest characterized the moment, but the "events of May" also challenged existing forms of knowledge and the very nature of language. Explores post-war French history and concurrent developments in the university, the arts and intellectual life. Prerequisite, 200 or consent of instructor. Taught in French. Morgan.

### **[346S] Matter of Taste: Food Cultures in France and the Francophone World.**

The course presents a socio-historical survey of food practices and culinary arts from the French Middle Ages to the present, including the influence of African, Asian, Caribbean, and Middle Eastern cultures on French food today.

Topics include: medieval cookbooks and royal banquets; etiquette; the language of cooking; regional cuisines in France and beyond; haute cuisine; restaurant culture; dining and cooking in literature and film; food and social class; food politics. Assignments include food journal; response papers; oral presentation; and a final project. Taught entirely in French. Prerequisite, Any 200-level French course.

**[365S] Beyond the Known (Francophone) World, from Marco Polo to Trip Advisor.**

Examination of travel and travel writing in French literature and culture, from the Middle Ages to the present. Topics to include pilgrimage, the Crusades, voyages of discovery and self-discovery, exile, colonialism, immigration, and contemporary tourism. Students will submit a journal of their readings and travels, in addition to short written and oral reports. Prerequisite, 211 or above, or consent of instructor.

**[374] Special Topics: African Cinema.**

An introduction to the cinema of Africa. This course is a study of major cultural and socio-political issues as well as of techniques, and the crucial question of "language(s)" in African cinema, from the colonial to the post-colonial era. African filmmakers include Raoul Peck, Ngangura Mweze, Ousmane Sembene, Assia Djébar, Amadou Saalum Seck, Raymond Rajaonarivelo, Kwaw Ansah, Djibril Diop Mambety, as well as some non-African director such as Thierry Michel and Tristan Bouldard. Taught in French. Prerequisite, One 200-level course or above, or consent of the instructor.

**[404] Arthurian Legends and the Creation of Courtly Culture in Medieval France.**

This course examines the representation of social relationships in tales of King Arthur and the Round Table. Works and authors include Geoffrey of Monmouth, Marie de France, Lancelot and Perceval, *La Quête du Saint Graal* and *La Mort du Roi Arthur*, fabliaux and didactic texts (all read in modern French translation). Topics include the construction of gender roles ; dress and fashion; the politics of the court; and the role of clerics and readers in the definition of courtly culture. Oral exposé and brief papers on subjects that may bring in other disciplinary interests . Prerequisite, French 211 or 212 or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[406F] Comic Visions in French Literature from the Fabliaux to Figaro.**

Analysis of comic perspectives on society, language and literature from Old French farce through the early modern period. Works and authors include Aucassin et Nicolette, selected fabliaux, the *Farce de Maître Pathelin*, Marguerite de Navarre, *Rabelais*, Molière and *Le Mariage de Figaro*. Taught in the original French or in modern French translation when appropriate. Prerequisite, 211 or above, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**[414S] East Meets West: Cultural Encounters with the Other in the Middle Ages and Beyond.**

This course focuses on representations of Christians and Muslims in Old French literature that centers around or departs from the medieval Mediterranean world during a time of great political conflict but also fertile intercultural exchange. Texts include the *Chanson de Roland*, *Floire et Blancheflore*, Marco Polo's *Livre des merveilles de Constantinople*, the *Fille du Comte de Ponthieu*, Montesquieu's *Lettres persanes*. Prerequisite, French 211 or 212 or the equivalent. Offered occasionally Maximum enrollment, 16.

**415S Out in the City: Nineteenth-Century Paris.**

Examination of the ways in which an increasingly modern Paris looms large in the 19th-century imagination. Explores developments in the arts (drawing, caricature and photography) and writing (journalism and literature) to examine topics such as money, pleasure, looking, flânerie, fashion, social class and gender within the context of urban decay and renewal. Attention to the historical and social geography of Paris complements study of writers such as Balzac, Girardin, Baudelaire and Zola and artists such as Daumier, Nadar, and the impressionists. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, one 300-level course or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16. Morgan.

**[418] Place and Space in 20th/21st-Century French Literature and Film.**

The course will focus on novels and films which titles include a place name. It will explore how place and space shape

characters, their past, and aspiration for the future, and how texts shape those spaces in words and images. We will speak about "l'espace littéraire et l'espace filmique" to deepen our understanding of the relationship between text and place. Reading list includes *Hiroshima mon amour* (Duras); *Quartier perdu* (Modiano); *Onitsha* (Le Clezio), and contemporary novels by Oster and Toussaint. Films will include *Le Havre*, *Outremer*, some films with "Paris" in their titles. Prerequisite, Study abroad, or 300. Very strong students with 211 or 212. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[420F] Women's Writing in Contemporary France.**

Examination of current trends in French women's writing with attention to the cultural locations of its various forms such as the crime novels, autofiction, memoir, and satire. Authors may include Varga, Desportes, Ernaux, Calle, Sebbar, Ndiaye, Bouraoui, Cusset, and Angot. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, French 211, or permission of instructor. Taught in French. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**[421] Romance, Revolution, and Rebels in the 19th-Century French Novel.**

This course will examine emerging and competing forms of the French novel in the first half of the 19th century, exploring their engagements with romantic individualism, sentimental fictions, recent history and, ultimately, realist aesthetics. Authors studied may include Hugo, Balzac, Duras, Sand Girardin, Stendhal and Flaubert. Prerequisite, one 300-level course or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**423F Gender and Immigration.**

. In-depth study of authors and filmmakers of the North African and Caribbean diasporas who, while French nationals residing in metropolitan France and writing in French, are still often considered outsiders to the French literature realm. Focus on postcolonial women writer ethnic and gender stereotypes in the texts (novels, short stories, films); examination of the paratext (publishing materials, online and print media) of twentieth-century and early twenty-first century "female" postcolonial literature in France. Readings include works by Samira; Beyala; Bouraoui; Pineau. Prerequisite, One 300-level course; or instructor's permission. Maximum enrollment, 12. Claire Mouflard.

**[428F] Post-War Cinematographic Memory.**

Based on three chapters of recent French history (the Occupation and the Holocaust; relationship with Algeria; May 1968 and social unrest), investigates how filmmakers mediate individual and national memories through moving images. The films will be considered in the context of recent historiographical material, theoretical discourse on cinema, and very specific cultural policies in France, as well as popular events around cinema. Includes about 10 movies. Some Friday afternoons will be reserved for film screenings. Prerequisite, one course at the 300-level or above. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**[432] Picturing War in Twentieth-Century France.**

Examines various representations of the wars that have marked 20th-century France. As tragic as wars are, they inspire texts in an unlimited variety of formats and media and tones (tragic, ambiguous, mundane and comical) that respond to specific needs, and impact their "public" in different ways. Course material includes 20th-century novels, fiction and documentary film; paper and electronic news media; monuments and museums, popular forms of expression (soldiers' letters, jokes, songs, games); and other visual arts. Prerequisite, one 300-level course or consent of instructor. Course may include off-campus visits. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**[435] Reality as Fragment: Surrealism, the Absurd and Commitment between World War I and World War II.**

Examines the artistic reaction to World War I and its anticipation of World War II with a focus on what is known as the Surrealism movement and on authors/thinkers who systematically questioned social and political assumptions about coherence and meaning through dream, studies of the self, idealism and ideology. Readings in Proust, Colette, Aragon, Breton, Malraux, Michaux and Yourcenar. Class material includes poetry, narratives and the visual arts as well as a study of Renoir's 1939 movie "La Règle du jeu." Prerequisite, French 211 or 212, or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**455F The African Novel.**

Critical examination of the novel's evolution from the colonial period through independence and on to post-colonial writings. The search for authenticity and answers to problems of narrative techniques, oral and written traditions, African feminism, politics, cultures, and the role of the writer. Authors include Lomani Tshibamba, Sembene Ousmane, Nafissatou Diallo, Aoua Kéïta, Daniel Biyaoula, Ahmadou Kourouma, Henri Lopes, Calixthe Beyala, Aminata Sow Fall, Ken Bugul, Mariama Bâ, and Werewere-Liking. Taught in French. Prerequisite, 300-level course; or instructor's permission. Maximum enrollment, 12. Mwantuali.

**550S Honors Project.**

Independent study program consisting of the preparation and oral defense of a paper in French. Only students having an average of A- or better in courses counting toward the concentration at the end of the first semester of the senior year may qualify. In order to earn honors, the candidate must receive A- or better on both the required paper and the oral defense. The Department.

**Courses in translation, taught in English****160S Work through the lens of French Cinema.**

This First-Year course offers an overview of major movements of French cinema's long and significant history focusing on the topic of work. It includes ten films, from the time of the Lumière brothers to post WWI poetic realism and from the 1960s' New Wave and militant cinema to today's new realism and parody. The theme of work will familiarize students with French social and political history. Taught in English (films in French with English subtitles). Reading on the theory of film and French cultural history will supplement screenings. The class may include field trips. Open to first-year students only. Maximum enrollment, 16. Guyot-Bender.

**240F In Translation: North African Diaspora in French Literature.**

Introduction of North African diaspora in France through texts in translation. The course analyzes the roots of gender and religion-based stereotypes as they affect the Muslim population. It includes considerations on the History of North-African immigration in France; the aftermath of the French-Algerian War, as well as French secularism. Reading includes novels and critical texts, online research, and films focused on the immigrant experience in France. Cannot count toward the French and Francophone Studies major or minor. Taught in English. No knowledge of French or Arabic required. Claire Mouflard.

# Geoarchaeology

## Program Committee

David G. Bailey, *co-director* (Geosciences)

Nathan Goodale, *co-director* (Anthropology)

Geoarchaeology uses geologic methods and principles to enhance interpretations of the archaeological record, focusing on such issues as geochronology and stratigraphic succession, processes of deposition and diagenesis, paleoenvironmental reconstruction and landscape evolution. Designed for students with shared interests in geology and archaeology, the concentration builds on the common histories and research domains of these fields.

A concentration in geoarchaeology consists of 10 units of credit taken from the existing curricula of the Anthropology and Geosciences departments. Required courses include: Archaeology 106 and any 100-level Geoscience course; Archaeology 325; two courses from Archaeology 243, 245 or 249; Geosciences 211; two courses from Geosciences 220, 236 or 290; and Geoarchaeology 500 and 501. Concentrators must fulfill their senior project requirement through satisfactory completion of 500 and 501. Honors will be awarded on the basis of excellence in coursework and a superior Senior Project.

Students are encouraged to take field courses in both disciplines, especially Archaeology 281 and 282. Students considering careers in geoarchaeology or related fields should take additional courses in biology, chemistry and other sciences. '

## **500F-501S Senior Project.**

A two-term course during which concentrators pursue an independent project and give a public presentation of their results. Proposals for projects must be accepted in the spring semester of the student's junior year. 501 may not be taken as a separate course. One course credit for 500 and one-half credit for 501. The Program.

# Geosciences

## Faculty

David Bailey (on leave fall 2017)

Cynthia Domack

Todd Rayne, *chair*

Barbara Tewksbury

A concentration in Geosciences consists of 10 units of credit in Geosciences, including one course in Principles of Geoscience (101 to 122), 209, 211, 220, 230, 290, 510-511 and two other courses in Geosciences numbered 200 or higher, and a two-course sequence in a supporting science. The sequence of two courses in one of the supporting sciences consists of Chemistry 120 or 125 and a second chemistry course numbered 190 or above, Physics 100 and 105 or 190 and 195, Math 113 and 116, Computer Science 110 and 111, or Biology 101 and 102 or 115 and a second Biology course numbered 200 or higher. The supporting science requirement must be discussed with the department chair at the time of declaration of concentration and should be completed before the start of senior year. All concentrators, especially those planning a career in the earth and environmental sciences, should take additional courses in chemistry, mathematics, physics, computer science and biology according to the student's interests.

A Senior Project consisting of two full-credit courses (510-511) is required for the concentration. The College's Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies (SSIH) requirement is integrated into the department's Senior Project program.

Departmental honors will be awarded on the basis of excellence in coursework, a superior Senior Project, and completion of two additional courses in the supporting sciences as listed above.

A minor consists of a course in Principles of Geoscience and four units of credit in other courses at the 200 level or above that are approved by the department.

Students interested in careers in oceanography should consider concentrations in chemistry or mathematics with supporting courses in Geoscience including 112, 210, 211, 220, 222, 241, 320 and 370, and Biology 213. Students interested in careers in meteorology should consider concentrations in physics or mathematics with supporting courses in Geoscience including 112, 210, 240 and 285, and Chemistry 265. '

### **[101S] Principles of Geosciences: Earth Resources and the Environment.**

A study of Earth's mineral deposits and energy resources, their distribution, origin, economic significance, and the environmental impact of their extraction and consumption. Field trip. Not open to students who have taken any other course in Principles of Geology. Maximum enrollment 24. Bailey (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Maximum enrollment, 24.

### **103F Principles of Geoscience: Geology and Human Events in North Africa and the Middle East.**

An interdisciplinary study exploring the influence of environment, water resources, climate change and bedrock geology of North Africa and the Middle East on prehistory, history, international relations and prospects for the future. Special emphasis on developing GIS skills. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) (Proseminar.) Three two-hour class sessions per week. Required field trip to the Adirondack region. Not open to students who have taken any other course in Principles of Geoscience. (Same as Africana Studies 103.) Maximum enrollment, 15. Tewksbury.

### **110F Principles of Geoscience: Geology and the Environment.**

An introduction to the principles of geology as applied to current environmental issues such as solid waste disposal,

consumption of conventional and alternate energy resources, and utilization of our natural resources. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Three hours of class and one hour of laboratory or field trip. Not open to students who have taken any other course in Principles of Geoscience. Maximum enrollment, 24. Rayne.

**112S Principles of Geoscience: The Marine Environment.**

An introduction to the physical, chemical and biological nature of the marine environment. Topics include marine geology, seawater composition, atmosphere/climate, ocean circulation, waves, tides, coastal processes, life in the sea, ocean resources and marine pollution. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Three hours of class and two hours of laboratory. Not open to students who have taken any other course in Principles of Geoscience. Maximum enrollment, 24. C Domack.

**115S Principles of Geoscience: Evolution and the Environment.**

This course looks at the intersection of life and earth history as a lens for understanding fundamental concepts in geology. Evolution will be studied on multiple scales from the origins of life in deep time, to hominin evolution in the Quaternary, to looking ahead to how we may have to culturally evolve in the face of anthropogenic climate change. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Three hours of class and two hours of laboratory. Not open to students who have taken any other course in Principles of Geoscience. Maximum enrollment, 24. Beck.

**201S Seminar on Iceland.**

An interdisciplinary study of Iceland focusing on geologic features, history and literature of Iceland, and connections between human events and the natural environment of Iceland. One-and-one-half hours per week. One-half credit. Prerequisite, Principles of Geoscience. Only open to students also taking 202. Maximum enrollment, 20. Tewksbury.

**202Su Iceland Field Study.**

A field study of the volcanic, glacial and tectonic features of Iceland with emphasis on the interaction of volcanic, glacial and tectonic processes. Three-week intensive field study in Iceland. Prerequisite, Principles of Geology. Concurrent registration in 201 required. Extra cost. One-half credit. Maximum enrollment, 20. Tewksbury.

**209S Hydrogeology.**

The study of surface water and groundwater, with emphasis on groundwater. The influence of geologic materials on groundwater flow, an introduction to groundwater hydraulics and groundwater/surface water interactions. Basic hydrogeologic field methods introduced in the laboratory section. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory with field trips. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Principles of Geoscience. Maximum enrollment, 24. Rayne.

**211F Sedimentology and Stratigraphy.**

A study of the genesis and diagenesis of clastic, carbonate, evaporite and other important sediments and rocks. Emphasis on fluid dynamics of grain transport, facies architecture, seismic stratigraphy and paleoclimatic/ tectonic significance of depositional sequences. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory with field trips. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Principles of Geoscience. Maximum enrollment, 24. Beck.

**212S Global Warming: Is the Day After Tomorrow Sooner than We Think?.**

Investigates the historical/political/geographic context for our hydrocarbon economy, the scientific and economic debate behind global warming, the social and ecological consequences of action or inaction regarding greenhouse gas emissions and the role of public policy and international relations in global environmental change. Prerequisite, One semester of science. May count toward a concentration in environmental studies. (Same as Government 212 and Environmental Studies 212 and Government 212.) Maximum enrollment, 25. Beck.

**220S Mineralogy.**

An introduction to crystallography, crystal chemistry and optical mineralogy. Identification of minerals by physical, optical and X-ray diffraction techniques. Six hours of class/laboratory with field trip. (Quantitative and Symbolic

Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Principles of Geoscience. Offered spring 2018 and then changed back to being offered in the fall starting with Fall 2018. Maximum enrollment, 24. Bailey.

### **230S Structural Geology and Tectonics.**

An introduction to concepts of deformation of the lithosphere and the processes and products of rock deformation from microscopic to plate scales. Neotectonics as well as reconstruction of geologic history from the record of deformed rocks. Six hours of class/laboratory with field trip. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Principles of Geoscience. Maximum enrollment, 22. Tewksbury.

### **236F Soils and the Environment.**

A study of the formation, classification, utilization and environmental significance of soils. Frequent local field trips. Three hours of class and two hours of laboratory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Principles of Geoscience. Maximum enrollment, 24. Rayne.

### **[240F] Meteorology.**

A study of the atmospheric environment. Topics include the Earth's atmosphere, temperature, humidity, condensation, cloud development, precipitation, winds, air masses, storms and climate. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory/discussion. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Principles of Geoscience. Maximum enrollment, 24.

### **290F Paleontology.**

A study of the history of life, evolution and the fossil record. Topics include the general principles of paleontology, nomenclature, taxonomy, identification techniques, fossilization processes, plants, microfossils, invertebrates and vertebrates. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory with field trips. Prerequisite, Principles of Geoscience. (Same as Biology 290.) Maximum enrollment, 24. C Domack.

### **[309F] Advanced Hydrogeology and the Environment.**

Advanced topics in hydrogeology, including geochemical principles, an introduction to contaminant transport, computer modeling of groundwater flow and studies of landfills, hazardous waste sites and other environmental problems. Three hours of class and two hour lab/discussion with field trips. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 209. Next offered Fall 2018. Maximum enrollment, 24.

### **[310] Igneous and Metamorphic Petrology.**

A study of the mineralogy, chemistry, origin and evolution of igneous and metamorphic rocks. Emphasis on the physical and chemical processes involved in their formation. Six hours of class/laboratory with field trip. Offered in alternate years. Next offered Spring 2017. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 220. Maximum enrollment, 24.

### **312S Volcanology.**

An examination of active volcanic processes on Earth through focused case studies and laboratory based projects. Emphasis placed on the physical and chemical processes involved in the origin and evolution of volcanic systems. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. Field trip. Prerequisite, Geosciences 220. Maximum enrollment, 24. Bailey.

### **[370S] Coastal Geology and Environmental Oceanography.**

Advanced study of coastal marine processes with an emphasis on environmental issues and case studies. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in geosciences. Four hours of class. Next offered Spring 2019. Maximum enrollment, 24.

### **380F GIS for Geoscientists.**

Introduction to basic concepts in computer-based GIS emphasizing hands-on practice in portraying and analyzing spatially referenced data sets to produce a variety of types of digital products and to solve geologic problems. Practice using data from multiple sources, including data downloaded from online sources, field-collected data and published map data. Emphasis on mastery of basic skills and techniques using ESRI ArcGIS software. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, any course in geoscience that addresses GIS or permission of the instructor. During junior and senior class pre-registration, open only to geoscience concentrators. Maximum enrollment, 13. Tewksbury.

**390F Advanced Paleontology: Special Topics in Paleobiology and the Fossil Record.**

Advanced topics in paleontology including exceptional preservation, microfossils, plant lagerstatte, mass extinctions, invertebrate assemblages, and extraordinary vertebrate fossil sites. Three hours of class and one hour of laboratory. Prerequisite, Geoscience 290. Maximum enrollment, 24. Domack.

**510-511F,S Senior Project.**

A two-term course during which concentrators pursue an independent project and present the results to the department. In addition to working on an independent project under the direct supervision of a Geosciences Department faculty member, students are required to participate in seminars that address issues related to the College's Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies(SSIH) requirement. Proposals for independent research projects must be completed in the fall semester of the student's junior year. Both courses are required for the concentration. One course credit each for 510 and 511. The Department.

# German Studies

## Faculty

Edith Toegel

German studies is an interdisciplinary concentration focusing on the language, literature, culture, historical development and politics of German-speaking countries. The concentration in German studies consists of nine courses. Beginning with the class of 2013, the concentration must include GRMN 310 (or equivalent from study abroad), A 400-level German seminar, GRMN 500 (Senior Project) and six courses from the list of approved courses. No more than three courses from departments outside of German may be counted. The Senior Project must incorporate German language sources and may be written in English or German. To attain honors students must have an average of A- or better in all coursework for the concentration, including the Senior Project. The German program also offers beginning German language (110, 120), but only courses numbered 130 or above count toward the concentration. Semester- or year-long study abroad in a German-speaking country is strongly encouraged.

A German studies minor consists of five courses. Fifth-semester language proficiency (200) and one course in translation are required.

The following courses may be counted toward the concentration. With consultation of the department adviser, other courses might be considered.

German language and literature courses: 130, 140, 200, 310

Other core courses (course specific prerequisites must be observed):

GOV 214 Politics in Western Europe

GOV 291 International Political Economy

GOV 355 The European Union in World Affairs

HIST 117 Europe since 1815

HIST 128 Europe in the Age of Two World Wars

HIST 212 Modern Germany: 1789 to the Present

HIST 218 Twentieth-Century Europe: The Age of Two World Wars

HIST 314 Nazi Germany

MUS 202 Music in Europe And America Since 1800

PHIL 431 Seminar in the History of Philosophy: Kant's Critical System

PHIL 463 Seminar in Metaphysics: Nietzsche '

### **110F First-Term German.**

Introduction to the German language. Exercises in aural comprehension, speaking, reading and writing reinforced by short cultural and literary texts. No previous knowledge of German required. Four hours of class, with additional drill sessions and laboratory work. Maximum enrollment, 16. Department.

### **[115S] German Immersion.**

Designed for motivated students who wish to accelerate their knowledge of German. Intensive study of all aspects of beginning language acquisition. Successful completion will allow students to place into GER 130 (third term German). Students who follow the sequence through GER 140 will qualify for study abroad. Two course credits. Three 50 minute and two 75 minute classes a week.

**120S Second-Term German.**

Continued development of German grammar and its use in aural comprehension, speaking, reading and writing. Readings in literature and culture supplemented with video recordings. Three hours of class, with additional sessions and laboratory work. Department.

**130F Third-Term German.**

Review of grammar, syntax and conversational techniques through work in aural comprehension, speaking, reading and writing. Literary texts supplemented with realia (such as news stories German songs, videos). Three hours of class. The Department.

**140S Introduction to German Literature and Culture.**

Continued development of German grammar and vocabulary with cultural and literary texts, including works by Kafka, Dürrenmatt and Brecht, and song texts by contemporary Liedermacher. Practice in oral and written work. Prerequisite, 130 or consent of instructor. Taught in German. The Department.

**[152] Dragons, Witches, Princesses: German and other Fairy Tales.**

The course is about "imaginary gardens with real toads in them" (Marianne Moore) and about "desir[ing] dragons with a profound desire" (J.R.R. Tolkien). It is about "Once upon a time" - a time that is on nobody's clock but exists in our collective memory. Extensive readings from the Brothers Grimm. Further readings from Perrault, de Beaumont, Hauff, Bechstein, Andersen, Hoffmann, MacDonald, Morris, Tolkien. Taught in English.

**[185] The Faust Legend.**

Study of the Faust legend and how it has been adapted over the centuries. Topics include the origins of Faust in the 15th century in its factual (Paracelsus and Johann Faust) and spiritual (alchemy and astronomy) dimensions; the Faustbook of 1587; Marlowe's adaptation of the Faust story (*The Tragical History of Dr. Faustus*); Goethe's Faust (*The First Part of the Tragedy*); operas by Gounod (*Faust*) and Boito (*Mefistofele*); the film *Mephisto* by H. Mann/Szabò; and T. Mann's *Doctor Faustus*. Taught in English.

**[187] Goethe and Beyond.**

Study of the Age of Goethe in the 18th and 19th centuries and how neo-classical thought has influenced thinking since then. Works include Goethe's novels *Werther* and *Wilhelm Meister*, plays by Goethe (*Berlichingen*, *Egmont* and *Torquato Tasso*), Schiller's political tragedies (*Mary Stuart*, *Don Carlos*, the *Wallenstein* trilogy) and will include discussion of later adaptations of these works as operas by Donizetti and Verdi. Taught in English.

**200F Topics in Advanced Reading and Writing.**

Close reading of short texts and newspaper articles; advanced grammar review and extensive writing exercises. Readings focus on contemporary Germany and Austria. Designed for students who have had two years of German or equivalent. Taught in German. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 140 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Toegel.

**[310] From Goethe to Grass: Survey of German Literature.**

Study of major writers and literary movements from the 18th century to today, including authors from Germany, Austria and the former GDR. Works will include poetry, drama and short prose. Designed as preparation for upper-level literature seminars. Taught in German. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 200 or consent of instructor. Required course for German concentrators. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[420] From Empire to Republic: Twentieth-Century German Literature.**

Study and analysis of works spanning the era from 1871 to the beginning of the Second World War. Selections focus on literary and cultural changes including the Jahrhundertwende and the Weimar Republic. Authors include Fontane, Hauptmann, Trakl, Hofmannsthal, George, Schnitzler and Mann. Taught in German. Prerequisite, 310 or consent of instructor.

**440F Modern Literature of the German-Speaking Countries.**

Study of post-1945 literature with focus on Austria, the emergence of two contrasting Germanies, and the Neuanschluss leading to unification. Texts by Bachmann, Bernhard, Böll, Grass, Seghers, Wolf and others. Taught in German. Prerequisite, 310 or consent of instructor. Toegel.

**500S Senior Project.**

A senior thesis required of all concentrators in the department. Open to concentrators only. Toegel.

# Government

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Frank Anechiarico  
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Philip Klinkner, *chair* (Washington, D.C. Program, fall 2017)  
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Emad Kiyaei  
Joel Winkelman

The department offers concentrations in government, world politics and public policy as follows:

## GOVERNMENT

A concentration in government consists of 10 courses: 116, 117 and either 112 or 114, with at least one of these being writing-intensive, and seven additional courses at the 200 level or above. Of these seven courses, at least two must be in international relations or comparative politics, at least two must be in American politics or political theory, at least two must be at the 300 level (one of which must be writing-intensive), and one must be the Senior Project (550). A minor in government consists of five courses, with at least two of these at the 200 level or above.

Honors in government or world politics requires a GPA of 3.6 in the major by the end of the sixth semester, maintaining that average at graduation, and the successful completion of 549 and 551.

## WORLD POLITICS

The world politics major involves the study of politics on a global scale, including both international relations and politics within nations. In order to understand the complex interplay of international and national politics, all world politics majors study the philosophical and moral bases of various political systems; the history of the modern international system; the political economy of global power and wealth; and the key issues for U.S. foreign policy. To achieve this understanding, all world politics majors are required to take a total of 11 courses, including the following core courses: 112, 114, 117 (one of which must be writing-intensive); 240 or 290; 226 or 291; and 550. Students complete the major by focusing either on a particular region of the world (Africa, Asia, Latin America, Middle East, Russia and Eastern Europe, Western Europe) or a thematic topic (poverty and inequality in world politics, democratization, international law and organization, international security, politics of the global economy, nationalism and identity in global politics). In consultation with their advisor, students will select five related courses in their area

or theme from a variety of departments. One of these must be a writing-intensive course at the 300 level in Government. For students focusing on a region of the world, one of the five courses must be in an appropriate language at the fourth-semester level or above. Students may also design their own thematic track with the advice and consent of their advisor. The advisor will approve each student's course list after the major is declared.

## **PUBLIC POLICY**

See the public policy section in this catalogue.

### **Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies Requirement:**

Political science provides insights into the formation and persistence of structural and institutional hierarchies as well as to the political and social movements that have challenged them. Students in Government and World Politics must take at least one course where these issues are specifically addressed by the entire course or substantial portions of it. Among the courses that we believe currently meet the requirement are listed below. Other courses, with the permission of the instructor, the student's advisor, and the department chair, may also be used to satisfy the requirement.

GOVT 244 Nationalism and the Politics of Identity.  
GOVT 394 Social Movements and Political Protest  
GOVT 201 Introduction to Feminist Thought.  
GOVT 226 Comparative Political Economy  
GOVT 229 The American Founding: Ideals and Reality.  
GOVT 249 American Political Thought.  
GOVT 270 Democratic Theory.  
GOVT 291 International Political Economy  
GOVT 337 Civil Wars.  
GOVT 340 Race and American Democracy.  
GOVT 358 Equality and Inequality in American Politics.  
GOVT 359 The Organization and Politics of American Policing  
GOVT 360 The Politics and Theory of Place and Space.  
GOVT 368 Violence, Justice and the State in Latin America.  
GOVT 389 Capitalism, Democracy, and the Workplace.  
Public Policy 251 Introduction to Public Policy.  
Public Policy 382 Topics in Public Policy

The Term in Washington Program, offered each semester, combines regular academic study with the experience and understanding gained by working in congressional and executive offices. Four credits are awarded toward graduation, two of which (325 and 327) count toward a concentration in government, and up to two may be counted toward a concentration in world politics or public policy. It is useful to have some background in the operations of the American federal government, so Government 116 (American Political Process) or its equivalent is strongly advised, but the program has no fixed prerequisite and is open to students majoring in any concentration offered by the College. It is also open to selected students from other colleges. '

### **201S Introduction to Feminist Thought.**

An interdisciplinary examination of the history and contemporary practice of feminist thought. Topics include the history of feminist thought in Western culture, the broadening and complication of that canon to include examinations of race, class, gender, sexuality, ableism and ageism, and the implications of global feminist thought. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 101 or consent of instructor. (Same as Women's Studies 201 and Government 201.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Lacsamana.

### **212S Global Warming: Is the Day After Tomorrow Sooner than We Think?.**

Investigates the historical/political/geographic context for our hydrocarbon economy, the scientific and economic

debate behind global warming, the social and ecological consequences of action or inaction regarding greenhouse gas emissions and the role of public policy and international relations in global environmental change. Prerequisite, One semester of science. May count toward a concentration in environmental studies. (Same as Environmental Studies 212 and Geosciences 212 and Government 212.) Maximum enrollment, 25. Beck.

**212S Global Warming: Is the Day After Tomorrow Sooner than We Think?.**

Investigates the historical/political/geographic context for our hydrocarbon economy, the scientific and economic debate behind global warming, the social and ecological consequences of action or inaction regarding greenhouse gas emissions and the role of public policy and international relations in global environmental change. Prerequisite, One semester of science. May count toward a concentration in environmental studies. (Same as Government 212 and Environmental Studies 212 and Geosciences 212.) Maximum enrollment, 25. Beck.

**230F Data Analysis.**

How can we tell whether providing child care will encourage more welfare recipients to work? How do we know whether tougher drunk-driving laws will reduce accidents? This course explains how social scientists try to determine the truth about public issues. Topics covered include descriptive statistics, sampling distributions, hypothesis testing and regression, with a focus on how those tools are used in public policy debates. Mathematical formulae are kept to a minimum, and the intuition behind statistical procedures is emphasized. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Not open to students who have taken Economics 265. Wyckoff.

**[236S] Field Study of Criminal Justice Reform and Innovation in Sweden.**

As the issues of mass incarceration, judicial and police behavior have come to the fore in American culture and politics, the need for reform and innovation from a comparative perspective has become evident. This field study is designed to provide students with such a perspective through observation and interviews with key actors in Swedish law enforcement, corrections and the courts, during a two-week period from May 27 to June 10, 2017. Larson and Anechiarico (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, One or more of the following course: Literature 129, 143, 342; Public Policy 251; Government 241, 359; Sociology 223. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 236.) Maximum enrollment, 16.

**239S Native Rituals and Religious Freedom.**

Is American religious freedom a reality, an unfinished project, or merely a myth? This course explores how Native Americans have struggled for religious freedom in the United States, focusing on contemporary legal battles to protect sacred lands, repatriate ancestral remains and objects, and defend the ceremonial consumption of peyote. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as American Studies 239 and Religious Studies 239.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Seth Schermerhorn.

**[247F] The Pursuit of Happiness.**

What is human happiness? What factors increase or decrease it? Why are some countries and cultures happier than others? How can government policies promote happiness? This course considers: -- the nature of happiness from the major philosophical traditions, --the cognitive biases that impede our ability to maximize happiness, --the empirical literature on subjective well-being from the fields of economics, political science, and psychology, --recent trends in capitalist societies and their effects on happiness, and --government policies that might improve human happiness. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, One course in statistics, from any discipline. (Same as Public Policy 247.)

**379S US International Relations: Race, Empire, and Transnational History.**

This research course examines US international relations in the twentieth century. Course discussions focus on the reproduction of race alongside the growth of US economic, cultural, political, and military power overseas, including Africa, Southeast Asia, the Caribbean, and Latin America. The course traces how imperial networks have shaped racial categories in the United States, and it examines the formation of transnational political and cultural affiliations such as Pan-Africanism. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as History 379.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Day Moore.

**549F Honors Seminar.**

Seminar in which honors candidates in world politics, government and public policy will begin their senior honors thesis. Includes common reading on key issues in political science and research methodology. Prerequisite, GPA of 91 in the major (88 for public policy) and consent of the department. Sullivan.

**550S Senior Project.**

A senior project required for concentrators in the department who are not pursuing honors. Prerequisite, one 300-level course in government. Open to concentrators only. TBA.

**551S Senior Honors Thesis.**

Requires a 90 GPA in government courses by the end of a student's seventh semester and consent of the 549 advisor. The Department.

**American Politics****116F,S The American Political Process.**

Introduction to the study of American national institutions, the public policy-making process and, in general, the distribution of political power in American society. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Open to juniors and seniors with consent of instructor only. Proseminar and writing-intensive in the Spring. Maximum enrollment, 16. Johnson (Fall); TBA (Spring).

**208F Political Parties and Elections.**

Analyzes the development of, and current theories regarding, political parties and elections in American politics. Topics include theories of party realignment, voting behavior, party composition and behavior, and the relationship between parties and elections and democracy. Covers both presidential and congressional elections. Prerequisite, 116 or consent of instructor. Klinkner.

**[209S] Political Oratory.**

Examines examples of American political rhetoric from historical, political and rhetorical standpoints. In addition, students will learn how to write and give their own political speeches. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, GOVT116 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[219F] Congress & Legislative Politics.**

Examination of the politics and behavior of the legislative branch of government, including constitutional arrangements, elections, institutional structures and political parties. Analysis of congressional decision-making in foreign and domestic policy. Prerequisite, 116.

**221S The American Presidency.**

Examines the nature and influence of the executive branch in American politics, including constitutional arrangements, elections, institutional structures and political parties. Analysis of presidential leadership and decision-making in foreign and domestic policy. Prerequisite, GOVT 116. Not open to student who have taken 328. .

**[225S] Courts and Judicial Process.**

A survey of the American judicial system. An examination of federal and state courts, and the structure of the American judicial system. Analysis of how courts interact with the public and other government institutions, and the influences on judicial decision-making. Topics also include judicial federalism, criminal and civil procedure, judicial activism, and judicial policy-making. Prerequisite, GOVT 116.

**241S Survey of Constitutional Law.**

Analysis of constitutional doctrines through major cases. Function of the Supreme Court as an instrument of government and arbiter of public policy. Doctrines include judicial review, federalism, interstate commerce, due process and questions of individual rights. Prerequisite, 116 or a course in American history. Anechiarico.

**242S The Classical Tradition in American Political Life: Cicero, Hamilton, Jefferson and the Making of the Republic.**

A study of ancient Greek and Roman influences on the creation of the United States, with special attention to the influence of Cicero and the rivalry between Alexander Hamilton and Thomas Jefferson. Readings include biographies of and writings by all three figures. (Same as Classics 242.) Anechiarico and Rubino.

**251F Introduction to Public Policy.**

The study of policy analysis using and comparing a variety of disciplinary and analytic traditions. Consideration of controversies over particular policies at the national and local level and the premises underlying them. Examination of methods and principles used in formulating and evaluating public policy. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Economics 101. Open to seniors with consent of instructor. (Same as Public Policy 251.) Anechiarico.

**[285S] Introduction to Environmental Politics.**

An overview of environmental politics, domestic and global. Topics include the environmental movement and its history and values, anti-environmentalism, environmental policy analysis, the relation between environmental science and politics, the domestic and international environmental policy processes, the North-South debate, globalization, race and environmental justice, and the implications of environmental politics for liberal democracy. Students will explore these topics directly and through selected policy issues, including forest politics, sprawl and climate change. (Same as Environmental Studies 285.)

**306F American Political Development.**

Analyzes contemporary American politics by examining the development of political ideologies, institutions and policies throughout American history. Topics include the role of religion in American politics, the transformation of party ideologies, the dynamics of presidential power, the evolution of American foreign policy, among others (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in American politics or permission of instructor. Not open to students who have taken 220. Maximum enrollment, 20. Klinkner.

**321F,S Term in Washington: Congressional and Executive Internships.**

Two consecutive six-week internships: first, in either the office of a member of Congress or with the staff of a congressional committee; second, in a federal administrative office. Interns assume some operational responsibility in each office and gain a perspective on legislative and executive roles in the public policy process. Does not count toward the concentration. Offered credit/no credit only. Martin (Fall); Cafruny (Spring).

**323F,S Term in Washington: Intern Participant-Observation.**

Participants in the program are asked to evaluate their experience in government offices through a series of group discussions and papers focused on particular aspects of the internships. Does not count toward the concentration. Martin (Fall); Cafruny (Spring).

**325F,S Term in Washington: Seminar.**

An academic seminar focusing on the public policy process and national issues. Martin (Fall); Cafruny (Spring).

**327F,S Term in Washington: Independent Research.**

Preparation and presentation of independent research on a problem related to public policy issues. Use of Washington's unique human and data resources required. Martin (Fall); Cafruny (Spring).

**[335S] Seminar: Criminal Law.**

Review of major case law related to search and seizure, fair trial rights, self-incrimination and sanctions including the death penalty. Parallel reading in criminology and political analysis of criminal justice issues. Consideration of representative institutions in the system: juvenile courts, the jury system, the police and others. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 241. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[338] American Public Administration.**

Analysis of the history, structure and political influence of public administration in the United States. Consideration of all levels of government with special attention to the influence of reform movements on the development of federal and local administration. Topics include budgeting, corruption and ethics regulation, public contracting and the organization of public works and public personnel policy. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in American politics. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[340S] Race and American Democracy.**

Survey of the role of race and equality in American democracy. Special emphasis on understanding how notions of racial equality have advanced and declined throughout American history and the role of race in current American politics. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in American politics. (Same as Africana Studies 340.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[358S] Equality and Inequality in American Politics.**

How does American politics reflect and reinforces various forms of equality and inequality? In particular, the class will examine how Americans have wrestled with egalitarian and inegalitarian ideals, and the relationship between political and economic inequality in the U.S. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, GOVT 116 or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**359F The Organization and Politics of American Policing.**

Review of the history of public safety provision in the U.S.; the impact on the local police function of the wars on drugs and terror, with attention to police relations with ethnic and racial minorities. Analytic approaches to include theories of organizational behavior and criminology. Prerequisite, Government 116 or consent of the instructor (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, Government 116. Maximum enrollment, 16. Frank Anechiarico.

**376S Government Failure?:The American Administrative State.**

Federal administrative activity gains the most attention when the federal government seemingly fails to meet the public's expectations of good and efficient governance. Examples include the failure to prevent the 9/11 terrorist attacks, FEMA's sluggish response to Hurricane Katrina, and the various crises facing the Department of Veterans Affairs. This course examines the politics of agency design, delegation, political oversight, and internal agency processes. We will discuss the structure and practices of the federal executive branch and potential reforms to help government work effectively (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One 200-level course in American politics. Maximum enrollment, 20. Johnson.

**382S Topics in Public Policy.**

The application of theories and methods of evaluation, design and implementation in an intensive study of a significant problem of public policy. Emphasis on skills of analysis, writing and group problem-solving. Coursework may be supplemented by field work as well as participation by scholars and practitioners sponsored by the Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 251. (Same as Public Policy 382.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**408F Modern Conservative Politics.**

A survey of conservative politics in America from the New Deal to the present. The course includes readings representing a variety of perspectives on right-of-center political activities and institutions along with selections from the political science literature on ideological movements, parties, elections, and the legislative process. Prerequisite,

Gov. 116 or the instructor's permission. Maximum enrollment, 20. David Frisk.

**416F Topics: Lobbying and Government Relations.**

Analysis of the representation of interests in American national government. The history of the role of lobbyists in the Washington community and the contemporary profession of government relations in legislative, regulatory and political contexts. Strategies of lobbying Congress and the executive branch. Issues of reform, including ethics rules and campaign finance. Emphasis on exploring theories and practice of lobbying/government relations through use of academic research, case studies and engagement of the class in practical “real world” lobbying exercises. Prerequisite, Open to senior concentrators or with permission of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. Baker and Vlossak.

**Comparative Politics**

**112F,S Comparative Politics.**

Introduction to the study of non-American national political systems, emphasizing authority, legitimacy and processes of state- and nation-building. Comparison of alternate forms of political development in selected Western and non-Western countries. Open to juniors and seniors with consent of instructor. (Proseminar and writing-intensive in the Spring.) Olarinmoye (Fall); S Rivera (Spring).

**211F Politics in China.**

Decline of Confucian China and problems of recreating political order. Topics include rise of the Communist Party, political organization and policy in the People’s Republic, role of ideology, foreign relations, the politics of modernization and China’s increasing integration into the world economy. Prerequisite, 112 or 114. Chan.

**[213F] Politics in Russia.**

Examines political processes in Russia after the collapse of communism in the former Soviet Union. Central focus on explaining the rise of multi-party democracy in the 1990s and the subsequent consolidation of authoritarian rule under Vladimir Putin. Topics include the creation of political parties, the state’s use of propaganda and the media, the problem of corruption, and the prospects for democracy in the future. Prerequisite, Govt 112, 114, Russian Studies 100, or History 222. Closed to first years except with permission of instructor. (Same as Russian Studies 213.)

**[214] Politics in Western Europe.**

Comparative study of post-World War II politics and government in several European countries, normally concentrating on Britain, France and Germany. Topics include state and political institutions, state- and nation-building, social conflicts and consensus, political culture and the interplay of politics and economics. Some attention paid to international relations in Western European states. Assumes some prior knowledge of Western European history. Prerequisite, 112 or 114.

**216F Politics in Latin America.**

Comparative and historical approach to analyzing the political process in contemporary Latin America. Focuses on nature of authoritarian regimes and the current process of redemocratization. Topics include the role of the military and state, popular resistance to military rule, human rights and political problems of economic development. Prerequisite, 112 or 114. Sullivan.

**218S Politics of Africa.**

Comparative examination of the domestic politics of sub-Saharan Africa. Central focus on explaining the recent rise of both multi-party democracy and state collapse across the continent. Examination of the colonial legacy, the nature of the African state, ethnic conflict, class divisions, the role of the military and the problems of economic

underdevelopment. Prerequisite, 112, 114 or Africana Studies 101. (Same as Africana Studies 218.) Olarinmoye.

### **226F Comparative Political Economy.**

The purpose of this course is to examine the relationship between states and markets. To understand this interaction in theory and practice, we will discuss classic works in political economy and draw on various country case studies. We will also analyze how markets are embedded in institutions, different models of development, and current policy debates on issues such as globalization and inequality. Prerequisite, GOVT 112, 114, or permission of instructor. Chan.

### **[244F] Nationalism and the Politics of Identity.**

The evolution of nationalist, ethnic and religious conflicts in the post-Cold War world. The causes, implications and potential resolutions of such conflicts. The origins, history and power of nationalism. Cases include countries from across the globe. Prerequisite, 112 or 114.

### **302F Fragile States.**

What makes governments and political institutions weak or strong, stable or unstable? Examines the causes and consequences of state collapse; the possibility of re-building states; the role of the military; the causes, consequences and possible remedies of corruption using case studies from different regions of the world. (Writing-intensive.)

Prerequisite, one 200-level course in comparative politics or international relations. Maximum enrollment, 20.

Olarinmoye.

### **[308S] Politics in Mexico.**

Analysis of the modern Mexican political system. Topics include political parties, labor unions, congress, and the executive. Investigation of the current challenges that Mexico is facing to consolidate its democracy, and make the transition from developing to developed nation. Particular attention to an examination of organized crime, the weak rule of law, lack of political representation, and Mexico's heavy dependence on oil revenues. (Writing-intensive.)

Prerequisite, A 200-level course in Comparative Politics or International Relations. Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **311F Transitions to Democracy.**

Examines the origins and durability of transitions to democratic forms of governance in authoritarian states. Topics include the roles in democratization played by leadership, ethnic diversity, political institutions, and geography.

Emphasis on critical reading of the large theoretical and empirical literature on democratization. Case studies will be drawn from the countries of the former Soviet Union and East-Central Europe, although students interested in other parts of the world are welcome. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One 200-level course in comparative politics or international relations. Maximum enrollment, 20. S Rivera.

### **317S Politics in the Middle East.**

"The Middle East has witnessed significant political changes due to the Arab Spring. These transformations have occurred through both violent and non-violent means and with varying assistance from the international community. This class will explore the role of both state and non-state actors in this process. General themes of the course will include the causes and consequences of the uprisings, the role of the military and Islamist groups, the place of traditional and social media, the influence of international actors, communal conflict, and the use of art and symbolism." (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, Government 112 or 114. Maximum enrollment, 20. Jumet.

