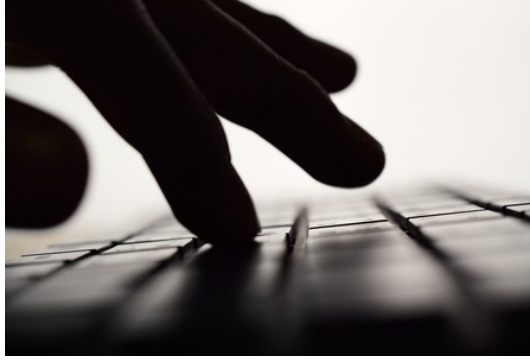


AMST 4973 (HYBRID COURSE)
Senior Seminar in American Studies
Spring 2021 (Thurs, 4:30-7:10 pm)
Dr. David Gray



The Senior Seminar is the capstone course for the Bachelor of Arts degree in American Studies. In this course you will hone your research and writing skills and write your Senior Thesis. Early classes will involve an examination of the scholar's craft. You will read several academic articles in order to ascertain how scholars: develop a methodology; conduct research; use sources; construct arguments; and situate the work in relation to existing scholarship. You will be expected to apply these skills in your Thesis. The course will take the form of a writing workshop. You will submit sections of your Thesis to the instructor and your peers on a weekly basis and receive feedback that you must implement during the revision process. Together with your peers, you will work through the challenges of scholarly research and writing to produce a Thesis that you are proud of. **Students are strongly encouraged to choose a topic for their Thesis prior to the course.** Feel free to contact Dr. Gray during the previous semester to discuss your ideas.

Required text: Wayne Booth, Gregory Colomb, and Joseph Williams, *The Craft of Research*, 4th edition.

Optional text: Philip J. Deloria & Alexander I. Olson *American Studies: A User's Guide*

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