Some logistical issues:

1. This course does not meet every week; the frequency and timing of the class meetings will vary, and is subject to negotiation.

2. Although the course lasts for two semesters, students should register for the seminar in the Spring term only. The entire two-semester course is worth 3 credits. To be allowed to register for the Spring term, students must hand in a draft of the introduction to their paper in December.

3. Students will be graded on the drafts of their research papers submitted at the end of the Spring term. All completed drafts will receive a grade of “A,” with the following exception: students are allowed to miss one class session per year with no grade penalty. After that, students will be penalized a half-grade per class missed (i.e., if you miss 2 class sessions, you get an A-minus, a B-plus for 3 class sessions missed, and so on).

**Tentative Schedule, Fall 2007**

Sept 17: Introductions.

Sept 24: Student research proposals I. In-class progress reports.

Oct 1: Student research proposals II. In-class progress reports.

Oct 8: Individual meetings.

Oct 22: In-class progress reports. Article introduction homework.

Nov 5: Individual meetings.

Dec 10: In-class student presentations.

Draft of article introduction due by December 13.

**Tentative Schedule, Spring 2008: To Be Announced.**