### **[329F] Authoritarian Politics.**

Consideration of the origins and underpinnings of authoritarian rule. Examines variation in the formal and informal institutions of authoritarian systems as well as the conditions under which transition may take place. Emphasis on critical reading of a growing theoretical and empirical literature in order to gain an understanding the particular problems posed within and by authoritarian regimes. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in comparative politics or international relations. Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **[333S] Topics in Survey Research.**

This course will introduce students to basics of survey research, with a particular focus on measuring political, economic, and foreign policy attitudes. The class will analyze and report on the findings of an original survey of Russian elites. (Oral Presentations.) Prerequisite, GOVT 213, HIST 221 or 222, any 200-level GOVT course in comparative politics or international relations, or permission of instructor. (Same as Russian Studies 333.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

### **363S Poverty and Development.**

Examines debates over poverty and development issues in the "Global South." Includes discussion of the ethics of development, the debate over aid to Africa, UN Millenium Development Goals, microfinance, the "Asian miracle" and rapid rise of China, environmental problems and the effects of globalization. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 203, 211, 216, 218, 291, 302 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Olarinmoye.

### **366F Chinese Foreign Policy.**

China's ascendance as a global power has been dramatic. In this course, we will analyze the external and domestic determinants of Chinese foreign policy and the political, military, and economic implications of this shift in power for the rest of the world. We will examine what drives China's interactions with other states, investigate competing sources of ideas and policy change, and engage in foreign policy analysis. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, GOVT 112, 114, or permission of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Chan.

### **368S Violence, Justice and the State in Latin America.**

This class explores contemporary issues in Latin American politics, focusing on the ways that the capacity of Latin American states impact people's everyday lives. The course will consider the role of the state in controlling and contributing to violence and in enhancing and impeding struggles for social justice. Emphasis will be placed on critically reading the theoretical and empirical literature in order to understand and assess the relationship between states and citizens in Latin America. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One 200-level course in comparative politics or international relations (preferably with some prior knowledge of Latin America). Maximum enrollment, 20. Sullivan.

### **[394F] Social Movements and Political Protest.**

Why do people protest sometimes but more often not? How do social movements work, and why do some succeed while others fail? Examines the origins, dynamics, and consequences of social movements and political protest, exploring both nonviolent and violent movements that have attempted to reshape politics in countries across the globe. Emphasis on critical reading of the theoretical and empirical literature in order to gain an understanding of how political differences across countries shape and are shaped by protest. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in comparative politics or international relations. Maximum enrollment, 20.

## **International Relations**

### **114F,S International Relations.**

Introduction to the theory and practice of world politics. Emphasis on the changing structure of the international system; the role of the nation-state and non-state actors; patterns of conflict and cooperation; the use of force, diplomacy and ideology; the interplay between politics and economics. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Open to juniors and seniors with consent of instructor only. Cafruny (Fall); TBA (Spring).

### **237S Russia and the World.**

The course will examine Russia's relations with both its immediate neighbors and the West from the Tsarist era to the present. Topics to be covered include: the formation of the Russian Empire, the Cold War, the "Gorbachev revolution in Soviet foreign policy" that ended the Cold War, the evolution of Russian-American relations since the collapse of

communism, and the reasons behind Russia's annexation of Crimea in 2014. A central theme of the course will be the evolution of Russian national identity, especially as it relates to Russia's status as an empire and its relationship with the West. Prerequisite, Govt. 114 or Russian Studies 100. (Same as Russian Studies 237.) David Rivera.

**[240S] International Security.**

This course examines the use of force to achieve political objectives by both state and non-state actors. It explores the origins, conduct, and outcomes of international and civil wars; the use of terrorism and other forms of violence against civilians; the motivations of people that participate in political violence; and the lasting effects of such participation. Includes both historical and contemporary cases, ranging from the First World War to the current conflict in Syria. Prerequisite, GOVT 114 or consent of instructor.

**290F,S US Foreign Policy.**

The major problems of American foreign policy since the republic's founding and the varying approaches U.S. leaders have adopted to cope with American power and principles. Theories are illustrated with detailed examples since WWI. Some attention given to how foreign policy is shaped by government structure, political culture, organizational dynamics, individual psychology, economic interests and other causes. Students will analyze the limitations of various types of explanations and why policy implementation at times diverges from the intentions of decision-makers. Prerequisite, 114. .

**[291S] International Political Economy.**

Examination of the development and evolution of the modern global economy and its political impact. Issues include global trade relations, the monetary system and international debt, the role of multinational corporations, foreign aid, imperialism and dependency, industrial competitiveness and the rise and impact of newly industrializing countries such as South Korea and Taiwan. Prerequisite, 114.

**315S Foreign Policies of Middle Eastern States.**

The Middle East is facing a period of instability and transformation. The aim of this course is to explore the foreign policy decisions of Middle Eastern states. Through class discussion, film, and guest speakers, this course will examine the security challenges facing major players in the region (Iran, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Turkey, Qatar, Egypt, Israel, Palestine, Jordan, Syria and Lebanon). Particular attention will be given to theories of foreign policy decision-making in nondemocratic states. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, Govt 114. Maximum enrollment, 20. Kira Jumet.

**[337F] Civil Wars.**

Civil wars have become the most common type of contemporary armed conflict. This course analyzes the causes, dynamics, outcomes, and aftermath of civil wars. Topics include the systematic factors that predict when civil war occurs, logic of violence in civil war, armed group recruitment and governance, international intervention, and post-conflict politics. Prerequisite, 114 or 112. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, GOVT 112 or 114. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**355F Europe in World Affairs.**

Examination of European economic and political development and Europe's relations with the rest of the world. Topics include sources of regional economic and political integration; evolution of EU institutions; relations between Europe and the United States; Europe-Russia relations; development of the European monetary system; the crisis of the European social model. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in comparative politics or international relations. Maximum enrollment, 20. Cafruny.

**[385S] International Law and International Politics.**

An examination of the intersection of international law and international politics. The course focuses on laws regulating the conduct of war, human rights, economics, and various treaties. Includes analysis of whether and how the actions of states comply with or break these rules thereby displaying the ways in which international politics impacts international

law and institutions. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, GOVT 112, 114, or permission of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[386] Theories of International Relations.**

Survey of competing approaches to the study of international politics. Realism, transnationalism and regime analysis, and the problem of international system transformation. Some attention to research methods. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 290 or 291. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[387S] Civil-Military Relations.**

This course examines the causes and consequences of military intervention in politics. Topics include the causes of coups d'état; problems of military rule; civil-military relations and the use of force; nationalism, ethnicity, and the military; and the use of "irregular" armed forces such as warlords and civilian militia. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One 200-level course in international relations or comparative politics, or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**391F US-Africa Relations.**

The course examines US- Africa relations primarily through policy issues such as foreign aid, conflict management, democracy promotion, immigration, defense/anti-terrorism, environment and immigration. The course also discusses the influence of colonialism, the construction and propagation of American images of Africa, ideology, the various actors, institutions (African-Americans, African diaspora/ Presidency/Congress) and instruments on US- Africa relations. The course will cover issues and debates in US – Africa relations from 1960-present. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, GOVT112 or GOVT114 or Consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Omobolaji Olarinmoye.

**419F Seminar: Weapons of Mass Destruction.**

The course will provide students with a thorough understanding of weapons of mass destruction proliferation across the Middle East and North Africa, and efforts to strengthen international non-proliferation. Through class discussion and guest speakers from academia and practitioners in WMD non-proliferation, this class will provide students with the ability to analyze these challenges, revisit past efforts to achieve the zone and identify future scenarios in the aftermath of the recent Iran Nuclear Accord and dismantling of Syrian chemical weapons. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, Permission of the department. Maximum enrollment, 12. Kiyaei.

**Political Theory**

**117F,S Introduction to Political Theory.**

Survey of selected political theorists from Plato to the present. Examination of questions of liberty, equality, justice and community. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) (Proseminar and writing-intensive in the Spring.) Open to juniors and seniors with consent of instructor only. (Same as Philosophy 117.) Martin (Fall); TBA (Spring).

**201S Introduction to Feminist Thought.**

An interdisciplinary examination of the history and contemporary practice of feminist thought. Topics include the history of feminist thought in Western culture, the broadening and complication of that canon to include examinations of race, class, gender, sexuality, ableism and ageism, and the implications of global feminist thought. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 101 or consent of instructor. (Same as Women's Studies 201 and Government 201.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Lacsamana.

**[229F,S] The American Founding: Ideals and Reality.**

An intensive analysis of the philosophical ideals of the Founding Era (1763-1800) and their uneven realization. Social

histories of various races, genders and classes will help illuminate the inherent ambiguities, weaknesses, strengths and legacies of the social and political philosophies of late 18th-century America. Prerequisite, Government 117, Philosophy 117 or a 100-level course in history. May count toward a concentration in either history or government. Not open to students who have taken History 240 or 374. (Same as College Courses and Seminars 229 and History 229.) Maximum enrollment, 24.

**[232] Contemporary Political Theory.**

How should we think about politics after Nietzsche? Considers the answers of John Rawls, Hannah Arendt, Leo Strauss, Charles Taylor, Gilles Deleuze and William Connolly. Focusing on each theorist's conceptions of human nature and politics. Prerequisite, 117.

**[249S] American Political Thought.**

What does it mean to be an American? What are the principles of American politics? Considers the answers of Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, Alexander Hamilton, Alexis de Tocqueville, W.E.B. DuBois, Emma Goldman, John Dewey, Leo Strauss and William E. Connolly. Prerequisite, 116, 117, 229, 241, 270, or consent of the instructor.

**270F Democratic Theory.**

Analysis of the idea of democracy, traditions of democratic theory (liberal, Marxist, elitist) and current problems of democracy in practice. Topics include liberty and equality, community power, participation and bureaucracy. Prerequisite, 117 or consent of instructor. Martin.

**277S Conservative Thought in the United States.**

Survey of major conservative thinkers and their writings from the founding of the United States to present. Focuses on various strains of right-of-center thinking, the growth of a mainstream conservative worldview in the antebellum South, the rise of the modern conservative movement under William F. Buckley after World War II, and fissures in the movement after the fall of the Soviet Union. (Same as History 277.) Paquette.

**287F Political Theory and the Environment.**

What is the relationship between theorizing about politics and theorizing about nature? Explores how conceptions of the natural world and our relationship to it have shaped political thought since ancient times and how contemporary "green" political thinkers attempt to craft principles for an ecologically responsible society. (Same as Environmental Studies 287.) Cannavó.

**360F The Politics and Theory of Place and Space.**

How do we map out, conceptualize, inhabit and govern our spatial environment? What political challenges arise in organizing and maintaining a coherent world of places? A look at the theoretical and political dimensions of place and space through writings of geographers, political theorists, environmental thinkers, novelists and U.S. case studies, including 9/11, the debate over logging in the Pacific Northwest, the problem of sprawl, the decline and revival of old industrial cities, the future of America's agricultural landscape, and the impact of climate change. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in American politics or political theory. Maximum enrollment, 20. Cannavo.

**[365] Free Speech Theory.**

Analysis of competing theories of the liberty of expression in the American context. Focuses primarily on contemporary political and legal disputes over such morally divisive issues as "hate speech," campus speech codes, pornography, media and Internet censorship, and the proper role of free speech in a democracy. Examination of the evolution of American constitutional law concerning freedom of expression. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 229, 241, 270 or 276. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[389S] Capitalism, Democracy, and the Workplace.**

What is the relationship between capitalism and democracy? Do the claims of democracy extend into the workplace? This course examines the development of a market society, the division of labor, and contemporary working conditions,

exploring the challenges and possibilities each presents democratic life. It emphasizes critical reading of historical, empirical, and normative texts in order to define and assess the mutual obligations between democratic societies and their citizens and workers. Readings include Adam Smith, Max Weber, Hannah Arendt, C. Wright Mills, and Karl Polanyi. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, 117. Maximum enrollment, 16.

# Hebrew

Hamilton College offers courses in Modern Hebrew through the 4th semester. '

## **107F First Term Hebrew.**

An introduction to the Hebrew language introducing the very basic Hebrew grammar, reading, writing and mainly oral communication. Maximum enrollment, 16. Guez.

## **108S Second Term Hebrew.**

Continued study of Hebrew grammar, oral conversation and writing skills introducing simple texts of Israeli culture as a base for learning and simple discussion. Prerequisite, Hebrew 107 or placement. Maximum enrollment, 16. Guez.

# Hispanic Studies

## Faculty

Marissa Ambio

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M. Cecilia Hwangpo (Hamilton College Academic Year in Spain, 2017-18)

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## *Special Appointments*

Jeremy T. Medina

The Hispanic Studies Department offers a diverse curriculum that includes Spanish language study for both non-heritage and heritage speakers, and Latin American, Spanish and U.S. Latinx literature and culture studies. In our Centro Universitario de Estudios Hispánicos in Madrid we also offer courses in social sciences, art, cinema and dance. The Hispanic studies concentration consists of nine courses numbered 140 or higher, including 200/201, and 210 or 211, one elective in the 200 series, three electives at the 300 level or above — including at least one in both Latin American and Peninsular fields (one of these must focus on literature before 1800) — and one course at the 400 level. Concentrators must also fulfill a cultural requirement that can be met through study abroad or a cultural studies course. Any course offered by another department that focuses specifically on Latin America, Spain or U.S. Latinx may satisfy the 200-level requirement but will not count as one of the nine concentration courses. Concentrators may include one course in translation as one of the required courses for the major. Five of the nine courses required for the major must be taken at Hamilton. It is strongly advised that all concentrators study abroad in a Spanish-speaking country. Beginning with the class of 2020, students concentrating in Hispanic Studies must satisfy the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies requirement by completing HSPST 200W: Exploring Hispanic Texts, a course also required for the concentration.

In order to complete the Senior Program, senior concentrators in Hispanic Studies (non-honors candidates) will: 1) enroll in a 300-level course or Hispanic studies 400 in the fall semester, and a 400-level course in the spring semester (in the spring seniors will complete a research project in a 400-level course; spring semester advanced courses are doubly designated as 300/400 [i.e. 310/410], in order to distinguish seniors who are writing the senior research project from other students. Thus if a senior plans to take more than one advanced course in the spring, he/she should take only one course at the 400 level); 2) participate in an assessment of oral proficiency in an interview conducted by outside examiners in the fall semester. Concentrators may not normally fulfill the requirement for the major through the election of a 200-level course during their senior year.

Senior honors candidates will: 1) enroll in Hispanic Studies 400 in the fall semester; 2) enroll in 550 and complete a senior thesis in the spring semester; 3) participate in an assessment of oral proficiency in an interview conducted by outside examiners in the fall semester. In order to attain honors in Spanish, students must have an average of 3.5 (90) or better in the nine courses required for the major and must complete 550 (senior thesis) with an A- or better. Senior honors candidates who are studying in Spain (with HCAYS) during the fall of their senior year are exempt from the Hispanic Studies 400 requirement. A complete description of the Senior Program is available in Christian Johnson 202.

The Hispanic studies minor consists of five courses numbered 140 or higher, including 200/201 and 210/211, and at least one course at the 300 level. One of these courses may be taken in translation. Three of the five courses for the minor must be taken at Hamilton.

Note: 200-level courses are not open to students who have previously taken 300-level courses in Hispanic Studies or in a Spanish-language study abroad program.

### THE ACADEMIC YEAR IN SPAIN

The Academic Year in Spain was established in 1974 to offer the highest interdisciplinary academic standards in foreign study programs (distinguished professors, small classes and a rigorous Spanish-only pledge), along with careful attention to the intellectual, cultural and social needs of each student. Directors-in-residence are drawn from the Department of Hispanic Studies at Hamilton College. The program is administered at Hamilton by a general director and by the programs abroad committee, and representatives of Swarthmore and Williams Colleges serve as directing advisors to the program and are instrumental in deciding important curricular and administrative matters and in long range planning. Also affiliated with the program are Amherst College and Princeton University. A board of advisors, drawn from such institutions as Bates, Brown, Bryn Mawr, Bucknell, Colby, Grinnell, Harvard, Reed, Scripps, Smith, Stanford, Wellesley and Yale, further helps in matters of recruitment and student preparation. All courses are taught entirely in Spanish and include language and linguistic studies, culture studies and study in the social sciences. Courses offered include advanced language, the art of translation, the history of Spanish art, cinema, analysis of poetic texts, Cervantes, contemporary theater, 19th- and 20th-century Spanish and Latin American narrative, contemporary Spanish and Latin American history, the economy of Spain, anthropology, sociology, contemporary Spanish politics, flamenco and studio art. The program also offers internships sculpted to each student's area of interest and preparation. Students are taught by faculty members from leading universities in Madrid. Language and civilization classes form part of the fall orientation program in Galicia, while a similar orientation for spring students takes place in Andalucía. Frequent group excursions throughout Spain complement the rich academic and social opportunities offered to students in Madrid. The program is open to sophomores, juniors and first-semester seniors. Although the program is designed for a full-year, application may be made for either the fall or spring sessions. To be eligible, students must normally have completed at least one 200-level Hispanic studies course and have a strong academic average. '

### **110F First-Term Spanish.**

Intended for beginners. Thorough grounding in aural comprehension, speaking, reading and writing. Interactive study of Spanish grammar with strong emphasis on oral and written production. First-year students who follow the sequence through 140 may qualify for study abroad. This course is offered only in the fall. (Proseminar.) Four hours of class, with additional TA session and laboratory work. Taught in Spanish. Maximum enrollment, 16. María Gabriela Portal.

### **115F Spanish Immersion I.**

Designed for exceptionally motivated beginning students who wish to accelerate their acquisition of Spanish. Intensive and interactive study of all of the basic grammatical structures of Spanish, with particular emphasis on writing and speaking. Successful completion will place students into 130 or 135. Students who follow the sequence through 135 may qualify for study abroad in one year. This course is only offered in the fall. (Proseminar.) Two course credits. Three 50-minute and two 75-minute classes a week, plus an additional three hours of laboratory work and TA session. Taught in Spanish. Maximum enrollment, 16. The Department.

### **120S Second-Term Spanish.**

Continuing interactive study of Spanish grammatical and lexical structures begun in 110, with special emphasis on speaking and writing. Four hours of class, with additional TA session and laboratory work. Taught in Spanish. This course is offered only in the spring. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, 110 or placement. Maximum enrollment, 16. Portal.

### **130F,S Third-Term Spanish.**

Intensive review of grammar and syntax at the intermediate level, with key emphasis on writing and speaking. Selected

readings and in-class activities form the basis for further work in all the language skills. Four hours of class with additional laboratory work and TA session. Taught in Spanish. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, 115, 120 or placement. Maximum enrollment, 16. Maria Willstedt.

### **135S Spanish Immersion II.**

Designed for exceptionally motivated intermediate students who wish to accelerate their acquisition of Spanish. Continuation of Spanish 115. Intensive training in grammar and syntax with special interactive emphasis on speaking, writing and reading. A thorough review of grammar at the intermediate level followed by cultural readings and small group activities. Two course credits. Three 50-minute and two 75-minute classes a week, plus an additional three hours of laboratory work and TA session. Taught in Spanish. This course is only offered in the spring. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, 115, 120 or placement. Maximum enrollment, 16. Norberg.

### **140F,S Conversation on Hispanic Cultures.**

Intense focus on speech emergence and oral presentation. Study of diverse cultural readings and other aesthetic productions as a basis for refinement of grammar comprehension and as a means to further improve writing, reading and listening skills. Three hours of class, with additional activities, TA sessions and laboratory work. Taught in Spanish. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, grade of C or better in 130, placement or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16. The Department.

### **200F,S Exploring Hispanic Texts.**

Study of interdisciplinary cultural discourses — art, music, journalism, literature, film — from Latin America, Spain and the Spanish Caribbean. Focus on written and oral argumentation; introduction to the interpretation of literary texts. Advanced grammar in context and vocabulary building. Course emphasizes writing, oral presentation and the refinement of speech and pronunciation. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, Grade of C+ or better in HSPST 135 or 140, placement or consent of instructor. Not open to students who have taken 201 or to senior concentrators. Taught in Spanish. Maximum enrollment, 16. The Department.

### **201F Spanish for Heritage/Bilingual Speakers.**

Integrated review of the grammatical structure of Spanish for bilingual students, with intense emphasis on writing. Major emphasis placed on anthropological linguistics; special focus on political and cultural history of U.S. Latinos/as: issues of immigration, bilingualism, English-Only. Interdisciplinary readings by Latin American, Caribbean and U.S. Latino/a authors, as well as interdisciplinary film. Group activism project targets Latino communities in Utica and surrounding areas. Intense interaction focused on discussion and oral and written argumentation. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, Only for Heritage Speakers, placement exam or consent of instructor. Not open to senior concentrators. Maximum enrollment, 16. The Department.

### **210F Introductory Study of Spanish Literature.**

Intensive study and analysis of cultural concepts and selected literary works of Spain. Introduction to basic critical skills for literary and cultural analysis as applied to texts studied. Emphasis on oral performance, student participation and on original application of critical methodology in writing projects. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, 200 or 201 or consent of instructor. Taught in Spanish. Enrollment priority will be given to concentrators. Not open to senior concentrators. Maximum enrollment, 16. Xavier Tubau Moreu.

### **211S Introductory Study of Latin American Literature.**

A selected overview of cultural concepts and literary movements and genres in Latin American literatures. Special emphasis on representative works of selected historical periods. Introduction to basic critical skills for literary and cultural analysis as applied to texts studied. Emphasis on oral performance, student participation and original application of critical methodology in writing projects. Taught in Spanish. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, 200, 201 or consent of instructor. Not open to senior concentrators. Maximum enrollment, 16. The Department.

**[212] Narrating Medieval Iberia.**

Samples popular short-narrative genres (ballads, legends, exemplary stories) and their recurring themes in Medieval Spain. We will explore the rich variety of sources (oral, literary) and traditions (classical, Islamic, Christian, Jewish) in order to gain a multifaceted view of this complex and fascinating period in Spain's history. Readings include romances, Hispano-Arabic and Hispano-Hebrew poems, excerpts from the great framed-narrative collections (El conde Lucanor, among others) and the Libro de buen amor, as well as popular stories of heroes and saints, and travelogues. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, 210 or 211 or consent of instructor. Taught in Spanish. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**[213] Ficciones del delito.**

Analysis of the representations in Latin American fiction of such issues as delinquency, murder, marks of difference, language and social justice, and the critical perspectives which these phenomena engender. Works by Arlt, Borges, Puig, and others. Prerequisite, 210 or 211, or consent of instructor. Not open to senior majors. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, HSPST 210 or 211. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**217S Introduction to US Latino/a Literatures.**

Examination of cultural production of representative U.S. Latino/a writers, filmmakers and visual artists from the civil rights movement to present. Focuses on the rewriting of contextual history of Latinos within the United States through interdisciplinary texts. Emphasis placed on literary, cultural and historical/political analysis, feminist criticism and anti-racist pedagogies. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, HSPST 200. Taught in Spanish. (Same as Women's Studies 213 and Literature and Creative Writing 217.) Maximum enrollment, 16. The Department.

**[219] Advanced grammar review and practical application.**

Rigorous review of Spanish grammar at the highest level, including study of the more complex structures relating to the use of the subjunctive, the passive voice and reflexives, the preterite and imperfect tenses, expressions of probability, and the expansion of expository vocabulary. Considerable effort devoted to the development of a mature style of writing, but emphasis placed on the learning and oral practice of grammatical structures. Especially recommended for Spanish majors or minors in their sophomore year, those planning to study abroad or future teachers of Spanish. Prerequisite, 200, 201 or consent of instructor. Taught in Spanish. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[223] Introduction to Hispanic Cinema.**

An introduction to film in the Hispanic world, exploring the development of different national traditions within Latin American and Spanish Cinema. At the same time, covers some of the basic tools for interpreting and writing about film. Editing, sound, cinematography and mise-en-scène are some of the key terms and concepts studied in order to understand how viewers and filmmakers create meaning in films. Particular attention to the interrelation of cinema and culture, and the intersection of aesthetics and politics. Prerequisite, 210 or 211. Taught in Spanish.

**224S Women in Spanish Literature and Film: "Chicas de película".**

With an emphasis in the last two decades, this class will focus on literary and visual constructions of women in Contemporary Spain. Movies, poems and short stories will help us ask questions and explore ideas concerning Spanish women and society such as war and gender violence, immigration, sexualities, citizenship, interpersonal relationships, masculinities in transition, etc. Films and literary texts by Bigas Luna, Isabel Coixet, Icíar Bollaín, Anna Rossetti and Carme Riera, among others. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, 200 or 201 or consent of instructor. Taught in Spanish. Maximum enrollment, 16. Sabadell Nieto.

**[229] Spanish for the Professions.**

Study of the vocabulary, expressions and functional use of Spanish in professional contexts. Fields covered will be medicine, business, law and social services, among others. This is an ideal course for students who wish to continue using Spanish in their career or simply want to expand their vocabulary base. Taught in Spanish. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, 200, 201 or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**250F Journey into Spanish Cultures.**

A study of the cultures of Spain, including history, music, painting and other aspects of Spanish civilization which reflect or have contributed to the development of modern Spanish perspectives. Emphasis on contemporary social and political events. Taught in Spanish. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, 200, 201 or consent of instructor. Not open to senior majors. Maximum enrollment, 16. Luisa Briones.

**257F The World of Spanish Art: From the Alhambra to Guernica.**

Intensive study of the artistic production of Spain, as reflected in the most significant expressions of architecture, painting and sculpture, along with the cultural and historical context in which these works were created. To be included, among others: Moorish, Romanesque, Gothic, Renaissance, Baroque, Neoclassic and Modernist styles (in architecture); El Greco, Velázquez, Zurbarán, Ribera, Murillo, Goya, Sorolla, Picasso and Dalí (in painting); and Vasco de la Zarza, Bigarny, Diego de Siloé, Juni, Montanás, Cano, Mena, Berruguete (in sculpture). Prerequisite, 200, 201 or consent of instructor. Taught in Spanish (Fall 2017) (Same as Art History 257.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Medina, J.

**262S The Spanish Renaissance.**

This course explores the literature and culture of the Spanish Renaissance, paying particular attention to the revival of classical literary forms and the social changes and tensions that shaped Spanish society at the time. Topics for discussion include: the reception of Italian humanism in Spain, the significance of certain Spanish literary texts for the formation of modern literary genres (poetry, novel, drama), and the invention of the printing press and the rise of a new concept of authorship. Prerequisite, 210, 211 or consent of instructor. Taught in Spanish. Not open to senior concentrators. Maximum enrollment, 22. Xavier Tubau Moreu.

**[270] Special Topics in Spanish Literature and Culture.**

Taught in Spanish. Prerequisite, 210, 211 or consent of instructor. Normally not open to senior concentrators.

**271F Special Topics in Latin American Literature and Culture.**

Topic TBA (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, 210, 211 or consent of instructor. Taught in Spanish. Maximum enrollment, 16. TBA.

**[281] Introduction to Latin American Short Fiction.**

Critical reading and interdisciplinary discussion of selected Latin American short fiction. Designed to familiarize students with the poetics of the Latin American short story and its relationship to pertinent literary movements. An intercultural examination of the artistic components of various Latin American short stories within their socio-historical contexts. Readings will include works by Borges, Quiroga, Cortázar, Rulfo, Valenzuela, Castellanos, García Márquez and others. Prerequisite, 210 or 211 or consent of instructor. Taught in Spanish.

**[283] Understanding the Contemporary Hispanic Caribbean World.**

In each of the three Hispano-Caribbean islands toward the 1950s, different political fall-outs produced a corpus of texts distinct from that of their predecessors. The Cuban Revolution, the death of the Dominican dictator Trujillo, and Puerto Rico's new political status as a U.S Commonwealth all spurred a reconsideration of literature and other media as a socio-political space in which to articulate new notions of cultural identity. This course, through poetry, film, music and narrative, examines the cultural shifts and their aesthetic correlates arising from these fracturing events. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, HSPST 200. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**[301/401] Modernismo.**

Contextualized study of the Latin American and Spanish literary movement that broke away from the naturalist tradition and anticipated the avant-garde. Analysis of innovative literary premises in essay, prose fiction, chronicle, theatre and poetry through focus on the new consciousness of the "modernista" writer's role in turn-of-the-century society. Examination of related notions of exoticism and escapism in the context of continental modernization. Prerequisite, Taught in Spanish. two 200-level courses in Hispanic studies above 200 or 201, including 210, 211 or

consent of instructor. Senior concentrators who plan to write their senior research project in this course must take it as 401. Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **303/403F Representing Gender in Latin America.**

Approaches gender studies through critical analysis of Latin American literature, film and social movements. We study representations of femininity and masculinity in Latin American culture and their historical roots, considering traditional gender roles and more contemporary attempts to break with social expectations linked to sex and gender, as well as the complex interactions of gender with nationality, class and sexual orientation. Discussions center in issues of representation, identity and “equality.” Readings include both literary texts as well as gender theory. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, Two 200-level courses in Hispanic studies above 200 or 201, or consent of instructor. Taught in Spanish. (Same as Women's Studies 303/403.) Maximum enrollment, 16. Burke.

### **[310/410] Medieval Spanish Literature.**

An in-depth view of the beginning and early development of Spanish literature, emphasizing key works that serve as precursors to later Spanish and Latin American literatures, including Jarchas, El Poema de Mío Cid, Auto de los Reyes Magos, El Conde Lucanor, Libro de Buen Amor, poetry of the Romancero, Coplas por la muerte de su padre, Cárcel de Amor and La Celestina. Taught in Spanish. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, two 200-level courses in Hispanic studies above 200 or 201, including 210 or 211 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **[314] 20th-21st Century Spanish Narrative: Representing Reality and Spanish History after the Death of Franco.**

The class will study novels, short stories, films, blogs, and other forms of artistic expression produced in Spain during the 20th and the 21st century. We will discuss essays and articles related to these works, primarily concerning the conscious amnesia of many Spaniards regarding the Civil War and Dictatorship of Francisco Franco, and how to move forward and represent new realities in an age of media and new technologies. Among the authors we will read are: Carmen Martín Gaité, Juan Marsé, Ray Loriga, Agustín Fernández Mallo, Javier Cercas, and Eduardo Mendoza. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, Two 200-level courses in Hispanic studies above 200 or 201 including 210 or 211 or consent of instructor. Taught in Spanish. Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **[316F] Recovering a Lost Memory: Cultural Representations of the Spanish Civil War and its Aftermath.**

The Spanish Civil War and its aftermath shaped 20th-century Spain. This course centers on a selection of novels and films which reconstruct, evoke and explore this traumatic event and its consequences in different ways. We will also explore current efforts in Spain to recover what is referred to as an “historical memory” (“memoria histórica”) of both the war and the Franco dictatorship which followed it. Issues of trauma, exile, memory, identity and gender will be studied. Works by Martín Gaité, Matute, Rodoreda and Chacón among others. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, 210 or 211 and one additional course beyond 210/211, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **[323/423S] The Power of Looking: Re-imagining the Nation in Hispanic Films.**

An in-depth study of the history and poetics of Hispanic films from the double perspective of Hispanic cultural contexts and the development of cinema as artistic expression. Examines how props, lighting, acting, editing, etc. say more than the words in the script. We will discuss how all these elements reflect the cultural visions and beliefs of different Hispanic filmmakers and the times and places they came from. The readings will focus on film theory and film history within the context of nationalism in the Hispanic World. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, two courses in Hispanic studies above 200 or 201, or consent of instructor. Taught in Spanish. Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **330/430F Early Modern Spanish Drama: Aesthetics, Ideology and Society.**

The 17th century produced some of the most important, influential and interesting works in the history of Spanish theater. Through a detailed analysis of key dramas of the Early Modern period we focus on the emergence and development of theater in Spain, as well as the study of its different subgenres. Pays close attention to the aesthetics of representation as well as sociopolitical and ideological questions. Works by Cervantes, Tirso de Molina, Lope de Vega,

Calderón de la Barca and Juana Inés de la Cruz. Prerequisite, two 200-level courses in Hispanic studies above 200 or 201, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16. Xavier Tubau.

**[333/433] Latin American Theatre.**

Analysis and discussion of 20th century plays in light of major theatrical movements such as the Theater of the Absurd, the Epic Theater, Metatheater and the Theater of Cruelty. Examination of construction and critiques of self, power, society and political identities. Readings from such leading playwrights as Usigli, Marqués, Gambaro, Wolff, Carballido and Cossa. Prerequisite, Two 200-level courses in Spanish above 200 or 201 including 210 or 211 or consent of instructor. Taught in Spanish. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**[343/443F] Contemporary Latin American Novel.**

Critical reading of representative Latin American novels from the "Boom" to the present. Authors include Fuentes, García Márquez, Donoso, Puig, Ferré and Boullosa. Prerequisite, Two 200-level courses in Hispanic studies above 200 or 201 including 210 or 211 or consent of instructor. Taught in Spanish. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**[351/451S] Writers of the Boom.**

Studies the narrative of internationally recognized Latin American authors of the 1960's-1970's, contextualizing the literary "boom" of this time period, and introducing some of the fundamental works in twentieth century literature. Authors include Carlos Fuentes, Julio Cortázar, Mario Vargas Llosa, José Donoso and Gabriel García Márquez. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, Prerequisite, two 200-level courses in Hispanic studies above 200 or 201, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**[360/460] The Generations of 1898 and 1927.**

This course will be a study of the ideas, trends and new concepts of Spanish literature at the end of the 19th century and beginning of the 20th century, spurred on by historical challenges (loss of Empire) and social unrest (political upheaval) in Spain. José Ortega y Gasset's *La deshumanización del arte* will serve as a theoretical bridge between the two generations. We will also question the validity of these categories and problematize the anointing of literary generations. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, two 200-level courses in Hispanic studies above 200 or 201, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**[362/462S] Literature on Film.**

This course will focus on the film adaptations made of Spanish plays and novels and on the texts that originated them. How does verbal translate into visual? How does film narrate or dramatize differently (if so) than literature? Readings will include contemporary as well as classical literary works and the viewing and analysis of their film adaptations: Lope de Vega, García Morales, Manuel Rivas, Fernando Aramburu among others, and movies by Pilar Miró, Erice, Cuerda, Viscarret, and Uribe. Prerequisite, Two 200-level courses in Hispanic studies above 200 or 201 including 210 or 211 or consent of instructor. Taught in Spanish.

**367F Hispanic New York: Origins to Present.**

The course studies the origins and conceptualization of New York as Hispanic city from the 19th century to the present, examining the historical presence of Spaniards, Cubans, Puerto Ricans, and Dominicans in New York and their modes of expression from early media to collective organization. Through an analysis of primary materials we explore multiple aspects of identity: national, cultural, racial, linguistic, Caribbean, Latino and Nuyorican. Primary texts include newspapers and pamphlets, short stories, novels, memoirs and poetry. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, Two 200-level courses in Hispanic studies above 200 or 201, or consent of instructor. Taught in Spanish. Maximum enrollment, 16. Marissa Ambio.

**[370/470S] Postmodern Spain: New Narratives and New Technologies.**

This course is dedicated to the analysis of new Spanish writing that explores the Internet, TV series and other forms of technological narrative (social networks, YouTube, video, etc.). The course is focused on recent authors, primarily of

Spanish origin, while also dialoging with other literatures about fragmentation, the bombardment of images, media diversity, the perception of reality, and ruptures with canonical forms of writing. Students will be required to create blogs or other genres of social network writing and pay attention to diverse forms of communication. Prerequisite, 210, 211 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**371S Special Topics in Latin American Literature.**

The course topic and content vary depending on our visiting faculty (leave replacements.) (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, 210 or 211 and one additional course at 200-level, or consent of instructor. Taught in Spanish. Maximum enrollment, 16. TBA.

**[377] Latino/a Experiences in the United States.**

Rigorous examination and historico-political analysis of U.S. Latina literary production and poetics with focus on short story and drama (including performance art). Examination of construction and critiques of self, gender, society and political and sexual identities. Course analysis framed by feminists literary theories and criticism, and anti-racist pedagogy. Authors will include Ana Castillo, Sandra Cisneros, Cherríe Moraga, M. H. Viramontes, Nicolasa Mohr, Migdalia Cruz, Marga Gómez. Prerequisite, two 200-level courses in literature or consent of instructor. No knowledge of Spanish required. Taught in English. (Same as Women's Studies 379.)

**[380/480F] Cervantes' Don Quijote.**

Careful analysis of the style, characterization, theme and structure of Spain's greatest literary masterpiece, and the study of the work's relationship to the major social and intellectual currents of the 17th century. Taught in Spanish. Prerequisite, two 200-level courses in Hispanic studies above 200 or 201 including 210 or 211 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[390/490S] Jewels of Spanish Poetry.**

Close textual examination, at the most advance level, of some of the most memorable poems produced in Spain from the Renaissance to the 20th century. Offers an appreciation and enjoyment of various forms of poetic expression, along with an understanding of the literary, social and historical context that influenced their creation. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, two courses above HSPST 200W or 201, or consent of instructor. Taught in Spanish. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**400F Topic: Others like ourselves or not.**

The course focuses on women's literature, theory, and cultural production in contemporary Spain. It discusses core topics, issues, conflicts and potential resolutions that shaped and pushed forward Spanish society into a "less imperfect democracy." How does literature and art affect civil rights and social change if they do at all? We will read three representative novels from 1960 to the present, as well as short stories, poems, essays, legal and religious texts, and view films to think about recognition and differences, and, in general terms, about gender. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, three courses in HSPST starting at HSPST 200/201. Senior concentrators only. Taught in Spanish. Open to seniors only. Required for senior concentrators who are candidates for honors and strongly recommended for all other senior concentrators. Hispanic Studies concentrators will be given preference over other seniors. Maximum enrollment, 12. Joana Sabadell-Nieto.

**550S Honors Project.**

Independent study program for students who qualify as candidates for departmental honors. Students will work closely with a thesis advisor (chosen from among the Hispanic studies faculty) who will direct and guide the preparation and oral defense of the thesis. Students will normally also choose a second reader. Students must have an average of at least 90 in the courses counting toward the concentration at the end of the first semester of the senior year in order to qualify. Honors concentrators must normally take the Senior Seminar (400) during the fall of their senior year. Prerequisite, HSPST 400, HSPST concentrator with GPA of 3.5 in HSPST courses upon time of registration. The Department.

# History

## Faculty

Douglas Ambrose (on leave spring 2018)

Shiuon Chu

Pankhuree Dube

John Eldevik (on leave spring 2018)

Kevin Grant, *chair*

Maurice Isserman (on leave fall 2017)

Shoshana Keller

Alfred Kelly

Faiza Moatasim

Celeste Day Moore

Robert L. Paquette (on leave fall 2017)

Peter Simons

Lisa Trivedi

Thomas Wilson (on leave 2017-18)

## *Special Appointments*

Christian Goodwillie

A concentration in history consists of 10 courses. Beginning with the class of 2018, each concentrator must take a Writing Intensive 100-level history course, and no more than two 100-level courses may be counted toward the concentration. A concentrator must also take at least four courses at the 300 level or higher. A concentrator must complete at least one 300-level course devoted mainly to the study of historiography and at least one 300-level course devoted mainly to research skills. The department strongly recommends that each concentrator complete both a 300-level historiography course and a 300-level research course before undertaking the senior thesis (History 401 or 550).

A concentrator's courses must include at least one course focused on the U.S., at least one course focused on Europe, and at least three courses focused on areas outside of the U.S. and Europe. A concentrator in history must also take one course in pre-modern history. The Department encourages concentrators to develop competence in a foreign language and to use that competence in their historical reading and research.

Beginning with the class of 2020, concentrators shall fulfill the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies requirement by taking two courses that consider structural and institutional hierarchies. These courses, like all others fulfilling concentration requirements, are listed on the department's Blackboard site.

Research Seminar (401). Concentrators may fulfill the Senior Program requirement through satisfactory completion (a grade of at least C-) of the research seminar. This course emphasizes the critical evaluation of scholarship in a specific field, culminating in either a historiographical essay or an original essay based upon primary sources and informed by the relevant scholarship.

Independent Senior Thesis (550). Concentrators with a departmental grade point average of 3.5 or higher may, with the approval of the department chair, pursue an individual project under the direct supervision of a member of the department.

Departmental Honors.

To earn departmental honors, concentrators must earn a grade of A- or higher for the independent senior thesis and make a public presentation of the thesis. They must have a departmental grade point average of 3.5 or above upon graduation, and they must have completed at least one year of college-level study in a foreign language.

A minor in history consists of five courses. Beginning with the class of 2019, one of these five courses must be a Writing Intensive 100-level course and at least one must be at the 300 level or higher, as approved by the department. Only two 100-level courses will count toward a minor.

A student wishing to be certified to teach social studies in grades 7-12 should contact Susan Mason, director of the Education Studies Program, as early as possible. '

### **100F Murder, Civil War, and Opera.**

Ivan the Terrible murdered his heir, and left Russia to face economic collapse and mass hunger without a stable government. Then things got really bad. Did Boris Godunov murder Tsarevich Dmitri? Was the First False Dmitri for real? Only Pushkin knew for sure, but it took Modest Mussorgsky to wrap it up in the greatest Russian opera of all time. This course will explore the relationships between history, art and national identity in Russia. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as Russian Studies 100.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Keller.

### **102S Atlantic World in the Era of the Slave Trade.**

Survey of the development of the world economy from the 15th to the 19th centuries, with emphasis on the interrelations of Western Europe, Africa and the Americas. Stress on basic skills in the study of history. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Paquette.

### **104S Europe and its Empires, 1500-1960.**

A survey of European exploration, imperial expansion and post-colonial society. Examines European debates over the principles and objectives of imperialism in the Americas, the Pacific and Africa. Illuminates changing views toward culture, economics, race, gender and nationality. Stress upon basic skills in the interpretation of historical texts and writing. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Grant.

### **[109S] Early Modern Western Europe, 1450-1800.**

Survey of transformation of Western Europe from the Renaissance through the French Revolution. Focuses on social, political, economic and intellectual developments; examination of primary sources and secondary studies. Stress on basic skills in the study of history. (Writing-intensive.)

### **[110F] An Introduction to the History of the United States, 1492-1861.**

Introduction to U.S. history and the exploration and settlement of British North America, the encounter between Europeans and Native Americans, the colonial era, the American Revolution, the Federalist Era, and 19th-century U.S. history including the growing national division over slavery, concluding with the onset of the Civil War.

### **[111S] An Introduction to the History of the United States, 1861-2001.**

Introduction to U.S. history and an overview of the Civil War and Reconstruction, the emergence of the U.S. as a global power, progressivism and the New Deal, the Cold War, the liberal and radical insurgencies of the 1960s, and the conservative revival of the 1970s to the present.

### **115F The Civilizations of Greece and the Near East.**

An introduction to the legacy of ancient Greece and the Near East through the study of history, literature, philosophy and art. (Same as Classics 115.) Weiner.

### **[117S] Europe Since 1815.**

A survey of European history in a global context since the Napoleonic period. Focuses on political, social, economic and cultural developments. Stress on basic skills in the study of history. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **118F Animals and the Post-Human World.**

Are animals people? An American court recognized chimpanzees as persons in 2015. The very notion of what it means to be human has historically been inextricably linked with the non-human world. The course treats animals as subjects of history, noting how the relationship between humans and non-humans has changed over time and what this suggests about larger historical transformations. Through class discussions of readings and films focused on the US and India, students will gain insights into the new field of the post-humanities. (Speaking-Intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Pankhuree Dube.

### **120F Roman Civilization.**

An introduction to the history and culture of ancient Rome. Stress on social history and basic skills in the study of history. (Same as Classics 120.)

### **[124S] Silk Road.**

The silk roads were a network of trade routes from China to the Mediterranean Sea. This course explores ancient Eurasian trade, language, religion, art and power as Chinese, Turks, Persians, Arabs, Greeks, Mongols and many others interacted across vast distances. We will study how historians think, considering texts, archeology, linguistics, and art as sources of evidence. (Writing-intensive.) Stress on basic skills in the study of history. Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **125F Black Metropolis.**

This seminar interrogates the role of cities in African-American life. Through course readings and assignments, we will develop an alternative genealogy of black urban life that pushes against predominant narratives of urban crisis and dysfunction to consider instead how cities have also fostered black community, culture, and creativity. At the end of course, using census data, newspapers, city directories, novels, photographs, and oral history interviews, students will work in groups to map the history of black social, cultural, and political institutions on the South Side of Chicago. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Day Moore.

### **144F Indian Buddhism.**

An introduction to origins, essential beliefs, popular practices and institutions of Buddhism. Examines the life of Buddha, his teachings (Dharma) and Buddhist communities through a range of Buddhist texts, art and archaeological sources. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as Religious Studies 144.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Abhishek Amar.

### **[146S] Christianity to 1500.**

A survey of the origins and development of the Christian religion in its social, political, and cultural contexts from the first century CE to the eve of the Protestant Reformation. Special consideration will be given to questions of orthodoxy versus heresy, the cult of saints, and the impact of Christian theology on the construction of class, gender, and identity in medieval Europe. Stress on basic skills in the study of history. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **150F Myth and History of the Middle Ages.**

The Middle Ages continue to be one of the most tantalizing, but misunderstood, periods in European history. This course takes on some of the biggest preconceptions and myths about medieval culture -- religious violence, barbarian hordes, witch hunts, intellectual stagnation -- and subjects them to critical scrutiny using original sources. What we discover is that the "real" Middle Ages was a far more fascinating, and perhaps stranger, period than you imagined. (Writing-intensive.) Stress on basic skills in the study of history. Maximum enrollment, 20. Eldevik.

