

PROPOSED NEW COURSES
ARTS & SCIENCES FACULTY MEETING
May 9, 2012

Humanities Curriculum Committee**Proposed new courses**

CAS EN 502: Crafting a Nonfiction Voice Workshop

Instructor: William Loizeaux

4 credits

Prerequisites: a writing sample (fiction or non-fiction) of no more than ten pages

A writing workshop that explores the notion of voice on the written page. Through reading, analysis, writing exercises, and independent projects, students become familiar with techniques for recreating the voices of others and for shaping a distinctive nonfiction voice (or voices) of their own.

CAS EN 512: Readings for Writers: Contemporary Literary Nonfiction

Instructor: William Loizeaux

4 credits

Prerequisites: none

Intensive reading seminar for students interested in literary nonfiction, a wide-ranging, sometimes controversial genre in which writers use techniques associated with fiction and poetry to make meaning of facts. The course explores the wealth and breadth of contemporary literary nonfiction – memoir, personal essay, literary journalism, travel, science, and medical writing – with an eye toward helping students think about their own nonfiction writing practices.

CAS LJ 316: Classical Japanese

Instructor: Wiebke Denecke

4 credits

Prerequisites: CAS LJ 303 or equivalent, or consent of instructor

Introduction to Classical Japanese, Japan's written language from the seventh until the twentieth century. Systematic study of grammar and lexicon enriched by original readings from major works of Japanese literature such as *Man'yōshū*, *Pillow Book*, *Genji*, and *Heike monogatari*, *Hōjōki*.

Natural Sciences Curriculum Committee**Proposed new courses**

GRS CH 629: DNA Nanotechnology

Instructor: Thomas D. Tullius

4 credits

Prerequisites: CAS CH 412 or equivalent, or consent of instructor

Structural biology of DNA. Synthetic DNA objects, DNA templated synthesis, DNAzymes. While biological function is mentioned, the main focus is DNA in nanotechnology, not the involvement of DNA in cell and molecular biology.

Social Sciences Curriculum Committee**Proposed new courses**

CAS HI 243 E: Britain and the European Question: The Confluence of History and Politics

Instructor: Michael Thornhill

4 credits

Prerequisites: enrollment in the London Internship Program

(Meets with CAS IR 392 E.) Historical and political overview of Britain's evolving relationship with Europe between 1945 and 1992 in the context of ongoing debates concerning national sovereignty and national modernization, losing an empire and maintaining a world role, and the "special relationship" with the United States.

CAS HI 255 E: History of Spain, 711–1898

Instructor: Amalia Pérez-Juez

4 credits

Prerequisites: enrollment in the Madrid Language & Liberal Arts Program

A survey of Spanish history from 711 to 1898, examining the political, social, and economic, and cultural events that shaped Spain in its modern form. Places Spain in a European context. Includes field trips around Madrid.

CAS IR 358: Global Feminism: Race and Gender in International Relations

Instructor: Diane Balser

4 credits

Prerequisites: none

Exploration of critical issues concerning women, gender, and race throughout the world. Topics include women and the global economy, health care, reproduction, the dynamics of sex industries, violence against women, international women's movements, and political/institutional change. (Also offered as CAS WS 360.)

CAS IR 381: U.S.-Pakistan Relations

Instructor: Husain Haqqani

4 credits

Prerequisites: none

Examines the history and current state of U.S.-Pakistan relations. Considers the political and strategic complexities of the bilateral alliance as well as Pakistan's key role in the international relations of South Asia, Central Asia, and the Muslim world.

CAS IR 421/ GRS IR 621 E: Global Governance, Economic Development, and Human Rights

Instructor: Bruce Larson

4 credits

Prerequisites: enrollment in the Geneva Global Governance, Economic Development, and Human Rights Program

Examines the roles of international "governing" institutions (the UN, NGOs, etc.) in the development of lower-income countries and the integration of human rights policies into such activities. Includes guest speakers from global organizations such as the WHO and the UN.

CAS IR 524: The Cold War in Latin America

Instructor: Renata Keller

4 credits

Prerequisites: none

Analyzes the Cold War as experienced in Latin America. Examines government policies, social movements, economic conditions, and power struggles across Latin America. Compares episodes of direct and indirect intervention by the United States as well as Latin American responses.