### **[155S] The Megacity in Global Perspective: Power, Space, and Everyday Life.**

Today the world has 28 megacities, with populations of 10 million or more people. Sixteen of these cities are in Asia. By 2030 there will be 41 megacities, with Tokyo and Delhi the largest urban conglomerations with 37 and 36 million people. Drawing upon novels, ethnographic accounts, historical documents, architectural and design plans, the course explores space and economic opportunities, contestations over infrastructure, and attempts to address gender, ethnic, and income disparities, human resourcefulness and entrepreneurship. (Writing-intensive.) Stress on basic skills in the

study of history. Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **156F Making Modern Cities.**

This course examines the design of buildings and cities by professional architects, urban planners, and developers in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. It also addresses utopian projects and theoretical texts that have influenced modern design. We will furthermore illuminate in western and non-western contexts the relationships between the architecture of cities and economic and political processes. (Writing-intensive.) Open to first-year students only (Same as Environmental Studies 156.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Faiza Moatasim.

### **157F Environmental History: An Introduction.**

This course introduces students to environmental history by examining both foundational scholarship and new research in the field. It will explore the methods and sources—including texts, images, sounds, artifacts, and site visits—that historians use to uncover the natural environment's past. As an introduction to the history of the natural environment, this course equips students to pursue new areas of inquiry and provide them with a different lens through which to view familiar topics. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as Environmental Studies 157.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Simons.

### **159S America in the Two World Wars.**

This course examines the involvement of the United States in the two world wars of the twentieth century, 1917-1918, and 1941-1945. It combines military history with an in-depth consideration of the impact of the wars on U.S. politics, society, economics, and international relations. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) (Open to first-year students only) Maximum enrollment, 16. Maurice Isserman.

### **160F Medieval Europe and the Mediterranean.**

This introductory survey traces the history of the medieval world following the breakup of the Roman empire in the fifth century through the fall of Constantinople to the Ottoman Turks in 1453. Special emphasis will be given to the Mediterranean as an evolving locus of cultural and religious interaction, exchange, and conflict between the Latin West, Byzantine East, and Islamic realms of North Africa and the Middle East. Readings for the course will be drawn mainly from primary sources. Eldevik.

### **[178F] South Africa: From Colonialism to Democracy.**

South African history from the Dutch settlement in 1652 to the development of a multiracial democracy after 1994. Reading and discussions will focus on the colonial experience of South Africa, emphasizing issues of labor, race, and gender. These issues will be explored through the experiences of indigenous peoples, migrant laborers, the 'coloured' community, Afrikaners, and British settlers. Then we will examine how civil rights activists attempted to bridge the divides of South Africa, while struggling against the brutal oppression of the segregationist apartheid regime. Not open to students who have taken H278

### **[180F] Exploring Culture in the Great Cities of Asia.**

An interdisciplinary exploration of Asian cultures through cities in China, India and Japan from early times to the 20th century. Examines the history and geography of greater Asia; its diverse peoples and their philosophical and literary traditions; their religious and commercial practices; and their art. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as Asian Studies 180.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

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### **181F China, Japan, and Korea: Interconnected Histories, 1368 to the Present.**

Introduction to the histories of China, Japan, and Korea from the fall of the Mongol Empire to the present. It introduces the writing systems, languages, religions, classical traditions, and social political institutions throughout East Asia, and the transformative events in which their histories intersected. Readings include scholarly works, primary texts in translation, and non-textual sources. Prior knowledge of Asian histories and proficiency in Asian languages not required. (Same as Asian Studies 181.) Shiu On Chu.

**[202F] Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages.**

The Dark Ages aren't what they used to be! This course surveys the social, economic and religious history in Europe and the Mediterranean from ca. 200 to 1000 AD, with particular attention to questions of continuity between the Roman Empire and its successor states in the east and west, the rise of Christianity and Islam, and the creation of new ethnic identities and social structures in the post-Roman world.

**[203F] African-American History to 1877.**

Traces African-American history from the slave trade through the end of Reconstruction. Course material will include secondary and primary sources, including slave narratives, court documents, photography, music, and advertisements. The course will consider broad themes, including agency and resistance, the relationship of race to categories of gender, class, and sexuality, and the meaning of freedom. (Same as Africana Studies 203.)

**204S African-American History from 1877 to the Present.**

Examines the history of African Americans in the post-emancipation United States, looking closely at black communities during periods of industrialization, migration, war, and globalization. Lectures and discussion will draw on primary sources, including films, novels, poetry, radio and television, and speeches. Conversations will focus on the diversity of experiences and identities that have comprised the African-American experience in the United States. (Same as Africana Studies 204.) Day Moore.

**[206S] Slums and the City.**

This course examines the relationship of the slum to the city, and of slum dwellers to urban life and economy in the Asian continent, which has the largest share of the world's slums. It focuses on the cultural, social, economic, and political processes that shape this urban housing form, introducing students to theories on low-income housing and enhancing our knowledge of prevailing regional and global politics and economies.

**[212F] Modern Germany: 1789 to the Present.**

Political, cultural and social developments, with emphasis on the authoritarian versus the liberal tradition, unity and modernization, the World Wars, Nazi tyranny, postwar division and unification.

**[214F] Revolutions.**

During the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries, the transatlantic world experienced a period of unprecedented upheaval, which, arguably, ushered in the modern world. The word "revolution" itself was transformed in meaning. This course will explore at both a theoretical and empirical level four revolutions: the American Revolution, the French revolution, the Haitian Revolution, and the Spanish American wars of liberation. What accounts for the disaffection? How did the causes, content, and consequences of these movements differ?

**215S The American Civil War.**

Examines the causes, conduct and legacy of the American Civil War, with particular attention to the debate over slavery, the divergent social, economic and cultural development of the southern and northern states, the religious dimension of the war, battle front strategy and home front mobilization, the politics of emancipation, reconstruction, redemption and reconciliation, and the Civil War in popular memory down to the present. Ambrose.

**218S South Asia in the Age of the Anthropocene.**

This course offers historical perspective on the Anthropocene, the age in which human beings have exerted unprecedented influence on the earth's ecosystems through consumption of oil, natural gas and fossil fuels. It examines current debates in environmental history, focusing on South Asia's indigenous communities and their relations to the environment. Pankhuree Dube.

**[220] Contemporary Culture and Politics in India.**

Cultural and political-economic dynamics in post-colonial India. Traverses early and more recent anthropological

approaches to rural village social structure, including dimensions of hierarchy, gender, religion, communication and economy; relatively recent transformations in expressions thereof that are national in scope; and relatively new considerations of the importance of media, including cultural productions disseminated through audio-cassettes, film and television, as the economy undergoes neo-liberal transformations. Prerequisite, one course in anthropology, History/Asian Studies 180 or consent of instructor.

**221F Early Russian History From Rurik to Alexander II.**

A survey of Russian history from Kievan Rus' to the Great Reforms of Alexander II. Emphasis on the development of Russia from scattered principalities to empire and the struggle for an identity between Europe and Asia. (Same as Russian Studies 221.) Keller.

**222S Modern Russian History.**

Russia from the 1861 emancipation of the serfs to the present. Study of revolution and continuity throughout the modern period, with an emphasis on the multi-national character of the Russian/Soviet state. (Same as Russian Studies 222.) Keller.

**[223S] Gender and Violence in the Middle Ages.**

This course serves as an introduction to the field of Medieval and Renaissance Studies. Drawing on multiple disciplinary perspectives, including those of literature, law, history, and art, we will examine the intersection of ideas about the body, gender, and violence in the European Middle Ages. Readings may include the Bible and early patristic writings; the lives of saints; poems and advice manuals on courtly love; depictions of women in the Crusades; Icelandic sagas; and perspectives on the trial of Joan of Arc. Prerequisite, One 100-level course in literature or history, or AP 4 or 5 in English or history. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 223 and Medieval and Renaissance Studies 223.) Maximum enrollment, 24.

**225F History of European Thought: 1600-1830.**

Origins and development of the modern Western mind. Emphasis on the Scientific Revolution, modern political theories, the rise of secularism, the Philosophes and the Enlightenment, romanticism, conservatism, nationalism and German idealism. Kelly.

**226S History of European Thought: 1830 to the Present.**

Intellectual responses to the modern world. Emphasis on liberalism, positivism, Marxism, Darwinism, racism, the challenge of Nietzsche, the rise of social sciences and historicism, discovery of the unconscious, the problem of the masses, fascism, communism and existentialism. Kelly.

**227F Environment and International Relations.**

International relations are inseparable from the natural environment. Whether it's claiming access to land and resources, responding to natural disaster and disease, or crafting foreign policy, the natural world both shapes and is shaped by interactions among state and non-state actors. Lectures and discussions in this historically focused course will explore the environmental underpinnings of international relations through topics such as food and agriculture, energy, foreign aid and development, and climate change. Simons.

**[229F,S] The American Founding: Ideals and Reality.**

An intensive analysis of the philosophical ideals of the Founding Era (1763-1800) and their uneven realization. Social histories of various races, genders and classes will help illuminate the inherent ambiguities, weaknesses, strengths and legacies of the social and political philosophies of late 18th-century America. Prerequisite, Government 117, Philosophy 117 or a 100-level course in history. May count toward a concentration in either history or government. Not open to students who have taken History 240 or 374. (Same as College Courses and Seminars 229 and Government 229.) Maximum enrollment, 24.

**[230F] Britain, Ireland, Empire, 1485-1688.**

This course examines the shifting boundaries of sovereignty and religion in Britain and Ireland in the period from the founding of the Tudor monarchy to the Glorious Revolution. It simultaneously shows how England developed its power overseas through trade, colonization, and privateering. This course illuminates the disparate, multicultural societies over which the English monarchy extended its rule, demonstrating how tumultuous struggles to consolidate and sustain political authority in the 'Atlantic archipelago' corresponded with the global expansion of British commerce.

**[231S] Britain, Ireland, Empire, 1688-2007.**

This course examines the fraught relationship between Great Britain and Ireland from the Glorious Revolution to the era of New Labour and the Good Friday peace accord. It shows how British society was transformed by commerce and industrialization, and how the development and eventual collapse of the overseas empire influenced British politics and culture. In addressing the post-imperial era, the course places emphasis on the Cold War, the effects of the decline of Britain's industrial economy, and immigration from the Commonwealth.

**[233S] Laozi and Confucius in History.**

Examination of the two most significant figures in Chinese history and the disciples and schools that traced their origins to them. Discussion of the texts attributed to Laozi and Confucius, the conflicting interpretations of their teachings from ancient times to the present, and the proliferation of schools that claimed to transmit their original meanings. An eminent Chinese historian once said, "Every era has its own Confucius. There are many different Confuciuses in any one era." This adage, as we shall see, applies to both. Prerequisite, One course on Asian history, religion, or philosophy, or consent of instructor.

[Spring 2016 01](#) (Wilson T)

**[235F] Women in Modern Asia.**

Key dimensions of women's relationships to colonial and national states in Asia during the 20th century. Introduction to distinct cultural systems in Asia with emphasis on how religion, ethnicity and class shape lives of women in Asian societies. Roles of women in politics, economics and social reform under both colonial and national states. Extensive use of biography, autobiography and memoir. (Same as Women's Studies 235.)

**236F Capitalism, 1500 to the Present.**

This course puts capitalism back into specific historical contexts around the world from the 16th to the 20th century. The course examines modern commercial practices that developed from the trans-Atlantic slave trade, the industrial revolution, cultures of credit creation and stock markets, and post-WWII developments of global logistics and capital flight. Students critically examine prevalent concepts of economic development and globalization, and the assumption of the market as an autonomous realm that transcends particular historical circumstances. Shiu On Chu.

**239S The Making of Modern India, 1526-1947.**

An intermediate-level survey of the history of South Asia from the Mughal Empire to independence. Comparative emphasis upon changes in social identities, political systems and economic life. Primary documents draw forward the perspective of rulers, merchants, women, reformers, workers, colonial officials and nationalists. Not open to first-year students in the fall. Trivedi.

**241F American Colonial History.**

A survey of early America from European contact through the Revolution, with emphasis on Indian relations, settlement patterns, political, economic and social development, religious and cultural life, and regional similarities and differences. Not open to first-year students. Ambrose.

**242S The Old South.**

Examination of the development of Southern society from European settlement through the Confederacy. Emphasis on evolution of slavery and political development; religious, intellectual and cultural life; slave life and resistance; gender

and family relations; secession; and the legacy of Southern history. Paquette and Ambrose.

**[243S] Tocqueville's America.**

Alexis de Tocqueville wrote one of the most influential assessments ever written about politics and culture in the United States. Tocqueville traveled widely and his insights into religion, slavery, private association, democratic procedure, individualism, and the American mind and character have been recited and explored by legions of writers. This course will center on reading Tocqueville's work to examine the strengths and weaknesses of the text. Not open to first-year students.

**244S Religious Conflicts.**

Is religion a source of conflict in the modern world? Investigates examples of religious difference and negotiation from Asia and Europe. Focus on political and religious differences over sacred space, conversion, and Love-Jihad, and interactions among Hindus and Muslims in India. (Same as Religious Studies 244.) Abhishek Amar.

**245S Environment and US Global Expansion.**

The geography of the continental United States seems like the result of inexorable sea-to-sea growth. This survey of environmental history of the American frontier aims to upset this inevitability and approach US expansion as the accumulation of foreign landscapes that Americans shaped into the United States. The course challenges the idea of a westward-moving frontier that disappeared in 1890, instead following it as it moved overseas, into popular culture, and even beyond the earth. .

**[247] "Cracking India:" Historical and Literary Perspectives on Partition.**

Interdisciplinary seminar investigates the 1947 partition of British India into the independent nations of India and Pakistan from multiple perspectives and drawing on a variety of sources, including conventional and oral histories, memoirs, fiction and film. Focus on gender and class as well as religious differences. Prerequisite, an introductory course in either history or literature.

**[251F] Nineteenth-Century America.**

A survey of American life from 1789 to 1900, with emphasis on the origins of political parties, the growth of democracy, sectional conflict and war, and the transformation of America from an agrarian to an industrial state.

**254S Recent American History: The United States, 1941 to the Present.**

A survey of American political, economic, cultural and social life from the start of the Second World War to the present. Topics include the Second World War, the Cold War, McCarthyism, the Civil Rights Movement, the sixties and their aftermath, and the Reagan Revolution and its aftermath. Isserman.

**[256F] Islam and Modernity in South Asia.**

This course develops a nuanced understanding of Islam and its role in shaping socio-religious and political landscape of modern and pre-modern South Asia. Questioning misconceptions of Islam, it examines its mideast origins, Qur'an, theology, law, religious practices, Shi'i and Sufi traditions, expansion in South Asia, colonialism, and modernity. Readings include secondary, literary, architectural and archaeological sources. Next offered Fall 2018. Not open to students who have taken RELST 213: Islam and Modernity in South Asia (Same as Religious Studies 256.)

**[265] Priests, Warriors and Commoners in Early/Ancient India.**

A factual and analytical study of South Asia History from the rise of the Indus Valley Civilization to the establishment of the Delhi Sultanate (ca. 2500 BCE-1200 CE). Introduces major processes, narratives and interpretations of early India by exploring urbanization, empires and regional states, mercantile and trade networks, and development and transformation of Buddhism and Hinduism. Adopts a multi-disciplinary examination of literary, archaeological and art-historical sources. Of interest to students of history, art history, literature and religion.

**275F Modern Middle Eastern History.**

A survey of the Middle East from Napoleon's invasion of Egypt in 1798 to the present. Examines Muslim responses to European imperialism, political and cultural developments, the impact of the Cold War and the continuing Arab-Israeli rivalry. Keller.

**277S Conservative Thought in the United States.**

Survey of major conservative thinkers and their writings from the founding of the United States to present. Focuses on various strains of right-of-center thinking, the growth of a mainstream conservative worldview in the antebellum South, the rise of the modern conservative movement under William F. Buckley after World War II, and fissures in the movement after the fall of the Soviet Union. (Same as Government 277.) Paquette.

**[278F] South Africa, 1652-1998.**

Survey from the first Dutch settlement on the Cape in 1652 through the first multiracial democratic election in 1994. Issues will be explored through the experiences of indigenous peoples, such as the Khoisan, Zulu and Xhosa, migrant laborers from Asia, the "coloured" community, Afrikaners and British settlers. (Same as Africana Studies 278.)

**[280F] Emperor, Gentryman, and Commoner in Ming-Qing China.**

Study of Chinese cultural and social history during the Ming and Qing dynasties (thirteenth to the nineteenth century) from the perspectives of the emperor, the Confucian gentry, and commoners. Focuses on the ritual roles of the emperor and civil officials, and the range of commoner experiences. Considers the intersection of religious practices among the emperor, Confucian officials, and commoners; the decline of the medieval aristocracy and emergence of the Confucian gentry; the family, gender, and footbinding. No previous knowledge of Asian history required.

[Fall 2016 01](#) (Wilson T)

**[282S] Rebellious Union: Britain and Ireland, c 1688-1998.**

A survey of the political relationship between Britain and Ireland, situated in the broader context of the British Empire. Examines this relationship from the colonial era through the Good Friday agreement of 1998, with emphasis upon the development of national cultures, political parties, rebel movements, and government institutions and policies. Prerequisite, one 100-level history course or consent of instructor.

**285S Modernity and Nationhood in China.**

Examination of the social and cultural forces contributing to the decline of imperial institutions beginning in the 19th century, as found in the Taiping Rebellion, cultural interaction with Western missionaries, traders, and military and nationalist revolutions in the 20th century. Readings and class discussions consider the coherence of nationhood in Chinese identity and reexamine the "Western impact" as a force in the formation of modernism in China. Wilson.

[Spring 2016 01](#) (Wilson T)

**[286S] The Byzantine Empire.**

For more than 1000 years following the breakup of the Western Roman Empire, the Eastern Roman, or Byzantine, Empire, with its capital at Constantinople, preserved the legacy of imperial Rome in the medieval Mediterranean. This lecture-discussion course will explore the history of the Byzantine Empire, from the reign of Constantine the Great (ca. 330) to the fall of Constantinople to the Ottoman Turks in 1453. Religious, social, and political developments will be considered, along with medieval Greek contributions to the economy and culture of the wider Mediterranean world.

**290S Classics of Modern Social Thought.**

Reading and discussion of major thinkers in the development of modern Western social thought. Authors include Machiavelli, Rousseau, Burke, Marx, Darwin, Weber, Freud, Mannheim and de Beauvoir. Emphasis on class presentations, debates, book notes and class protocols. Works examined from historical, sociological, psychological and philosophical perspectives. Prerequisite, one course in history or sociology. May count toward a concentration in either history or sociology. (Same as Sociology 290.) Maximum enrollment, 24. Kelly and Chambliss.

**[295F] The Crusades.**

For nearly 400 years, Christian knights dreamed of recovering Jerusalem and the Holy Land from its Muslim occupiers. Their campaigns, though mostly unsuccessful, profoundly transformed the Mediterranean world and relations between Christians, Jews, and Muslims. Through a close examination of the primary sources, this course will study the origins and progress of Crusades as both a series of military campaigns as well as a framework medieval observers from the Latin, Greek, and Arabic worlds used to understand interreligious conflict and interaction.

**[297F] Christianity in America, 1600-1890.**

Examination of Christianity in America from the era of European settlement to the end of the 19th century. Topics include encounters with Native American religions, revivalism, sectarianism, slavery and antislavery, religion and politics, theological developments, popular beliefs and practices, and the rise of unbelief.

**[301F] The Philosophy of History.**

This historiography course examines such enduring issues as causation, general laws, fact and explanation, objectivity, pattern and meaning, uniqueness and the role of the individual. Readings from classic and contemporary texts, with emphasis on the practical, historiographical implications of philosophical theories. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, two 200-level history courses or one 100-level history course and one course in philosophy. (Same as Philosophy 301.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[303] A History of Work.**

How do we understand the rise of modern industrial society? Examines the narrative of industrialization in a comparative historical framework. Emphasis is placed on the history of industrialization through an examination of the rise of key industries, the formation of middle and working classes, the role of colonialism in economic development, and the relationship of class and gender in the modern world. Students read monographs, as well as a variety of primary sources including memoirs, government documents, and reformist literature. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level history course or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[305] Nomads, Conquerors and Trade: Central and Inner Asia.**

Study of Central and Inner Asia's place among more familiar Asian cultures such as China and India. Centrally located but distant from the great empires, Central Asia has transmitted peoples, ideas and goods across the Eurasian continent. It has also been home to rich cultures that have combined Turkic, Persian, Chinese, Mongol and Russian influences. Examines dominant cultural patterns across time and place as well as the modern history of the region. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 180, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[312F] The History of Hamilton College.**

Examination of the history of Hamilton College from its founding as the Hamilton Oneida Academy in 1793 to its bicentennial celebration in 2012. Topics include Samuel Kirkland's mission to the Oneida, curricular reform, the College in the wider world, the rise and fall of Kirkland College, campus life and politics. Students will make extensive use of the College archives and write a research paper on some aspect of Hamilton's history. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200 level U.S. history course or permission of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**314F Nazi Germany.**

This research course examines the origins of the Nazi movement, Hitler and the Nazi Party, daily life in the Third Reich, origins and causes of World War II and the Holocaust. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 212 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Kelly.

**[318] Competition and Coexistence: Exploring Inter-Religious Dynamics in South Asia.**

Examination of interactions among diverse religious traditions of South Asia and of issues linked to socio-religious identities and political landscape. Analyzes interactions and dialogues among multiple religious orders including the Vedic Priests, Renouncer orders (i.e., Buddhism and Jainism), Hinduism and Islam. Investigation of strategies adopted

by different religious traditions to compete, critique, borrow, modify and appropriate literary and material cultural elements from each other, examining literature, epigraphs, sacred imagery and reconfigurations of sacred landscape. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one history course. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[320F] Power and Lordship in Medieval Europe.**

This historiography course examines the social and economic development of early European society, with a focus on peasant life, ecclesiastical institutions and aristocratic power in the context of contemporary medieval intellectual debates about justice, order and inequality in a Christian society. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level history course. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**322S Russia's Destiny: Political Thought from Peter to Putin.**

Russian thinkers have long been tormented about where they belong in the world. Imperial Russia wanted to be a great European power, but the Slavophiles argued that Russia had a unique destiny that was neither European nor Asian. The Soviet Union suppressed but never destroyed these ideas, and Putin uses them to legitimize his government. This seminar will study Russian political philosophy with an emphasis on the meaning of history. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, Any 200- level history course. This course will next be offered in Spring 2018. Maximum enrollment, 20. Keller.

**[325] "The Making of American Scripture".**

An intensive examination of the relation between the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution from the time of the founding to the end of the Civil War. How did the founders and framers understand the relation? What key political and legal events changes that understanding? How did leading thinkers and activists frame the ideas of liberty and equality? What role did slavery play in the debate? Did Abraham Lincoln change the meaning of the Union? (Writing-intensive.) First-year students can register only with permission of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[326F] Rebels, Radicals and Reformers in Pre-Modern Europe.**

Tackles the problem of religious deviancy and political dissent in Europe between about 1000 and 1650 with several key questions in mind: How did people cope with the conflicting demands of authority and social justice in the world, and reconcile flawed earthly institutions with the idea of an eternal heavenly order? How can modern historians recover the intentions and thoughts of people whose ideas were often intentionally scrubbed from the historical record? Readings will consist of primary source material as well as recent scholarly literature on the subject. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level history course. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[337S] Seminar: Confucian Traditions.**

Examination of Confucian thought and ritual practice from classical times to the early 20th century. Emphasis on reading philosophical and ritual texts in translation in order to understand the various ways that Confucians understood their place in Chinese society. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, relevant coursework in history, Asian studies or religious studies, or consent of instructor. (Same as Philosophy 337.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[338S] Topic: Seminar in American Religions.**

Topic for 2017: Mormonism in America and the World. The United States is one of the most religious of the world's industrialized nations, so understanding the nation requires an understanding of religion's role in American history and culture. This course provides an in-depth examination of selected themes in American religious history, culminating in student-driven research projects. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One course in American history or Religious Studies, or instructor consent. (Same as Religious Studies 338.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[339F] Columbus's Library: Texts, Travel and the Medieval Imagination.**

Examination of works of geography, natural history, travel, and exploration that informed how medieval readers imagined the wider world and its peoples as Europe embarked on an era of unprecedented expansion and growth. Special attention to texts read by Columbus in preparation for what he thought would be a voyage to East Asia, such as

Pliny's Natural History, Travels of Marco Polo, and Travels of Sir John Mandeville, but other traditions, such as Alexander Romance, the legend of Prester John, apocalyptic theology, Crusader histories, and Arab travel literature will also be considered. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One course in history or Asian studies. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[341F] Studies in American Colonial History: Writing Early American History: The Puritans and Their Progeny.**

Examines the history of the Puritan movement from the English Reformation to New England Unitarianism and Transcendentalism in the nineteenth century and the ways in which modern scholars have analyzed that movement. We will focus on the work of Perry Miller (1905-1963), whose interpretation of the Puritans reshaped scholarly understanding of them and their influence on American history. We will examine how Puritan historiography, since Miller's death, has grappled with his legacy and altered our understanding of the Puritans' contributions to and place in American history. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One 200-level course in American history or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[342] The Minds of the Old South: Southern Intellectual History, 1700-1877.**

Investigation of the intellectual and cultural history of white and black southern Americans from 1700 through Reconstruction. Topics include religious beliefs and practices, literary production and consumption, political and social thought, and relation of southern thought to national and transatlantic developments. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level history course or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[345S] The Soviet Union as a Multi-National State.**

The USSR claimed to be a revolutionary political form: a state based on the voluntary union of workers from over 100 different nationalities. The Bolsheviks intended to lead Russian peasants, Kyrgyz nomads and Chechen mountaineers together into the bright Communist future. What they actually achieved is another question. Explores the concepts of nation, empire and modernization in the Soviet context. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 221, 222 or consent of instructor. (Same as Russian Studies 345.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[350S] Slavery and the Civil War.**

A study of the causes and consequences of the Civil War, with emphasis on antebellum society, sectional tensions, Abraham Lincoln and military strategy. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 251, Africana Studies 101 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[353S] Seminar on the Sixties.**

Examination of a critical period in recent U.S. history, with special attention to the Civil Rights Movement, the Vietnam War, campus protest and the origins of the women's movement. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in American history. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[354S] The History of American Exploration and Outdoor Adventure.**

This research course examines how the history and culture of the United States is bound up with that of the discovery and exploration of the New World. A focus on the meaning of that legacy for Americans from the 19th century on. Topics covered will include military exploration and surveys of the west, the development of a wilderness and a conservation ethic, and the growth of mountaineering and similar outdoor endeavors. (same as Environmental Studies 354.) (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level U.S. history course, or consent of instructor. (Same as Environmental Studies 354.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**356F Human Rights: Politics and Policy.**

This research course examines how human rights have been defined by governments and non-governmental organizations, and how human rights have been advanced and contested as matters of foreign policy since the late nineteenth century. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One 200-level history course, or consent of instructor. Maximum

enrollment, 20. Grant.

**357S Seminar: Death, Dying and the Afterlife.**

How do humans prepare to die? What happens to the soul after death? What techniques are used to achieve immortality or better afterlife? Examines death and the afterlife from medical, philosophical and religious perspectives, focusing on Buddhism, Hinduism and Islam. (Writing-intensive.) Not open to those who have taken Religious Studies 119 or 248 (Same as Religious Studies 357.) Maximum enrollment, 12. A Amar.

**[359] The Early Republic, 1787 to 1815: From Philadelphia to New Orleans.**

An intensive examination of the early history of the great American experiment in republican government from the Constitutional Convention to the Battle of New Orleans. Focus on the origin and ratification of the Constitution, rise of the first party system, slavery and its expansion, foreign relations, Jefferson's presidency, and War of 1812. The Federalist to be read in its entirety. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 100-level history course. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[363F,S] Seminar: Colonial Encounters in Asia.**

This research course examines encounters between Asian and Western peoples from Marco Polo to the present. Consideration of problems of orientalism/occidentalism and reassessment of the myth of the Western "impact" on Asia by learning how Asian peoples understood the West and the ways that Europe, too, was affected by these encounters. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One 200-level course in History or Asian Studies or consent of instructor. No knowledge of Asian history required. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**366S Power, Space, and Society: From the Industrial to the Global City.**

This research and historiography course explores industrial, metropolitan, colonial, and post-colonial cities in order to understand the roles of architecture and urban planning in political power and society since the nineteenth century. It examines how spatial organization and the built environment have been used to maintain social control, shape social behavior, and foster national identity. Each student shall determine in consultation with the faculty whether his or her written work will focus on research or historiography. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One 200-level course in History or Asian Studies or consent of the instructors. Maximum enrollment, 20. Faiza Moatasim and Lisa Trivedi.

**367S The History and Literature of Himalayan Mountaineering, from the 19th Century to the Present.**

Examines Himalayan mountaineering over the past 150 years, and its roots in imperial expansion, national competition, and cultural and social evolution. Topics include mountaineering in the age of empire, George Leigh-Mallory's death on Everest, American mountaineering in the Himalaya, conquest of the 8,000 meter peaks, Sherpas' role in mountaineering, and the rise of commercial mountaineering. Special attention to mountaineering on Everest. Includes an optional two-week, spring break trip: students, supervised by Hamilton's Outdoor Leadership program, will trek in Nepal's Everest region. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as Environmental Studies 367.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Maurice Isserman.

**[370] Topics in South Asian History: Photography, Women, and Labor in India.**

Exploration of the theory and process of museum exhibition curating, taught in conjunction with the preparation of a photography exhibition the Wellin Museum. Emphasis on the early 20th century history of Ahmedabad, Gujarat, including that of the textile industry, nationalist politics, social reform, and women's labor, as well as the history photography and the repurposing of archival imagery. Students will work collaboratively on exhibition materials, including image selection and layout, catalog and wall text production, and multimedia materials such as podcasts Prerequisite, One 200-level history course or permission of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**373S Environmental Catastrophes and US History.**

This course examines how environmental catastrophes—both natural and human made—have changed the course of U.S. history. Through its exploration of inundations, conflagrations, famines, epidemics, and other disasters, the course

will consider how Americans made sense of these events and in turn remade their landscapes, institutions, and social relations or—in some cases—chose not to in order to demonstrate their power over the natural world. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One course in history or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Peter Simons.

**375F Gandhi: His Life and Times.**

This research and historiography course examines primary sources written by Mohandas K. Gandhi and his associates, as well as Gandhi's autobiography and other scholarly works. Emphasis will be placed on different approaches to understanding Gandhi's philosophy, his significance and his legacies in India, South Africa and the larger world. Topics include non-violence, the role of the individual in history and nationalist historiography. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level history course, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. Trivedi.

**[376S] Black business: African-American culture and the making of the US economy.**

Seminar investigates the economic and material underpinnings of African-American culture from the end of slavery through the late-twentieth century, focusing in each historical era on the systems of production, distribution, and consumption that ensured its centrality to the US and world economies. Discussion topics will include the economy of antebellum nostalgia, the commercialization of gospel, "race records," and hip-hop, African-American beauty firms, and the growth of the black press. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One 200-level history course or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[377S] Violence, Law, and Justice in the Middle Ages.**

Telling a prisoner that you're going to "get medieval" on them does not have positive connotations. At the same time, medieval texts like Magna Carta are held up as having made fundamental contributions to liberal political theory. This writing intensive seminar invites students to explore key issues in the development of legal thought and practice in the medieval West that help us understand how various communities and institutions addressed the problem of violence, administered justice, and created social and religious order through law. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One 200-level history course. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**379S US International Relations: Race, Empire, and Transnational History.**

This research course examines US international relations in the twentieth century. Course discussions focus on the reproduction of race alongside the growth of US economic, cultural, political, and military power overseas, including Africa, Southeast Asia, the Caribbean, and Latin America. The course traces how imperial networks have shaped racial categories in the United States, and it examines the formation of transnational political and cultural affiliations such as Pan-Africanism. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as Government 379.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Day Moore.

**[383S] Topics in British and Irish History: Irish Republican Army.**

This course examines how scholars have reconceived the history of the Irish Republican Army over the past 40 years. It illuminates the nationalist historiography of the I.R.A., then demonstrates how this was challenged by the "revisionist" movement in Irish history, by feminist scholarship, and, more recently, by innovative archival research and interdisciplinary study. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level history course, or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[390S] Foucault: History, Sexuality, and Power.**

This course examines the work of Michel Foucault and the impact of his genealogical method on the discipline of history. Discussion of the birth of the prison and the spread of its disciplinary practices throughout society since the 18th century and the shift in his understanding of power from formal institutional mechanisms imposed on individuals to disciplinary practices that served to construct the self as an ethical subject. The course considers Foucault's impact on the historiography of sexuality and colonialism through writings of scholars influenced by and critical of his work. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One 200-level course in History or Philosophy, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

[Spring 2016 01](#) (Wilson T)

**392F Paris Noir: Twentieth-Century Black Internationalism.**

This historiography course explores the transnational connections between African-American and African diasporic histories in Paris. It draws on a wide range of disciplinary perspectives and primary sources, including literature, music, film, and visual art, to consider the development of diasporic politics, the vogue for black exoticism, jazz, the Harlem Renaissance and *négritude*, civil rights and decolonization, and the global dimensions of Black Power. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, A course in history, Africana Studies, or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Day Moore.

**394F Topics in American Religious History: Church and State in America, c 1607-1900.**

This historiography course examines the relation between religion and politics in America from era of English colonization through the 19th century. Topics include colonial church establishments; Roger Williams; Revolution and disestablishment; Jefferson and the “wall of separation”; providentialism and nationalism; nativism and anti-Catholicism; and the limits of separation. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level history course or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Ambrose.

**[395] The Crusades in History and Literature.**

From the twelfth century the Crusades and crusading ideology produced a remarkable body of historiography and literature that provides insight into changing social, cultural, and religious sensibilities in Europe and the Muslim world. This seminar asks students to engage in close reading and analysis of medieval and modern sources reflecting the intellectual, religious, and political questions raised in representing the Crusades and the perceived existential struggle between Christendom and Islam. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One 200-level history course. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[396F] Seminar: History of Gods.**

This historiography and research course offers a comparative study of how gods have been conceived and venerated in early Mediterranean and Asian societies. Students read liturgical texts, hymns and myths to consider the variety of conceptions of gods and the range of ritual forms used to venerate them across the Euro-Asian continent. Draws from theoretical readings to consider such problems as polytheism and monotheism, myth and ritual. Each student shall determine in consultation with the faculty whether his or her written work will focus on historiography or research. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, consent of instructor or relevant coursework in Asian studies, classics, history or religious studies. Maximum enrollment, 16.

[Fall 2016 01](#) (Wilson T)

**[397] Lives Against Apartheid.**

This research course examines the experiences and objectives of protest against the apartheid regime in South Africa through the autobiographies and memoirs of leading participants in the anti-apartheid movement. Illuminates the different aspects of resistance to apartheid and demonstrates how autobiographies now contest the politics of protest and the legitimacy of authority in the post-apartheid, “non-racial” South African democracy. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level history course or consent of instructor. 278 strongly recommended, though not required. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**401S Research Seminar in History.**

Critical evaluation of scholarship on a selected topic, culminating in a historiographical essay, or primary research on a selected topic, culminating in an original, interpretive essay. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, concentration in history or consent of instructor. Open only to seniors. Maximum enrollment, 20. Isserman.

**402S Research Seminar in History.**

Critical evaluation of scholarship on a selected topic, culminating in a historiographical essay, or primary research on a selected topic, culminating in an original, interpretive essay. This section is open only on an as-needed basis. (Writing-

intensive.) Prerequisite, H401 and consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Keller.

**550F,S Senior Thesis.**

A project limited to senior concentrators in history, resulting in a thesis supervised by a member of the department. Prerequisite, A GPA in the concentration of 3.7 or higher. Required of candidates for departmental honors. Grant.

**551S Senior Thesis.**

A project limited to senior concentrators in history, resulting in a thesis expanded beyond the work of 550. Prerequisite, 550 and consent of instructor. Keller.

# Italian

## Faculty

Mary Sisler

Melissa Demos

Students at Hamilton are currently able to take up to 5 semesters of Italian and they are encouraged to experience 'full immersion' in the language and culture by studying abroad in Italy through one of the college's approved study programs during their junior year. Study abroad in Italy requires one year of study of the language. While there is currently no concentration or minor in Italian, students in several concentrations, especially Art History and Medieval and Renaissance Studies, frequently study the language. Italian classes at Hamilton College are highly interactive and they focus on obtaining both communicative and cultural competency in Italian. As part of the overall experience of becoming linguistically proficient in the language, students also develop cross-cultural skills through exposure to Italian music, films, literature, art and current events. '

### **110F First Term Italian.**

Introduction in speaking, writing, reading and listening comprehension. Highly interactive with a strong emphasis on obtaining both communicative and cultural competency in Italian. Classes supplemented by online vocabulary-building and grammar practice sessions and Language Center projects and activities. For students with no prior experience in Italian. Those with previous experience with the language will take a placement test in order to be placed at the appropriate level of Italian. This course is only offered in the Fall. Not open to seniors. Maximum enrollment, 18. Demos and Sisler.

### **120S Second Term Italian.**

Continued study of speaking, writing, reading and listening comprehension. Highly interactive with a strong emphasis on obtaining both communicative and cultural competency in Italian. Classes supplemented by online vocabulary-building and grammar practice sessions and Language Center projects and activities. This course is only offered in the Spring. Prerequisite, Italian 110 or placement. Maximum enrollment, 18. Demos and Sisler.

### **130F Third Term Italian.**

Strengthening of grammar, syntax and conversation skills through interactive communicative activities. Incorporates films, readings and current events to reinforce cultural competency as well as conversation skills. This course is only offered in the Fall. Prerequisite, Italian 110 and 120 or placement. Maximum enrollment, 20. The Program.

### **140S Fourth Term Italian.**

Focus is on expanding vocabulary and strengthening verbal proficiency and writing skills through increased exposure to literary and cultural readings. This course is only offered in the Spring. Prerequisite, Italian 110, 120 and 130 or placement. Maximum enrollment, 20. Sisler.

### **150F La dolce vita? - Contemporary Italian Culture through Film.**

This introductory course explores Italian socio-political issues in films by directors such as Garrone, Giordana, Ozpetek, Virzì, and Sorrentino. It focuses on: gender roles and stereotypes; ethnicity, immigration and diversity; media, politics and organized crime; and the on-going economic crisis and its particular effect on Italian youth. The objective of this course is to encourage students to think critically as they view films which will broaden their perspective on Italian culture and society and the challenges posed by the 21st century. This course is open to all and is taught in English. No knowledge of Italian required. Demos.

**155S Cosa nostra—Mafia myths and realities.**

Examination of the evolution of the mafia from the brigand ‘gangs’ of the Unification period in Italy to the ‘Black Hand’ of the early 20th century in the United States, to the modern-day mobsters who have turned to human trafficking in migrant refugees. Exploration of the myths and stereotypes surrounding the portrayal of the mob by Hollywood vs. the reality of how the mafia actually operates at the highest levels of government. Particular attention will be paid to the Sicilian Mafia as well as the Calabrian ‘Ndrangheta and the Neapolitan Camorra. No knowledge of Italian required. Sisler.

**160F Italian Renaissance Civilization and Culture: From imitation to innovation.**

Was it perhaps something in the water? How did Italy produce so much genius between 1300-1600? Economic stability, enlightened rulers, a burgeoning merchant class, and an insatiable thirst for knowledge spawned one of the most prolific periods of artistic, literary, and scientific progress known to history. From Dante to Da Vinci, Giotto to Galileo, Machiavelli to Michelangelo, and Savonarola to sprezzatura, we will study the men, the women, and the ideas that shaped Western civilization. No knowledge of Italian required. Demos.

**200F Introduction to Italian Literature and Culture.**

An introductory survey course that offers students continued development of Italian grammar and conversation through literature, film and other cultural products such as music, visual arts and print media. Emphasis on oral and written work. Taught in Italian. Prerequisite, Italian 140 or consent of instructor. Taught in Italian. Maximum enrollment, 20. Sisler.

**220S Introduction to Italian Literature and Culture II.**

Continuation of Italian 200. Further development of Italian grammar and conversation through literature, film, and other cultural products such as music, visual arts, and print media. Emphasis on oral and written work. Taught in Italian. Prerequisite, Italian 200 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Demos.

# Jurisprudence, Law and Justice Studies

## Program Committee

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Although their prominence in the curriculum has varied throughout the years, courses engaging jurisprudence, justice and the examination of law in social life have had a place at Hamilton since the 1830s. The minor concentration in Jurisprudence, Law and Justice Studies (JLJS) establishes a curricular home for such courses, in keeping with the College's liberal arts mission and with the goal of advancing a number of pedagogic aims.

As Woodrow Wilson observed in 1894, "Every citizen should know what the law is, how it came into existence, what relation its form bears to its substance, and how it gives to society its fiber and strength and poise of frame."\* Understanding the theory, practice and meaning of law stimulates civic engagement and provides students with the analytical and empirical foundation to engage subjects ranging from legal decision-making and dispute resolution; policing, criminal justice and incarceration; political speech and action; to the use and meaning of legal discourse in the making of social policy.

A minor in Jurisprudence, Law, and Justice Studies consists of five courses: no more than three can be counted from either of the two listings--in Analytic Perspectives and Theory, and Substantive Areas.

### Analytic Perspectives and Theory:

CPLIT 143 Literature on Trials  
COM. 280 Conflict Mediation  
GOV 365 Free Speech in American Political and Legal Thought  
HIST/GOV 229 The American Founding  
LIT 129 Truth and Justice, The American Way  
LIT 342 Twentieth-Century American Prison Writing  
LIT 442 Booked: Prison Writing  
PHIL 460 Seminar in Ethics: Contemporary Theories of Justice  
SOC 223 Law and Society  
PHIL 125 Philosophy and Incarceration

### Substantive Areas:

COM 450 First Amendment: Freedom of Speech  
GOV 224 International Law  
GOV 225 Courts and Judicial Process  
GOV 241 Survey of Constitutional Law  
GOV 335 Seminar: Criminal Law  
GOV 359 American Policing  
HIST 377 Violence, Law, and Society in the Middle Ages  
SOC 373 The Constitution and Social Policy  
WMST 225 Women, Law, Public Policy and Activism in the Contemporary United States

\* 1894 Address to the American Bar Association, noted in: Albert E. Harum (1960) "The Case for an Undergraduate Law Elective in Liberal Arts." *Journal of Legal Education* 12: 422. '

# Latin American Studies

## Program Committee

Jessica Burke (Hispanic Studies)  
Emily Conover, *director* (Economics)  
Heather Sullivan (Government)

The interdisciplinary minor in Latin American Studies consists of five courses taken in at least two different departments. At least one of the five classes must be either 300 or 400 level. The list below is representative of courses available to minors. Students who would like to fulfill requirements for the minor with courses taken at other institutions, or in study abroad programs, should consult with the program director.

## Economics

340 Economic Development

## Government

206 US Foreign Policy Toward Latin America  
216 Politics in Latin America  
239 Gender and Politics in Latin America

## Hispanic Studies

140 Conversation on Hispanic Cultures  
200 Exploring Hispanic Texts  
201 Spanish for Heritage/Bilingual Speakers  
211 Introductory Study of Latin American Literature  
217 Introduction to U.S. Latino/a Literatures  
221 Representations of Mexico '68  
251 Cultural Studies in Latin America  
261 Writing, Self and Nation in Latin America  
263 1968: Massacre in Tlatelolco, Mexico City  
271/371 Special Topics in Latin American Literature and Culture  
281 Introduction to Latin American Short Fiction  
283 Understanding the Caribbean World  
301/401 Modernismo  
303 Representing Gender in Latin America  
310 Latin American Theatre  
320/420 Contemporary Latin American Novel  
341 Memory, History and Fiction: Post-dictatorship's Narratives in the Southern Cone  
365/465 Transatlantic Cinema  
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## History

217 Social History of Latin America

## Religious Studies

107 Borderland Religion

207 Political Economy of Religion in Mesoamerica  
227 Resistance and Rebirth in Mesoamerica  
229 Blood and Submission in Native America  
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Sociology

217 Social History of Latin America  
225 Latin American Society '

# Linguistics

Masaaki Kamiya, *chair* (Japanese)  
Chaise LaDousa (Anthropology)

Linguistics is the scientific study of language. Students will learn to examine language and languages in terms of structure (phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics) and social use (pragmatics, language acquisition, discourse analysis, sociolinguistics, cultural interpretation).

The Minor in Linguistics is administered by Masaaki Kamiya (EALL), Chaise LaDousa (Anthropology), and Bonnie Urciuoli (Anthropology).

The minor in linguistics consists of five courses: an introductory course, one focusing on language structure, one focusing on language in society and two electives. These courses are to be selected from the linguistics courses currently available at Hamilton listed below.

Introductory courses:

LING 100 Introduction to Linguistics (Kamiya)  
ANTHR 126 Language and Sociolinguistics (Urciuoli)  
ANTHR 127 Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology (Urciuoli)  
ANTHR 201 Linguistic Theory: A Brief History (Urciuoli)

Language structure courses:

ANTHR/JAPN 219/319 Language acquisition (Kamiya)  
ANTHR/JAPN 230 Morphology and Syntax: The Analysis of Structure (Kamiya)  
ANTHR 225 Phonetics and Phonology: The Analysis of Sound (Urciuoli)

Language in society courses:

ANTHR 257 Language, Gender and Sexuality (LaDousa)  
ANTHR 264 Ethnography of Literacy and Visual Language (LaDousa)  
ANTHR 270 The Ethnography of Communication (LaDousa)  
ANTHR 302 Seminar in Linguistic Semiotics (Urciuoli)  
ANTHR 323 Verbal Art and Performance (LaDousa)  
ANTHR 360 U.S. Discourses I: Race, Ethnicity and Class (Urciuoli)  
ANTHR 361 U.S. Discourses II: Science, Technology and Gender (Urciuoli)  
ANTHR 370 Sociolinguistics of Globalization (LaDousa) '

## **[100F] Introduction to Linguistics.**

This is a gateway course for the study of linguistics and is meant to provide students with an introduction to a wide range of topics in the field (phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, sociolinguistics, and language acquisition). By examining these topics, students will explore the relationship between language and the mind, and language and society. Those who plan to minor in linguistics are encouraged to enroll in this course. (Next offered 2017-18.) (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.)

## **201S Linguistic Theory: A Brief History.**

A general examination of the nature of language. Topics include the history of ideas about language; philosophical and cognitive aspects of language; evolutionary, structural and generative approaches to the analysis of language. (Writing-

intensive.) (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 126, 127 or consent of instructor. Next taught spring 2016 (Same as Anthropology 201.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Urciuoli.

**[205S] Topics in Japanese Linguistics.**

This course explores Japanese phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax and semantics. Students will compare Japanese with English and examine universal perspectives of language. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 110, Anthropology 201 or consent of instructor. (Same as East Asian Languages and Literatures 205.)

**219/319F Language Acquisition.**

Examines interface phenomena between pragmatics and language acquisition. Students will learn theoretical issues of semantics/pragmatics and the theory of the first language acquisition. Target languages to examine various phenomena are Chinese, Japanese, Korean and English. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) (Same as East Asian Languages and Literatures 219/319.) Kamiya.

**[225S] Phonetics and Phonology: The Analysis of Sound.**

How the sounds of language are produced. The structure of sound systems in a variety of languages (including non-European). Organization of field projects: data collection, transcription analysis. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) (Same as Anthropology 225.)

**[230S] Morphology and Syntax.**

This course explores the relationship between word formation and sentence formation by examining English and Japanese grammar (and, to a certain degree, that of other languages). Ultimately, both morphology and syntax play important roles in the interpretation of sentences. No previous linguistics background or Japanese language background is necessary. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) (Same as East Asian Languages and Literatures 230.)

**[255] The Languages of East Asia.**

Examines Chinese, Japanese and Korean as well as other languages found in East Asia. Topics include the syntactic (possible word order, inflections, particles, and combinations of all of them) and phonological structures (phoneme, pitch vs. tone, sound patterns) of these languages; the relationships of the languages to each other; differences and similarities of these languages from the universal point of view; the geographical, social and historical settings. No knowledge of any Asian language necessary. (Same as East Asian Languages and Literatures 255.)

**[257] Language, Gender and Sexuality.**

Stresses special lessons that anthropology has to teach about the gendered facets of linguistic expression, including the necessity of an approach that is both empirical, including moments of interaction, and critical, exploring issues of power and agency. Considers conceptual benefits and limitations to using gendered difference as a model for sexual difference in the study of linguistic expression. Prerequisite, one course in anthropology or consent of instructor. (Same as Anthropology 257 and Women's Studies 257.)

**264F Ethnography of Literacy and Visual Language.**

Theory and analysis of communication and meaning in social and cultural context with particular attention devoted to the often-neglected aspects of literate communication. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 113, 114, 115, 126, 127, or 201, or consent of instructor. (Same as Anthropology 264.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Ladousa.

**[270F] The Ethnography of Communication.**

Theory and analysis of communication and meaning in social and cultural context. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 113, 114, 115, 126, 127 or 201, or consent of instructor. (Same as Anthropology 270.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

# Literature and Creative Writing

## Faculty

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Naomi Guttman (on leave 2017-18)  
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Doran Larson  
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Vincent Odamtten  
Onno Oerlemans  
Nancy Rabinowitz (on leave fall 2017)  
Peter Rabinowitz (on leave fall 2017)  
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Suzanne Taylor  
Katherine Terrell  
Margaret Thickstun, *chair*  
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Steve Yao

## *Special Appointment*

John O'Neill  
Nathaniel Strout

The Department of Literature and Creative Writing offers two concentrations, one in the study of literature, and one in the art of creative writing. For Fall registration, students will find the courses listed below under “Comparative Literature,” “Creative Writing,” and “Literature” in WebAdvisor.

Each concentration consists of 10 courses: four exploratory courses chosen from among seven categories (listed below); one course in creative practice; four focus courses specific to the concentration; and one senior seminar specific to the concentration. For each concentration, at least three courses must be at the 300-level or above. Those courses may be either “exploratory” or “focus” courses. Both concentrations also have a language requirement (see below). Only one 100-level course may be counted toward either concentration; a 100-level course is not required for the concentration. A 100-level course may be counted as either an exploratory course or a focus course.

All concentrators must take four exploratory courses: one each from any four of the categories listed below. A list of the courses in each category can be found on the department webpage.

History (organized around literary or other history)  
Theory (highlighting theory and theoretical approaches)  
Genre (addressing concepts of genre or genres)  
Theme (exploring a consistent topic or set of ideas)  
Intermedia (juxtaposing different artistic media)  
Identity and Difference (reflecting on cultural/social/political/national categorization)

Single Author (considering works within an individual writer's output)

These categories reflect, but do not exhaust, various ways of conceiving the relationships between texts and thus approaches to literary study. Many departmental courses could appear under several of these categories; in practice, each course's professor has specified one or two categories as predominant in the class's design and execution. A course with two category designations may satisfy either category, but not both, in any individual student's program of study.

To fulfill the college's Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies requirement, all concentrators must take at least one course identified as Identity and Difference. Such a course in either the student's exploratory or focus section will satisfy this requirement.

All concentrators in creative writing must take Creative Writing 215 (which has a pre-requisite of a course in literature) as their course in creative practice. Concentrators in Literature may take Creative Writing 215 or a course in another creative practice chosen in consultation with the concentration advisor. If the creative practice course does not involve creating with words, it will not count as one of the 10 courses for the concentration. No student may elect more than one workshop in a given semester.

Courses taken for the concentration should reflect historical and geographical breadth. The department encourages students thinking of pursuing honors or graduate studies in literature to take a course in literary theory.

## CREATIVE WRITING

In addition to their exploratory courses and 215, concentrators in creative writing must take the following four courses as their focus courses: two workshops (304, 305) and two literature courses (204, 206). They must take the Senior Seminar in Creative Writing (419) as their seminar.

Students who by the end of the junior year have completed the three workshops (215, 304, and 305) with distinction (3.5 or above) and have performed with distinction in their concentration courses overall (normally 3.5 or above) will be invited to pursue an honors project and will design, under the supervision of a creative writing professor, a year-long project to be started in the fall of their senior year. The department will recommend for honors students who receive an A- or better on work submitted for honors and who maintain a cumulative average of 3.5 or better in courses taken for the concentration overall and in the workshops calculated separately.

A minor in creative writing consists of five courses: two courses in literature written in English (which may include a 100-level literature course), 215, and either 204 and 304, or 206 and 305.

Students concentrating in literature may not minor in creative writing.

## LITERATURE

In addition to their exploratory courses and a course in creative practice, concentrators in literature must also:

(a) take four courses together constituting an individually focused area of literary study, developed in consultation with, and approved by, the student's departmental advisor. A plan for this program must be submitted to the department by the end of the sophomore year. It may be revised. Up to two of these four courses may focus on a related art such as music, dance, visual arts, or film and media studies as long as the four courses together make a coherent program of study.

(b) take at least one 400-level seminar in literature in the department in the senior year.

Candidates for honors in literature must attain a GPA of at least 3.5 in the courses counting toward the concentration, produce a paper of at least 25 pages in a senior seminar and attain a grade of at least A- in the seminar. One of the

spring seminars will be a course in research methods that will allow those enrolled (including those pursuing honors) to write independent research papers on topics of their choice. With advisor approval, concentrators in literature may count courses from other departments toward the concentration.

A minor in literature consists of five courses, at least one of which must be at the 300-level or above, chosen from at least four different exploratory categories. Students concentrating in creative writing may not minor in literature.

### Language Requirement

All concentrators must fulfill a language requirement:

1) completion of two courses at the college level in a single language other than the student's native language (courses taught in a foreign-language department in which class readings and discussions are in English do not count);

— or —

2) completion of 221 and 293 (or equivalent courses in Old English and the history of the English language taken elsewhere and approved for transfer credit);

— or —

3) completion of either 221 or 293 (or equivalent) and a language course in Latin or Greek.

— or —

4) with advisor approval, completion of two appropriate courses. '

### Courses in Literature

#### **[118F] Food in Literature and Film.**

Always a necessity and sometimes a luxury, food connects all people to the planet and to one another. This course will explore how authors and filmmakers use food and cooking in their works as a means of exposing complex social relationships, histories, and identities. The list of authors we may read includes Laura Esquivel, Aimee Bender, Isak Dinesen, Franz Kafka, MFK Fisher, Ruth Reichl, and many poets. We will also look at films such as *Big Night*, *Eat, Drink, Man, Woman*; and *Ratatouille*. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, Open only to first-year students who have not taken a 100-level course. (Theme or Intermedia.) Maximum enrollment, 16.

#### **119F Literature as/of medicine.**

Writers from Longinus to Toni Morrison believe that literature itself can heal, that it can make us better, and is itself a kind of medicine. In this course we will examine this idea in poetry, novels, plays, and non-fiction, in the context of representations of the lives of doctors and patients, medical history and theory, and disease. Texts include works by Chaucer, Shakespeare, Mary and Percy Shelley, Kafka, Sontag, Amis, and Gawande. (Writing-intensive.) (Theme or Genre) Maximum enrollment, 16. Oerlemans, Onno.

#### **120F Introduction to the History and Theory of Film.**

A general introduction to the wide world of cinema and cinema studies, focusing on crucial films from many cinematic traditions. Topics include the evolution of film from earlier forms of motion picture, the articulation and exploitation of a narrative language for cinema, the development of typical commercial genres, and the appearance of a variety of

forms of critical cinema. Focuses on basic film terminology, with the cinematic apparatus and ongoing theoretical conversation about cinema and its audience. (Same as Cinema and Media Studies 120 and Art History 120.) MacDonald.

### **121F Afrofuturism and Other Dark Matters.**

An introductory course primarily engaging the literary works of writers and artists concerned with the use of multiple genres and media to critique present-day realities and received partial histories of New World and global life through an Afro-diasporic lens. Students will read and examine the works of such writers and artists as Sutton Griggs, W. E. B. DuBois, George S. Schuyler, Samuel R Delany, Octavia Butler, Tananarive Due, Vincent D. Smith, Nalo Hopkinson, Jean-Michel Basquiat, and Sun Ra. (Writing-intensive.) (Identity and difference; intermedia) Maximum enrollment, 20. Odamtten.

### **[122F] Literary CSI: Case Studies and Insights.**

Through a forensic or close analysis and discussion of selected texts by writers such as John Donne, Shakespeare, Poe, Melville, Edna St Vincent Millay, Dylan Thomas, Toni Morrison, Sonia Sanchez and August Wilson (considered in their contexts), students will acquire the skills necessary for critical thinking and communication of their insights about literature. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) (Theory or Genre) Open to first-year students only. Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **[123F,S] Days of a Future Past.**

Reading a variety of works that may be described as fantastic or speculative and written by authors from different cultures, we shall discuss and write about these texts in order to develop and improve students' critical reading, thinking, and writing skills. (Writing-intensive.) (Genre or Identity and Difference) Open to first-year students who have not take a 100-or 200-level course in Comparative Literature, English, or Literature. Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **[124F] The Literary Animal.**

Humans have always been deeply interested in animals, and literature reflects this interest in many ways. We'll examine the complexity of representing animals in literature by reading poetry, novels, and plays that reflect the human/animal divide, imagine being animal, or use animals as symbols. We'll also discuss how these texts reveal philosophical and moral issues that arise from our relationships with animals. Texts include Swift's *Gulliver's Travels*, London's *Call of the Wild*, and Barbara Gowdy's *The White Bone*. We'll also read a range of poetry. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) (Theme or Identity and Difference) Open to first-year students only. Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **125F Monsters.**

A focus on monsters and the monstrous in literature. Readings will include *Beowulf*, *Frankenstein*, *Dracula*, stories by Poe and Angela Carter, a selection of poems, and the movie *Aliens*. Throughout the semester, we will question what makes something monstrous and how monsters function in literature and culture. We will also examine how monsters intersect with the categories of gender, race, sexuality and class. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) (Theme or Identity and Difference) Proseminar open to first-year students only . Maximum enrollment, 16. Hall.

### **[126F] Literature and (Dis)Ability.**

An investigation into social, cultural, and historical structures of physical difference and neuro-diversity, with specific attention to how these are present in and refracted through literary texts. In addition to short, contextualizing extracts in disability studies, we will focus on recent and contemporary literary texts that (1) depict disability, (2) are produced by those who identify as/are identified as disabled, and (3) that relate to disability as a compositional or prosodic engagement. (Writing-intensive.) (Identity and Difference) Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **129F Truth and Justice, the American Way.**

Truth is often a difficult thing to determine. The difficulty is compounded when the stakes of debate over the truth are

high, as they are in searching for justice for individuals or communities. We will read poetry, drama, fiction and films that suggest the peculiarly American factors that shape notions of truth when justice is under debate. We will read recognized literary authors such as Hawthorne, Melville, and Baldwin, as well as lesser-known writers who experienced imprisonment. (Writing-intensive.) (History or Identity and Difference) Maximum enrollment, 16. Larson.

### **131S The Experience of Reading: Books as Stories, Books as Objects.**

Consideration not only of stories in books but also the representations of readers and reading within them and about the cultural and physical experience of reading. How have attitudes toward reading changed over time? Works by Bunyan, Franklin, Blake, Austen, Alcott, Stevenson, Haddon, Creech. Workshops using Hamilton's Rare Book and Book Arts collections and manual printing press. (Writing-intensive.) (Theme or Intermedia) Open to first year students only. Maximum enrollment, 20. Thickstun.

### **136F Performing Revenge.**

Explores literature & film of 3 cultures fascinated by spectacles of revenge: Ancient Greece, Renaissance England, contemporary Hollywood. In these works, murder, mutilation, cannibalism, torture, and rape not only motivate revenge, but become its means. Is this only fitting or a gross paradox? What is the morality of vengeance-taking or its relationship to justice? What are the consequences for the individual and society? Texts include *The Oresteia*; *Medea*; *The Spanish Tragedy*; *Titus Andronicus*; *The Duchess of Malfi*; *Arden of Faversham*; *The Crow*; *Sweeney Todd*; *Kill Bill*. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Theme or Genre Maximum enrollment, 16. Stephanie Bahr.

### **138F The Road Trip in American Literature.**

The road trip in American literature and film symbolizes freedom and self-determination. This course examines and deconstructs the mythology of the road trip by asking who gets to share that freedom through critical analysis of how these narratives intersect with race, gender, class, sexuality and ability, as well as with environment. We will discuss canonical texts by authors such as Mark Twain and Jack Kerouac, as well as newer ones by people of color such as Sherman Alexie, Eddy Harris and Jade Chang, and films such as *Thelma and Louise* and *The Fundamentals of Caring*. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Theme or Identity and Difference Maximum enrollment, 16. Anne Valente.

### **[143] Literature on Trials.**

Why are trials so fascinating? Our emphasis will be on the ways they clarify values, establishing borders between acceptable and unacceptable behavior, with attention to how they enforce cultural norms concerning race, gender, and sexuality. We will discuss literary and cultural representations of historical trials, such as those of Socrates, Joan of Arc, Galileo, the Salem Witches, and Oscar Wilde. Course materials to include readings from Aeschylus, Plato, Shaw, Brecht, Stendhal, Kafka, Camus, Morrison, as well as films and other primary and secondary sources. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) (Theme or Identity and Difference) Open to first-year students only. Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **145S Literature and/of Empowerment.**

Literature has always played important roles in the cultivation of personal, social, and political empowerment. This course explores a range of debates surrounding literature as a means of individual and group empowerment, issues including the cultural politics of representation; the dynamics of different forms of literary address such as testimony, protest, narrative, and abstraction; the construction of personal and group identity and difference; and writing as a tool for self empowerment. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) (Genre or Identity and Difference) Open to 1st years only. Maximum enrollment, 16. Steven Yao.

### **146S (Re)Discovering Latin American in Literature.**

In 1492 Columbus sailed the ocean blue... to unfamiliar lands that were shocking, provocative and elusive. This course examines the 'discovery' of America, transcultural encounters, and the myths of/from America (paradise, utopia & lost cities of gold) in literature. Readings span from Mesoamerican stories (Aztec, Maya, Inca), New World voices (Inca Garcilaso, Guamán Poma) to modern Latin American writers & artists (Borges, Saer, Carpentier, Cortázar, Lam,

Kahlo, Varos & others). (Writing-intensive.) Not open to students who have taken 100-level Comparative Literature, Literature or English courses. (History, Identity and Difference). Maximum enrollment, 20. N Serrano.

**[148F] Echoes and Encores: Repetition in Literature.**

An exploration of literary repetitions of different kinds, both within and across texts. How might the repetition of a single detail—an image, a character, even a phrase—yield multiple interpretations? What changes when a story moves from one genre, language, or cultural context to another? How are classics like Shakespeare’s *The Tempest* or Valmiki’s *Ramayana* rewritten to speak to contemporary concerns? Considering multiple “tellings” of a single story, we will probe concepts like originality, authenticity, homage, and plagiarism. Work by Chimamanda Adichie, Aimé Césaire, and Junot Díaz. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) (Theory or Identity and Difference) Maximum enrollment, 16.

**149S Finding Identity.**

“Know thyself.” Young people struggled with this injunction long before Hamilton adopted the motto. This course explores how young people in literature—from medieval tales of adventure through 21st c. graphic novels—attempt to define their own identity in relation to their families and societies. We’ll explore how intersections of gender, sexuality, race, and culture come together in the construction of identity. Texts may include anonymous medieval works, as well as novels by Jane Austen, Alison Bechdel, Charles Dickens, Maxine Hong Kingston, and Art Spiegelman. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) (Identity and Difference or Theme) Maximum enrollment, 16. Terrell.

**[152F] Literature and Ethics.**

Study of literature as a vehicle for moral and political concerns and of the ways that literature shapes its readers. Special emphasis on popular literature, feminist criticism and the problems raised by censorship and pornography. Selected novels and plays by such writers as Ibsen, Dostoevsky, Tolstoy, Hemingway, Wright, Highsmith, Doris Lessing, Burgess and others. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) (Theme) Open to first-year students only. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**153F Literature: What Is It Good For?.**

Debates about the value of literature have long been tied to questions about its use. Literature has been praised-and condemned—as a source of pleasure, a medium for the transmission of knowledge, and a vehicle of personal expression. In order to determine why fiction matters, we will examine works that explore the power of literature to shape moral, social, and political realities, including manifestos, thought experiments, self-help manuals, and erotic fiction. Works by the Marquis de Sade, Wordsworth, Shelley, and George Eliot, as well as the film *Possession* (2002). (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Theme or Genre Maximum enrollment, 16. Suzanne Taylor.

**154F "Unpacking my library": The Book, The Burke, and the 20th Century.**

As the book has undergone a rapid century of changes, how have poets, fiction writers, and theorists imagined and come to terms with “the book” and “the library”? How do ideas of “the library” and “the book” vary in theory and practice? In the era of e-readers and nearly infinite digital storage capabilities, why own books at all? This course will examine the contested status of the printed object in the 21st century as a development of events in the 20th. Readings include Benjamin, Borges, Danielewski, Drucker, Howe, Kittler, McLuhan, Van Vliet, and several film screenings. (Writing-intensive.) (Theory or Theme) Maximum enrollment, 16. Rippeon.

**204F,S Poetry and Poetics.**

This course examines how poems work: how they are constructed, and how they produce meaning, pleasure, and cultural value. We will study poetry in terms of prosody, conventions, history, genre, and reception, with the goal of teaching the essential skills of close reading and contextual interpretation. Readings are primarily from the traditions of poetry written in English. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, For first-years, one course in literature. No prerequisite for upperclass students. (History or Genre) Not open to senior English or Creative Writing concentrators. Maximum enrollment, 20. The Department.

**206F,S The Study of the Novel.**

Forms of prose fiction since the 18th century. Attention to the primary structural features of the novel and the relations of narrative forms to social and historical contexts. Prerequisite, One course in literature. (History or Genre). Open to first-year students in the spring semester only. Not open to students who have taken English 205. The Department.

**[208F] Literacy, Diversity, and Ideas of America.**

This course explores the history of literacy in North America through autobiographical accounts of learning to read and the cultural contexts within which learning occurs. Works by Franklin, Douglass, Angelou, and Rodriguez, among others; selected educational materials, such as primers, the Algonquian Bible, The Columbian Orator, and poems educators hoped would create the American Melting Pot. Attention to access (or barriers) to reading affected by educational policies and laws, book production and textual design, theories of composition, language of instruction, and the growth of libraries. (History or Identity and Difference)

**[210S] Modern and Contemporary Chinese Literature: Traditions and Modernities.**

Since 1919, Chinese literature has played a decisive role in interactions between tradition and modernity. This course examines the development of Chinese literature against such interactions. Students will familiarize themselves with the most representative modern and contemporary Chinese literary works and gain a broad understanding of many modernity-related issues, including politics, culture, class, labor division, ethnicity, gender and sexuality. All lectures and discussions in English. Requirements: presentations, class discussions, film viewings and a final paper. (Same as East Asian Languages and Literatures 210.)

**211F Early Storytellers in World Literature.**

Great 'masterpieces' have been inscribed on cave walls, papyrus, tapestries, parchment (goatskin), and paper in order to comment upon the world. This course examines the human condition through a comparative study of mythology, epic, narrative, and poetry, from ancient Mesopotamia and Greece to the Roman Empire through to the Renaissance period. It pays special attention to how sexuality, identity, and politics play in the representation of diverse societies in *Innana*, *The Odyssey*, *The Golden Ass*, *El Cid*, *Les Lais*, *1001 Nights*, *The Pillow Book*, *Veronica Franco's* poetry, and others. (Writing-intensive.) (History) Maximum enrollment, 20. N Serrano.

**[212S] Readings in World Literature II.**

Study of representative texts in world literature from 1800 to the present, including novels, short fiction, and drama. Particular attention paid to the concepts of class, self and society, and they way they are intertwined with forms of narrative and drama. Readings to include works by such writers as Goethe, Balzac, Austen, Chekhov, Kafka, Hagedorn, Roy. (Writing-intensive.) (History) May be taken without 211. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**216S Caribbean Literature in the Crucible.**

A critical overview of Caribbean literatures in the light of the complex legacies that have given rise to a body of creative work that seems to constantly fashion and refashion itself. Such literary recasting helps to communicate an intricate history of genocides, survival, exile, resistance, endurance, and outward migrations. Particular attention to writers such as Roger Mias, Martin Carter, George Lamming, Derek Walcott, Patricia Powell, Earl Lovelace, Paule Marshall and Michelle Cliff. (post-1900). Prerequisite, One course in literature. (History or Identity and Difference) (Same as Africana Studies 216.) Odamtten.

**217S Introduction to US Latino/a Literatures.**

Examination of cultural production of representative U.S. Latino/a writers, filmmakers and visual artists from the civil rights movement to present. Focuses on the rewriting of contextual history of Latinos within the United States through interdisciplinary texts. Emphasis placed on literary, cultural and historical/political analysis, feminist criticism and anti-racist pedagogies. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, HSPST 200. Taught in Spanish. (Same as Hispanic Studies 217 and Women's Studies 213.) Maximum enrollment, 16. The Department.

**218S Literatures of Witness.**

Witness literature is testimonial by individuals who have suffered injustice incurred not as a result of what they have done but of what they are, as in Holocaust and slave narrative. We will study this literature and ask how its definition might be adapted to an era that has seen wide growth in systems of police action. We will read classic witness texts, work by political prisoners and by 'common criminals': writers who have been convicted for violations of law but also challenge collectively experienced limits on life opportunities, such as those imposed by race, class, and/or gender. (Theory or Identity and Difference) Larson.

**221F Introduction to Old English.**

Exploration of the language, literature and culture of early medieval England, from the Anglo-Saxon invasion through the Norman Conquest. Emphasis on reading and translating Old English prose and poetry, as well as developing an understanding of its cultural context. Culminates with a reading of Beowulf in translation (pre-1660). Offered in alternate years. Prerequisite, One course in literature. (History) Terrell.

**222F Chaucer: Gender and Genre.**

Examines how Chaucer engages and transforms prevailing medieval ideas of gender and genre. Particular emphasis on his constructions of masculinity and femininity in relation to themes of sex, religion, social power and narrative authority. Readings include *Troilus and Criseyde* and *The Canterbury Tales in Middle English*, as well as select medieval sources and modern criticism (pre-1660). (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one course in literature or AP 4 or 5 in English. (History or Single-Author) Maximum enrollment, 20. Terrell.

**[223S] Gender and Violence in the Middle Ages.**

This course serves as an introduction to the field of Medieval and Renaissance Studies. Drawing on multiple disciplinary perspectives, including those of literature, law, history, and art, we will examine the intersection of ideas about the body, gender, and violence in the European Middle Ages. Readings may include the Bible and early patristic writings; the lives of saints; poems and advice manuals on courtly love; depictions of women in the Crusades; Icelandic sagas; and perspectives on the trial of Joan of Arc. Prerequisite, One 100-level course in literature or history, or AP 4 or 5 in English or history. (Same as History 223 and Medieval and Renaissance Studies 223.) Maximum enrollment, 24.

**[223S] Gender and Violence in the Middle Ages.**

An introduction to the field of medieval and renaissance studies. Drawing on multiple disciplinary perspectives, including those of literature, law, history and art, examines the intersection of ideas about the body, gender and violence in the European Middle Ages. Readings may include the Bible and early patristic writings; the lives of saints; poems and advice manuals on courtly love; depictions of women in the Crusades; Icelandic sagas; and perspectives on the trial of Joan of Arc. Prerequisite, one 100-level course in literature or history, or AP 4 or 5 in English or History. (Same as College Courses and Seminars 223.) Maximum enrollment, 24.

**225F Madness, Murder and Mayhem: Nineteenth-Century Russian Literature.**

Readings of representative works with emphasis on major literary movements, cultural history, and basic literary devices. Primary texts by Pushkin, Gogol, Turgenev, Dostoevsky and Tolstoy, as well as some critical materials. (Writing-intensive.) No knowledge of Russian required. (Same as Russian Studies 225.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Bartle.

**[226S] Sex, Death and Revolution: Twentieth-Century Russian Art and Literature.**

Close analysis of major literary and artistic movements of the 20th century, with particular attention paid to the innovations of the avant-garde and the impact of the Bolshevik Revolution on the artistic imagination. Emphasis on the recurring theme of the fate of the individual in a mass society. No knowledge of Russian required. (Same as Russian Studies 226.)

**227F Shakespeare.**

Survey of selected plays (pre-1660). Prerequisite, One course in literature. No prerequisite for seniors. (Single-Author or Genre) Not open to students who have taken English 225. The Department.

**228S Milton.**

Study of Milton's English poetry and major prose, with particular attention to *Paradise Lost*. Topics for consideration include Milton's ideas on Christian heroism, individual conscience, the relations between the sexes and the purpose of education (1660-1900). (Genre or Single-Author) Not open to those who have taken English 226 or to first-year students. Thickstun.

**[230F] Bollywood Film.**

The course charts a history of Bollywood, India's mainstream Hindi-language film industry. Although dismissed for its use of melodrama and song-dance sequences, Bollywood has long engaged with other global cinemas and critiqued social, cultural, and political trends. Readings and films span romances about gender and nation like *Mother India* (1957) and *Chaudhvin Ka Chand* (1960); the 1970s "angry young man" oeuvre and its later avatars, crime and terrorist films; diasporic family dramas like *Kal Ho Naa Ho* (2003); and crossover hits like *The Lunch Box* (2013) that address the globalized present. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, A course in literature or film. (Theme or Identity and Difference) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[234S] The Hero as Failure: Nineteenth-Century Russian Literature.**

Why does so much classic Russian literature center on weak male protagonists unable to come to terms with stronger, more adaptable women? This course will explore this repeated pattern both as a reflection of Russian attitudes toward love and as a metaphorical expression of political frustration in a repressive society. Readings to include fiction, plays, and criticism by such writers as Pushkin, Lermontov, Belinsky, Gogol, Turgenev, Chernyshevsky, Dostoevsky, and Chekhov. Prerequisite, A 100-level course in literature. Open to students who have taken LIT/RSNST 225. (History, Theme) (Same as Russian Studies 234.)

**[236S] Field Study of Criminal Justice Reform and Innovation in Sweden.**

As the issues of mass incarceration, judicial and police behavior have come to the fore in American culture and politics, the need for reform and innovation from a comparative perspective has become evident. This field study is designed to provide students with such a perspective through observation and interviews with key actors in Swedish law enforcement, corrections and the courts, during a two-week period from May 27 to June 10, 2017. Larson and Anechiarico (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, One or more of the following course: Literature 129, 143, 342; Public Policy 251; Government 241, 359; Sociology 223. (Same as Government 236.) Maximum enrollment, 16.

**237S Medieval Women: Writing and Written.**

How did medieval women authors engage with a literary tradition that too often, as 14th c. writer Christine de Pizan lamented, declared that "female nature is wholly given up to vice"? Readings from English and French authors including Christine, Marie de France, Margery Kempe, Julian of Norwich, and Geoffrey Chaucer; anonymous tales of women saints, cross-dressing knights, and disobedient wives; "authoritative" writings about women (inc. religious and medical tracts and a manual on courtly love). We will investigate how these texts both created and challenged gender roles in the Middle Ages. Prerequisite, One course in literature; no prior experience with Middle English required. (Pre-1660) (History or Identity and Difference) Katherine Terrell.

**239/339F Modern Japan: Japanese Culture and Society From A(-Bomb) to (Dragon Ball)Z.**

This course explores issues of imperialism, military conflict, pacifism, nuclear victimhood, foreign occupation, national identity, and social responsibility in 19th to 21st-century Japan. Materials include nonfiction, science fiction, poetry, war propaganda, novels, censorship documents, animé, and film. Taught in English. No knowledge of Japanese language or history required. (Same as East Asian Languages and Literatures 239/339.) Omori.

**[244F] Tragedy: Then and Now.**

How did Greek tragedy work in the city of Athens? Athens was a radical democracy but was based on slave labor and the exclusion of women. How is this implied contradiction displayed in the works of Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides? But tragedy also has contemporary life. How do these plays transcend their time of production? An opportunity to examine relations of gods/humans, fate/choice, as well as gender, class/ethnicity and sexuality. Readings to include works by Seneca, Racine, Sartre, O'Neill, Heaney, Fugard. (Genre) (Same as Theatre 244 and Classics 244.)

### **253F Evil in the Age of Enlightenment.**

Eighteenth-century men and women of letters were preoccupied with the problem of evil: how can we reconcile the existence of evil with the existence of a benevolent God? If human nature is naturally moral, where do sin and cruelty come from? This course will study literary representations of illness, disaster, malice, and oppression in a range of genres to investigate how Enlightenment writers came to terms with the idea—and the everyday reality—of evil. Readings include Voltaire, Mary Jones, Marquis de Sade, Matthew Lewis, William Godwin, and Mary Shelley. Prerequisite, One course in Literature. Theme, History Suzanne Taylor.

### **255F The Marrow of African-American Literature.**

Exploration of how African-Americans, in the face of enslavement, exclusion and terror, produced literature expressing their identities and aspirations. In examining themes such as abduction, separation and resistance, students will assess the inscription of self on the emergent national culture by writers such as Olaudah Equiano, Phillis Wheatley, Frederick Douglass, Harriet Wilson, Frances Harper, Sutton Griggs and Charles Chesnut (1660-1900). Prerequisite, One course in literature, or consent of instructor. (History or Identity and Difference) Open to sophomores and juniors only. (Same as Africana Studies 255.) Odamtten.

### **256S American Literature of the 19th Century.**

Survey of representative literary texts in their historical, social and aesthetic contexts. Attention to issues of access to the literary market and the cultural work of literature, particularly in figuring the rise of a distinctly American tradition. Readings from such writers as Cooper, Brown, Poe, Emerson, Whitman, Hawthorne, Melville, Douglass, Dickinson, Jewett, Clemens, Chestnut and James (1660-1900). Prerequisite, One course in literature. (History or Identity and Difference) Not open to seniors except with permission of the department. Rippeon.

### **[258/358S] Opera.**

Study of literary and musical dimensions of operas by major composers from Monteverdi and Mozart to the present. Emphasis on the transformation of independent texts into librettos and the effects of music as it reflects language and dramatic action. Includes such works as *Orfeo*, *The Marriage of Figaro*, *Otello*, *The Turn of the Screw* and *Candide*. Prerequisite, two courses in music or two in literature, or one in each field, or consent of instructors. Music 358 has an additional independent project. Registration at the 300-level only with instructor's permission. (Same as Music 258/358.) Maximum enrollment, 24.

### **[266S] US Modernisms.**

Effects of the international modernist movement on the literature of the United States from the beginnings of the 20th century to the 1950s. Attention to authors such as Ellison, Faulkner, Hemingway, Hurston, Stein, and Stevens. (post-1900). Prerequisite, One course in literature, or consent of instructor. (History or Identity and Difference) Not open to first-year students or seniors.

### **[267F] Literature and the Environment.**

Surveys the history of environmentalist thinking as it has been reflected in literary texts. Examines key ideas of environmentalism and questions of representation, literary value and political relevance. Authors include Thoreau, Faulkner, Abbey, Lopez and Jeffers, as well as a few non-American writers. Texts include memoirs, essays, novels and poems. (Genre or Theme) Open to sophomores, juniors and seniors, and to first-year students with AP 4 or 5 in English..

**[270] Heaven, Hell and the Space in Between: Devils and Deities in Russian Literature and Art.**

Examination of the portrayals of the cosmic conflict: Good vs. Evil, Heaven vs. Hell, God vs. Satan. The second half of the semester will be dedicated to a close reading and analysis of Fyodor Dostoevsky's *Brothers Karamazov*. (Writing-intensive.) No knowledge of Russian required. (Same as Russian Studies 270.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[278S] The Straight Story?: Rethinking the Romance.**

A study of the ways in which various forms of sexual desire (overt or closeted) drive the plot of literary works. How is desire constructed? How have authors used, manipulated and resisted the marriage plot for aesthetic and political ends? Special attention to works by gay and lesbian authors. Readings, which include works of theory as well as imaginative texts, to include such authors as Austen, Diderot, Balzac, Zola, Wilde, Baldwin. (Theme or Identity and Difference) (Same as Women's Studies 278.)

**283F Introduction to Asian American Literature.**

Examination of themes, forms, and history of literary production by people of Asian descent in the United States. We will survey translated and English-language works by Asian American writers of varying ethnic affiliations, including Chinese, Japanese, Filipino, Korean, Indian, and others. We'll explore how each writer negotiates a relationship with a particular cultural heritage, as well as confronts the racial, cultural, and political formations of the U.S.. Authors include Maxine Hong Kingston, Carlos Bulosan, John Okada, the Angel Island poets, and others. Prerequisite, One course in literature. (post-1900) (Theory or Identity and Difference) (Same as American Studies 283.) Yao.

**288F Show and Tell: Comics and Graphic Narratives.**

In *Reading Comics*, Douglas Wolk states "The cheap way of referring to them is "comics" or "comic books"; the fancy way is "graphic novels". Erasing these common prejudices, this class reinforces that comics is a sophisticated and complex medium that bears close affinities with art, film, and literature. This is an introductory study of comics across cultures and within global contexts—Tintin, Astro Boy, Wonder Woman, Watchmen and others—one that emphasizes visual narrative storytelling as well as the socio-political and visual trends that have shaped the powerful creative industry of comics. (Theory or Intermedia) (Same as Art History 288.) N Serrano.

**290F Facing Reality: A History of Documentary Cinema.**

The history of cinema as representation and interpretation of "reality," focusing on nonfiction film and video from a variety of periods and geographic locales. Emphasis on the ways in which nonfiction films can subvert viewers' conventional expectations and their personal security. Forms to be discussed include the city symphony, ethnographic documentary, propaganda, nature film, direct cinema, *cinéma vérité*, the compilation film and personal documentary. (Same as Art History 290 and Cinema and Media Studies 290.) MacDonald.

**[293F] The Making of English.**

History of the English language from its origins in Old English to its present-day proliferation into World English(es). Particular attention to how the internal development of English (its sound system, syntax, grammar and vocabulary) relates to political and cultural transformations among English-speaking peoples throughout history, and how the English language continues to provoke political and cultural controversy. Offered in alternate years. Prerequisite, One course in literature, or consent of instructor. (Theme)

**[295S] Literary CSI: Casebooks.**

Through an introduction to literary theory, students will carefully examine and discuss a variety of literary texts by such writers as Toni Morrison, Kazuo Ishiguro, June Jordan, Carolyn Forché, Samuel Beckett, and Athol Fugard. In addition, students will communicate their insights in casebooks that examine the texts from multiple critical perspectives. Prerequisite, One course in literature. (Theory or Theme) Open to first-year and sophomore students only.

**[301F] Cinema as Theory and Critique.**

A history of alternatives to commercial movies, focusing on surrealist and dadaist film, visual music, psychodrama,

direct cinema, the film society movement, personal cinema, the New American Cinema, structuralism, Queer cinema, feminist cinema, minor cinema, recycled cinema and devotional cinema. While conventional entertainment films use the novel, the short story and the stage drama as their primary instigations, experimental and avant-garde films are analogous to music, poetry, painting, sculpture and collage. Not open to first-year students. (Same as Art History 301 and Cinema and Media Studies 301.)

### **312F The New Confessional.**

Sylvia Plath said “I, who reportedly write so truthfully about myself, so openly, am not that open.” In this course we’ll trace the ways poets have subverted and expanded our notion of what the confessional poem is, from its 1957 debut, (Robert Lowell’s *Still Life*) to the 21st century. Readings will include Sylvia Plath, Anne Sexton, Audre Lorde, Adrienne Rich, John Berryman, Ntozake Shange, Sandra Cisneros, Afaa Weaver, Maggie Nelson, Sharon Olds, Judy Jordan, and Ocean Vuong, among others. (post-1900) (Identity and Difference, or Genre) (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in literature. Maximum enrollment, 20. Jane Springer.

### **313F Ghanaian Literature: From Colony to Post-Colony.**

Through a close examination of selected works by West African writers such as Kobina Sekyi, Casley-Hayford, Mabel Dove, Ayi Kwei Armah, Efua Sutherland, Ama Ata Aidoo, Kofi Awoonor, Atukwei Okai, Yaw Asare, Akosua Busia, Kofi Anyidoho and Amma Darko, students will examine how the Slave Castles, the Sankofa Bird and Ananse the Spider have shaped the manner in which Ghanaian writers portray their society (post-1900). (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in literature (204, 205, 206 or 264 preferred). (History or Identity and Difference) (Same as Africana Studies 313.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Odamtten.

### **315F Literary Theory and Literary Study.**

In this course we will explore some of the main developments in literary and cultural "theory" during the twentieth and twenty-first centuries. Topics may include historicism, formalism, structuralism, deconstruction, Marxism, and feminism, theories of race, nation, and sexuality, of materiality and the digital, and even of the resistance to theory. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, a 200-level course in literature. (Theory or Identity and Difference) Maximum enrollment, 20. Yao.

### **[318S] Mapping in the Global Renaissance: Cartography & Literature.**

Long before Google maps, real and imagined landscapes captivated people. Students will study texts and maps side-by-side, and how they inscribe socio-political and geographical boundaries as well as (de)form cultural identity. Beginning with Ptolemy's *Geography* we will examine Europe's spatial boundaries within the context of New World "discoveries" and interrogate the interstices between West/non-West in the Mediterranean and the borders of early modern Europe and the New World as depicted in the literary space by Sir Thomas More, Shakespeare, Cabeza de Vaca, Ariosto, Jean de Léry and others Prerequisite, A 200-level course in literature or art history. History and Intermedia Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **[320S] Indians, Aliens, Others.**

The world is full of strange beings, some from outer space, others close to home. What leaps of imagination must we make to close the physical, cultural, philosophical, and linguistic gulf between “us” and “them”? How might encounters with “others” change our conceptions of self and our habits of thinking, feeling, and sensing? Readings include postcolonial and science-fiction texts by writers (and filmmakers) such as Octavia Butler, Ursula Le Guin, Indra Sinha, and Neill Blomkamp. Theoretical frameworks will span postcolonial, queer, and disability studies. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, A 200-level course in literature. (Theory or Identity and Difference) Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **[323S] Medieval Other Worlds.**

From the spiritual realms of heaven and hell to the supernatural world of fairies, medieval culture was immersed in alternative and transcendent versions of reality. Explores medieval literature's frequent forays beyond ordinary

experience in Middle English works by the Pearl-poet, Chaucer, Malory and Langland, as well as anonymous romance and drama. (pre-1660). (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in literature. Not open to first-year students. (History) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**324S Experimental Poetics: Politics, Identities, Forms.**

What are the politics of poetic form? What is the relationship between activism and aesthetics? What does it mean to write under the sign of a genre—poetry—while challenging its expectations and constraints? Students will consider formal experiment in contemporary American poetry, with emphasis upon writers who have explored (and exploded) poetic form in relation to ideas of America and “American-ness.” Readings in poetry and theory will include Adorno, Agamben, Anzaldua, Brathwaite, DJ Spooky, Howe, Kearney, Rankine and others. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, A 200-level course in literature. (Identity and Difference or Genre) Maximum enrollment, 20. Rippeon.

**[325S] Shakespeare in Context.**

How different is Shakespearean drama from other plays of his time? Why are his comedies and tragedies performed so much more often than those of his contemporaries? Readings will juxtapose such works as *Titus Andronicus*, *Romeo and Juliet*, *The Taming of the Shrew*, and *Cymbeline* (and their performance histories) with plays by Ben Jonson, Thomas Middleton, John Webster, and John Fletcher. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, A 200-level course in literature. (History, Genre) Maximum enrollment, 20.

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**[327S] English Renaissance Literature: 1550-1660.**

Study of the ways works and writers of this period are "in conversation" with each other on such matters as love, death, religious belief, the human response to the natural world and the role of women (in society and as authors). Readings of poems and other works by such writers as Shakespeare, Spenser, Donne, Herbert and Mary Wroth (pre-1660). (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in literature. Not open to first-year students. (History or Intermedia) Open to sophomores, juniors and seniors. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[330F] English Comedy and Tragedy, 1580-1780.**

Study of tragedies and comedies from the time of Shakespeare through the end of the 18th century, with special attention to changes in the representation of masculinity and femininity before and after 1660, when women first became participants in London's professional theater as actors and playwrights. Plays include Shakespeare's *Antony and Cleopatra* (c. 1606) and Dryden's version of the same tragedy in *All for Love* (1677), and works by such writers as Ben Jonson, John Webster, Aphra Behn, and Hannah Cowley (pre-1660). (Writing-intensive.) (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in literature. (History or Genre) Open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**334F Seminar: Jane Austen: Text and Film.**

Close reading and discussion of Austen's six published novels. Attention to questions of genre raised by treatments of the novels in film and television productions (1660-1900). Prerequisite, three courses in literature. (Intermedia or Single-Author) Open to juniors and seniors only. Does not fulfill the senior seminar requirement for the English concentration. Maximum enrollment, 12. J O'Neill.

**[335F] The Romantic Poets.**

The Romantic Period in English literary history has long been defined by the work of six male poets: Blake, Wordsworth, Coleridge, Shelley, Keats, and Byron. We will study their poetry in the context of form, history, and politics, and investigate how their work might be seen to form an ideology or movement. We will also read work by poets such as Barbauld, Clare, Burns, and Hemans, popular in their own day, but thought of as 'minor' subsequently, in order to evaluate how questions of gender and literary value inform our sense of what is 'Romantic'. (1660-1900). (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in literature. (History or Genre) Open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[336S] Experimental Women Writers.**

This course examines experimental women prose writers of the 20th and 21st centuries. We will consider how historical and cultural forces shape novels and stories by women who are committed to writing counter to tradition. Readings will include work by such authors as Gertrude Stein, Virginia Woolf, Zora Neale Hurston, Marguerite Duras, Kathy Acker, Jeanette Winterson, Carole Maso, Maggie Nelson, Claudia Rankine, Karen Yamashita, and others. We will engage these readings, in part, by creating our own critical experiments (post-1900). (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One 200-level course in literature. (Identity and Difference, or Theory) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[342F] Seminar: Written on the Wall: 20th-Century American Prison Writing.**

The writing of the men and women inside the American prison system constitutes a kind of shadow canon to that of better-known literary artists. We will read broadly in 20th- and 21st-century American prison writing, asking questions about the generic coherence, social and moral import of prisoners' non-fiction, fiction and poetry. Authors will include Jack London, George Jackson, Assata Shakur, and citizens serving time today. Students who are twenty-one or older will visit a book group inside a state prison. Prerequisite, one 200-level course in literature. (post-1900) (History or Identity and Difference) Open to juniors and seniors only. Does not fulfill the senior seminar requirement for ENGL or LIT concentration. (Same as American Studies 342.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

**343S Seminar: Women Writing Against the Grain.**

A comparative investigation of U.S. women writing their own stories through the genre of autobiography in the 19th and 20th centuries. Attention to theoretical and practical questions of ideology, genre, language, audience and reception. Particular focus on women's self-representation as hegemonic transgression at the intersections of race, class, gender, sexuality, nationality and ableism. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One course in Women's Studies and some coursework in comparative literature or literary theory or consent of the instructor. (Same as Women's Studies 343.) Maximum enrollment, 12. Jones, Cara.

**[353F] Anglo-American Modernism.**

Principal trends in Modernist literature written in the United States and the United Kingdom roughly from 1900-45. Examination of the contours of the primary tradition, as well as attention to counter-traditions that evolved alongside the accepted canon. Readings of poems, novels and stories by such writers as Yeats, James, Conrad, Joyce, Woolf, Eliot, Pound, Lewis, Ford, West and Loy will provide the context for understanding the larger trajectory of Modernism together with the opportunity for more detailed consideration of specific individual writers (post-1900). (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in literature. (History or Intermedia) Open to sophomores, juniors and seniors. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[365S] Major Figures in Cinema.**

Focus on crucial contributors to the wide world of cinema. The work of one, two, or three particular filmmakers, each from a different sector of the geography of cinema, will be examined in detail. Possible filmmakers include Alfred Hitchcock, James Benning, Ross McElwee, Stan Brakhage, Fritz Lang, the Coen brothers. Prerequisite, ARTH/CNMS/CPLIT 120; or ARTH/CNMS/CPLIT 290; or ARTH/CNMS/CPLIT 301; or permission of the instructor. (Same as Art History 365 and Cinema and Media Studies 365.)

**[374S] The Hollywood Novel.**

A look at novels dealing with or set in Hollywood and at adaptations of novels to film. Students will write short screen adaptations from short fiction and work together as a team (or in teams) on digital video productions of one or more student screenplays (post-1900). (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level literature course on narrative fiction and one of the following: 215, Art 213, 313, 377 or College 300. (Genre or Intermedia) Open to juniors and seniors only. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[375S] Contemporary American Fiction.**

Study of short stories and novels by authors writing in the past 30 years, such as Barth, Acker, Hawkes, Morrison,

DeLillo, Mazza, Wideman, Anaya, Kingston, Proulx (post-1900). Prerequisite, one 200-level course in literature (205 or 266 preferred). Not open to first-year students. (Theme or Theory) Open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors.

**[376F] Africana Literatures and Critical Discourses.**

An examination of literature produced by writers of former European colonies in Africa and its Diaspora, with particular attention to literary and theoretical issues, as well as responses to such developments as Negritude, feminism and post-colonialism. Readings will include selected twentieth and twenty-first century writers. Assignments will involve both written and digital work. (Post 1900) (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one 200-level course in literature. Not open to first-year students. (Theory or Intermedia) Open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors. (Same as Africana Studies 376.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[378S] African American Literature Beyond the Edge.**

A critical survey of literatures from multiple genres concerned with conjuration, speculation, investigation, transgression or science fiction produced by African-American writers from the 19th century to the present. Includes works by such writers as Chesnut, Sutton Griggs, W. E. B. Du Bois, Fisher, Chester Himes, Ernest Gaines, Octavia Butler, Walter Mosley, Steve Barnes, Jewelle Gomez, Samuel Delaney, Gayle Jones, Derrick Bell, Paula Woods, Tananarive Due and Nalo Hopkinson. (Post-1900) (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One 200-level course in literature. (Genre or Identity and Difference) Open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors. (Same as Africana Studies 378.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[391S] Queer/Feminist Literary Theory.**

Contemporary feminist and queer theories have a close connection to literature; they emerged from and later transformed literary studies. We will discuss selected theoretical writing, as well as creative texts from the late nineteenth century to the late twentieth century: fiction, plays, and films. Conversations will center around questions of identity and performativity, and the intersections of gender, sexuality, race and class. Readings to be drawn from the following: Oscar Wilde, Radclyffe Hall, James Baldwin, Audre Lorde, E. M. Forster, Virginia Woolf, Tony Kushner, Cherrie Moraga. Prerequisite, At least one course in Literature and/or Women's Studies, or consent of instructor. (Theory or Identity and Difference) (Same as Cp Lit 391 and Women's Studies 391) (Same as Women's Studies 391.)

**412S Seminar: Public Play--Performance in England, 1400-1642.**

Exploration of changes and continuities across time and genre in stage performance and production in England from the middle ages through Shakespeare, of overlapping political, religious, and social meanings of public play, performance, and spectacle. What is the difference between communal, amateur performance and the commercial London stage? How does perspectival staging redefine the relationship between audience members? How is the role of allegory transformed across centuries? Examination will deepen our understanding not only of dramatic practice, but of dramatic production more broadly. Prerequisite, Three courses in Literature. History or Genre Maximum enrollment, 12. Stephanie Bahr.

**[415F] Seminar: Ambivalent Inheritance: Faulkner across the Americas.**

This course will trace lines of influence and revision running from William Faulkner through Latin American writing of the Boom generation to contemporary fiction in the United States. We'll consider the inheritance of biology and property; of guilt and promises and dreams; and of formal strategies, images, and tropes--and the ways in which negotiating those legacies becomes a means of negotiating the self's relationship with both society and history. Possible authors: W. Faulkner, G. García Márquez, J. Rulfo, C. Fuentes, J. Donoso, R. Ferré, T. Morrison, J. Eugenides, A. Bender, J.S. Foer Prerequisite, 3 courses in literature. (Theme or History) Maximum enrollment, 12.

**418F Seminar: Poems in and out of context.**

Poetry in the early modern era circulated in manuscript in particular controlled social contexts. How did poems survive, get into print? What is the difference between reading a poem in manuscript, in a collection, in an anthology? Attention to manuscript circulation, common-place books, and miscellanies, and the role of anthologies in canon formation after.

Case studies: the Devonshire manuscript, Sidney and Shakespeare sonnet sequences, collections by Anne Bradstreet, Katherine Philips, and Edward Taylor, among others. Later examples, such as Dickinson, according to student interest. Prerequisite, 3 courses in literature. Maximum enrollment, 12. Thickstun, M.

**[428S] Seminar: Muslims, Women and Jews: Alterity and Identity in the Middle Ages.**

How did medieval Christians perceive difference and define the boundaries of identity? Study of medieval literature dealing with disenfranchised populations within European Christian society (women and Jews) and those outside its bounds (Muslims). Readings by authors such as Chaucer, Margery Kempe and John Mandeville, as well as anonymous dramas and crusade romances, and modern criticism. Particular consideration of literary and cultural contexts, including sermon stories, histories, medical and legal texts, polemics and religious tracts (pre-1700). Prerequisite, three courses in literature. Open to juniors and seniors only. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[442F] Seminar: Booked: Prison Writing.**

Prisons have been the settings for scenes of tragedy, comedy, romance and social protest. While aware of this use of the prison as a literary device, we will read writers who have actually suffered incarceration. We will read canonical texts (by Plato, Boethius, King), post-colonial prison writers (Abani, Thiong'o), and the work of men and women inside the American prison system. Among other requirements, students will read work by and visit men in a writing class taught inside Attica Correctional Facility. Prerequisite, three courses in literature. Open to juniors and seniors only. Does not fulfill the senior seminar requirement for the English concentration. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[447S] Seminar: James Joyce.**

In-depth study of Joyce's major works in their historical and cultural contexts. Readings include *Dubliners* and *Finnegans Wake*, Major emphasis on *Ulysses*. Prerequisite, three courses in literature. Open to juniors and seniors only. post-1900 Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[459S] Seminar: TransAtlantic Romanticisms.**

Exploration of Romantic ideologies in literature (poetry and novels) from England and the United States. Discussion of nationalism, nature, individualism, and imagination as they appear in authors including Wordsworth, Byron, Scott, Cooper, Whitman, Dickinson, and Melville. Attention to the paradox of influence in asserting notions of national identity. (1660-1900) Prerequisite, three courses in literature. Open to juniors and seniors only. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**460S Beyond Proust.**

What do you do after finishing *In Search of Lost Time*? The easy choice is to read it again. But for those not ready to take the plunge a second time, this course offers an alternative: the study of a group of works that take on special resonances in the context of Proust. Included will be Nabokov's *Lolita*, Hitchcock's *Vertigo*, Makine's *Dreams of My Russian Summers*, Turgenev's *First Love*, Jacqueline Rose's *Albertine*, Anne Carson's *Albertine Workout*, Faulkner's *The Sound and the Fury*, Goldstein's *The Properties of Light*, and others. Prerequisite, CompLit 360 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. P Rabinowitz.

**[473] Seminar: Major African Writers.**

A comprehensive comparative investigation into works by two or more contemporary African writers. Attention to theoretical and practical questions of ideology, genre, language, gender, class and geographic region to determine the multiple articulations among authors, texts and audiences (post-1900). Prerequisite, three courses in literature or consent of instructor. Open to juniors and seniors only. (Same as Africana Studies 473/573.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

**474S Seminar: Major African-American Writers.**

An in-depth investigation of selected 20th-century and contemporary works by African-American writers. Focus on the theoretical and practical questions of genre, language, gender, class and ideology to determine the multiple articulations among authors, texts and audiences. Traditional written assignments, critical discussion and digital media coursework

in the computer lab are required (post-1900). Prerequisite, three courses in literature. Open to juniors and seniors only. Odamtten.

### **502S Honors Project in Literature.**

Independent study for honors candidates in Literature. Prerequisite, Approval of the department. 1/4 credit. Maximum enrollment, 12. The Department.

## **Courses in Creative Writing**

### **215F,S Introductory Poetry and Fiction Workshop.**

Introduction to fundamental techniques of fiction and poetry. Regular writing and reading assignments as well as critiques in class. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, a 100-level writing-intensive course in English or Literature or 204W, 222W, or 227W. Not open to first-year students in the fall. Maximum enrollment, 16. The Department.

### **224F Playwriting.**

Introduction to the techniques of realistic and non-realistic playwriting through a variety of exercises and improvisations, culminating in the writing and staging of a one-act play. (Speaking-Intensive.) Prerequisite, Theatre 100 or Creative Writing 215. While no prior acting experience is required, students participate in staged readings of works. (Same as Theatre 224.) Maximum enrollment, 16. Latrell.

### **304F,S Intermediate Poetry Workshop.**

For students whose work and purpose have developed sufficiently to warrant continuing work in poetry. Regular writing and reading assignments as well as critiques in class. Prerequisite, 204 and 215. Maximum enrollment, 16. The Department.

### **305F,S Intermediate Fiction Workshop.**

For students whose work and purpose have developed sufficiently to warrant continuing work in fiction. Regular writing and reading assignments as well as critiques in class. Prerequisite, 215 and a 200-level course in literature. Maximum enrollment, 16. The Department.

### **309S Creative Non-Fiction Workshop.**

For students whose work and purpose in creative writing have developed sufficiently to warrant work in creative non-fiction. This course will focus on food-writing in some of the following genres: personal essay, profile, narrative essay, journalism. Regular writing and reading assignments as well as critiques in class. Prerequisite, one 100-level course in literature or permission of the instructor. (Genre) Maximum enrollment, 16. Ngo.

### **419S Seminar: Creative Writing.**

For students whose work and purpose have developed sufficiently to warrant advanced work in fiction or poetry. Students will construct individual projects leading to a final collection of writings in the form of a novella, a series of stories, or a series of poems. Regular writing and reading assignments, as well as critiques in class. Prerequisite, 304 and 305. Open only to senior concentrators and, if there is room, senior minors. Maximum enrollment, 12. Prerequisite, 304 and 305. Open only to senior concentrators and, if there is room, senior minors. Maximum enrollment, 12. The Department.

### **498F Honors Project in Creative Writing.**

Independent study under the supervision of creative writing faculty, for honors candidates who qualify for and wish to pursue honors in creative writing. Students completing 498 are expected to continue their creative writing honor's

project in the spring term by enrolling in 501S. Prerequisite, 215, 304, 305, and permission of Department. Students will be assigned to CW faculty for the project. Maximum enrollment, 8. Tina Hall.

**501S Honors Project in Creative Writing.**

Independent study for honors candidates in Creative Writing. Prerequisite, 498S and approval of the department. 1/4 credit .

# Mathematics

## Faculty

Richard Bedient

Debra Boutin

Jose Cenicerros

Sally Cockburn, *chair*

Andrew Dykstra (on leave spring 2018)

Courtney Gibbons

Robert Kantrowitz

Timothy Kelly (on leave spring 2018)

Chinthaka Kuruwita

Michelle LeMasurier

## *Special Appointment*

Larry Knop

For students matriculating in 2013 or later:

A concentration in mathematics consists of the courses 116, 216, 224, 314, 325, a Senior Seminar, and three electives, of which at least one must be at the 300 level or higher. Concentrators fulfill the Senior Program requirement by taking a Senior Seminar. It must be taken in the fall of the student's senior year, and all lower-numbered required courses, with at most one exception, should be completed prior to that time. Physics 320 or Physics 325, but not both, may be counted toward the concentration as an elective at the 200 level. Beginning with the class of 2020, students concentrating in Mathematics must satisfy the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies requirement by completing one of Math 252, Math 498 or Educ 350. Students who have not completed one of these courses may petition the department to accept a course in another department as fulfilling the SSIH requirement by providing a written rationale explaining how the proposed course will help them gain an understanding of social, structural, and institutional hierarchies that is relevant to mathematics and their post-graduation plans.

Students may earn departmental honors by completing courses that satisfy the concentration with an average of 3.6 or higher, by taking a fourth elective that is at the 300 level or higher, and by making a public presentation to the department on a mathematical topic during their junior or senior year.

A minor in mathematics consists of 116, 216, 224 and two mathematics electives.

While all mathematics courses satisfy the QSR requirement, students seeking an entry-level course only for this purpose are encouraged to consider COLEG 105S: A World of Impending Disaster.

For students matriculating before 2013:

A concentration in mathematics consists of nine courses including the required courses 113; 114, 115 or 215; 224; 215, 231, 234, 235 or 253; 314; 325; 437; and two electives, of which at least one must be at the 300 level or higher. Concentrators fulfill the Senior Program requirement by taking 437. It should be taken in the fall of the student's senior year, and all lower-numbered required courses, with at most one exception, should be completed prior to that time. Physics 320 or Physics 325, but not both, may be counted as a lower-level elective toward the concentration. Students may earn departmental honors by completing courses that satisfy the concentration with an average of 3.6 or higher, by taking a third elective that is at the 300 level or higher, and by making a public presentation to the

department on a mathematical topic during their junior or senior year. A minor in mathematics consists of 113, 224 and three mathematics electives. One of the electives is normally 114 or 215 and at least one of them must have 224 as a prerequisite. '

### **113F,S Calculus I.**

Introduction to the differential and integral calculus of a single variable. Topics include limits, continuity, derivatives, max-min problems and integrals. For students matriculating in 2013 or later, this course may not be counted toward the concentration or minor. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Four hours of class. The Department.

### **116F,S Calculus II.**

116 F,S Calculus II – A continuation of the study begun in 113. Methods of integration, improper integrals, applications of integration to volume and arc length, parametric equations, sequences and series, power series, vectors, and an introduction to 3-dimensional coordinate systems with equations of lines and planes. Prerequisite, 113 or placement by the department. Not open to students who have taken 114. The Department. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Completion of 116 with a grade of C- or greater gives Hamilton credit for both 113 and 116 for those students placed into 116. The Department.

### **216F,S Multivariable Calculus.**

Introduction to functions of more than one variable, partial derivatives, multiple integrals in two and three dimensions, line and surface integrals, Green's Theorem, curl, divergence, the Divergence Theorem and Stokes' Theorem. Prerequisite 116 or placement by the department. Not open to students who have taken 114. The Department. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Completion of 216 with a grade of C- or greater carries credit for both 116 and 216 for those students placed into 216. The Department.

### **224F,S Linear Algebra.**

An introduction to linear algebra: matrices and determinants, vector spaces, linear transformations, linear systems and eigenvalues; mathematical and physical applications. (Writing-intensive.) (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 116 or 216 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. The Department.

### **231F Linear Optimization.**

An introduction to solving optimization problems involving linear functions subject to linear constraints (linear programming). Topics include the simplex method, duality theory, game theory and integer programming. Features applications to economics, computer science and other areas. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 224. Cockburn.

### **234S Counting and Codes.**

Topics include enumeration and error correcting codes. Enumeration methods are used to count objects with a given description (used to compute probabilities and to estimate computer program running times). Error correcting codes are used to identify and fix small transmission errors (used in MP3 players, DVDs, cable TV). For each topic we will look at the big ideas, and apply them to small cases. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 224. Boutin.

### **235F,S Differential Equations.**

Theory and applications of differential equations, including first-order equations, second-order linear equations, systems of equations, and qualitative and numerical methods. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) (Speaking-Intensive.) Prerequisite, For students matriculating before 2013: 114, 115 or 215, and 224. For students matriculating in 2013 or later: 224 . Maximum enrollment, 20. LeMasurier.

### **252F Statistical Analysis of Data (SSIH).**

An introduction to the principles and methods of applied statistics. Topics include exploratory data analysis, sampling distributions, confidence intervals, hypothesis testing, regression analysis, analysis of variance and categorical data analysis. Extensive reliance on statistical computer software and authentic data, with a focus on investigating issues of

social, structural, and institutional hierarchies. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Math 113 or departmental placement. May not be taken by students who have taken Math 253 or Econ 265. Maximum enrollment, 25. The Department.

### **253S Statistical Analysis of Data.**

An introduction to the principles and methods of applied statistics. Topics include exploratory data analysis, sampling distributions, confidence intervals, hypothesis testing, regression analysis, analysis of variance and categorical data analysis. Extensive reliance on authentic data and statistical computer software. Not open to students who have taken Math 252 or Econ 265. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 113 or departmental placement. Maximum enrollment, 25. The Department.

### **254F,S Statistical Modeling and Applications.**

A continuation and extension of the study of statistics begun in 252 or 253. Topics include simple and multiple regression, analysis of variance, categorical data analysis, logistic regression, and nonparametric methods designed to test hypotheses and construct confidence intervals. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, a full-year AP course in statistics, or Math 252, or Math 253, or any introductory statistics course at Hamilton, or departmental permission. Maximum enrollment, 25. Kelly (Fall), Kuruwita (Spring).

### **314F Real Analysis.**

An introduction to analysis. Topics include completeness of the real numbers, cardinality, sequences, series, real-valued functions of a real variable, limits, and continuity. (Writing-intensive.) (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 116 or 216, and 224. Maximum enrollment, 20. Kantrowitz, Dykstra.

### **315S Functional Analysis.**

An introduction to functional analysis. Topics include metric and normed linear spaces, including sequence spaces, function spaces, Hilbert and Banach spaces; Fourier series, and bounded linear operators. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 314 or consent of instructor. Kantrowitz.

### **[318S] Complex Analysis.**

An introduction to the theory of analytic functions of a complex variable: Cauchy-Riemann equations, contour integration, Cauchy-Goursat theorem, Liouville theorem, Taylor and Laurent expansions, Residue theory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 314.

### **[322S] Graph Theory.**

An introduction to the theory and applications of graph theory. Topics include: trees; connectivity; Eulerian and Hamiltonian graphs; vertex-, edge- and map-colorings; digraphs; tournaments; matching theory; planarity and Ramsey numbers. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 224 or CS 123.

### **[324S] Linear Algebra II.**

A continuation of 224, with emphasis on the study of linear operators on complex vector spaces, invariant subspaces, generalized eigenvectors and inner product spaces. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 224.

### **325S Modern Algebra.**

An introduction to the three fundamental structures of abstract algebra: groups, rings and fields. (Writing-intensive.) (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 224. Maximum enrollment, 20. Boutin, Cockburn.

### **[335S] Differential Equations II.**

A continuation of 235, with emphasis on techniques for studying nonlinear dynamical systems. Topics include equilibria in nonlinear systems, bifurcations, limit sets, the Poincare-Bendixon theorem, strange attractors, discrete dynamical systems and symbolic dynamics. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 235 and 314.

**[337S] Partial Differential Equations.**

Theory and applications of partial differential equations. Topics include separation of variables, Fourier series and transforms, and the Laplace, heat and wave equations. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Math 224 and Math 235.

**351F Probability Theory and Applications.**

An introduction to probability theory, including probability spaces, random variables, expected values, multivariate distributions and the central limit theorem, with applications to other disciplines and an emphasis on simulation as an exploratory tool. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 116 or 216, and 224. 224 may be taken concurrently. Kelly.

**352S Mathematical Statistics and Applications.**

Study of the mathematical theory underlying statistical methodology. Topics include the law of large numbers, estimation, hypothesis testing, linear models, experimental design, analysis of variance and nonparametric statistics, with applications to a variety of disciplines. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 351. Kuruwita.

**361S Number Theory.**

Number theory is the study of the properties of the positive integers. Topics include divisibility, congruences, quadratic reciprocity, numerical functions, diophantine equations, continued fractions, distribution of primes. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 325 or consent of instructor. Gibbons.

**[498S] Seminar on Mathematics in Social Context.**

Examines the role mathematics plays in the construction and perpetuation of social stratification, as well as the influence of social categorization on the development of mathematics and mathematicians. Works such as *Hidden Figures* by Margot Lee Shetterly, *Weapons of Math Destruction* by Cathy O'Neil, and *Radical Equations: From Mississippi to the Algebra Project* by Bob Moses '56 may be included. One-half course credit. Open only to mathematics concentrators. Next offered S19. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[501F] Senior Seminar in Algebra.**

An introduction to group theory with an emphasis on group actions. Students are responsible for providing examples, counterexamples, and proofs of theorems and regularly present their work in class. The course concludes with the students researching a topic in group theory of their own choosing. The topics covered in the course will include symmetric groups, dihedral groups, (subgroups of) general linear groups, projective linear groups, Lagrange's theorem, Orbit-Stabilizer theorem, Cauchy's theorem, and Sylow's theorems. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 325. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**502F Senior Seminar in Mathematical Modeling.**

The description of biological, physical, and social phenomena using the language of mathematics. Focuses on the construction, analysis, and critique of mathematical models using a broad range of techniques. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Math 235 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. .

**503F Senior Seminar in Statistics.**

A continuation of studies in mathematical statistics and the analysis of data. Topics include maximum likelihood estimation, regression, analysis of variance and design of experiments. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Math 351 and (252 or 253 or 254 or 352) or permission of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. Kuruwita.

**504F Senior Seminar in Topology.**

Students jointly produce a textbook based on an outline provided. Topics include topological spaces, continuity of maps and homeomorphism. Spaces are described as connected and Hausdorff. The fundamental group is computed and used to classify various spaces. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Math 314W or Math 325W.

Maximum enrollment, 12. .

**505F Senior Seminar in Graph Symmetries.**

Focuses on symmetries of simple and directed graphs. Graphs studied include the integer lattice, Kneser graphs, hypercubes, Cayley graphs. Given an outline containing definitions, theorems, and conjectures, students find examples, proofs and counterexamples, and create a course text with their results. No prior knowledge of graph theory is needed. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Math 325W. Maximum enrollment, 12. .

**[506F] Senior Seminar in Philosophical Foundations of Mathematics.**

The first half of this seminar focuses on the set theoretical foundations of mathematics, including ordered sets, ordinal and cardinal numbers, and the classic set paradoxes. Students will be given definitions for which they must find examples and theorems for which they must find proofs. Readings includes classic papers in the philosophy of mathematics by such authors as Bertrand Russell, Kurt Gödel, David Hilbert, A. J. Ayer and Henri Poincaré. Final paper required. Prerequisite, Math 314W. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[508F] Senior Seminar in Dynamics.**

Various topics from discrete dynamics are explored by working through a series of exploratory modules. Students work in teams and present their findings to the class. Topics include fixed points and their classifications, cycles and their classifications, fractal sets, sensitive dependence and chaos, symbolic dynamics and Sharkovskii's periodic point theorem. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Math 314W. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**509F Senior Seminar in Applied Statistics.**

An exploration into the analysis of data, using techniques from Math 252/253. The seminar will undertake to formulate questions of interest and then use appropriate statistical techniques to answer them, incorporating new techniques as necessary. An emphasis on survey data is anticipated. Much of the work will be done in teams, and much of class time will be student presentations of student work. The seminar will be particularly relevant to students who anticipate needing to both understand and produce data-based analyses in applied areas. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Math 224W and (252 or 253 or 254) or permission of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. L Knop.

# Medieval and Renaissance Studies

## Program Committee

John Eldevik, *director* (History)

Lydia R. Hamessley (Music)

Roberta L. Krueger (French)

John C. McEnroe (Art History)

Katherine H. Terrell (Literature)

Xavier Tubau (Hispanic Studies)

Maria Willstedt (Hispanic Studies)

The Medieval and Renaissance Studies Program offers an interdisciplinary minor consisting of five courses taken within at least three disciplines (Art History, French, Hispanic Studies, History, Literature and Creative Writing, Music). One of the five courses must be a history course and two of the courses must be taken in the same department.

For complete information about the courses listed below, including prerequisites, enrollment limits and when a course is offered, consult the full descriptions under the appropriate departments.

## ART HISTORY

270 Visual Culture of the Middle Ages

282 The Renaissance: Reframing the Golden Age

## CLASSICS

390 Medieval Latin

## LITERATURE AND CREATIVE WRITING

219 Games in the Mediterranean

221 Introduction to Old English

222 Chaucer: Gender and Genre

225 Shakespeare

226 Milton

237 Medieval Women: Writing and Written

293 The Making of English

323 Other Worlds in Middle English Literature

327 English Renaissance Literature 1550-1660

328 English Renaissance Drama

329 When God Shakes a Kingdom

425 Shakespeare in Context

428 Muslims, Women, and Jews: Alterity and Identity in the Middle Ages

## FRENCH

403 In Her Own Voice: French Women Writers of the Middle Ages and the Renaissance

404 Legends of the Round Table

406 Comic Visions in French Literature from the Fabliaux to Figaro

414 East Meets West: Cultural Encounters in Medieval French Literature

416 Saints and Sinners in Medieval French Literature

## HISPANIC STUDIES

300 Medieval Spanish Literature

## HISTORY

146 Christianity to 1500

150 Myth and History in the Middle Ages

160 Medieval Europe and the Mediterranean

202 Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages

207 Europe and the Mediterranean 1100-1500

286 The Byzantine Empire

295 The Crusades

320 Power and Lordship in Medieval Europe

326 Rebels, Radicals and Reformers

339 Columbus's Library

## LATIN

390 Topics in Roman Society and Culture: Medieval Latin

## MEDIEVAL AND RENAISSANCE STUDIES

223 Gender and Violence in the Middle Ages

## MUSIC

251 Music in Europe Before 1600

## RELIGIOUS STUDIES

146 Christianity to 1500 '

### **[223S] Gender and Violence in the Middle Ages.**

This course serves as an introduction to the field of Medieval and Renaissance Studies. Drawing on multiple disciplinary perspectives, including those of literature, law, history, and art, we will examine the intersection of ideas about the body, gender, and violence in the European Middle Ages. Readings may include the Bible and early patristic writings; the lives of saints; poems and advice manuals on courtly love; depictions of women in the Crusades; Icelandic sagas; and perspectives on the trial of Joan of Arc. Prerequisite, One 100-level course in literature or history, or AP 4 or 5 in English or history. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 223 and History 223.) Maximum enrollment, 24.

# Middle East and Islamic World Studies

## Program Committee

Abishek Amar (Religious Studies)

Erol Balkan (Economics)

Anat Guez (Hebrew)

Kira Jumet (Government)

Shoshana Keller, *director* (History)

Mireille Koukjian (Arabic)

An interdisciplinary minor in Middle East and Islamic World Studies consists of five courses from the list below. These courses must include at least one course from each of three divisions: language and literature (Arabic and/or Hebrew); social sciences (government, history, economics and anthropology); and religious studies (Islam and/or Judaism). One course must be taken at the introductory (100) level, and one at the advanced (300 or 400) level.

## Language and Literature

ARABC 115 First-term Arabic

ARABC 116 Second-term Arabic

ARABC 215 Third-term Arabic

ARABC 216 Fourth-term Arabic

ARABC 315 Media Arabic

FRNCH 240 North African Diaspora in French Literature and Film, In Translation

HEBRW 107 First-term Hebrew

HEBRW 108 Second-term Hebrew

## Social Science

ANTHR 231 Societies of the Middle East

ECON 352W Political Economy of the Middle East

GOV 215 Foreign Policies of Middle Eastern States

GOV 317 Politics in the Middle East

HIST 124 Silk Road

HIST 275 History of the Modern Middle East

HIST 295 The Crusades

RLST 111 Ancient Jewish Wisdom

RLST 128 Peoples of the Book: Judaism, Christianity and Islam

RLST 143 The Sacred in South Asia

RELST 200 Modern Jewish Thought

RELST 203 Politics of the Bible

RELST 242 Rise and Fall of David

RELST/HIST 244 Hindus and Muslims in South Asia

RELST/ART 245 Hindu, Buddhist and Islamic Arts of India.

RLST/HIST 256 Islam and Modernity in South Asia

## Science



# Music

## **Faculty**

Heather Buchman, *chair*

Ryan Carter

Lydia Hamessley

Robert Hopkins

G. Roberts Kolb

Samuel Pellman (on leave fall 2017)

Jace Saplan

Michael Woods

## *Special Appointments*

### **Piano**

Colleen Roberts Pellman

Jesse Sprole

Sar-Shalom Strong

Stephen Best, organ and keyboard skills

Rick Montalbano, jazz piano

### **Voice**

Lauralyn Kolb

Nancy James

Jon Fredric West

### **Strings**

Peter Rovit, violin

Ubaldo Valli, violin

Eric Gustafson, viola

Susan Beevers, cello

Darryl Pugh, bass

Ursula Kwasnicka, harp

Paul Charbonneau, guitar

Rick Balestra, jazz guitar

Adam Dudding, folk guitar

### **Woodwinds**

Cornelia Brewster, flute

Emily DiAngelo, oboe

Allan Kolsky, clarinet

Jessica King, bassoon

Monk Rowe, saxophone

### **Brass**

John Raschella, trumpet

Jeff Stockham, jazz trumpet

Jon Garland, horn

## **Percussion**

Erik Lutters

Jim Johns (jazz percussion)

A concentration in music comprises 10 courses: 100, 201, 202, 210 or 211, 254 or 259 or 260, 310, three full-credit electives at the 200-level or above (including at least one at the 300-level), and the Senior Project (452). Concentrators are also expected to participate in department ensembles in each semester.

Music concentrators will meet the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies requirement by completing either Music 254 (Studies in World Music), 259 (History of Jazz to 1950), or 260 (History of Jazz Since 1950). Additionally, the department addresses and reinforces issues of gender, race, ethnicity, class, and sexual orientation in many courses throughout its curriculum in the classroom, the studio, and its performing ensembles.

A more complete description of the Senior Project is available from the department, as is information about proficiency exams in musicianship skills. Students contemplating graduate work in music should consult with a member of the department at an early date. Department honors can be earned by students who have at least a 3.5 average in their coursework that counts toward the concentration as well as through distinguished achievement in Mus 550-551 (Honors Senior Project I-II).

A minor in music comprises five courses: 210 or 211, two courses from among 201, 202, and 254 or 259 or 260; one course credit in performance (from among courses in solo performance and/or group performance); and one other full-credit course at the 200-level or above. '

### **100F,S The Art of Active Listening.**

A study of how to listen to music and get the most out of it. Consideration of approaches to listening to Western art music, film music, jazz, popular music, and selected gamelan and African musics. Focus on strategies of active listening and learning a vocabulary for discussing musical perceptions in various kinds of music. Does not include study of musical notation. Open to seniors. Hopkins.

## **Courses in Literature and History of Music**

### **104S Masterpieces of Western Music.**

A listening course based on the study of selected masterpieces of Western music in their historical context. Emphasis on listening skills and the evaluation of cultural and musical meanings. Includes instrumental and vocal works by Monteverdi, Handel, Mozart, Beethoven, Verdi and Stravinsky. No ability to read music is assumed or required. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 16. Hopkins.

### **106S Music and Resistance.**

Exploration of the ways that music is used as a framework for resistance and liberation in the U.S. The course draws on case studies of the Indigenous struggles of Native Americans and Native Hawaiians, the contemporary anti-prison movement, Black and Latino Power movements, the resistance of Japanese internment camps, LGBTQIA activism, and the women's rights movement. Materials include readings, guest lectures, discussions, music-making, and guest performances with visiting scholars, artists, and activists. No musical background is required. Saplan.

### **108F From Words to Song.**

An exploration of the relationship between words and music — of the many and different ways in which the meanings and emotions of the words have (and have not) been expressed through music in the last millennium. (Writing-

intensive.) (Proseminar.) No previous knowledge of music required. Open to first-year students only. Maximum enrollment, 16. G Kolb.

**117S Roots Music to Country Music: The Making of an American Sound.**

Study of country music from its roots in cowboy songs, fiddle tunes, blues, bluegrass, and gospel hymns to current artists like The Dixie Chicks, Taylor Swift, and Brad Paisley. Artists include the Carter Family, Hank Williams, Patsy Cline, Dolly Parton, Willie Nelson, Emmylou Harris, Lynyrd Skynyrd, & Garth Brooks. Study of the musical elements, social class, gender roles, and cultural contexts of styles such as Western Swing, Honky-Tonk, Rockabilly, the Nashville Sound, Southern Rock, and Alt-country. Includes films such as *Coal Miner's Daughter*, *Nashville*, and *O Brother, Where Art Thou?* (Same as American Studies 117.) Hamessley.

**[154] Music of the World's Peoples.**

A study of selected cultures around the world, including Native American music of North America, sub-Saharan African music, African-American music in the United States, Latin American music and the classical traditions of India, Indonesia and Japan. Consideration given to musical style and the role of music in these cultures. (Proseminar.) Not open to seniors. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**160/260F History of Jazz to the 1950s.**

A study of jazz from its origins (its African heritage, blues and ragtime) to 1950. A survey of jazz styles, including New Orleans and Chicago styles, boogie-woogie, swing, bebop and cool jazz. Open to seniors with consent of instructor. (Same as Africana Studies 160.) Woods.

**201F Music in Europe Until 1800.**

A study and analysis of major stylistic developments in Western music to from 800 to 1800, including the rise of notation and polyphony, the relationship between music and text, and the rise of opera and the symphony. Composers studied include Palestrina, Bach, Haydn, Mozart, and early Beethoven. Consideration of the influence of political, economic, technological, and cultural environments upon musical styles. Prerequisite, Music 100. Hamessley.

**202S Music in Europe and America Since 1800.**

A study and analysis of major stylistic developments in Western music since 1800, including the rise of program music and nationalism, the dissolution of tonality, and the proliferation of styles in the last two centuries. Composers studied include Schubert, Wagner, Brahms, Debussy, Stravinsky, Bartók, Varèse, and Adams. Consideration of the influence of political, economic, technological, and cultural environments upon musical styles. Prerequisite, Music 100, 109, 210, or 211. Hopkins.

**245/345S Music in American Film.**

An examination of music in American film from silent films to the present with an emphasis on the golden age of Hollywood. Topics include the development of musical conventions in film, different approaches of film composers (Steiner, Tiomkin, Rózsa, Herrmann, Newman, Bernstein, Williams), and the meanings that music brings to the films' narratives. Includes films such as *Casablanca*, *Citizen Kane*, *To Kill a Mockingbird*, *Of Mice and Men*, *A Streetcar Named Desire*, *West Side Story*, *Bonnie and Clyde*, *American Graffiti*, *O Brother, Where Art Thou?*, *The Hours*. Special attention to films of Hitchcock Prerequisite, two courses, in any combination, in music, film, or literature. Three hours per week for film viewings in addition to class time. Music 345 has an additional independent project. Registration at the 300-level only with instructor's permission. (Same as American Studies 245/345.) Hamessley.

**254F Studies in World Music.**

Examination of selected non-Western music cultures with primary emphasis on West African drumming and Javanese gamelan traditions. Focus on musical procedures as well as cultural uses of the music and corollary arts. Includes hands-on performance in the traditions studied. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, One course in music or consent of instructor. Offered every other year. Maximum enrollment, 16. Hamessley.

**[258/358S] Opera.**

Study of literary and musical dimensions of operas by major composers from Monteverdi and Mozart to the present. Emphasis on the transformation of independent texts into librettos and the effects of music as it reflects language and dramatic action. Includes such works as *Orfeo*, *The Marriage of Figaro*, *Otello*, *The Turn of the Screw* and *Candide*. Prerequisite, two courses in music or two in literature, or one in each field, or consent of instructors. Music 358 has an additional independent project. Registration at the 300-level only with instructor's permission. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 258/358.) Maximum enrollment, 24.

**259S History of Jazz Since the 1950s.**

A study of the life, times and music of selected jazz musicians from 1950 to the present. Emphasis on the range of jazz styles from that era including funky, fusion and free jazz. Prerequisite, 160 or consent of instructor. Offered in alternate years. (Same as Africana Studies 259.) Woods.

**[262/362S] African-American Popular Music.**

A study of the music of selected popular African-American artists, including rhythm-and-blues artists, black gospel soloists and performers of soul music and rap music. Focus on the social issues, musical modes of expression and cultural importance of the artists. Prerequisite, one full-credit course in music. Music 362 has an additional independent project. Registration at the 300-level only with instructor's permission. Offered in alternate years. (Same as Africana Studies 262/362.)

**[264] Music, Gender, and Sexuality.**

Investigation of the intersection of gender, sexuality, and music through the perspectives of feminist and queer studies, ethnomusicology, and performance. Explores how music and performance can be used to understand and critique gender and sexuality. Genres surveyed include hip-hop from the 1970s, pop anthems of the queer community, women composers' music from antiquity to present day, reggae, disco, opera, Bollywood, and J-pop. No musical background is required. Prerequisite, One course in music, literature, or history. Will be offered in alternate years starting in 2018-19.

**420S Seminar in American Studies: American Folk Revivals.**

Study of the folk revivals that marked 20th-century U.S. cultural life. Topics include African and Native-American origins, 19th-century minstrels, Stephen Foster, the Appalachian ballad collections of Cecil Sharp, the legacy of the Lomax and Seeger families, bluegrass and hillbilly music, Woody Guthrie and union songs, the freedom songs of the Civil Rights Movement, the Washington Square scene in Greenwich Village, Bob Dylan and Joan Baez. Grounded in the study of music and its circulation, examines the impact of these revivals on dance, film, literature and politics. Prerequisite, two courses in literature, history or music (in any combination), or consent of instructor. (Same as American Studies 420.) Maximum enrollment, 12. Hamessley.

**Courses in Performance****125F,S Applied Music.**

The study of music through lessons in voice, flute, oboe, English horn, clarinet, bassoon, saxophone, horn, trumpet, trombone, euphonium, tuba, piano, organ, harp, percussion, acoustic guitar, jazz guitar, violin, viola, 'cello and contrabass. Half-hour tutorial for one-quarter credit. Based on evaluation of Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory. Prerequisite, consent of instructor. Students may repeat courses for credit in Applied Music. Student are encouraged to advance to Solo Performance for further study when they are ready, with consent of the instructor. The Department.

**126F,S Applied Music.**

The study of music through lessons in voice, flute, oboe, English horn, clarinet, bassoon, saxophone, horn, trumpet,

trombone, euphonium, tuba, piano, organ, harp, percussion, acoustic guitar, jazz guitar, violin, viola, 'cello and contrabass. Hour tutorial for one-half credit. Based on evaluation of Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory. Prerequisite, consent of instructor. Students may repeat courses for credit in Applied Music. Student are encouraged to advance to Solo Performance for further study when they are ready, with consent of the instructor. The Department.

### **141-142F,S Group Performance.**

The study of music through performance in one or more of the following: Orchestra (Buchman), Brass Lab (Buchman), Woodwind Lab (Buchman), College Choir (G. Kolb), Masterworks Chorale (G. Kolb), Jazz Ensemble (Woods), Jazz Improvisation (Woods), and Piano Ensemble (C. Pellman). Prerequisite, consent of instructor. (Masterworks Chorale is graded S/U and is open to seniors by audition only. Jazz Improvisation is graded S/U.). One-quarter course credit each semester. May be repeated. Students may count up to four credits from among 141, 142, 241 and 242 toward graduation. Maximum enrollment, Other. The Department.

### **225F,S Solo Performance.**

The study of music through lessons and performance in voice, flute, oboe, English horn, clarinet, bassoon, saxophone, horn, trumpet, trombone, euphonium, tuba, piano, organ, harp, percussion, acoustic guitar, jazz guitar, violin, viola, 'cello and contrabass. Half-hour tutorial for one-half credit. Students must participate in at least one public performance per semester as specified in the *Music Department Handbook*. Prerequisite, consent of instructor. Successful completion of Music 110 or 210 or the music theory placement exam must occur within three semesters of Solo Performance study. May be repeated for credit. A fee is charged. The Department.

### **226F,S Solo Performance.**

The study of music through lessons and performance in voice, flute, oboe, English horn, clarinet, bassoon, saxophone, horn, trumpet, trombone, euphonium, tuba, piano, organ, harp, percussion, acoustic guitar, jazz guitar, violin, viola, 'cello and contrabass. Hour tutorial for one-half credit. Students must participate in at least one public performance per semester as specified in the *Music Department Handbook*. Prerequisite, consent of instructor. Successful completion of Music 110 or 210 or the music theory placement exam must occur within three semesters of Solo Performance study. May be repeated for credit. A fee is charged. The Department.

### **241-242F,S Advanced Group Performance.**

The study of music through chamber performance in one or more of the following: Instrumental Chamber Ensembles (Buchman), College Hill Singers (G. Kolb), Jazz Combo (Woods). Co-requisite, concurrent registration in the corresponding Group Performance ensemble required; i.e., Orchestra, College Choir or Jazz Ensemble respectively, and consent of instructor. One-quarter course credit each semester. May be repeated. Students may count up to four credits from among 141, 142, 241 and 242 toward graduation. The Department.

### **316S Conducting.**

The elements of conducting, including baton technique, aural perception, rehearsal techniques and score study (both instrumental and choral). Prerequisite, any 200-level full-credit music course. Concurrent participation in a conducted college ensemble required (Choir, Masterworks Chorale, Orchestra). G Kolb.

### **326F,S Advanced Solo Performance.**

The study of music through lessons and performance in voice, flute, oboe, English horn, clarinet, bassoon, saxophone, horn, trumpet, trombone, euphonium, tuba, piano, organ, harp, percussion, acoustic guitar, jazz guitar, violin, viola, 'cello and contrabass. Hour tutorial for one-half credit required for and open only to students who are preparing half or full recitals approved by the Music Department. Prerequisite, successful completion of at least two semesters of Solo Performance, 110 or 210, and consent of instructor. Students may only enroll in Advanced Solo Performance upon completion of or co-registration in 110, 210, or 211. May be repeated for credit. A fee is charged. The Department.

## **Courses in Theory and Composition**

### **110F Music Theory for Non-Majors.**

An introductory survey of the most important aspects of music theory necessary for an intelligent performance, from reading notes and chord progressions to interpreting music. No previous knowledge of music required. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.)

### **[175F] The Physics of Musical Sound.**

An exploration of the physics that underlies the production of musical sounds. Covers issues ranging from the nature of musical sound, units, some physical principles, theory of wave propagation and mode formation, physical mechanisms of how instrument families work and their implications for musical use of those families, acoustics of halls, digital simulations of musical instruments and performance spaces. Algebra will be used. Four hours of class/laboratory per week. May count toward a concentration in physics. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) (Same as Physics 175.)

### **180F Basic Aural Skills.**

Introduction to aural understanding through sight-singing, dictation and the rudiments of music notation. Diatonic major scales and keys, diatonic intervals, diatonic melodies, tonic and dominant arpeggiation, an introduction to minor scales and keys, cadences, rhythms in simple and compound meters. One-quarter course credit. May be repeated for credit with consent of instructor. Prerequisite, ability to read music in one clef. Hamessley.

### **181F,S Basic Keyboard Skills.**

Introduction to keyboard skills including note identification, intervals, major and minor scales, triad identification, 7th chords, simple chord progressions and basic sight-reading. One-quarter course credit. May be repeated for credit with consent of instructor. Prerequisite, concurrent or previous registration in 109 or consent of instructor. Not open to seniors. Best.

### **210F Theories of Music: Fundamentals and Chromatic Harmony.**

Intensive training in the elements of music, with an emphasis on the study of melody, intervals, chords, rhythm and meter, and basic musical forms. Special attention devoted to harmonic progressions and chromatic harmony. Regular written assignments, including computer assignments aimed to develop musicianship skills. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, the ability to read music in both treble and bass clefs, and basic knowledge of (1) key and meter signatures, (2) major and minor scales, and (3) simple rhythms. Not open to students who have taken Music 109. Hopkins.

### **211F Theories of Music: Chromatic Harmony.**

(Same as second half of MUS 210.) Regular written assignments, including computer assignments aimed to develop musicianship skills. One-half course credit. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Not open to students who have taken Music 210. Hopkins.

### **213S Jazz Arranging.**

The theoretical designs used in combo, big band and third-stream writing. Coverage of jazz scales, chords, voicings, ranges and tonal properties. Students are expected to compose and copy the parts to three compositions, one of which will be read and recorded. Prerequisite, 210 or 211. Woods.

### **277F Music for Contemporary Media.**

Experience with the aesthetics and techniques of the modern recording studio, including the uses of sound synthesizers, digital samplers and MIDI. Creative projects using these techniques. Prerequisite, ability to read music in at least one clef. Three hours of class and three hours of studio. Maximum enrollment, 14. Department.

**[280S] Intermediate Aural Skills.**

A continuation of 180. Development of aural understanding through sight-singing and dictation. Tonic and dominant arpeggiation in inversion, diatonic melodies with simple modulation, further work in minor keys, introduction to alto and tenor clefs, chromatic intervals, harmonic progressions, rhythms in mixed meters, modal scales. May be repeated for credit with the consent of instructor. One-half course credit. Prerequisite, 180 and consent of instructor.

**281F,S Intermediate Keyboard Skills.**

A continuation of 181. Four-part chord progression reading, alto and tenor clef, melodic transposition, introduction to figured harmony, chord progressions, intermediate sight-reading. One-half course credit. May be repeated for credit. Prerequisite, 181 and consent of instructor. Best.

**310S Theories of Music: Counterpoint and Musical Forms.**

A study of counterpoint and of analytical techniques applied to common musical forms from many traditions, emphasizing Western classical music but also including popular, jazz, and other world music. Prerequisite, 210, or 109 with permission of instructor. Hopkins.

**368S Seminar in Musical Composition.**

Contemporary techniques of musical composition, including notational practices and score preparation. Emphasis on developing the ability to structure musical ideas in a series of short pieces in a variety of media, culminating in the presentation of selected works in a studio recital. Prerequisite, Music 110, 210, 211, or consent of instructor. (Offered in alternate years.) Maximum enrollment, 12. R Carter.

**369F,S Advanced Musical Composition.**

A continuation of 368. Students work on individual projects involving more extended musical forms. One-quarter course credit. May be repeated for credit with consent of instructor. Prerequisite, 368, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 6. R Carter.

**377S Digital Arts Workshop.**

Emphasis on collaborative work among computer musicians and videographers in the creation of visual/sound works. Projects will include fixed media works, installations, and/or performance art pieces. Prerequisite, Art 211, Art 213, or Music 277. (Same as Art 377 .) Maximum enrollment, 16. Gant, Pellman.

**[380F,S] Advanced Aural Skills.**

A continuation of 280. Development of aural understanding through sight-singing and dictation. More extensive modulation of melodies and harmonic progressions, aural analysis of small binary forms, further work in alto and tenor clefs. One-half course credit. May be repeated for credit. Prerequisite, 280 and consent of instructor. Instructor's signature required.

**381F,S Advanced Keyboard Skills.**

A continuation of 281. May include continued work in alto and tenor clef, reading open scores, more advanced figured harmony and advanced sight-reading. One-half course credit. May be repeated for credit. Prerequisite, 281 and consent of instructor. Best.

**Third-year Seminars and the Senior Project****452S Senior Project.**

Supervised work on a specific topic chosen from among those offered by members of the department. Prerequisite,

Music 350-351, or consent of department. Open to seniors only. The Department.

**550F Honors Senior Project I.**

Supervised work on a specific project based on proposal submitted to the department by the end of the student's junior year. Prerequisite, Consent of department. One-half credit. Open to seniors only. The Department.

**551S Honors Senior Project II.**

Completion of senior honors project. Prerequisite, Music 550 and consent of department. One-half credit. The Department.

# Neuroscience

## Faculty

Cynthia Downs (Biology)

David A. Gapp (Biology)

Herman K. Lehman, *director* (Biology)

Ravi Thiruchselvam (Psychology)

The departments of Biology and Psychology offer an interdisciplinary concentration in neuroscience. The concentration consists of 12 courses, which must include: Biology 101 and 102, or 115 and another biology course at the 200 level or above; Chemistry 120 or 125, and 190; Psychology 101, 201 and either 204 or 205; a biology or psychology elective at the 200 level or above, Chemistry 270, Computer Science 375, Philosophy 310, or Philosophy 440; Systems Neuroscience (330) or Vertebrate Physiology (Bio 331); Psychology and Neurobiology of Learning (320), Affective Neuroscience (327), or Cognitive Neuroscience (328); Cellular Neurobiology (357); and the Senior Project. Program honors recognize the distinguished achievement of students who excel in their coursework in the concentration, including the Senior Project. Students considering graduate work in neuroscience should consult with members of the Neuroscience Program Committee to determine additional courses that might be helpful.

To fulfill the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies requirement in Neuroscience, concentrators beginning with the class of 2020 must take BIO 101: General Biology or PSYCH 101: Introduction to Psychology and one additional biology or psychology SSIH-designated course. '

## **198F,S Collaborative Research in Psychology I.**

Collaborative research under the supervision of a faculty member. Focus on data collection and/or analysis. Three to four hours per week of lab work. Prerequisite, Permission of the instructor. Student performance will be evaluated as Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory. One-quarter credit per semester. May be repeated for credit, but does not count toward concentration requirements. (Same as Psychology 198.) The Department.

## **201F,S Statistics and Research Methods in Psychology.**

The application and interpretation of descriptive and inferential statistics in the study of psychological processes. Some instruction in research design and methodological issues. Students will learn to use the statistical computer program SPSS to analyze data. Topics include the principles of hypothesis testing, t tests, analysis of variance, regression, and some non-parametric statistics. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 101. (Same as Psychology 201.) McKee (Fall); Borton and Gryzman (Spring).

## **204F,S Human Neuropsychology.**

Introduction to the field of neuroscience from a behavioral and cognitive perspective. Survey of experimental and clinical research involving humans and non-human animals, addressing presumed neural mechanisms for cognitive, motivational and emotional states. Analysis of amnesia, aphasia, agnosias, apraxias and disconnection syndromes. Prerequisite, 101. (Same as Psychology 204.) Bejjanki (Fall) and List (Spring).

## **205F Introduction to Brain and Behavior.**

Introduction to the field of neuroscience from a biological perspective. In-depth examination of fundamental concepts in neurobiology designed to introduce students to the electrophysiological, chemical and anatomical features of neurons, brain regions and brain circuits. Investigation of the neurobiological basis of behavior through exploration of topics such as neuronal communication, neuroanatomy, sensory and motor systems, learning, motivation, and behavior disorders. Prerequisite, 101 or Biology 102 or 115. (Same as Psychology 205.) Robinson.

### **310S Philosophy of Science.**

Focus on the philosophical analysis of scientific knowledge, scientific method and the practice of science. Readings include classic texts in the philosophy of science as well as contemporary discussions of science as a social product and critiques of the notion of scientific objectivity. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one course in philosophy or consent of instructor. Next offered 2016-17 (Same as Philosophy 310.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Janack.

### **320S Psychology and Neuroscience of Learning.**

An exploration of theoretical and methodological questions involved in the study of learning and neural plasticity. Questions covered will include: What is learning? What are the mechanisms that support neural plasticity, and how do they contribute to learning-induced changes in behavior? How does learning change across the lifespan? Laboratory exercises will include the development of original experiments to elicit and measure learning at the behavioral and neural levels, as well as the analysis of neural data. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201 and Psych/Neuro 204 or 205. Does not count toward the lab requirement in Psychology. (Same as Psychology 320.) Maximum enrollment, 20. V Bejjanki.

### **[327F] Affective Neuroscience.**

An exploration of theoretical and methodological questions in the study of affect, addressed through neuroscience. Questions covered will include: What is affect? What functions does affect serve and how does affect become dysfunctional in psychopathology? How does affect shape cognition? How do individuals regulate affect? Class time will be devoted to discussion of research articles. Laboratory exercises will include the development of original experiments to elicit and measure affect, as well as the analysis of neural data. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. (Same as Psychology 327.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **328F Cognitive Neuroscience.**

Study of brain processes involved in cognition, with a focus on current research designs and techniques. Class discussions will focus on primary research articles covering perception, attention, memory and language systems. Laboratory exercises will include the analysis of structural brain scans and electroencephalographic data, and the design, programming and presentation of original experiments. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201 and Psych/Neuro 204 or 205. Does not count toward the lab requirement in Psychology. (Same as Psychology 328.) Maximum enrollment, 20. List.

### **330S Systems Neuroscience.**

The primary focus of this course is on the physiological and chemical basis of behavior from a systems perspective. Topics include analysis of sensory and motor systems; motivated behaviors; stress, anxiety and mental illness; and learning and memory. Laboratory exercises introduce students to the anatomy and physiology of the mammalian central nervous system and to some of the principal techniques used in systems and behavioral neuroscience. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. Prerequisite, 204 or 205 or Biology 101 and 102, or Biology 115. Does not count toward the lab requirement in Psychology. (Same as Psychology 330 and Biology 330.) Maximum enrollment, Other. Robinson.

### **[333S] Contemplative Neuroscience: The Brain and the Buddha.**

The Buddha proposed that we can end suffering by training the mind. This course will explore the contribution of Buddhism to psychology and neuroscience. We will ask: Can we train attention to promote resilience, compassion, and well-being? What is the core nature of self and thought? What is the relationship between the brain and consciousness? Although the course will draw upon Buddhist philosophy, we will investigate these questions from the perspective of modern neuroscience, examining empirical studies using methods such as EEG, fMRI, and single-cell electrophysiology. Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. Next offered spring 2019. (Same as Psychology 333.)

### **352S Psychopharmacology.**

A study of the effects of drugs on animal and human behavior. Topics include neuropharmacology, antipsychotics, analgesics, stimulants, hallucinogens, antidepressants, alcoholism, addiction, effects of drugs on society, and the implications of drug effects for neurochemical theories of behavior. Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. (Same as Psychology 352.) Christ.

**355F Neurobiology of Addiction.**

This course is centered on understanding the neurobiology of the “addicted brain.” Strong emphasis on the neurobiological effects of drugs of abuse, including short and longer-term changes in the brain and body that occur in response to drug use and abuse. A sampling of drugs to be discussed include cocaine, heroin, marijuana, hallucinogens and alcohol. Effectiveness of various treatment strategies will also be considered. Some discussion of the social, political and philosophical aspects of addiction to drug and non-drug substances (e.g., food compulsions and pathological gambling). Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. (Same as Psychology 355.) Robinson.

**357F Cellular Neurobiology.**

A study of the fundamental functions of eukaryotic cells. The interrelationships of cellular structure and function, the cell cycle, protein trafficking and cellular communication will be examined through the study of neurons, the basic unit of the nervous system. Additional topics will include specialized activities of neurons. Three hours class and three hours of laboratory. Prerequisite, 101 and 102, 115, or consent of instructor. (Same as Biology 357.) Lehman.

**[375S] Artificial Intelligence.**

Exploration of AI theory and philosophy, as well as a variety of algorithms and data structures, such as heuristic strategies, logic unification, probabilistic reasoning, semantic networks and knowledge representation. Topics include application areas such as natural language understanding, computer vision, game playing, theorem proving and autonomous agents. Programming intensive. Prerequisite, 220. (Same as Computer Science 375.) Maximum enrollment, 24.

**440F Mind and Body.**

An examination of literature in philosophy of mind. Focus on questions and issues such as: What is the mind? How is it related to the body? What is its role in personal identity? How do theories of mind relate to our understanding of affective and cognitive phenomena such as the emotions, will and reason? Prerequisite, three courses in philosophy or consent of instructor. Taught as a seminar. (Same as Philosophy 440.) Maximum enrollment, 12. Janack.

**500F-501S Senior Project.**

Supervised research on a specific problem in neuroscience based on proposals submitted to the faculty in the spring of the junior year. Open to senior concentrators. The Department. .

# Oral Communication

Though not a concentration, courses in oral communication enable students to develop thinking and communication skills necessary for success in other Hamilton courses requiring intensive interaction, such as in Proseminars and the Senior Program. Through variable credit instruction in classrooms, labs and in the field, students experience a wide variety of innovative learning opportunities. Oral communication coursework provides regular academic credit toward graduation requirements. Unless otherwise noted by a concentration, oral communication credits may not be applied toward requirements for a student's concentration. '

## **100F,S Oral Presentations: Principles and Practices.**

Abbreviated study of fundamental principles with emphasis on organization, development, and oral delivery. Designed for students who wish to increase confidence and overall effectiveness in making oral presentations. Videotaping. Open by academic referral or consent of instructor. Repeatable for credit with permission of director. One-quarter course credit. Maximum enrollment, 18. Helmer and Mason.

## **210F,S The Rhetorical Act.**

Study and application of rhetorical principles and concepts that guide the creation and delivery of effective public speeches. Students create, deliver, and critique speeches, demonstrating their understanding of structural, substantive, and aesthetic components of oral discourse and how these elements are adapted to different purposes and audiences. Maximum enrollment, 18. J Helmer.

# Philosophy

## Faculty

Ashley Bohrer  
Katheryn Doran, *chair*  
Douglas Edwards  
A. Todd Franklin  
Marianne Janack  
Russell Marcus  
Alexandra Plakias  
Rick Werner

The concentration in philosophy consists of 9 courses:

1. 201, 203, and 550
2. one logic course: either 100, 200 or 240.
3. three additional courses at or above the 400 level, none of which may be cross-listed from outside the department.
4. two electives in philosophy, one of which must be drawn from a group of courses that include discussions of structural inequality, hierarchy, power, or marginalization. That list includes the following: 100, 115, 120, 125, 200, 209, 217, 222, 235, 242, 308, 310, 338, 355, 410, 411, 427, 460, 462, or 474.

No more than one elective may be at the 100 level, and no more than one may be a course that is cross-listed from outside the department.

Students may use 100 and 200 to satisfy both the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies requirement and the logic requirement (#1), and may also count 410, 411, 427, 460, 462, and 474 toward the satisfaction of requirement #3, as well as toward the satisfaction of the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies course requirement.

Concentrators normally complete 201, 203 and the logic requirement (either 100, 200 or 240) by the end of their sophomore year. Students considering graduate school in philosophy should take 308, 310, or 355 by the end of their junior year.

Senior concentrators complete the Senior Seminar (550) in the fall of the senior year. Each student in 550 will complete a senior project.

Candidates for honors must have an average of at least 3.7 in all of their philosophy courses and have earned an A on their senior project.

A minor in philosophy can be of two kinds: standard (five courses consisting of one course from among 100, 200 or 240; 201, 203 and two other courses, one of which must be at the 400 level); or thematic (five courses in philosophy that are thematically related, one of which must be at the 400 level). Students who wish to declare a thematic minor should submit a list of the thematically related courses to the Chair of the department, with an explanation of how the courses are thematically linked. The student should submit a copy of that explanation, with the Chair's signature of approval, with the Declaration of Minor form. Non-Hamilton courses will not normally count toward the thematic or the standard minor.

First-year students, sophomores and juniors may enroll in 200, 201, 203 or 240 with no prerequisites. '

## 100F Critical Thinking.

An introduction to informal methods of evaluating claims and arguments in everyday life. Emphasis on the recognition of bad reasoning, nonrational persuasion, and the evaluation of explanations and arguments. Includes lecture, discussion and small group interaction. (Writing-intensive.) (Speaking-Intensive.) Open to first-year students only. Speaking-intensive. Maximum enrollment, 16. Doran.

### **110F Introduction to Philosophy.**

An introductory examination of a number of perennial philosophical questions and their treatments by both classical thinkers and more contemporary philosophers. Topics to be discussed may include the existence of God, the possibility of knowledge, the problem of induction, identity and material constitution, the nature of mind, the nature of the good, and the relationship between the individual and the state. (Writing-intensive.) Open to first-year students only. Maximum enrollment, 16. Marcus, Plakias.

### **[111F] Contemporary Moral Issues.**

Introduction to moral reasoning. Discussion of contemporary moral problems, such as racism, environmental ethics, euthanasia, abortion, terrorism and war. Explores issues especially prominent for college students, including gender and sexuality, and political correctness. Extensive use of films outside of class. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Proseminar. Open to first-year students only. Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **[112F] Telling Right from Wrong.**

Philosophical inquiry into whether or not any of our moral beliefs can be justified and intensive examination of specific moral theories, including theories of justice, equality and rights. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Open only to first-years. Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **[115F,S] Existentialism.**

An introduction to various theories and expressions of 19th- and 20th-century existential thought. Readings include works by Kierkegaard, Nietzsche, Sartre, Camus, deBeauvoir, Wright. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Section 1 open to first-year students; section 2 open to sophomores and juniors. Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **117F,S Introduction to Political Theory.**

Survey of selected political theorists from Plato to the present. Examination of questions of liberty, equality, justice and community. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) (Proseminar and writing-intensive in the Spring.) Open to juniors and seniors with consent of instructor only. (Same as Government 117.) Martin (Fall); TBA (Spring).

### **119S Life and Death.**

This course will explore issues in the metaphysics and ethics of life and death. Some examples of questions to be explored will be: What is death, and what attitudes should we take towards it? Is death a bad thing? Should we fear death? Do we owe duties to the dead? Can the dead be harmed? Is life valuable no matter what? What makes life valuable? How exactly should we define an act of suicide? Is suicide morally permissible? Readings will be taken from a variety of philosophical ages and traditions. (Proseminar.) Maximum enrollment, 16. Douglas Edwards.

### **120F Philosophical Perspectives on the Self.**

What is a self? Does each person have one? Does each person have only one? How is the self related to the soul? Is it unchanging or in constant flux? What is the relationship between the self and the body? Examination of personal identity, the self and the soul as these topics are addressed in traditional philosophical texts, literature and neuropsychology. (Proseminar.) Open to first years in the fall. Open to first years and sophomores in the spring. Maximum enrollment, 16. Janack.

### **121F The Pursuit of Happiness.**

What role do pleasure, life satisfaction, autonomy, ethics, purpose and meaning play in a happy life? What role do family, friends, community, culture, political and economic organization play in a happy life? How much of happiness is determined by nature or by nurture? How much is in ones control or a result of fortune? Can happiness be quantified,

measured? Is there a difference among happiness, well-being or flourishing, self-realization, and a good life? What role do leadership, management, and politics play in a happy life? (Proseminar.) Films and activities outside of class time; a LEAP course. Open to first years only. Maximum enrollment, 16. Werner.

### **122F Infinity.**

An introduction to philosophy by way of the infinite. We'll look at the puzzles and challenges raised for our understanding of ourselves and the world by examining different views about infinity, from Zeno's paradoxes and Aristotle's actual/potential distinction; through the medieval concept of syncategorematicity, Galileo's paradox, and infinitesimals in calculus; to Cantor's transfinite and the foundations of mathematics. We'll read works of fiction as well as more traditional philosophy. No particular mathematical background will be assumed, but we will do some basic set theory. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 16. Russell Marcus.

### **[123F] Saints and Psychopaths.**

What makes some people commit gratuitously cruel acts, while others sacrifice their lives to help strangers? We will examine lives lived at the moral extreme, from psychopaths and war criminals to extreme altruists. We will examine the role of character and circumstance and address questions such as: is sainthood really a desirable way to live? Can psychopaths be held morally responsible for their actions? How can we teach goodness and discourage evil? If a pill could make us more moral, should we take it? (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **125F Philosophy and Incarceration.**

This course looks at the criminal justice system (the courts, police, prison) as a privileged entry point into American society as a whole. What does the figure of the criminal tell us about the figure of the citizen? What does the criminal justice system tell us about our ideas of justice? What does prison tell us about how we understand freedom? And what do all of these tell us about the constitution of race, gender, age, sexuality and the putatively multicultural constitution of American society? Readings from Michel Foucault, Michelle Alexander, Angela Davis. Ashley Bohrer.

### **200S Critical Reasoning.**

Practical, hands-on work on recognizing and constructing clear arguments from and in everyday life. Emphasis on strengthening one's reasoning skills and putting them to constructive use in debate and writing. Not open to students who have taken 100. Doran.

### **201F History of Ancient Western Philosophy.**

A study of the philosophical classics from early Greek times to the Renaissance. Emphasis on Plato and Aristotle. Section 01 is lecture only. Other sections are writing intensive and registration priority is given to junior and senior philosophy concentrators (limit 20; with an additional weekly discussion session). (Same as Classics 201.) Werner.

### **203S History of Modern Western Philosophy.**

A study of the history of philosophy from Descartes to Kant. Prerequisite, one course in philosophy. Marcus.

### **[204S] Philosophy as/and/of literature.**

While Plato famously criticized the poets, his own works are often best read, not as straightforward presentations of philosophical ideas or arguments, but as ironic texts that use rhetorical devices to show, rather than tell, his claims. Examines philosophy's relationship to the literary and questions about interpretation, truth and argument, as well as the rhetorical aspects of philosophical texts. Includes traditional philosophical works, novels, poetry and drama. Next offered 2017-18

### **[209] Human Nature, Gender, and Identity.**

An introductory survey of philosophical approaches to feminism. Examines the historical progression of feminist philosophical thought, as well as some of the debates that animate contemporary feminist theory. Will address the general question of feminism's relationship to, and tensions with, philosophical thought. Prerequisite, one course in

philosophy or women's studies or consent of instructor.

### **212F Infinity and Beyond.**

An exploration of the infinite in philosophy, mathematics, and literature. We'll study infinities of division, including Zeno's paradoxes and various responses to them; infinities of addition, including Cantor's theorem; calculus and its infinitesimals; God and other infinite ideas; and the human condition. Not open to students who have taken Philosophy 122. Prerequisite, one course in either philosophy or mathematics, or permission of instructor. Marcus.

### **213F Queer(ing) Philosophy.**

This survey course will examine the concept of queerness in the history of philosophy. We will address the following questions: What is sexuality? What is the history of this concept? What does the word "queer" mean? What is its history? What can "queerness" do for philosophy and what can philosophy do to examine queerness? Readings will include works by Judith Butler, Michel Foucault, Eve Kosofsky Sedgwick, Sara Ahmed, Jasbir Puar, Kevin Floyd, Maria Lugones, Michael Hortswell, and Peter Drucker. Bohrer.

### **[214] Philosophy of Religion.**

What evidence is there for—or against—the existence of God? How, in the absence of proof, should we decide whether or not to believe in God? If God is all-good, then why is there so much evil and suffering in the world? Might there be an afterlife, and if so, what would it be like? This course will examine traditional philosophical approaches to these questions and others, such as religious experience, the nature of God, and the relationship between religion and morality. (Writing-intensive.) Limited to sophomore and first-year students Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **217S The Nature and Value of Truth.**

What is truth? Is truth objective or relative? Is truth valuable, and, if so, in what way is it valuable? Should we always speak and believe the truth? What is the role of truth in the good life, and the good society? This course will explore these questions and more concerning the nature and value of truth. We will discuss metaphysical issues in regard to the nature of truth (or lack of it); issues in philosophy of language regarding the word 'true'; and issues in moral and political philosophy regarding the value of truth in our lives and cultures. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 1 course in philosophy. Maximum enrollment, 20. Douglas Edwards.

### **[218] Biomedical Ethics.**

In this course we will examine a number of moral issues that arise in the practice of medicine and the pursuit of biomedical research, such as the moral permissibility of physician-assisted suicide and stem cell research. While many of these topics have a political dimension, we will pay particular attention to the ethical dimensions of the issues under consideration. Our aim is to gain a better understanding of these debates through the use of philosophical analysis so that we become equipped to develop and defend original positions concerning these current and important issues. (Proseminar.) Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **[221S] Food and Philosophy.**

This course will examine aesthetic, ethical, and political issues surrounding the production and consumption of food. Questions to be addressed include: what is food? Are aesthetic judgments about food objective, or merely matters of personal taste? When it comes to choosing what to eat, what are our ethical obligations as consumers? What role should government legislation play in regulating our choice of food? Who should bear responsibility for the social and environmental costs of our food choices?

### **[222F] Race, Gender and Culture.**

A critical philosophical examination of the normative categories of race, gender and culture. Topics include the origin, character and function of racial, gender and social identities. Analysis will focus on questions concerning the malleability of these identities, as well as questions concerning their psychological and social significance. (Writing-intensive.) Open only to 1st and 2nd year students. (Same as Women's Studies 222 and Africana Studies 222.)

Maximum enrollment, 20.

**224F Latin American and Caribbean Philosophy.**

This course constitutes an introduction to philosophy produced in and about Latin America from the sixteenth century to the present. We will engage the problems associated with the colonization of Latin America, its movements for national liberation, and its political philosophies in the post-colonial world. In order to fully appreciate the extent of these problems, we will consider the writings of conquerors, imperial apologists, and colonial humanists alongside many contemporary Latin American thinkers. Prerequisite, 2 courses in Philosophy, Africana Studies, Hispanic Studies or permission of the instructor. Bohrer.

**228F Philosophy and Film.**

Explores film through the lens of philosophy and conversely. Most philosophers agree that films can at least stir up interest in philosophical problems, raise philosophical questions, or record philosophical arguments. But there is no such agreement on the more interesting question -- the main one the course examines -- of whether films can also philosophize, or advance philosophical positions. Students will be required to watch one full length movie a week outside of class time. One course in philosophy required. Prerequisite, one prior course in Philosophy. (Same as Cinema and Media Studies 228.) Doran.

**[235S] Environmental Ethics.**

Examines the appropriate relation of humans to the environment. Specific topics include ways of conceptualizing nature; the ethical and social sources of the environmental crisis; our moral duties to non-human organisms; and the ethical dimensions of the human population explosion. The goal is to help students arrive at their own reasoned views on these subjects and to think about the consequences of everyday actions, both personal and political. Preference given to environmental studies majors and minors, starting with seniors. May involve field trips.

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**240F Symbolic Logic.**

A study of formal systems of reasoning and argument evaluation. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Marcus.

**242S The Black Self: Identity and Consciousness.**

A philosophical exploration of a variety of historical and contemporary works that illuminate and influence the phenomenological experience of being black. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One course in philosophy or Africana studies, or consent of instructor. (Same as Africana Studies 242.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Franklin.

**281S Philosophy as Spiritual Quest.**

Exploration of the spiritual power attributed to philosophy by religious philosophers from classical Greece to modern times through readings from Greek, Jewish, Islamic and/or Christian philosophical works. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One course in philosophy and/or religious studies. (Same as Religious Studies 281.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Ravven.

**[301F] The Philosophy of History.**

This historiography course examines such enduring issues as causation, general laws, fact and explanation, objectivity, pattern and meaning, uniqueness and the role of the individual. Readings from classic and contemporary texts, with emphasis on the practical, historiographical implications of philosophical theories. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, two 200-level history courses or one 100-level history course and one course in philosophy. (Same as History 301.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**307S The Concept of Authority.**

This seminar begins with a brief exposition of authority in the context of the concepts of language games, performative concepts, and conceptual puzzlement (Wittgenstein, Cavell, and Austin); it next examines political authority in Hannah

Arendt, Max Weber, and Michel Foucault. The next unit explores the construction of authoritative bodies of knowledge, especially biology and economics. It concludes considering adjacent concepts of obligation and consent, focusing on ideas associated with student free-speech, anti-war, and racial justice activism. Prerequisite, 2 courses in Philosophy or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. Winkelman.

**[308F] Language Revolution.**

Twentieth-century and contemporary philosophers often focus on the role of language in philosophical questions, whether to clear up mistaken or misleading uses of language or for its own sake. This survey course will look at the most important philosophers of language and how they approach questions of reference, meaning, and linguistic ontology, including Frege, Russell, Tarski, Quine, Putnam, Kripke, and Chomsky. Prerequisite, One course in philosophy or consent of instructor.

**310S Philosophy of Science.**

Focus on the philosophical analysis of scientific knowledge, scientific method and the practice of science. Readings include classic texts in the philosophy of science as well as contemporary discussions of science as a social product and critiques of the notion of scientific objectivity. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one course in philosophy or consent of instructor. Next offered 2016-17 (Same as Neuroscience 310.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Janack.

**314F Literary Philosophers.**

What does writing style have to do with philosophical content? We will look at the "old quarrel" between the philosophers and the poets, and look at the ways in which philosophy was and is written, to think about what counts as philosophy and why and how we mark it off from its others. Readings by Borges, Calvino, Kafka, Coetzee, Plato and others. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 2 courses in philosophy or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Janack.

**[323] Philosophical Issues in Sport.**

An examination of conceptual and ethical issues that concern sport, including the nature of play, games and sport, the moral evaluation of athletic competition, the nature of gender equity in sport, the ethics of chemical and genetic enhancement of athletes, and problems of intercollegiate athletics. Readings will explore theories of sport, the intersection of sport, law and education, sport and culture, and criticisms of various sporting practices. Prerequisite, Two courses in philosophy or senior standing.

**326F David Foster Wallace and the Difficulty of Philosophy.**

David Foster Wallace's fiction and non-fiction are often read through a philosophical lens, given his deep immersion in the analytic philosophical tradition. This course examines the extent to which Wallace's work is appropriately read as philosophy, and the question of what demarcates philosophy from fiction and from literary non-fiction. Seminar (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 2 courses in philosophy, 2 courses in English or Comparative Literature, or consent of instructor. Next offered 2016-17 Maximum enrollment, 12. Janack.

[Fall 2016 01](#) (Janack M)

**[337S] Seminar: Confucian Traditions.**

Examination of Confucian thought and ritual practice from classical times to the early 20th century. Emphasis on reading philosophical and ritual texts in translation in order to understand the various ways that Confucians understood their place in Chinese society. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, relevant coursework in history, Asian studies or religious studies, or consent of instructor. (Same as History 337.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**338F Marxism, Feminism, and Anti-racism: A Philosophical Encounter.**

We will examine the ways in which Marx's legacy and the tradition of Marxism have been critiqued, transformed, stretched and expanded to address contemporary forms of oppression. We will begin with Marx's early manuscripts and move through the corpus, to conclude with *Capital*. We will discuss not only class under capitalism, but also the the

constitution of gender, race and sexuality. Prerequisite, at least one course in Philosophy or permission of instructor. Ashely Bohrer.

### **355F Contemporary Philosophy.**

In this course we will examine some of the key ideas, tools, and applications of contemporary analytic philosophy. The course is divided into two parts. The first part examines the foundations of contemporary metaphysics, focusing on the issues of existence, possibility, necessity, properties, identity, time, and persistence. The second part focuses on the applications of these metaphysical tools to issues of broader concern, including personhood, consciousness, the extended mind, artificial intelligence, the nature and agency of groups, collectives and institutions, race, and gender. Prerequisite, 203 or consent of instructor. Open to sophomores, juniors and seniors. Edwards.

### **[358F] Hegel, Heidegger, and their Heirs.**

An investigation through the concept of time of the development of post-Kantian philosophies including but not limited to Hegel, Marx, Nietzsche, Heidegger, Arendt, Critical Theory, and Critchley. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, PHIL. 203 or instructor's consent. Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **[380S] Philosophy of Law.**

Inquiry into the nature of law, the authority of law, the character of judicial reasoning and other selected problems in jurisprudence, with particular attention to the relationship of legality to morality and justifiability of judicial reasoning. Prerequisite, two courses in philosophy or one course in philosophy and Govt. 241, or consent of instructor.

### **[405S] Knowledge, Truth, and Mathematics.**

A survey of the philosophical questions that arise from considering historical and contemporary approaches to explaining our knowledge of mathematics. Do we have a priori knowledge of necessary truths? Is our knowledge of mathematics empirical? Perhaps we do not really have mathematical knowledge. Prerequisite, 201, 203, and one of (308, 310, or 355); or consent of instructor. Taught as a seminar. Maximum enrollment, 12.

### **410F American Philosophy.**

Historical debates over the metaphysics and ethics of personhood with an examination of some early American texts by Bradstreet and Lincoln, and Emerson and Thoreau's Transcendentalism. Emphasis on classical Pragmatist metaphysics and epistemology through the work of Peirce, James and Dewey, with attention to their neo-Pragmatist legacies in contemporary American philosophy. Prerequisite, three courses in philosophy or consent of instructor. Taught as a seminar. Maximum enrollment, 12. Doran.

### **411F The Ethics and Politics of Food.**

An in-depth examination of the ethical, aesthetic, and political significance of our food practices and choices. Topics will include: the ethics of eating animals; the role of technology in food production; the question of whether food can truly be considered art and the role of critics in aesthetic discourse about food; and the justifiability of paternalistic government interventions into food marketing and sales. Readings will include traditional philosophical work as well as sources from psychology, neuroscience, anthropology, and economics. Taught as a seminar. Prerequisite, 2 courses in philosophy or permission of instructor. students who have already taken Food and Philosophy must get the permission of the instructor Maximum enrollment, 12. Plakias.

### **415F Objectivity and Rationality.**

Is objectivity possible? If it is, is it an epistemic value worth pursuing? How does objectivity relate to the metaphysics of experience and to our ideals of rationality? How does objectivity relate to truth? Readings will draw from traditional philosophers of science, historians and sociologists of science, feminist philosophers of science and other writings in science studies. Prerequisite, three courses in philosophy or consent of instructor. Taught as a seminar. Maximum enrollment, 12. The Department.

### **416S Wittgenstein.**

A broad study of themes through Wittgenstein's work, including the picture-theory, naming, rule-following, meaning, skepticism, and truth. While our focus will be on Wittgenstein's work, we will also spend time on his intellectual forebears and those he influenced, including Frege, Russell, Anscombe, Quine, Kripke, and Diamond. Prerequisite, 3 courses in Philosophy or permission of instructor. Taught as a seminar. Maximum enrollment, 12. Marcus.

**[427] Intuitions and Philosophy.**

Explores the role of intuition in our reasoning in epistemology, philosophy of mind, mathematics and moral philosophy, and perhaps other areas. We will consider arguments in favor of using intuitions in philosophy, as well as work on the fallibility of intuition, and the recent movement known as experimental philosophy. Seminar Prerequisite, three courses in philosophy or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[430] The Problem of Knowledge.**

Inquiry into whether it is possible to reject skepticism without resorting to dogmatism. Special emphasis on the connection (or tension) between everyday reflection and philosophical theory. Historical and contemporary readings. Prerequisite, three courses in philosophy or consent of instructor. Taught as a seminar. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**440F Mind and Body.**

An examination of literature in philosophy of mind. Focus on questions and issues such as: What is the mind? How is it related to the body? What is its role in personal identity? How do theories of mind relate to our understanding of affective and cognitive phenomena such as the emotions, will and reason? Prerequisite, three courses in philosophy or consent of instructor. Taught as a seminar. (Same as Neuroscience 440.) Maximum enrollment, 12. Janack.

**447S Happiness.**

Investigation of philosophical theories of happiness from the ancient Greeks until today including theories of hedonism, eudaimonism, desire satisfaction, life satisfaction, emotional state theory, and existentialism. Examination of recent literature from psychology concerning the nature and source of happiness, the ability to measure happiness, and the extent to which personal happiness is beyond our control. Comparison among happiness, well-being, meaning, and how they contribute to a good life. Prerequisite, 3 courses in Philosophy or permission of instructor. Taught as a seminar. Maximum enrollment, 12. Werner.

**[448] Naturalisms.**

If science offers the best explanation of the world, what follows about ethics and meaning? Is the world merely the sum of its facts? Can the scientific worldview make sense of the mental? Of the modal? Of the mathematical? Of meaning? Are all of our actions determined? Are things good merely because we desire them or do we desire them because they are good? Is the naturalistic fallacy a fallacy? Is the fact/value dichotomy a false dichotomy? Is ethics merely the result of biological and social evolution? Can experimental ethics inform or replace philosophical ethics? Prerequisite, Two courses in Philosophy or consent of Instructor. Taught as a seminar. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[450S] Ethical Theory.**

An investigation of recent ethical theory, focusing on theories of justification in ethics, and issues of realism and relativism in ethics. Prerequisite, 201, 203, 355 or consent of instructor. Taught as a seminar. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[452] Evolution and Morality.**

It makes sense to see morality as adaptive, yet from an evolutionary perspective it's puzzling that we follow and enforce moral standards even when it is costly for us to do so. This course will critically examine different sorts of evolutionary accounts of morality (e.g. group selection, cultural evolution), with methodological issues in mind. Prerequisite, 3 courses in Philosophy or permission of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**460F Contemporary Theories of Justice.**

Detailed analysis of contemporary theories of distributive and compensatory justice and their consequences for liberty

and equality. Emphasis on Rawls's theory of liberal justice and its critics. Prerequisite, two courses in philosophy or consent of instructor. Open to juniors and seniors. Not open to students who are taking 320. Taught as a seminar. Maximum enrollment, 12. Simon.

#### **[462F] Critical Voice.**

An existential exploration of voice as that which awakens and embodies critical consciousness. Focusing on voice as it emerges and operates within the context of blackness, the course will focus on various black figures and various black expressions of voice as they relate to existential forms of liberation and empowerment. Seminar Prerequisite, 115W, 222W or 242W and two other courses in philosophy or consent of instructor. Open to juniors and seniors. Maximum enrollment, 12.

#### **463S Nietzsche.**

A close examination of Nietzsche's philosophical corpus that focuses on his conception of the good life as it emerges within the context of the critical and positive aspects of his philosophy. Topics include the existential significance of narrative, the nature of knowledge and the philosophical import of Nietzsche's critical condemnations of metaphysics, religion and morality. Prerequisite, Three courses in philosophy or consent of instructor. Open to juniors and seniors. Taught as a seminar. Maximum enrollment, 12. Franklin.

#### **[473S] Simone de Beauvoir: Between Philosophy and Literature.**

This course will focus on Simone de Beauvoir's work. We will read the whole of *The Second Sex*, one of the most important contributions to feminist theory, as well as her novels, short stories, and some of the volumes from her autobiography. One of the themes we will address is the distinction between what we think of as philosophy and what we think of as "literature". We will focus not only on her contributions to feminist theory more generally, but also on her unique contributions to both feminist phenomenology and existentialism. . Prerequisite, 3 courses in Philosophy or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

#### **474S Postcolonial Philosophy.**

Postcolonialism describes, interrogates, and questions the legacies of colonialism and imperialism in the political, economic, social, cultural, sexual, and familial institutions and patterns that continue to frame and shape the contemporary world. We will approach postcolonialism from an intersectional perspective and develop an analysis of the legacies of imperialism and colonization as they are reflected in the constitution of academic philosophy. Prerequisite, 3 courses in any combination in any of the following: Philosophy, Women's Studies, Africana Studies, or permission of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. Ashely Bohrer.

#### **482F Seminar in Objects and Properties.**

What kinds of things exist? This course explores a number of debates in contemporary metaphysics. The first part of the course will focus on objects. It is centered on a study of Amie Thomasson's book *Ordinary Objects*, which aims to reconcile developments in work in metaphysics with the common sense idea that the kinds of objects we encounter in daily life (such as tables, chairs, sticks and stones) exist. The second part of the course focuses on properties, and explores the various theories of properties that have been proposed, such as universals, tropes, and the varieties of nominalism. The final part of the course examines the methodological issues surrounding these debates in contemporary metaphysics. Prerequisite, 3 courses in Philosophy or permission of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. Douglas Edwards.

#### **550F Senior Seminar.**

Advanced work aimed at completing a clear, focused, powerful piece of philosophical writing. To that end each member of the seminar will work to 1) identify a philosophical problem, 2) frame that problem as a question to which he or she can propose an answer, 3) turn that answer into a thesis supported with argument and defended against objections, and 4) present that argument to the seminar and support it in a public oral defense. Maximum enrollment, 8. The Department.

# Physical Education

## Faculty

Kristin Baker  
Scott M. Barnard  
Patricia Cipicchio  
Michelle Collins  
John Gessinger  
Colette Gilligan  
Robert Haberbusch  
Jonathan Hind, *director*  
Brett Hull  
Ellen Hull  
James King III  
Patricia Kloidt  
Emily McNamara  
Miriam Merrill  
David Murray  
Perry Nizzi  
Adam Stockwell  
David Thompson  
Robert Weber

All enrolled students are required to participate in a physical education program for individual development. This "lifetime carryover" program is based on the theory that it is as important to develop a healthy body and a love of sports as it is to provide scope for the skilled athlete.

There is a five-part requirement that includes:

- 1) A physical fitness test (a course is offered for those who do not pass);
- 2) A swim test (beginning swimming is offered for those who do not pass);
- 3 and 4) Two lifetime activity classes;
- 5) one unit of the following: intercollegiate athletics, wellness seminar, lifetime activity class.

Lifetime activity classes include the following: aerobics, badminton, fitness, golf, jogging, lifeguard training, power walking, racquetball, scuba, skating, squash, swimming, tennis, toning and volleyball.

Upon passing the physical fitness and swimming tests and successfully completing the three other parts of the requirement, a student shall have completed the physical education requirement. Activities may not be repeated for credit nor may a student be given intercollegiate credit and also receive credit for a similar class (i.e., a hockey player may not receive credit for ice skating).

Except under unusual circumstances, it is expected that the requirement will be completed in the first year. All students

must complete the requirement by the end of four semesters in residence and may not study abroad or away without completing it. Students with physical disabilities may enter an individual program approved by the director of physical education. '

# Physics

## Faculty

Katherine Brown (on leave 2017-18)

Kristen Burson

Brian Collett

Charles Collett

Jon Gaffney

Viva Horowitz

Gordon Jones

Seth Major, *chair*

## *Special Appointments*

Adam Lark

A concentration in physics normally consists of 10 courses: 190, 195, 290, 295, 390, 550 and four other courses chosen in consultation with an advisor who is a member of the physics faculty. At least one of the electives will be selected from physics courses at the 300-level or above. Students who wish to prepare for graduate school in physics or engineering should choose electives from physics courses at the 300-level and above. Students with other interests may, in consultation with their advisor, select up to two electives from other science departments. Such courses should support interdisciplinary interests or career goals. Normally 390 is taken in the spring semester of the junior year in preparation for the research project undertaken in 550. Honors in physics requires outstanding work in the senior research project. Students in the 3-2 program are expected to complete the first three years of the major including at least 8 courses in physics.

In the first year, prospective concentrators should take 190 and 195, and mathematics. In the first semester, the appropriate mathematics course may be Calculus I (Math 113), which is a co-requisite for 190. However if the Mathematics Department grants advanced placement, the student may wish to take Calculus II (Math 116), Multivariable Calculus (Math 216), or Linear Algebra (Math 224). Students with advanced placement in physics should consult with a member of the department before registering for a physics class.

Students who wish to major in physics but who have taken either 100-105 or 200-205, or who wish to begin the major belatedly should consult with the department chair.

Physics 290 and 295 should be taken in the second year. During the spring of the second year, we recommend taking one course from Electronics and/or General Relativity. Other options should be discussed with a member of the physics faculty.

A minor in physics consists of five courses: 190, 195, 290 or 295, and two other physics courses. Alternatively, one can complete the minor with 100-105 or 200-205, plus three other physics courses, of which one must be at the 200 level or above. A minor in astronomy consists of five courses: a 2-course introductory sequence (190-195, 100-105, or 200-205), 290, 160 and either 330 or an independent study in astronomy. A student who majors in physics may not minor in astronomy.

Students interested in the 3-2, 3-1-1-1, or 4-2 engineering programs affiliating Hamilton with engineering schools should take 190, 195, and calculus (or linear algebra if mathematics placement so warrants) in their first year. There are many possible options in engineering programs, and because of their complexity beyond the first year, interested

students should consult the engineering advisor, Professor Gordon Jones. This is also the case for those who have taken 100-105 or 200-205 and have then become interested in engineering.

Juniors or seniors without prior courses in the department may enroll in 100, 120, 135, 136, 160, 175, 200 and 245. '

### **100F Survey of Physics I.**

The first semester of a year-long sequence (100-105) for pre-med students and other scientists who require a year of physics. Topics include mechanics, fluids and thermodynamics. Emphasis on applications of physics in medicine and in other sciences. Three hours of lecture and three hours of laboratory. First year students need instructors signature to enroll. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, knowledge of algebra and trigonometry. D Bunk.

### **105S Survey of Physics II.**

The second semester of a year-long sequence (100-105) for pre-med students and other scientists who require a year of physics. Topics include electricity and magnetism, optics, atomic physics and nuclear physics. Emphasis on applications of physics in medicine and in other sciences. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 100 or 190. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. Knowledge of algebra and trigonometry required. A Silversmith.

### **120S How Things Work.**

A few basic physics principles can explain many common devices such as car engines, TVs, refrigerators, airplanes and eyeglasses, and some not-so-common devices such as atomic bombs and lasers. This course qualitatively teaches basic physics concepts with the aim of demystifying technology. A conceptual introduction to physics where all the examples come from your experience. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Maximum enrollment, 45. G Jones.

### **135F Space-time and the Quantum World.**

A study of two fundamental developments in modern physics — quantum theory and relativity. Drawing on the quantum mechanics of spin and space-time diagrams, we gain an overview of some of the more thought-provoking aspects of contemporary physics. Breaking from tradition, this is not a historical survey but instead focuses on the fundamental nature of these two developments, as well as the role of observation in modern physical theory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Comfort with simple algebra and geometry helpful. S Major.

### **136S Physics and Art.**

This course is a survey of some of the interesting ways in which fine art intersects math and physics. The curriculum consists of six topics in which some juxtaposition of physics and art is present; in some cases physics is relevant to the context of the art, in some case to the content of the art, and in some cases, both. We begin with some of the earliest works of art and proceed chronologically, including cave paintings and radiocarbon dating, the Archimedes palimpsest and imaging techniques, and the drip paintings of Jackson Pollock and their connection to chaotic motion and fractals. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Familiarity with algebra and calculus recommended. Katherine Jones-Smith.

### **160F Introduction to Astronomy.**

A description of the universe, starting with the appearance and organization of the solar system and working outward. Development of the heliocentric view. Observational deduction of properties of stars. Stellar evolution and its relation to pulsars and black holes. Galaxies and the structure and history of the universe. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Department.

### **[175F] The Physics of Musical Sound.**

An exploration of the physics that underlies the production of musical sounds. Covers issues ranging from the nature of musical sound, units, some physical principles, theory of wave propagation and mode formation, physical mechanisms of how instrument families work and their implications for musical use of those families, acoustics of halls, digital simulations of musical instruments and performance spaces. Algebra will be used. Four hours of class/laboratory per week. May count toward a concentration in physics. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) (Same as Music 175.)

**190F The Mechanical Universe.**

The first semester of a sequence of physics courses for students interested in physical sciences, math or engineering. Normally the first course for students who plan to major or minor in physics. Introduction to principles governing the motion of a particle and of systems of particles. Kinematics and dynamics; energy, linear momentum, angular momentum and conservation laws. Introduction to the laws of special relativity. Sophomores and above need instructor's signature to enroll. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Calculus I (may be taken concurrently). Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. G Jones.

**195S Waves and Fields.**

The physics of oscillations, waves and fields. Topics include simple harmonic motion, fluids, sound, electric and magnetic fields, light, optics and interference phenomena. Emphasizes the use of calculus as a tool to describe and analyze the physical world. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 190 or 200 and Mathematics 116 (may be taken concurrently). S Major.

**200F Physics I.**

The first semester of a year-long calculus-based sequence (200-205) for scientists and pre-med students who require a year of physics. Topics include Newtonian mechanics, conservation laws, fluids, kinetic theory and thermodynamics. Three hours of lecture and three hours of laboratory. First year students need instructor's signature to enroll. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Mathematics 116 or equivalent. Not open to students who have taken 100 or 190. .

**205S Physics II.**

The second semester of a year-long sequence (200-205) for pre-med students and other scientists who require a year of physics. Topics include electricity and magnetism, optics, relativity, atomic physics and nuclear physics. Three hours of lecture and three hours of laboratory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Physics 200; Math 116. G Jones.

**245S Electronics and Computers.**

Hands-on introduction to the concepts and devices of electronics. Study of analog and digital circuits, computer architecture, assembler programming and computer interfacing. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Six hours of laboratory. Maximum enrollment, 18. Collett.

**290F Quantum Physics.**

Wave-particle duality, the nuclear atom, the development of Schrödinger's wave mechanics and the quantum theory of atoms. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 195 or 105 or 205, and Mathematics 116. B Collett.

**295S Electromagnetism.**

Introduction to the mathematical description of the electric and magnetic fields, their sources and their interactions with matter. Exploration of Maxwell's laws with emphasis on the relationship between the physics and the mathematics needed to describe it. Three hours of class. Prerequisite, 290. Normally taken concurrently with 245. Math 216 is recommended. V Horowitz.

**298F,S Physics Research.**

Independent work on a research project under supervision of a faculty member. Prerequisite, Consent of instructor. May be repeated for credit, but not counted toward concentration requirements. Students may count up to a total of one credit of Physics Research toward graduation. One-quarter, one-half, or one credit per semester. Credit/No Credit only. Department.

### **320S Topics in Mathematical Physics.**

A study of mathematical methods and their use in investigating physical systems. Topics may include vector calculus, ordinary differential equations, special functions, partial differential equations, integral transforms, calculus of complex functions, numerical methods, tensor analysis, groups and other topics of current theoretical interest. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Math 224 and (either Physics 295 or Math 216), or permission of instructor. Normally offered on alternate years. S Major.

### **[325S] General Relativity.**

A study of the physics of space-time geometry including Einstein's special and general theories of relativity with applications to black holes and cosmology. Prerequisites Math 216 and Physics 350, or permission of the instructor. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Math 216, Physics 350, or permission of instructor. Normally offered on alternate years.

### **[330] Topics in Astrophysics.**

Topics may include fundamentals of stellar structure and evolution, the black hole and the curvature of space-time, the structure of galaxies and galactic dynamics, theories of the structure and evolution of the universe. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 290 or 295.

### **[340S] Topics in Quantum Physics.**

Exploration of topics in contemporary physics using the tools of quantum mechanics developed in 290. Topics may include multi-electron atoms, molecules, solid state physics, lasers and quantum optics, nuclear physics, nuclear magnetic resonance, surface physics and particle physics. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 290. Normally offered on alternate years.

### **350F Classical Mechanics.**

Principles of classical mechanics, including oscillations, nonlinear dynamics, dynamics of systems of particles, non-inertial reference frames, Hamilton and Lagrangian mechanics, celestial mechanics, rigid body motion and coupled oscillations. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 295 or consent of instructor. K Jones-Smith.

### **370F Thermodynamics and Statistical Physics.**

Properties of large-scale systems in terms of a statistical treatment of the motions, interactions and energy levels of particles. Basic probability concepts and the principles of statistical mechanics. Explanation of thermal equilibrium, heat, work and the laws of thermodynamics. Application to various physical systems. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 290. K Burson.

### **390S Research Seminar.**

A series of research projects stressing the integration of theory and experiment. Emphasis on scientific writing, formal oral presentations, use of the current physics literature. (Writing-intensive.) (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 290. Maximum enrollment, 20. G Jones.

### **[450S] Quantum Theory Seminar.**

An exploration of the mathematical tools and foundations of quantum mechanics. Topics include angular momentum, spin, measurement, bound states and perturbation theory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 350. Offered in alternate years. Maximum enrollment, 12.

### **480F Electromagnetic Theory.**

Intensive study of Maxwell's equations in both differential and integral form; electrostatics and electro-dynamics; special relativity; and the transformation of electromagnetic fields. Introduction to electromagnetic waves and dielectric and magnetic materials. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 295 or consent of instructor. Collett.

### **550F,S Senior Research Project.**

Independent research in collaboration with faculty supervisor. Students will give a series of formal oral presentations about their research and will write a comprehensive thesis. Open to senior concentrators or to others with consent of instructor. B Collett.

**551S Senior Research.**

Research carried out in collaboration with a faculty member. Includes written and oral presentation. Prerequisite, 550. B Collett.

# Psychology

## Faculty

Vikranth Bejjanki  
Jennifer Borton, *chair*  
Christa Christ  
Azriel Grysman  
Alexandra List  
Tara McKee (on leave spring 2018)  
Siobhan Robinson  
Ravi Thiruchselvam (on leave 2017-18)  
Rachel White  
Keelah Williams  
Penny Yee

## *Special Appointments*

Jean Morris  
David Walden

For students in the class of 2020 and later: A concentration in psychology consists of ten courses: 101; 201; either 204 or 205; one laboratory course numbered between 300 and 329 (except 320 or 328); 380; and five additional courses at the 300 level or above, including the Senior Project.

For students in the classes of 2017 - 2019: A concentration in psychology consists of nine courses: 101; 201; either 204 or 205; one laboratory course numbered between 300 and 329 (except 320 or 328); 380; and four additional courses at the 300 level or above, including the Senior Project.

Concentrators who place out of Introductory Psychology with a 4 or 5 on the Psychology AP exam must still take a total of ten courses (nine for students in the classes of 2017-2019).

To fulfill the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies requirement in Psychology, concentrators beginning with the class of 2020 must take either ONE course from the following list:

PSYCH 359 (Stereotyping and Prejudice)  
PSYCH 367 (Psychological Bias in the Justice System)

or TWO courses from the following list:

PSYCH 324 (Law and Human Behavior)  
PSYCH 350 (Lifespan Development)  
PSYCH 353 (Adult Psychopathology)  
PSYCH 356 (Social Psychology)

Students should plan to complete their lab requirement by the end of their junior year. Departmental honors in psychology recognize the distinguished achievement of students who excel in their coursework in the concentration. The Senior Project involves an extensive research and theoretical inquiry, culminating in a written thesis and an oral presentation. The project can be completed in one or two semesters; therefore, concentrators must enroll in 500 and/or

501 during their senior year.

A minor in general psychology consists of five courses: 101; 201; either 204 or 205; one laboratory course numbered between 300 and 329 (except 320 or 328); and one other course.

The departments of Biology and Psychology offer an interdisciplinary concentration in neuroscience. See the description under Neuroscience. '

### **101F,S Introductory Psychology.**

An introduction to the science of human behavior. Topics include the nervous system, perception, learning, motivation, cognitive and social development, personality, individual differences, social behavior and psychopathology. In class laboratory exercises to emphasize the use of research methods and data to describe and examine behavior. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) The Department.

### **198F,S Collaborative Research in Psychology I.**

Collaborative research under the supervision of a faculty member. Focus on data collection and/or analysis. Three to four hours per week of lab work. Prerequisite, Permission of the instructor. Student performance will be evaluated as Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory. One-quarter credit per semester. May be repeated for credit, but does not count toward concentration requirements. (Same as Neuroscience 198.) The Department.

### **201F,S Statistics and Research Methods in Psychology.**

The application and interpretation of descriptive and inferential statistics in the study of psychological processes. Some instruction in research design and methodological issues. Students will learn to use the statistical computer program SPSS to analyze data. Topics include the principles of hypothesis testing, t tests, analysis of variance, regression, and some non-parametric statistics. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 101. (Same as Neuroscience 201.) McKee (Fall); Borton and Gryzman (Spring).

### **204F,S Human Neuropsychology.**

Introduction to the field of neuroscience from a behavioral and cognitive perspective. Survey of experimental and clinical research involving humans and non-human animals, addressing presumed neural mechanisms for cognitive, motivational and emotional states. Analysis of amnesia, aphasia, agnosias, apraxias and disconnection syndromes. Prerequisite, 101. (Same as Neuroscience 204.) Bejjanki (Fall) and List (Spring).

### **205F Introduction to Brain and Behavior.**

Introduction to the field of neuroscience from a biological perspective. In-depth examination of fundamental concepts in neurobiology designed to introduce students to the electrophysiological, chemical and anatomical features of neurons, brain regions and brain circuits. Investigation of the neurobiological basis of behavior through exploration of topics such as neuronal communication, neuroanatomy, sensory and motor systems, learning, motivation, and behavior disorders. Prerequisite, 101 or Biology 102 or 115. (Same as Neuroscience 205.) Robinson.

### **297F,S Peer Counseling.**

Students will serve as peer counselors under the supervision of a Counseling Center staff psychologist. Six to eight hours per week of peer counseling, weekly supervision meetings, written case reports, and outreach presentations. Training will occur prior to the start of counseling. Student performance will be evaluated as Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory. One-half credit per semester. May be repeated for credit, but does not count toward concentration requirements. Prerequisite, Permission of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Walden.

### **298F,S Collaborative Research in Psychology II.**

Collaborative research under the supervision of a faculty member. Focus on data collection and/or analysis. Six to eight hours per week of lab work, plus final oral presentation or research paper. Prerequisite, Permission of the instructor. Student performance will be evaluated as Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory. One-half credit per semester. May be repeated

for credit, but does not count toward concentration requirements. The Department.

**[311F] The Self in Social Psychology.**

Theoretical and methodological understanding of the study of the self in social psychology. Topics include organization of self-concept and its effect on information processing; self-awareness; self-esteem maintenance processes; cultural influences; stigmas; and self-regulation. Class time devoted to discussion of research articles. Laboratory component involves conducting two research projects. Data collection, statistical analysis, papers based on findings, oral and poster presentations. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. (Writing-intensive.) (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. Not open to students who have taken 361. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**316F Developmental Psychology of Self-Control.**

Developmental Psychology of Self-Control. Theoretical and methodological examination of the psychological processes involved in regulating thoughts, behavior, and emotions. Emphasis on childhood and adolescence. Questions covered will include: What is executive function and how does it develop? What are the consequences of low or delayed self-control abilities across the lifespan? How can we improve self-control? Data collection, statistical analysis, papers based on findings, oral and poster presentations. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. (Writing-intensive.) (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. Maximum enrollment, 20. Rachel White.

**320S Psychology and Neuroscience of Learning.**

An exploration of theoretical and methodological questions involved in the study of learning and neural plasticity. Questions covered will include: What is learning? What are the mechanisms that support neural plasticity, and how do they contribute to learning-induced changes in behavior? How does learning change across the lifespan? Laboratory exercises will include the development of original experiments to elicit and measure learning at the behavioral and neural levels, as well as the analysis of neural data. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201 and Psych/Neuro 204 or 205. Does not count toward the lab requirement in Psychology. (Same as Neuroscience 320.) Maximum enrollment, 20. V Bejjanki.

**[322] Autobiographical Memory.**

Methodological and theoretical examination of autobiographical memory. Students will study the relationships among cognitive, social, and developmental factors, such as the influence of early experiences and memory development in early childhood, or the role of gender and older age on memory for specific events. Laboratory component will include developing methods for collecting data, analyzing event narratives, and designing and writing original empirical studies. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. Maximum enrollment, 20.

**324S Law and Human Behavior.**

Theoretical and methodological examination of the study of human behavior in legal contexts. Topics include psychology of criminal behavior; persuasion in the courtroom; risk assessment and punishment; and the influence of extralegal variables (e.g., race). Class time devoted to critical analysis and discussion of legal cases and psychology research articles. Laboratory component involves conducting two research projects. Data collection, statistical analysis, papers based on findings, oral and poster presentations. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. Maximum enrollment, 20. Williams.

**[327F] Affective Neuroscience.**

An exploration of theoretical and methodological questions in the study of affect, addressed through neuroscience. Questions covered will include: What is affect? What functions does affect serve and how does affect become dysfunctional in psychopathology? How does affect shape cognition? How do individuals regulate affect? Class time will be devoted to discussion of research articles. Laboratory exercises will include the development of original experiments to elicit and measure affect, as well as the analysis of neural data. Three hours of class and three hours of

laboratory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. (Same as Neuroscience 327.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **328F Cognitive Neuroscience.**

Study of brain processes involved in cognition, with a focus on current research designs and techniques. Class discussions will focus on primary research articles covering perception, attention, memory and language systems. Laboratory exercises will include the analysis of structural brain scans and electroencephalographic data, and the design, programming and presentation of original experiments. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201 and Psych/Neuro 204 or 205. Does not count toward the lab requirement in Psychology. (Same as Neuroscience 328.) Maximum enrollment, 20. List.

### **330S Systems Neuroscience.**

The primary focus of this course is on the physiological and chemical basis of behavior from a systems perspective. Topics include analysis of sensory and motor systems; motivated behaviors; stress, anxiety and mental illness; and learning and memory. Laboratory exercises introduce students to the anatomy and physiology of the mammalian central nervous system and to some of the principal techniques used in systems and behavioral neuroscience. Three hours of class and three hours of laboratory. Prerequisite, 204 or 205 or Biology 101 and 102, or Biology 115. Does not count toward the lab requirement in Psychology. (Same as Biology 330 and Neuroscience 330.) Maximum enrollment, Other. Robinson.

### **331F Behavioral Genetics.**

An introduction to the genetic basis of behavior. Focuses on the concepts of Mendelian genetics, patterns of inheritance, quantitative genetics, gene-environment interactions, and their application to individual differences in health, cognition, personality, substance use, and psychiatric disorders. The course will also explore how our current understanding of behavior genetics contributes to counseling and treatment efforts (e.g., genetic counseling, pharmacogenomics, gene therapy) for genetic disorders. Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. Christ.

### **[333S] Contemplative Neuroscience: The Brain and the Buddha.**

The Buddha proposed that we can end suffering by training the mind. This course will explore the contribution of Buddhism to psychology and neuroscience. We will ask: Can we train attention to promote resilience, compassion, and well-being? What is the core nature of self and thought? What is the relationship between the brain and consciousness? Although the course will draw upon Buddhist philosophy, we will investigate these questions from the perspective of modern neuroscience, examining empirical studies using methods such as EEG, fMRI, and single-cell electrophysiology. Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. Next offered spring 2019. (Same as Neuroscience 333.)

### **[341] The Evolved Mind.**

This course will explore the interactive relationships among evolved adaptations, development, learning, and culture, emphasizing ways in which these work together to shape individuals' behavior. Questions covered will include: What does it mean to take an evolutionary approach to psychology? What are the major evolutionary theories, and how have they been used to explain human behavior? What are the methods and assumptions of evolutionary approaches? Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201.

### **[344] Cognition and Consciousness.**

Examination of basic cognitive processes such as perception, memory, attention, language, and decision-making, and application of these processes to the study of consciousness. Text and article readings include attempts to understand consciousness and its evolution. Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201.

### **350S Lifespan Development.**

An introduction to the science of lifespan development, from conception and prenatal development to older age and death. Focuses on multiple domains of development, including cognitive, social, physical, and emotional, with

emphasis on how development in all domains is shaped by both biological and social/cultural influences (e.g., gender norms, social class, stereotyping and prejudice). This course includes an experiential component whereby students work with individuals in an applied setting such as a child care center. Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. Not open to students who have taken 351. White.

**[351] Child Development.**

An introduction to the science of child behavior and the principles of child growth and development from conception to early adulthood. Focuses on integrating the physical, cognitive, social and emotional domains of development. Includes an experiential component whereby students will work with children or adolescents in an applied setting (e.g., child care center or school). Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201.

**352S Psychopharmacology.**

A study of the effects of drugs on animal and human behavior. Topics include neuropharmacology, antipsychotics, analgesics, stimulants, hallucinogens, antidepressants, alcoholism, addiction, effects of drugs on society, and the implications of drug effects for neurochemical theories of behavior. Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. (Same as Neuroscience 352.) Christ.

**353F Adult Psychopathology.**

Introduction to the study of mental disorders in adults, including historical and cultural perspectives. Focus on classification, diagnostic assessment, etiology, treatment, and evaluation of treatment efficacy for the major disorders including anxiety, affective, thought, substance, and eating disorders. Research methods in clinical psychology emphasized. Discussion will include how gender, race, ethnicity, culture, sexuality, and social class relate to our understanding of mental illness and its treatment. Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. Not open to students who have taken 223. McKee.

**354S Counseling Psychology.**

An overview of the theoretical orientations, treatment approaches and empirical literature in the field of counseling psychology. Examines the mechanisms by which counseling interventions facilitate personal and interpersonal functioning with a focus on emotional, social, educational, vocational and developmental concerns. Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. Not open to students who have taken 234. Walden.

**355F Neurobiology of Addiction.**

This course is centered on understanding the neurobiology of the “addicted brain.” Strong emphasis on the neurobiological effects of drugs of abuse, including short and longer-term changes in the brain and body that occur in response to drug use and abuse. A sampling of drugs to be discussed include cocaine, heroin, marijuana, hallucinogens and alcohol. Effectiveness of various treatment strategies will also be considered. Some discussion of the social, political and philosophical aspects of addiction to drug and non-drug substances (e.g., food compulsions and pathological gambling). Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. (Same as Neuroscience 355.) Robinson.

**[356] Social Psychology.**

A survey of social psychology, the study of how and why people behave, think, and feel in social situations. Topics include social cognition, stereotyping and prejudice, the self, social influence, attitudes and persuasion, attraction and relationships, aggression, and helping behavior. Emphasis on experimental research methodology. Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. Does NOT overlap substantially with Psych 311W.

**357S Human Memory.**

An examination of theoretical and empirical research on the creation and structure of memories. Consideration of both theoretical and applied topics within the memory literature, including autobiographical memories, unconscious memories, factors contributing to forgetting, the organization of memories, eyewitness memory, and false memories. Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. Grysman.

**359F Stereotyping and Prejudice.**

In this course we will take a social psychological approach to understanding stereotypes, prejudice(s), and discrimination based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, and other group memberships. We will examine classic and contemporary theories and research on topics such as cognitive, motivational, evolutionary, and sociocultural explanations of prejudice; modern forms of prejudice/implicit bias; the impact of prejudice and discrimination on targets of prejudice; and prejudice reduction. Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. Borton.

**[360F] Clinical Assessment.**

In-depth study of assessment methodologies used in clinical psychology research and practice. Emphasis on design issues, data analysis issues, scale construction, interviewing, testing, self-report and observation. Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201.

**[367] Psychological Bias in the Justice System.**

How does group membership (e.g., sex, race, ethnicity, religion) shape one's experiences with the criminal justice system? Adopting a chronological approach through an exemplar criminal case (e.g., arrest, arraignment, plea bargaining, trial, sentencing, release), this course will use case law and empirical research to explore the law's continuing efforts--and shortcomings--in addressing and decreasing bias. Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. Next offered 2019.

**380F Research Design.**

Advanced study of psychological research methods, with a focus on critically evaluating original research, independently designing and executing studies, and writing scientific research reports. Topics include reliability and validity, experimental and non-experimental methods, and effective design of studies. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Psych/Neuro 201. McKee.

**455F Field Study in Psychology.**

Seminar in psychological services combined with eight to 10 hours per week of field study in one of several cooperating local agencies and schools. Extensive written project addressing theoretical issues relevant to field work. Topics include methods in provision of psychological, educational and applied services, and methodological and ethical issues in psychotherapy, counseling and educational psychology. Prerequisite, three courses in psychology and departmental permission. Open to juniors and seniors. Maximum enrollment, 8. Morris.

**500F-501SF,S Senior Project.**

Supervised research on a specific problem in psychology or neuroscience based on proposals submitted to the department by the end of a student's junior year. Open to senior concentrators. The Department.

**New England Center for Children**

# Public Policy

## Faculty

Paul G. Wyckoff, *director*

The Public Policy Program is administered through the departments of Economics, Government and Philosophy. A concentration in public policy consists of 12 courses: 251, 382 and the Senior Project; Economics 101 and 102; Government 116 and 230; and courses chosen from the following options:

two of the following ethics courses:

Philosophy 111 — Contemporary Moral Issues

Philosophy 112 — Telling Right From Wrong

Government/Philosophy 117 — Introduction to Political Theory

Philosophy 225 — Biomedical Ethics and the Law

Philosophy 235 — Environmental Ethics

Philosophy 371 — Ethics of Professions and Practices

Philosophy 380 — Philosophy of Law

Philosophy 450 — Seminar in Ethics: Ethical Theory

Philosophy 460 — Seminar in Ethics: Contemporary Theories of Justice

and one of the following “issue areas” courses:

Economics 316 — Globalization and Gender

Economics 325 — Comparative Economic Systems

Economics 331 — International Trade Theory and Policy

Economics 340 — Economic Development

Economics 346 — Monetary Policy

Economics 350 — Economics of Poverty and Income Distribution

Economics 355 — European Economic Integration

Economics 360 — Health Economics

Economics 380 — Environmental Economics

Economics 440 — Public Economics

Economics 461 — Applications of Labor Economics

Economics 472 — International Finance

Government 285 — Introduction to Environmental Politics

Government 335 — The Criminal Justice System

Sociology 258 — Poverty, Law and the Welfare State

Sociology 313 — Seminar: Immigration & Identity

Sociology 373 — Seminar on the Constitution and Social Policy

In addition, students must complete Mathematics 100 or 253, or score a 4 or 5 on the AP Statistics exam.

Students are strongly encouraged to take Economics 101 and Mathematics 100 (or 253) in their first year, and to take Government 230 and Public Policy 251 in their sophomore year. No student may declare a concentration in public policy without either completing or being enrolled in 251. Concentrators must complete the following courses by the end of the junior year: 382; Economics 102; Government 116 and 230; one of the required courses in ethics; and one of the “issue areas” courses listed above. The Senior Project may be completed in one semester (500) or two semesters (500-501). Concentrators fulfill the college’s Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies (SSIH) requirement by

completing Public Policy 251 and 382. To qualify for honors in public policy, a student must submit a distinguished record in the concentration and perform with distinction in the Senior Project.

Credit from the Term in Washington Program may be substituted for up to two of the courses required for the concentration, with the approval of the program director. Students interested in pursuing graduate study in public policy or public administration are encouraged to take additional courses in economics, in substantive areas of public policy, and in mathematics and statistics.

A minor in public policy consists of 251, Economics 101 and 102, Government 230 and one of the required ethics courses above. If the student's concentration is in economics, government or philosophy, these courses cannot count in both the student's concentration and the minor. Instead, courses that are required for both the concentration and the minor will be used to satisfy concentration requirements, and they will be replaced by alternative courses in the minor requirements. These alternative courses will be chosen by the program director in consultation with the chair of the student's concentration department. In addition to the required courses, there are many other courses in the College curriculum that will be of interest to public policy concentrators. Students interested in the concentration should consult as early as possible with Professor Wyckoff. '

### **[247F] The Pursuit of Happiness.**

What is human happiness? What factors increase or decrease it? Why are some countries and cultures happier than others? How can government policies promote happiness? This course considers: -- the nature of happiness from the major philosophical traditions, --the cognitive biases that impede our ability to maximize happiness, --the empirical literature on subjective well-being from the fields of economics, political science, and psychology, --recent trends in capitalist societies and their effects on happiness, and --government policies that might improve human happiness. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, One course in statistics, from any discipline. (Same as Government 247.)

### **251F Introduction to Public Policy.**

The study of policy analysis using and comparing a variety of disciplinary and analytic traditions. Consideration of controversies over particular policies at the national and local level and the premises underlying them. Examination of methods and principles used in formulating and evaluating public policy. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Economics 101. Open to seniors with consent of instructor. (Same as Government 251.) Anechiarico.

### **280F Conflict Resolution: Policies and Strategies.**

This course examines conflict from a variety of perspectives. We will investigate how arbitration, adjudication, and mediation differ, in addition to exploring how the policies and strategies of cultural and legal institutions dictate different approaches to mediation. Societies cope with conflict by enacting policies consistent with their culture and values. This course examines conflict resolution policies in the U.S. and abroad, including the legal system, the media, the educational sector, and international dispute resolution. Prerequisite, 101 or 222, or consent of instructor. (Same as Communication 280.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Dane.

### **382S Topics in Public Policy.**

The application of theories and methods of evaluation, design and implementation in an intensive study of a significant problem of public policy. Emphasis on skills of analysis, writing and group problem-solving. Coursework may be supplemented by field work as well as participation by scholars and practitioners sponsored by the Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 251. (Same as Government 382.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **500-501 Senior Project.**

A one- or two-semester senior project, culminating in a thesis. The Program.

# Religious Studies

## Faculty

Abhishek Amar

Stephenson Humphries-Brooks (on leave spring 2018)

Meredith Moss

Quincy Newell (on leave 2017-18)

S. Brent Rodríguez Plate

Heidi Ravven, *chair*

Seth Schermerhorn

A concentration in Religious Studies consists of nine courses including a 100-level course, 290: Theories and Methods or 291: Imagining Religions, a 300-level class, and 498: Senior Project Seminar, all of which must be taught by faculty of the department. Because it is important for majors in Religious Studies to understand social, structural, and institutional hierarchies and their impact, beginning with the class of 2020 they will fulfill the requirement for Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies by completion of at least one of the following courses as well as the Senior Project Seminar:

134 (Americanism, Ballots, and Consumption), 247 (Religion and Gender in American History), 241 (Religion in the American West), 256 (Islam and Modernity in South Asia), 244 (Religious Conflicts), 144 (Indian Buddhism), 129 (Native American Spiritualities), 239 (Native Rituals and Religious Freedom), 260/460 (The Self Beyond Itself), 243 (Indigenous Oral Traditions), 257 (The New Testament), 317 (Jesus and the Gospels).

At the time the concentration is elected, the concentrator shall propose a carefully developed program of study including, if desired, study abroad, for the approval of the department. Honors are awarded on the basis of a cumulative average of at least 3.3 (88) achieved in courses approved for the concentration and the completion of 501 with a 3.5 (90) or better.

A minor consists of five courses, including 290/291 and at least one course at the 300 level, proposed by the student and approved by the department.

Beginning with the class of 2020 the major will include at least two courses in two different traditions, geographies, and/or historical eras.

Courses from other departments may be approved for concentration or minor credit through a petition to the department.

Some courses have prerequisites due to the technical nature of class material and others are reserved for juniors and seniors; however, the department is usually flexible within constraints of demand and class size, and permission is at the consent of the instructor. '

## **115F Parables.**

Cross-cultural comparison of the parable. Emphasis given to parable as a form of religious speech. Includes selections from Jesus, Zen masters, Borges and Galeano. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Humphries-Brooks.

## **[120S] Religious Diversity in the USA.**

Religious diversity has been noted in big cities like New York and Los Angeles. But smaller cities like Utica have also diversified, seeing unprecedented population shifts in recent years. This course will take advantage of our proximity to

Utica, and explore the mosques, temples, synagogues, and churches that exist there today, as well as explore the rich religious history of Central New York, including the Great Awakenings, Utopian communities, and recent immigration patterns. (Writing-intensive.) This course is only open to first years. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**[122] Encountering Hinduism: Sacrifice, Soul, and Image.**

This survey examines historical and current practices of Hinduism in a variety of social and religious contexts. It introduces students to essential beliefs, doctrines, institutions, and popular practices of Hinduism. Readings are drawn from the Vedas, Upanishads, Puranas, Epics and devotional poetry. Its multi-disciplinary approach draws upon literary, artist and performative sources including popular media and film. Not open to seniors.

**129F Native American Spiritualities.**

In order to develop a broad understanding of the religious lives of Native Americans, we explore diverse practices and worldviews. We begin with an examination of how Native American worldviews are unique and differ from modern-Western worldviews. With this grounding, we delve into explorations of the multifaceted history of Native American traditions including the Ghost Dance, the Sun Dance, religious freedom issues pertaining to the use of peyote, struggles over sacred places, and complex native engagements with Christianity. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as American Studies 129.) Maximum enrollment, 16. Schermerhorn.

**133F,S American Freedom and Religious Thought.**

The Bible has been used throughout American history to justify various oppressions including slavery, gender inequality, and homophobia. Through exploring the biblical material that has historically supported such injustices, and the religious thought that has contributed to liberation movements, this course will seek to discover the meanings of the defining American mantra of “freedom.” We will examine such “theological” thinkers as Jefferson, Lincoln, Frederick Douglass, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Reinhold Niebuhr, Martin Luther King, Jr., Malcolm X, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and James Baldwin. (Proseminar.) 20 hours of a community-based internship in a local non-profit is a required component of this class. Maximum enrollment, 16. Jeff McArn.

**[134F] Americanism, Ballots, and Consumption: The ABCs of American Religion.**

This course explores a variety of roles religion has played in American culture(s) and some of the ways that American culture has influenced Americans’ religious practices. We will focus on three areas: identity (Americanism), politics (Ballots), and economics (Consumption). In particular, we will consider how religion is involved in the construction of American identity and the exclusion of some people from American polity; how religion is (and is not) intertwined with our political system; and how religion affects – and is affected by – Americans’ economic practices (Same as American Studies 134.)

**[143S] The Sacred in South Asia.**

What constitutes the sacred in south Asia? Is it a person, place, river, hill, temple or nature/ecology? Where and how did the notion of sacrality emerge in South Asia? Is it linked exclusively to religious institutions or is it found in the daily lives of people? This course will examine these questions by exploring the multiple religious traditions of South Asia and examining their essential beliefs, doctrines, institutions, rituals and popular practices through a study of texts, material culture, films and ethnographic accounts. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 16.

**144F Indian Buddhism.**

An introduction to origins, essential beliefs, popular practices and institutions of Buddhism. Examines the life of Buddha, his teachings (Dharma) and Buddhist communities through a range of Buddhist texts, art and archaeological sources. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as History 144.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Abhishek Amar.

**150F,S Pop Culture/Pop Religion.**

Looking at graphic novels and comics, listening to music, watching television and playing video games can all lead us to understand religion. Religion may be about ancient texts and doctrines, but it is also reconceived in the present day

through popular cultural texts. Alternates between popular culture artifacts and theories of religion, allowing students to rethink the religious underpinnings of much "secular" popular culture, but also to rethink the idea of religion as well. Rodriguez-Plate.

**[200/300F,S] Modern Jewish Thought: Politics and Religion.**

Examination of the rise of pluralism and democracy as Jews became full citizens of the modern Western state. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**202F Ancient Jewish Wisdom.**

Exploration of major themes in the Jewish Bible (Old Testament). (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Ravven.

**204F The Education of Desire.**

A close reading of Spinoza's masterpiece, *The Ethics*, with a view to understanding its contemporary implications in the light of the new brain sciences. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One course in Religious Studies or Philosophy. Maximum enrollment, 20. Ravven.

**215F Religion in Film.**

Study of the religious in film. Focus on the relationship between myth-making in film and post-modern culture. (Same as American Studies 215.) Humphries-Brooks.

**220S Coming of Age.**

This course presents several case studies of adolescent rites of passage, including the Navajo Kinaaldá puberty ceremony, gender socialization of Hasidic adolescents in Brooklyn, and youth innovation among Latina gang members in Northern California. Students examine ways in which these adolescent girls and boys navigate coming of age through rituals, observances and obligations, and the communities' policing of adolescent behavior through discourses about childhood, adulthood, and change. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Meredith Moss.

**224S Indigenous Revitalization Movements.**

This course examines cultural and linguistic revitalization efforts among various cultural groups, particularly indigenous peoples of North America. This interdisciplinary course will draw from the fields of anthropology, religious studies, linguistics, and education in order to study the history of traditional religious and linguistic practices in several communities and the various forms of revitalization efforts programs being used. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Moss.

**[232S] Religion and Language.**

This course examines complex relationships between the categories of 'religion' and 'language,' particularly the ways in which discourse and linguistic variation constitute social groups and police social boundaries. In particular, we will use tools of critical discourse analysis to extrapolate ideologies at work in various discursive communities and communities of practice. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**234F Sacred Journeys.**

What is pilgrimage? Why do people go on pilgrimages? We begin to answer these questions by exploring pilgrimage traditions from across the globe to see religions, not as static, but as dynamic, living, and in motion. In attending to movement--crawling, walking, dancing, riding, driving, or flying--we investigate how traveling across sacred landscapes connects pilgrims with the places they travel through as well as those who have gone before them. Topics may include methods and theories in pilgrimage studies from North and South America, Europe, and Asia. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Seth Schermerhorn.

**239S Native Rituals and Religious Freedom.**

Is American religious freedom a reality, an unfinished project, or merely a myth? This course explores how Native

Americans have struggled for religious freedom in the United States, focusing on contemporary legal battles to protect sacred lands, repatriate ancestral remains and objects, and defend the ceremonial consumption of peyote. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as American Studies 239 and Government 239.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Seth Schermerhorn.

**[241F] Religion in the American West.**

This course explores and considers three themes in the history of religion in the American West: migrations (movement in and out of the region), locations (the designation of particular places as special), and adaptations (changes over time, in response to changing conditions). The course will use a variety of primary and secondary sources – some texts, but also films, photographs, and other kinds of sources. Students will also do their own research and contribute to the construction of a website about the religious history of the American West. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as American Studies 241.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**242S The Rise and Fall of David.**

A literary reading of the biblical Book of Samuel as historical and political fiction. Comparison with other great works of literature on political themes. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Maximum enrollment, 16. Ravven.

**243F Indigenous Oral Traditions.**

This course examines various elements of indigenous oral traditions, including oral literatures, such as creation stories, narratives, oratory, and song. We will study the indigenous modes of performance, such as tone and pitch, gestures, silence, back-channeling, turn-taking, taking of floor, and traditional openings and closings. We will also examine intercultural communication in order to analyze communicative norms, including conversational norms, metaphors, puns, and humor. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Moss.

**244S Religious Conflicts.**

Is religion a source of conflict in the modern world? Investigates examples of religious difference and negotiation from Asia and Europe. Focus on political and religious differences over sacred space, conversion, and Love-Jihad, and interactions among Hindus and Muslims in India. (Same as History 244.) Abhishek Amar.

**[247S] Religion and Gender in American History.**

In this course students examine the ways in which religious ideas have shaped Americans' conceptions and performances of femininity and masculinity, and vice versa. Using case studies from the colonial period through contemporary times, we will explore the ways in which religion both constrained the performance of gender and the ways women and men found (and, sometimes, created) liberating resources within religious traditions. We will pay particular attention to the intersection of religion and gender with race, class, and sexuality. (Same as Women's Studies 247.)

**[256F] Islam and Modernity in South Asia.**

This course develops a nuanced understanding of Islam and its role in shaping socio-religious and political landscape of modern and pre-modern South Asia. Questioning misconceptions of Islam, it examines its mideast origins, Qur'an, theology, law, religious practices, Shi'i and Sufi traditions, expansion in South Asia, colonialism, and modernity. Readings include secondary, literary, architectural and archaeological sources. Next offered Fall 2018. Not open to students who have taken RELST 213: Islam and Modernity in South Asia (Same as History 256.)

**[257S] The New Testament.**

A critical introduction to the literature and history of New Testament Christianity. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[260/460F] The Self Beyond Itself.**

The Self Beyond Itself: Ethics, Science, and Religion. Multidisciplinary Study of why and when people are ethical -- and why and when they are not. Review of contemporary research of neuroscientists on the moral capacity.

(Proseminar.) Maximum enrollment, 16. H Ravven. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Next offered Fall 2018. Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **281S Philosophy as Spiritual Quest.**

Exploration of the spiritual power attributed to philosophy by religious philosophers from classical Greece to modern times through readings from Greek, Jewish, Islamic and/or Christian philosophical works. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One course in philosophy and/or religious studies. (Same as Philosophy 281.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Ravven.

### **291S Imagining Religions.**

Scholars imagine, analyze, and interpret religions in a wide variety of ways. This Seminar explores phenomena from multiple religions, drawing upon a range of disciplines including history of religion, textual studies, material and visual culture, and ethnography. Students will engage in inter-disciplinary interpretive projects in collaboration with faculty of the Religious Studies department. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, One Religious Studies course or consent. Maximum enrollment, 16. Q Newell and S Schermerhorn.

### **[310S] Seminar: Native Ecologies.**

This interdisciplinary seminar explores the traditional ecological knowledge (TEK) of indigenous peoples. Drawing upon scholarship from such diverse fields as acoustic ecology, ethno-ecology, ethnography, geography, environmental history, Native American and Indigenous Studies, and religious studies, we will examine indigenous knowledge about particular species and relationships between them. (Same as Environmental Studies 310.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

### **[317F] Jesus and the Gospels.**

A comprehensive introduction to the four Gospels, with special emphasis on the nature of early Christian views of Jesus. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one course in religious studies. Next offered Fall 2018. Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **331S Holocaust Literature and Films.**

An examination of victims, perpetrators, rescuers, resisters, and bystanders through selected memoirs, fiction, documentaries, and other films. Prerequisite, One course in Religious Studies, Literature, Film, or History. Maximum enrollment, 12. Ravven.

### **[338S] Topic: Seminar in American Religions.**

Topic for 2017: Mormonism in America and the World. The United States is one of the most religious of the world's industrialized nations, so understanding the nation requires an understanding of religion's role in American history and culture. This course provides an in-depth examination of selected themes in American religious history, culminating in student-driven research projects. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One course in American history or Religious Studies, or instructor consent. (Same as History 338.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

### **357S Seminar: Death, Dying and the Afterlife.**

How do humans prepare to die? What happens to the soul after death? What techniques are used to achieve immortality or better afterlife? Examines death and the afterlife from medical, philosophical and religious perspectives, focusing on Buddhism, Hinduism and Islam. (Writing-intensive.) Not open to those who have taken Religious Studies 119 or 248 (Same as History 357.) Maximum enrollment, 12. A Amar.

### **[375S] Seminar: Religion, Art and Visual Culture.**

What do the visual arts tell us about religions in ways that written texts alone cannot? How do religious practices actually train religious people to see? Such questions will begin our examination of various media (including painting, calligraphy, architecture, film, and comics) in conjunction with various religious traditions (Christianity, Islam, Judaism, Hinduism, Buddhism). Prerequisite, one course in either art history or religious studies. Required weekend field trip to New York City. (Same as Art History 375.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[421S] Raging Gods: Scorsese and Coppola's Religious Films.**

The religious in the films of Martin Scorsese and Francis Ford Coppola. As American New Wave auteurs they contribute to the emergence of a new sacramental style in American film. We pay attention to the film traditions that inform their development, e.g. Italian neo-realism, horror, film noir and French New Wave. A look at the influence of their Roman-Catholic, Italian-American religious culture. Prerequisite, two courses in religious studies and/or cinema & new media studies or consent of instructor. (Same as American Studies 421.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

**498F Senior Project Seminar.**

Students perfect research skills necessary for the senior project. Keeping their project in mind, students review relevant literature, develop conceptual and theoretical frameworks, and collect and study source materials. Subsequently they submit a proposal, abstract, annotated bibliography and drafts leading to the final project. Emphasis given to analysis of structural, institutional, and social categories of race, class, gender, ethnicity, nationality, religion, sexuality, age, and abilities/disabilities. Prerequisite, Restricted to senior majors in Religious Studies. Maximum enrollment, 12. .

**501F,S Honors Program.**

A project resulting in a substantial essay supervised by a member of the department. Prerequisite, consent of instructor. Open to qualified students. The Department.

**502F,S Honors Program.**

Continuation of the honors project resulting in a substantial essay supervised by a member of the department. Prerequisite, consent of instructor. Open to qualified students. The Department.

# Russian Studies

## Program Committee

John Bartle, *director* (Russian)

Shoshana Keller (History)

David Rivera (Government)

Sharon Rivera (Government)

Franklin Sciacca (Russian)

Russian Studies is an interdisciplinary program focusing on the language, literature, culture, historical development and politics of Russia. The concentration in Russian Studies consists of nine courses: the core courses Russian Studies 221, 222 and 370; five other courses from the list below; and the Senior Project (550), which must include use of Russian language sources. Completion of the Senior Project requires registration in 550. A copy of the description of the senior program is available in Christian A. Johnson 118. Study in Russia may be counted toward the concentration. Honors will be determined by excellence in coursework and the Senior Project. A minor in Russian studies consists of five courses from the list below. All 100-level courses are open to juniors and seniors. In order to fulfill the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies Requirement, students must complete two of the following courses: Russian Studies 100, 169, 213, 221, 222, 225, or 226.

The first-year Russian language course pays particular attention to the cultural context of the language. Emphasis is placed on the language of contemporary Russian media at the second-year level, followed by the opportunity to begin close reading of Russian literature in the original in 370. Near-native and heritage speakers are encouraged to enroll in any of the Russian Studies courses. The readings can be completed in Russian with permission of instructor. Study in Russia on a semester or year program is strongly recommended for those interested in Russian Studies. '

## 100F Murder, Civil War, and Opera.

Ivan the Terrible murdered his heir, and left Russia to face economic collapse and mass hunger without a stable government. Then things got really bad. Did Boris Godunov murder Tsarevich Dmitri? Was the First False Dmitri for real? Only Pushkin knew for sure, but it took Modest Mussorgsky to wrap it up in the greatest Russian opera of all time. This course will explore the relationships between history, art and national identity in Russia. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as History 100.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Keller.

## 237S Russia and the World.

The course will examine Russia's relations with both its immediate neighbors and the West from the Tsarist era to the present. Topics to be covered include: the formation of the Russian Empire, the Cold War, the "Gorbachev revolution in Soviet foreign policy" that ended the Cold War, the evolution of Russian-American relations since the collapse of communism, and the reasons behind Russia's annexation of Crimea in 2014. A central theme of the course will be the evolution of Russian national identity, especially as it relates to Russia's status as an empire and its relationship with the West. Prerequisite, Govt. 114 or Russian Studies 100. (Same as Government 237.) David Rivera.

## Courses in Translation

## 169S Dreams, Visions and Nightmares: Introduction to Russian Film.

Survey of Russian film from its beginnings through the Soviet period to the present. Introduction to Russian culture and to the basic grammar of film analysis. Films include *Strike!*, *Brother*, *Burnt by the Sun*, *The Thief*, and *The Return*. No knowledge of Russian required. Bartle.

**[213F] Politics in Russia.**

Examines political processes in Russia after the collapse of communism in the former Soviet Union. Central focus on explaining the rise of multi-party democracy in the 1990s and the subsequent consolidation of authoritarian rule under Vladimir Putin. Topics include the creation of political parties, the state's use of propaganda and the media, the problem of corruption, and the prospects for democracy in the future. Prerequisite, Govt 112, 114, Russian Studies 100, or History 222. Closed to first years except with permission of instructor. (Same as Government 213.)

**221F Early Russian History From Rurik to Alexander II.**

A survey of Russian history from Kievan Rus' to the Great Reforms of Alexander II. Emphasis on the development of Russia from scattered principalities to empire and the struggle for an identity between Europe and Asia. (Same as History 221.) Keller.

**222S Modern Russian History.**

Russia from the 1861 emancipation of the serfs to the present. Study of revolution and continuity throughout the modern period, with an emphasis on the multi-national character of the Russian/Soviet state. (Same as History 222.) Keller.

**225F Madness, Murder and Mayhem: Nineteenth-Century Russian Literature.**

Readings of representative works with emphasis on major literary movements, cultural history, and basic literary devices. Primary texts by Pushkin, Gogol, Turgenev, Dostoevsky and Tolstoy, as well as some critical materials. (Writing-intensive.) No knowledge of Russian required. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 225.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Bartle.

**[226S] Sex, Death and Revolution: Twentieth-Century Russian Art and Literature.**

Close analysis of major literary and artistic movements of the 20th century, with particular attention paid to the innovations of the avant-garde and the impact of the Bolshevik Revolution on the artistic imagination. Emphasis on the recurring theme of the fate of the individual in a mass society. No knowledge of Russian required. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 226.)

**[234S] The Hero as Failure: Nineteenth-Century Russian Literature.**

Why does so much classic Russian literature center on weak male protagonists unable to come to terms with stronger, more adaptable women? This course will explore this repeated pattern both as a reflection of Russian attitudes toward love and as a metaphorical expression of political frustration in a repressive society. Readings to include fiction, plays, and criticism by such writers as Pushkin, Lermontov, Belinsky, Gogol, Turgenev, Chernyshevsky, Dostoevsky, and Chekhov. Prerequisite, A 100-level course in literature. Open to students who have taken LIT/RSNST 225. (History, Theme) (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 234.)

**[270] Heaven, Hell and the Space in Between: Devils and Deities in Russian Literature and Art.**

Examination of the portrayals of the cosmic conflict: Good vs. Evil, Heaven vs. Hell, God vs. Satan. The second half of the semester will be dedicated to a close reading and analysis of Fyodor Dostoevsky's *Brothers Karamazov*. (Writing-intensive.) No knowledge of Russian required. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 270.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[295] Bloodsucking as Metaphor: Vampires, Werewolves and the Living-Dead in Myth, Literature and Film.**

Exploration of vampire and werewolf myths in Russia and Eastern Europe, the cult of ancestors in Slavic ritual, folk beliefs and rituals associated with the dead and the so-called "living-dead," and the tradition of "dying-reviving" gods. Transformation of the myths and folklore into the popular cult phenomenon of Dracula in West-European and

American literature and film. Particular attention paid to bloodsucking and shape-shifting as political, sexual and medical metaphors. No knowledge of Russian required.

**[333S] Topics in Survey Research.**

This course will introduce students to basics of survey research, with a particular focus on measuring political, economic, and foreign policy attitudes. The class will analyze and report on the findings of an original survey of Russian elites. (Oral Presentations.) Prerequisite, GOVT 213, HIST 221 or 222, any 200-level GOVT course in comparative politics or international relations, or permission of instructor. (Same as Government 333.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[345S] The Soviet Union as a Multi-National State.**

The USSR claimed to be a revolutionary political form: a state based on the voluntary union of workers from over 100 different nationalities. The Bolsheviks intended to lead Russian peasants, Kyrgyz nomads and Chechen mountaineers together into the bright Communist future. What they actually achieved is another question. Explores the concepts of nation, empire and modernization in the Soviet context. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 221, 222 or consent of instructor. (Same as History 345.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**550F,S Senior Seminar.**

Independent work consisting of the preparation and presentation of a research paper, translation or other project designed by the student. Requires research using Russian-language sources. Open to senior concentrators only. Bartle.

**Courses in Russian Language**

**110F First-Term Russian.**

An introduction to the Russian language in a contemporary cultural context. Focus on development of speaking skills in real-life situations. Sciacca.

**120S Second-Term Russian.**

Continued development of skills in spoken and written Russian. Intensive use of audio/visual and computer materials. Prerequisite, 110 or equivalent. Bartle.

**210F Third-Term Russian.**

Further development of conversation and composition skills, with an emphasis on contemporary topics. Prerequisite, 120 or equivalent. Bartle.

**220S Fourth-Term Russian.**

Continuation of third-term Russian. Introduction to the language of popular culture, including contemporary film and music. Prerequisite, 210 or equivalent. Sciacca.

**370F Readings in Nineteenth-Century Russian Literature.**

Close reading in Russian and English of canonical literary works from the nineteenth century to the present day. Attention paid to problems of translation. Discussion and writing assignments in Russian and English. Not intended for near-native or heritage speakers. May be repeated for credit with permission of instructor. Prerequisite, 220 or equivalent. Bartle.

# Sociology

## Faculty

Daniel Chambliss

Stephen Ellingson, *chair*

Matthew Grace

Jaime Kucinkas (on leave fall 2018)

Yvonne Zylan

A concentration in sociology consists of nine courses: 101 or 110, 301, 302, 549, 550 and four additional courses. A Senior Project (550) culminating in a written thesis based on original research is required for the concentration. The Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies requirement will be fulfilled by completing one of the following courses: Sociology 101, 110, 204, 207, 223, 237, 278, 288W, 301W, 319, 323, 327, 329, 354, 361, 367, 373. Prospective concentrators who will be off campus during their junior year are encouraged to take 301 and 302 as sophomores. Candidates for honors must have a 3.3 (88) or better average grade in sociology courses; must submit a thesis receiving a grade of A- or better; and must be approved by a vote of the department faculty. A minor in sociology consists of 101 or 110, 301 and three additional courses. '

## **101F,S Introductory Sociology.**

Sociological perspective on human behavior. Classic and contemporary sociological concepts that further an understanding of the structure, process, stability and change of social life. Not open to students who have taken 110. Zylan, Chambliss.

## **[110] American Society.**

An introduction to sociological concepts and methods of analysis through the study of selected aspects of American society. Topics include social class, gender, sexuality, race and ethnicity, sports, medicine, crime and deviance, and popular culture. Not open to students who have taken 101.

## **[204F] Social Class in American Society.**

Consequences of inequalities in wealth, income, power and prestige. Social mobility, poverty, class differences in values and lifestyles, social class and politics.

## **[213S] Culture and Society.**

What is culture and why is it important in contemporary American society? What makes different types of culture — film noir or contemporary art — popular or powerful? How are cultural works produced and distributed? We will explore different empirical and theoretical approaches that attempt to answer such questions. Students will engage in a semester-long analysis of a specific cultural object (e.g., American Idol or 20th-century French literature) to assess the power of existing explanations and develop their own explanation for the success or legitimacy of their object. Prerequisite, one course in sociology or permission of instructor.

## **[216F] Sociology of Aging.**

The proportion of individuals who are aged in a population has significant consequences for the structure and functioning of a nation. This class will draw on classic and contemporary conceptual and empirical material from sociology in order to explore aging. What is aging, and who are the aged? How do social factors like race, class, and gender influence the experiences and outcomes of aging? How should we prepare for the aging of many nations in the coming decades? This course, which is designed to help students to think conceptually about the major themes that animate aging. Prerequisite, 1 sociology course or consent of instructor.

**223F Law and Society.**

Examines law as a social institution, examining how the law constructs, and is constructed by, social mores, cultural objects and themes, social structures, and individual and collective actors. A critical perspective toward the idea that law exists apart from the social world in which it exists and operates. Consideration of the importance of race, class and gender in shaping legal discourses and the operation of the civil and criminal justice systems. Prerequisite, 101 or 110, or consent of instructor. Zylan.

**226F The Sociology of Health and Illness.**

This course will give students an introduction to the sociological study of health and illness. While sociologists have taken the study of medicine seriously since at least the 1950s, health and illness are phenomena whose relationship to human society and experience are long and complex. In order to explore this reality, this class will draw on the empirical work of historians, anthropologists, sociologists, and even fiction writers to explore the personal and social elements of sickness and health. Matt Grace.

**237S Political Sociology.**

This course surveys contemporary theory and research in political sociology. We begin with a discussion of conceptual and theoretical approaches to the sociological study of power, authority, politics, and policy. We then apply these approaches to a number of topics in the field, including electoral behavior, collective action and social movements, political leadership, and the formation and development of states and social policies. Prerequisite, One course in Sociology or consent of the instructor. Yvonne Zylan.

**240S Self in Society.**

An intermediate-level course in phenomenological social psychology. Emphasis on the nature of the self, the life world as experienced, the taken-for-granted nature of social life, roles and bad faith, and the routinization of everyday life. Chambliss.

**[278S] Race, Class, Gender.**

Although we often take race, class, and gender for granted in our daily lives, they are central to how we think of ourselves and how we perceive our experiences. In this class we will analyze race, class, and gender from a sociological perspective, in which we examine how society affects individuals' experiences in the world, as well as the impact individuals can have on society. Learning to critically analyze these patterns in our society will help us to better understand the ways in which race, class, and gender continue to shape our lives. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[288S] Sociology of Religion.**

Introduces the primary theories and concepts of the sociology of religion. In particular the course will emphasize how sociologists explain the organization and experience of lived religion largely in the context of North America. Topics include secularization and sacralization; the restructuring of American religion; religion and popular culture; gender, sexuality and power; race; ethnicity and immigration; and religion in the public sphere. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**290S Classics of Modern Social Thought.**

Reading and discussion of major thinkers in the development of modern Western social thought. Authors include Machiavelli, Rousseau, Burke, Marx, Darwin, Weber, Freud, Mannheim and de Beauvoir. Emphasis on class presentations, debates, book notes and class protocols. Works examined from historical, sociological, psychological and philosophical perspectives. Prerequisite, one course in history or sociology. May count toward a concentration in either history or sociology. (Same as History 290.) Maximum enrollment, 24. Kelly and Chambliss.

**301F,S Sociological Theory.**

Examination of classic and contemporary sociological concepts and perspectives. The theorists covered include Marx,

Weber, Durkheim, Freud, Mead, Berger and Luckmann, and Foucault. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, two sociology courses. Maximum enrollment, 20. Chambliss.

### **302F Research Methods.**

Formulation of a research problem, choice of an appropriate research strategy, execution of that strategy and interpretation of the results. Both qualitative and quantitative methods presented. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, two sociology courses or consent of instructor. Grace.

### **308F Issues in Higher Education.**

An exploration of major issues facing higher education today, especially as applied to liberal arts colleges, including admissions practices; financing and student debt; challenges of social class, diversity and the integration of first-generation students; sexual relations and assault; the role of digital technology; and the meaning and relevance of liberal arts. Prerequisite, 1 sociology course or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. Chambliss.

### **[319S] Seminar: Globalization and Its Discontents.**

Globalization has been taking place for centuries, but its impact has accelerated over the last hundred years. The effects of globalization are widely debated among passionate supporters and critics. This class aims to explore different facets of the complex, evolving phenomenon of globalization. The course introduces the main debates about the global economy. We will discuss what globalization is. Then we will develop an historical perspective on the roots of globalization. Lastly, we will investigate primary dimensions of globalization such as trade, finance, aid, and migration. Prerequisite, One social science course. Maximum enrollment, 12.

### **[320F] Seminar: Advanced Topics in Contemporary Sociology.**

Critical examination of key works of contemporary sociological theory and research. Topics include current issues in sociological theory as well as new directions in principal substantive areas of the discipline. Prerequisite, Consent of Instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

### **[323F] Seminar on Sexuality and Social Theory.**

A critical investigation of the place sexuality occupies in social theory. Texts by social theorists will illustrate a variety of intellectual affiliations, including Marxist political economy, feminism, Freudian and post-Freudian psychoanalytic frameworks, and post-structuralist and post-modern perspectives. Examines how conceptions of sexuality figure in theories of social life, including theories of collective action, social organization, the origins and mechanisms of inequality and social identity. Prerequisite, two social science courses or consent of instructor. Some background in reading and analyzing difficult theoretical works (in sociology, political science, philosophy or a similar discipline) is helpful. Maximum enrollment, 12.

### **329S Seminar on the Social Production of Food.**

Examines the production and consumption of food in contemporary societies from a sociological perspective. We will study how food shapes personal identity and communal life; the organizational and institutional contexts food production from farm to table; the role food plays in popular culture and the rise of alternative food movements. Covers such topics as food, communal identity and family; the culture and practices of “Foodies”; the world of the restaurant kitchen; globalization and changes in farming and food consumption. Prerequisite, one sociology course. Maximum enrollment, 12. Ellingson.

### **340F Seminar on Social Movements.**

This course examines the origins, actions, and effects of social movements from a sociological perspective. We begin by examining a variety of theoretical perspectives that explain when social movements arise and when and how they can produce social, political, cultural, and/or institutional change. We will then read case studies of specific movements, including movements for civil rights, environmental protection, social security, religious conservatism, and gay rights (among others), to explore mobilization, the culture of activism, tactics and strategy, and movement

effectiveness. Prerequisite, a 100- or 200-level sociology course. Maximum enrollment, 12. Yvonne Zylan.

**[356F] Seminar in Sociological Analysis.**

An examination, through the study of a wide variety of contemporary research works, of the modes of sociological explanation; geared to students curious about how social scientists analyze and describe the world. Authors include Massey, Hochschild, Desmond, Zelizer, Collins, Lieberman, Abbott, and others. Prerequisite, 2 courses in Sociology or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[361F] Seminar: Politics and Culture.**

Examines the ways that culture — ideologies, symbols, rituals, art, music, film — influences the political sphere and becomes an arena for contentious politics. Special attention will be given to the fall Presidential election campaigns. Topics include revolutions and state-formation, electoral politics, the politicization of social problems, national identity and collective memory, and conflicts over contemporary art, television and popular culture. Prerequisite, one social science course or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[367S] Seminar: Organizations and Culture.**

Organizations are among the most pervasive features of modern society and culture lies at the foundation of organizational life. This course is intended to help students acquire a set of tools for understanding organizations, and in particular for understanding the role culture plays in how organizations operate. It is organized around a set of questions including: how is culture used to organize work, exercise power, and shape individuals' actions? What role does culture play in establishing or changing an organization? How is culture activated to gain financial, human, or symbolic resources? How does culture facilitate or constrain inter-organizational relationships? We will examine both for-profit and non-profit organizations in a wide variety of fields (high-tech, health care, law, religion, the service industry, and the arts) and conduct a series of analyses about the culture of Hamilton College. Prerequisite, One sociology course or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[372S] Sociology of Disability.**

Drawing on scholarship from sociology, anthropology, history and philosophy, this course will explore disability as a deeply embodied experience and at the same time one shaped in the context of families, communities, and societies. Questions the course will explore include: What are the costs and benefits of medical and social models of disability? What is the relationship between the individual experience of disability and social structures? How are factors like sexuality and class—modified by the challenges and opportunities associated with having a disability? Prerequisite, 1 sociology course or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**373S Seminar on the Constitution and Social Policy.**

The United States Constitution is frequently invoked in public and institutional debates over social policy. For example, constitutional arguments have been raised in recent and ongoing policy debates concerning gun violence, marriage recognition, corporate personhood, and education. This course examines the relationship between the Constitution and social policy in American society, considering the ways in which broad social problems and conflicts (and their proposed resolutions) are shaped by American legal discourse. Prerequisite, One social science course or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. Zylan.

**549F Senior Seminar.**

For concentrators preparing to write a thesis. Includes exploration of the range of sociological topics, lectures by departmental faculty on research areas and techniques and workshops on bibliographic methods, site selection and access, and writing of research results. Culminates in presentation of a detailed thesis proposal. (Writing-intensive.) Open to senior concentrators only. Maximum enrollment, 20. Ellingson.

**550S Senior Project.**

Investigation, through original research, of a sociological topic resulting in a thesis. Open to seniors only. The

Department.

# Theatre

## Faculty

Mark Cryer, *chair*  
Craig Latrell  
Sarah Walsh  
Jeanne Willcoxon

A concentration in theatre consists of 10 credits: 100, 102, 105, 141 and 142, 303, 307; 550 or 560; and three (3) electives from 200-and 300-level courses.

Concentrators in theatre fulfill the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies requirement by completing any of the following courses: 100, 102, 141/2, 212, 236, 238, 303 or 307.

Majors must audition or interview for all mainstage productions (Theatre 141 and 142). Theatre 105 must be taken before the completion of the sophomore year.

The Senior Program requirement in theatre may be fulfilled through satisfactory completion of one of the following options: a Senior Thesis (550), which may be a research paper or the composition of a play; or Senior Performance/Production (560), which may be an acting showcase, the directing of a play or designing for a departmental production. Students falling below the 3.0 (85) average may be required to take the research option or to register for an independent study prior to the project as preparation.

Departmental honors will be awarded on the basis of a cumulative record of 92 or above in all courses counting toward the major, satisfying departmental expectations, and distinguished achievement on the Senior Project.

A minor in theatre consists of Theatre 100 and four electives, two of which must be at the 200-level. '

### **100F Playing—Introduction to Making Theatre: Theory and Practice.**

This is the gateway course for all theatre courses. This class combines the study of theatre and drama as it reflects, represents and interprets diverse cultures with a hands-on examination of how theatre is made. Through readings, lectures, discussions and projects the class will explore the ideas, strategies and languages of theatre (acting, directing, playwriting, designing) that theatre artists use to create contemporary theatrical performance. (Speaking-Intensive.) One section for first-year students only; first-years and sophomores. Juniors with permission of the Department. Maximum enrollment, 20. Cryer.

### **102S Acting Styles: American Realism.**

This course builds upon the ideas and techniques of modern realism and its American adaptations through the works of Uta Hagen and Robert Cohen. Students will gain a foundation in an acting process that includes body and voice awareness and use, sense memory, substitution, emotional memory and character actions as well as scene study. (Speaking-Intensive.) (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, Theatre 100. Maximum enrollment, 16. Cryer.

### **105S Introduction to Theatre Production.**

An introduction to the techniques and tools of theatre stage craft. Emphasizing hands-on learning experiences, complemented by small group lectures and discussions, the course will explore the fundamentals of stage design, projection design/technologies, set construction, scenic painting and stage and production management. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) 2 1/2 hours of class, 3 hours of laboratory. Maximum enrollment, 16. Larson and Walsh

(Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Three hours of class and four hours of laboratory. Maximum enrollment, 16. Larson and Walsh.

**[106S] Out Loud.**

Through the introduction of a variety of performance genres, this course develops oral communication, public speaking and public performance skills. Although no prior experience in performance or public speaking is expected, students will learn about and participate in such genres as storytelling, solo performance, hip-hop theatre, spoken word poetry, Sprechstimme and cabaret. Writer/performers to be studied/performed include Tim Miller, Karen Finley, Ntozake Shange, Danny Hoch, Sarah Jones and Bertolt Brecht.

**108F Live Design and Production II.**

A continuing examination of all aspects of design and production for live performance with special emphasis on costumes and sound. The course will explore the fundamentals of design, technology and construction for the stage through lecture, discussion and hands-on experience. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, Theatre 100, 105 or consent of the instructor. Three hours of class and four hours of lab per week. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**[130] Visual Storytelling: What's a Picture Worth?.**

Through the exploration of basic visual elements including color, form, space and movement, students learn to communicate complex ideas and narratives non-verbally. While focusing on performing arts, we will also examine relevant works of fine art, architecture, film and video. Assignments consist of individual and group projects and presentations, putting into practice concepts discussed in class. While no previous art or theater experience is necessary, students should be prepared to face the challenge of expressing themselves outside the realm of written papers and oral presentations. (Proseminar.) Not open to senior Theatre concentrators except with permission of the instructor.. Maximum enrollment, 16.

**141-142F,S Production.**

The study of theatre through participation (performance, management and/or technical work) in a faculty-directed production. Students must pre-register for this class; for 141F first-year students may register during orientation. Preregistration does not guarantee an acting role. Auditions will take place at the start of the semester, and students not acting will perform a technical/production role. (Speaking-Intensive.) One-half credit. May be repeated for credit. Maximum enrollment, 20. M Cryer (Fall); Latrell (Spring).

**158F Performing Culture: Shamans, Tourists, and Cross-dressers.**

Examination of performing arts across Asia from traditional theatre to contemporary pop culture, and how performance functions in society. Topics include shamanic rituals, "invented" traditions, tourism, cross-dressing, and other formations of sociocultural identities. The course will be open to first year students and have no prerequisites. (Same as Asian Studies 158 and Dance and Movement Studies 158.) Chuyun Oh.

**201F Acting Styles: Theatricalism and the European Avant Garde.**

20th-century performance aesthetics. Practical exploration of non-realistic theatrical methods, emphasizing challenges to Stanislavskian naturalism in the work of Meyerhold, Artaud, Grotowski and Brecht. Intense text and performance work. (Speaking-Intensive.) (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, 100, or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16. Willcoxon.

**[204] Collaborative playmaking: creating dynamic and original physical theatre.**

Students will learn to work together towards a common artistic goal, using all elements of theatre to create performances. This interdisciplinary course will focus on how to create original devised pieces for the theatre using light, sound, movement, text, music and the visual arts. The student will learn techniques to create multi-disciplinary theatrical pieces as well as develop a critical vocabulary to analyze performances. (Proseminar.) Maximum enrollment, 16.

**205 Performing Women.**

This course examines historical and contemporary performances of women on stage in the US. Using current feminist performance theory the course provides tools for students analysis of text and performance. At the end of the course students move from analysis of text/performance to creation of their own solo performance pieces. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, Theatre 100. (Same as Women's Studies 205.) Maximum enrollment, 16. Jeanne Willcoxon.

**[212S] Scene Design.**

A lecture/laboratory course in the design of scenery for the stage. Study of principles of composition, materials and fundamentals of drafting and rendering, eventuating in practical scenic designs with floor plans, elevations, sections and models. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) (Speaking-Intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

**213F Lighting Design.**

A lecture/laboratory course in lighting for the stage. Study of principles of composition, graphic notation, electrical practice and its control, eventuating in practical lighting designs with plots, sections and control charts. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 105. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[214] Sound Design.**

Students will learn how a designer develops, communicates and executes an effective and creative soundscape for a theatrical production. The basics of sound technology will be discussed and the student will have the opportunity to record, engineer and execute their own creative content. Focuses on sound as an artistic medium and explore how it can be used alongside other production elements to create the world of the play and convey thematic, emotional and environmental information. (Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning.) Prerequisite, 105 or 108. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[215] Scene Painting.**

Through a series of projects and demonstrations, introduces students to the basic principles of scenic painting for film, television and the performing arts. Topics covered will include color mixing, texture, faux finishing (wood grain, marble, etc.), brush and spray techniques, trompe-l'oeil and large scale cartooning and painting. Prerequisite, 105, 108 or 130, or a 100-level art course. (Same as Art 215.) Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[216S] Costume Design: History into Practice.**

This studio-type course serves as an introduction to the theory and practice of costume design for theater, film and television. Through a series of lectures, demonstrations and projects students will explore various aspects of costume history and the costume design process. Specific attention will be given to fashion silhouettes and historical periods, as they relate to the assigned texts. Areas covered in the course will include, costume history, script analysis, textiles, life drawing and watercolor rendering. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**224F Playwriting.**

Introduction to the techniques of realistic and non-realistic playwriting through a variety of exercises and improvisations, culminating in the writing and staging of a one-act play. (Speaking-Intensive.) Prerequisite, Theatre 100 or Creative Writing 215. While no prior acting experience is required, students participate in staged readings of works. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 224.) Maximum enrollment, 16. Latrell.

**236S Outrageous Acts: Avant-Garde Theatre and Performance Art.**

An examination of experimental art's capacity to shock and to force us to recognize ourselves from new and unexpected perspectives. The historical, cultural and philosophical origins and influences, as well as exemplary works from the early avant-garde movements (1890-1940) and more contemporary avant-garde theatre and performance art (1950-1990). Discussion of the art, music, literature, theatre and film of Surrealism, Symbolism, Expressionism, Dada, Futurism, Constructivism, Epic, The Living Theatre, Grotowski, Monk, Wilson, Foreman, The Wooster Group, Hughes, Finley. Prerequisite, Theatre 100 or consent of instructor. Latrell.

### **238F African-American Theatre from Ira Aldridge to August Wilson.**

Study, discussion and oral performance of selected works of drama by African-Americans from the 1860s to the present. Focuses on themes within the plays in relation to the current social climate and how they affect the play's evolution in the context of changing U.S. cultural and political attitudes. Prerequisite, Theatre 100 or a Africana Studies course. Open to sophomores and juniors only, or by instructors signature. (Same as Africana Studies 238.) Cryer.

### **[244F] Tragedy: Then and Now.**

How did Greek tragedy work in the city of Athens? Athens was a radical democracy but was based on slave labor and the exclusion of women. How is this implied contradiction displayed in the works of Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides? But tragedy also has contemporary life. How do these plays transcend their time of production? An opportunity to examine relations of gods/humans, fate/choice, as well as gender, class/ethnicity and sexuality. Readings to include works by Seneca, Racine, Sartre, O'Neill, Heaney, Fugard. (Genre) (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 244 and Classics 244.)

### **248S Introduction to Queer Theatre.**

This course will examine the evolution of queer perspectives and performance practices in dramatic literature and performance, from proto-queer characters in Marlowe and Shakespeare to the origins and growth of the GLBTQ movement, to an "out theatre." We will study works that depict GLBTQ characters and plotlines, their resistance to heterosexist values, and their relation to larger American social and political issues and movements. Playwrights and artists to be discussed include Williams, Crowley, McNally, Durang, Lucas, Miller, Ludlam, Kushner, Vogel, Kron, Huges, and Mac. Prerequisite, Theatre 100, or consent of instructor. Latrell.

### **[261] Performing Life: Introduction to Performance Studies.**

This course introduces the field of performance studies, examining performance in diverse contexts, from everyday life (sports, rituals, politics, television) to more formal settings (theatre, dance, visual art). Performance studies asks "What is performance, and how can we make sense of it?" The field incorporates aspects of theatre history, theory, and practice; anthropology, sociology, and cultural studies. No performance training is required or expected, but students will participate in a variety of hands-on exercises, and will attend and analyze several events. Prerequisite, Theatre 100, or consent of instructor.

### **280S Ancient Comedy.**

Readings of Greek and Roman comedies in English translation: Aristophanes, Plautus, Terence, Lucian, Apuleius, mime. Discussions of why and for whom comedy is funny, comedic perspective, theories of humor, roles of women and slaves in comedy, cultural values, themes and plots, history of comedy, staging and theatrical technique. May also include class production of a play. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as Classics 280.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Feltovich.

### **[301] Advanced Seminar in Performance.**

A performance-oriented seminar focusing on specific areas of performance theory and technique: for example, political theatre, Asian theatre, Latina/o theatre, solo performance, chamber theatre, intercultural or intermedia performance. Addresses the connections between research and performance. Final public performance and/or presentation. Prerequisite, 201 or consent of department. Maximum enrollment, 12.

### **[302S] Advanced Acting Workshop: Shakespeare and Company.**

Classical texts and contemporary performance. Focus on Shakespeare, language and character. May include other classical dramatists Scene and monologue work, textual analysis, vocal and speaking preparedness, verse and heightened speech, characterization, improvization and rehearsals. (Speaking-Intensive.) (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, 102, 201 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 16.

### **303F Directing.**

Fundamentals of play direction and script analysis. Study of selected directors and directorial problems; the direction of exercise scenes; and direction of a final scene or one-act for public presentation. (Speaking-Intensive.) Prerequisite, Theatre 100 and 105 or 212, or by consent of instructor. Latrell.

**307F History of Theatre.**

An introduction to the basic texts of theatre history from classical antiquity to the Baroque era, focusing on the themes of cross-dressing in performance, space and how it shapes theatre, and the representation of reality on the stage. Places performance within social, cultural and historical contexts, and also provides an introduction to non-Western performance. Offered in alternate years. Prerequisite, Theatre 100, or the signature of instructor. Wilcoxon.

**[314] Meisner One; Transitions.**

Through exercises, performance activities, and presentations, this course provides an introduction to Sanford Meisner's approach to actor training and its requirements for successful transitions to camera and voice over work. Students learn to demonstrate understanding and practical proficiency in executing the exercises and theoretical concepts of Meisner's approach to actor training, as well as learning to maintain connections with others during practical activities, presentations and performances. (Speaking-Intensive.) Prerequisite, 102 and 201. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**322S Men On Stage: Masculinity and Desire in Physical Performance.**

An interdisciplinary exploration of masculinity through the analysis of male performers from concert dance to pop culture. Students will examine how the male body onstage has constructed traditional or non-conventional notions of masculinity, sexuality, and desire across time and space. Themes include male performers in hip-hop, drag, ballet, modern dance, theatre, musical, cross-dressing, and pop music videos from early modern to contemporary era. The class will consist of lectures, discussions, student presentations, and creative responses and activities. No prior performance experience is necessary. (Same as Women's Studies 322 and Dance and Movement Studies 322.) Oh, Chuyun.

**398F,S The Study of the Theatre through Production and Performance.**

Performing a major role, stage management, dramaturgy or design of scenery, lighting or costumes for a faculty-directed production. Prerequisite, invitation of department. May be repeated for credit. Maximum enrollment, 1. The Department.

**550F,S Senior Thesis.**

A project resulting in either a research paper or the composition of a play. Open to senior concentrators only. The Department.

**560F,S Senior Performance/Production.**

An acting showcase, the directing of a play, costume, set and/or lighting design for a departmental production. Substantial written component comprising research into the historical, theoretical and socio-cultural contexts of the chosen work. Following submission of the monograph and completion of production, each student will participate in the evaluation of her/his project with an evaluating committee. Open to senior concentrators only. Senior project proposals, written in consultation with faculty, are due at the end of the fall semester of the senior year. The Department.

# Women's Studies

## Faculty

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The concentration in Women's and Gender Studies consists of nine courses: 101, 201, 301 and 550; two courses selected from among 314, 327, 401, 402 and 405; and three electives. With the approval of the concentrator's advisor, one course focused on women or gender that is not cross-listed with women's studies may be counted toward the electives required for the concentration. Beginning with the class of 2020, students concentrating in Women's and Gender Studies must satisfy the Social, Structural, and Institutional Hierarchies requirement by taking WMGST 101: Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies.

The Senior Program (550) is an interdisciplinary project culminating in a thesis or performance. Students who have an average of at least 3.5 (90) in the concentration may receive honors through distinguished work in 550. A complete description of the Senior Program is available from the program director.

A minor in Women's and Gender Studies consists of 101, 201, 301, one course selected from 314, 327, 401, 402 or 405, and one elective.

Students without prior courses in the program may enroll in courses above the 100 level with permission of the instructor.

### **101F,S Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies.**

An interdisciplinary investigation of past and present views of women and their roles, treatment and experiences in institutions such as the family, the state, the work force, language and sexuality. The diversity of women's experiences across age, class, ethnic, sexual, racial and national lines introduced, and theories of feminism and of women's studies discussed. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) One proseminar section in the spring. Maximum enrollment, 20. Jones, Barry and Lacsamana.

### **[140] Women in the Ancient Mediterranean World.**

An introduction to the roles of women in the ancient world through various sources: history, art and archaeology, law, literature and medicine. Covers the period from Egypt to early and classical Greece and down to the Roman empire, and traces the shifts in attitudes during these periods. (Same as Classics 140.)

### **[190] Women and Madness.**

Examination of historical, cultural, literary, artistic and psychological constructions and representations of women as "mad." Uses feminist sociopolitical perspectives to explore how these representations are connected to topics such as anger, violence, sexuality, race, class, conformity and resistance to female roles, and the psychiatric and psychological communities.

### **201S Introduction to Feminist Thought.**

An interdisciplinary examination of the history and contemporary practice of feminist thought. Topics include the history of feminist thought in Western culture, the broadening and complication of that canon to include examinations

of race, class, gender, sexuality, ableism and ageism, and the implications of global feminist thought. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 101 or consent of instructor. (Same as Government 201 and Government 201.) Maximum enrollment, 20. Lacsamana.

### **[202F] Introduction to LGBTQ Studies.**

In this introductory-level writing-intensive course, students will explore sexuality through writing as not just a personal identity, but also a category of analysis that intersects with gender, race, class, nationality, and religion. Through films such as *For the Bible Tells Me So, But I'm a Cheerleader*, *Southern Comfort* as well as texts such as Vicki Eaklor's *Queer America* and Susan Stryker's *Transgender History*, you will learn to interrogate prevailing normative assumptions, social and cultural institutions, your own life, Hamilton College, and the wider community. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

### **203F Women and War: Feminism, Militarism and Nationalism.**

Examines the ways war and processes of militarization impact women in developed and so-called developing countries. Accompanying this discussion will be an analysis of women's relationship to the "state" and "nation" during periods of warfare. Readings range from personal narratives written by women who have experienced war first-hand to those actively engaged in revolutionally anti-imperialist struggles. These narratives will be grounded by theoretical readings that explore the ongoing debates and tensions among feminists regarding nationalism, violence, war and militarization. Prerequisite, 101 or consent of the instructor. Lacsamana.

### **205 Performing Women.**

This course examines historical and contemporary performances of women on stage in the US. Using current feminist performance theory the course provides tools for students analysis of text and performance. At the end of the course students move from analysis of text/performance to creation of their own solo performance pieces. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, Theatre 100. (Same as Theatre 205.) Maximum enrollment, 16. Jeanne Willcoxon.

### **[211F] Women, Gender and Popular Culture.**

Interdisciplinary investigation of how popular culture reproduces gendered identities and racialized differences. Feminist theories of popular culture will inform examinations of racial stereotypes and heterosexist conventions in diverse forms of popular culture (films, fiction, non-fiction, television, music, the internet) from 1980-present in both mainstream and sub-cultural contexts. Analysis of popular culture's commodification of contradictory versions of "womanhood," as well as how women's self-representations pose complex questions of agency and resistance in the culture industry. Prerequisite, one course in women's studies or consent of instructor.

### **217S Introduction to US Latino/a Literatures.**

Examination of cultural production of representative U.S. Latino/a writers, filmmakers and visual artists from the civil rights movement to present. Focuses on the rewriting of contextual history of Latinos within the United States through interdisciplinary texts. Emphasis placed on literary, cultural and historical/political analysis, feminist criticism and anti-racist pedagogies. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, HSPST 200. Taught in Spanish. (Same as Hispanic Studies 217 and Literature and Creative Writing 217.) Maximum enrollment, 16. The Department.

### **[214F] Queer Literature and Film.**

Examination of the historical and theoretical constructions of sexual and gender identities through the literature and film of the late 19th c – present. The course will explore a range of issues including the emergence, normalization and regulation of heterosexuality and "homosexuality" as categories of identity; intersections with race, class and queerness; transgender identity and subjectivity; constructions of the "family" among others. Our analyses of LGBT literature and film will be grounded by contemporary debates in feminist, gender, and queer studies. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one course in women's studies or consent of instructor. (Same as American Studies 214.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[222F] Race, Gender and Culture.**

A critical philosophical examination of the normative categories of race, gender and culture. Topics include the origin, character and function of racial, gender and social identities. Analysis will focus on questions concerning the malleability of these identities, as well as questions concerning their psychological and social significance. (Writing-intensive.) Open only to 1st and 2nd year students. (Same as Philosophy 222 and Africana Studies 222.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**223S Critical Intersectionality: Re-Inserting a Power Analysis.**

The concept of “intersectionality” and its political and theoretical foundations are arguably one of the most important contributions by women of color feminist scholars and activists to the social sciences and to practice arenas such as diversity education and organization development. Since its popularization, the meaning of the concept has been diluted, too often used only to identify and acknowledge multiple identities, thus leading to cultural relativist perspectives on social justice struggles. This course will trace the origins of the concept, delineate the structural features that give significance to an individual’s multiples identities and complicate collective identities, and identify various ways in which a critical intersectional analysis can provide fuller understandings of individual experiences and subjectivities, organizational policies and practices, and the social, economic, and political forces that shape them, often in contradictory ways. Prerequisite, 101 or consent of the instructor. Margo Okazawa-Rey.

**[224S] Gender, Space and Identity in the African Diaspora.**

This course examines how racialized and gendered identities are made in relation to space. How does gender intersect with race, class and other power relations embedded in the places we live? How do women and men come to occupy different places in the world – literally and figuratively – or occupy the same places in different ways? Case studies focus on identity making in relation to the body, in diverse contexts such as homes, public and national spaces, across the African Diaspora. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as Africana Studies 224.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[225S] Women, Law, Public Policy and Activism in the Contemporary United States.**

An examination of feminist analysis of legislation and legal theory; public, educational and social policy; and legal/policy activism in the U.S. Opportunity for law or public policy research and/or internship in area. (Writing-intensive.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**233F Geographies of Race and Gender.**

Examines how “natural” differences of gender and race are created through discourses, images and everyday practices in particular spatial contexts. Using historical and fictional texts, ethnographies, theoretical discussions and films the course explores the production of racial and gender differences in European development and imperialist expansion. Focuses on three historical periods in the production of racialized and gendered geographies: plantation/slave societies in the Americas, African Colonialism, contemporary globalization and ethnic diversity in Europe. (Same as Africana Studies 233.) Merrill.

**[235F] Women in Modern Asia.**

Key dimensions of women’s relationships to colonial and national states in Asia during the 20th century. Introduction to distinct cultural systems in Asia with emphasis on how religion, ethnicity and class shape lives of women in Asian societies. Roles of women in politics, economics and social reform under both colonial and national states. Extensive use of biography, autobiography and memoir. (Same as History 235.)

**[247S] Religion and Gender in American History.**

In this course students examine the ways in which religious ideas have shaped Americans’ conceptions and performances of femininity and masculinity, and vice versa. Using case studies from the colonial period through contemporary times, we will explore the ways in which religion both constrained the performance of gender and the ways women and men found (and, sometimes, created) liberating resources within religious traditions. We will pay particular attention to the intersection of religion and gender with race, class, and sexuality. (Same as Religious Studies

**[255S] Gender and Environment.**

The theoretical, historical and material links between gender and the natural world. We explore how the social category of gender relates to environmental issues, but also focus on how other human differences based on race, class, sexuality and nation connect to the so-called "non-human environment." The course begins with feminist historical and theoretical analysis of the links between gender and environment, including examinations of Ecofeminism and Deep Ecology. Building on this foundation, we then explore Health and Technology, Environmental Justice, and Global Climate Change. (Writing-intensive.) (Same as Environmental Studies 255.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[257] Language, Gender and Sexuality.**

Stresses special lessons that anthropology has to teach about the gendered facets of linguistic expression, including the necessity of an approach that is both empirical, including moments of interaction, and critical, exploring issues of power and agency. Considers conceptual benefits and limitations to using gendered difference as a model for sexual difference in the study of linguistic expression. Prerequisite, one course in anthropology or consent of instructor. (Same as Anthropology 257 and Linguistics 257.)

**[278S] The Straight Story?: Rethinking the Romance.**

A study of the ways in which various forms of sexual desire (overt or closeted) drive the plot of literary works. How is desire constructed? How have authors used, manipulated and resisted the marriage plot for aesthetic and political ends? Special attention to works by gay and lesbian authors. Readings, which include works of theory as well as imaginative texts, to include such authors as Austen, Diderot, Balzac, Zola, Wilde, Baldwin. (Theme or Identity and Difference) (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 278.)

**301F Feminist Methodological Perspectives.**

An interdisciplinary exploration of feminist methods of social analysis. Emphasis on how feminist inquiry has transformed how we think about and study gender in the sciences, social sciences, arts and humanities. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 101 or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 20. Barry.

**303/403F Representing Gender in Latin America.**

Approaches gender studies through critical analysis of Latin American literature, film and social movements. We study representations of femininity and masculinity in Latin American culture and their historical roots, considering traditional gender roles and more contemporary attempts to break with social expectations linked to sex and gender, as well as the complex interactions of gender with nationality, class and sexual orientation. Discussions center in issues of representation, identity and "equality." Readings include both literary texts as well as gender theory. (Proseminar.) Prerequisite, Two 200-level courses in Hispanic studies above 200 or 201, or consent of instructor. Taught in Spanish. (Same as Hispanic Studies 303/403.) Maximum enrollment, 16. Burke.

**[311F] Black Women's Experience in the United States.**

Examination of the experiences of black women in the United States from 1800-2006. Emphasis on the intellectual history of black women. Topics include the legacy of slavery, the role and influence of religion and the black church, the history of black women's education, the development of black feminism, the roles of and attitudes toward black lesbian and bisexual women, the role and impact of black women in popular culture and music. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, 101 or consent of instructor. (Same as Africana Studies 311 and American Studies 311.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**314F Seminar: Feminist Perspectives of Class in the United States.**

Examines class and class struggle as it is associated with ethnicity, nation, race, gender and sexuality in the United States. Uses representations of class and class struggle in history and in contemporary literary, cinematic, social change movement and academic texts. Prerequisite, one course in women's studies, sociology, economics or consent of

instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. Adair.

**322S Men On Stage: Masculinity and Desire in Physical Performance.**

An interdisciplinary exploration of masculinity through the analysis of male performers from concert dance to pop culture. Students will examine how the male body onstage has constructed traditional or non-conventional notions of masculinity, sexuality, and desire across time and space. Themes include male performers in hip-hop, drag, ballet, modern dance, theatre, musical, cross-dressing, and pop music videos from early modern to contemporary era. The class will consist of lectures, discussions, student presentations, and creative responses and activities. No prior performance experience is necessary. (Same as Theatre 322 and Dance and Movement Studies 322.) Oh, Chuyun.

**[323F] Gender, Health and Technology.**

This course is an interdisciplinary, cultural studies examination of the intersections between gender, health and technology from a global perspective. This course explores the ways in which social identities of gender, race, class, sexuality, nationality, ability and so forth are relevant to studies of health and technology. The course will be theoretically and historically grounded by feminist critiques of science and technology, and explore the following topics: sexual and reproductive technologies, body modifications, and environmental toxicity and human health. Prerequisite, Any Women's Studies course or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**325S Sexuality and Gender in Greece and Rome.**

This course examines issues of sex, sexuality, and gender in the ancient societies of Greece and Rome through the study of literature, art, sociology, and science. We will investigate the representation of gender cross-culturally over time to learn what we know, and what we can't know, about the lives of ancient men and women, their interaction, communication and their roles in culture and society. Particular attention will be given to the lives of women, whose voices are often underrepresented in Greek and Roman literature and historical records. Prerequisite, 1 course in Classics or Women's Studies. (Same as Classics 325.) Jesse Weiner.

**[327S] Seminar on Women and Aging.**

Focuses on women's experiences of aging across the lifespan with attention to midlife and beyond. Examines images of aging women in literature and the media; ageism and the impact of race, class and sexual identity on aging; aging women's experiences of the body, reproduction, health, economic issues and social and familial relationships. Considers how changing age distributions in the United States will influence intergenerational relationships and social policy. Prerequisite, one course in women's studies or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[329F] Seminar on Gender and Disability.**

This seminar examines how disability operates as a category of analysis. Focusing on how disability intersects with gender, race, class, sexuality, religion, and nationality, particular attention will be given to feminist disability theorizing. We will also examine the ways in which the production of knowledge relies on able-bodied norms. We will think through the implications of traditional classroom arrangements and modify traditional means of teaching and learning as need be. Projects will address representations of disability broadly, including Hamilton's campus and the local community. Prerequisite, 101 or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**[334S] Kitchen Culture: Women, Gender and the Politics of Food.**

A cultural studies examination of women's long-standing association with the private space of the home, in particular the kitchen, and the production and consumption of food. Grounded by feminist theoretical discussions of domesticity, the class analyzes how notions of family, community and cultural practices connected to food are differentiated by race, class, ethnicity and nationality. Prerequisite, 101 or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**343S Seminar: Women Writing Against the Grain.**

A comparative investigation of U.S. women writing their own stories through the genre of autobiography in the 19th and 20th centuries. Attention to theoretical and practical questions of ideology, genre, language, audience and

reception. Particular focus on women's self-representation as hegemonic transgression at the intersections of race, class, gender, sexuality, nationality and ableism. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, One course in Women's Studies and some coursework in comparative literature or literary theory or consent of the instructor. (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 343.) Maximum enrollment, 12. Jones, Cara.

**[372] Unraveling Cleopatra.**

Cleopatra was a witness to and a shaper of the history of ancient Egypt and the late Roman Republic. To posterity the historical Cleopatra is an enigma, but her image in film, literature, art and popular culture is ever present. Through authors such as Horace, Plutarch, Shakespeare and George Bernard Shaw and through cinematic treatments from the 1940s-1970s, explores how the historical figure of Cleopatra became both the signifier and embodiment of sexual and racial politics across historical periods. (Writing-intensive.) Prerequisite, one course in classical studies or Africana studies. (Same as Classics 372 and Africana Studies 372.) Maximum enrollment, 20.

**[377] Latino/a Experiences in the United States.**

Rigorous examination and historico-political analysis of U.S. Latina literary production and poetics with focus on short story and drama (including performance art). Examination of construction and critiques of self, gender, society and political and sexual identities. Course analysis framed by feminists literary theories and criticism, and anti-racist pedagogy. Authors will include Ana Castillo, Sandra Cisneros, Cherríe Moraga, M. H. Viramontes, Nicolasa Mohr, Migdalia Cruz, Marga Gómez. Prerequisite, two 200-level courses in literature or consent of instructor. No knowledge of Spanish required. Taught in English. (Same as Hispanic Studies 377.)

**[391S] Queer/Feminist Literary Theory.**

Contemporary feminist and queer theories have a close connection to literature; they emerged from and later transformed literary studies. We will discuss selected theoretical writing, as well as creative texts from the late nineteenth century to the late twentieth century: fiction, plays, and films. Conversations will center around questions of identity and performativity, and the intersections of gender, sexuality, race and class. Readings to be drawn from the following: Oscar Wilde, Radclyffe Hall, James Baldwin, Audre Lorde, E. M. Forster, Virginia Woolf, Tony Kushner, Cherríe Moraga. Prerequisite, At least one course in Literature and/or Women's Studies, or consent of instructor. (Theory or Identity and Difference) (Same as Cp Lit 391 and Women's Studies 391) (Same as Literature and Creative Writing 391.)

**401S Seminar: Theories of Sexuality.**

Analysis of contemporary theories of sexual development, identity and practice through a feminist/critical theory lens. Topics include theories of gender and sexuality, constructions and practices of masculinity and femininity, historical, geographical and cultural constructions of heterosexuality and homosexuality, lesbian/gay/bi/trans sexuality and gender identity, sexual objectification and commodification, reproduction, sexual politics, sexual/social violence and resistance and sexuality as mitigated by codes of race, class, gender and age. Prerequisite, one course in women's studies or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. Jones, Cara.

**402F Seminar on Global Feminisms.**

Comprehensive examination of global feminism, focusing on the rise of women's movements for economic and social justice. Attention to the role of socio-cultural constructions of femininity and masculinity; issues of violence against women and children; poverty; economic, sexual and civil rights; immigration and citizenship; global migration; and the construction of identity by dismantling national and transnational relations of exploitative power regimes. Prerequisite, one course in women's studies or consent of instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12. Lacsamana.

**405F Seminar: Black Feminist Thought.**

Interdisciplinary examination of the tradition of black feminist thought as it spans African and African-American heritages. Exploration of how black women are not simply victims of oppression but visionary agents of change. Areas examined include history, literature, music, art, education, sociology and film. There is intersectional analysis of the

social, structural, and institutional hierarchies within the identities of women of African descent (gender/transgender, race, white supremacy, sexual/affectional orientation, class, color, and ability). Prerequisite, one course in women's studies or consent of instructor. (Same as Africana Studies 405.) Maximum enrollment, 12. Haley.

**[412S] Seminar: Feminist Epistemologies and Decolonizing Knowledges.**

How do we know what we know? What is “real” and “true”? How are feminist epistemologies distinct from other taken-for-granted ways of knowing? How has “knowledge” and knowledge-production been central to colonial and imperial projects of the 19th and 20th centuries and what are their present-day influences? What would it take and what would it mean to “decolonize” knowledge? These and other important questions will guide the critical exploration from feminist perspectives. Prerequisite, 101 and another course in Women's Studies or consent of the instructor. Maximum enrollment, 12.

**550F,S Senior Program.**

A project or thesis on a topic in women’s studies. Limited to senior concentrators and interdisciplinary concentrators with a focus on women’s studies. The Department.

# Writing

## Faculty

Maurice Isserman, History  
Margaret Thickstun, English

## *Special Appointment*

Sharon Williams

Writing is a central focus of the academic mission of Hamilton. All students must complete the Writing Program by passing at least three writing-intensive courses, each taken in a different semester. For detailed information on the writing requirement, see "Standards for Written Work" under "Academic Regulations." A complete list of writing-intensive courses is published each semester in the pre-registration materials from the Office of the Registrar.

Note that there is no concentration in Writing.

The following courses offer intensive focus on the development of writing skills. '

### **[111F] Adventure Writing.**

Students will learn the basics of good writing through writing about their own outdoor experiences and writing about the history of exploration and mountaineering. Readings will range from the 1804-06 journals of the Lewis and Clark expedition to books about contemporary Himalayan mountaineering. Students are required to take two class trips to the Adirondacks on Saturdays during the semester: a one-day canoe trip in September, and a one day climbing trip in October. (Writing-intensive.) (Proseminar.) Open to first-year students only. Students may take only one 100-level course in Writing. Maximum enrollment, 16.