

The Fall 2009 Seminar

Placing Race: Investigating the History and Memory of Racial Pasts

Students will have the opportunity to discover and investigate the meanings attached to race across time and space. This seminar will draw on the groundbreaking scholarship about histories of race, race relations, and racial representations that are the foundation of interdisciplinary fields such as American Studies, Ethnic Studies, and Cultural Studies, as well as United States history.

Students will work with the Newberry Library's world-renowned collection of manuscripts, documents, visual culture, and other primary sources that can shape our understanding of race from the colonial era to the present, and their research will be guided



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by two scholars who are experts in the field.

There will be four workshop themes:

- Native America and the U.S. West,
- Slavery and Abolition,
- Orientalism at Home and Abroad, and
- The Great Migration.

These topics will guide the seminar's reading and provide background for student research. Students will be encouraged to make use of resources across the city of Chicago, as well.

After four weeks of intensive study and proposal writing, participants will launch into their independent research. The group will come together in a regular collaborative workshop to report on their progress, give each other feedback and suggestions, and discuss inevitable problems and roadblocks. Students will also meet independently with faculty to review their research. The culmination of the semester will be a research symposium, designed by the students, in which they will present the results of their research.

Above: "Harriet Tubman" in Sarah H. Bradford, *Scenes in the Life of Harriet Tubman*, 1869; H 5832.9

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Top: Working in the Special Collections at the Newberry.

Above: Miniature books from the John M. Wing Foundation on the History of Printing collection at the Newberry.

Front cover: The main entrance to the Newberry Library.

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Host institution The Newberry Library, an independent research library on Chicago's Near North Side (www.newberry.org).

The Newberry's collections span the history and culture of western Europe from the Middle Ages to the mid-20th century and the Americas from the time of first contact between Europeans and Native Americans.

Living arrangements Students live in furnished studio apartments near the Newberry Library in the Gold Coast neighborhood.

Costs Students are billed tuition and a program fee by their colleges. Students from non-ACM colleges must contact the ACM office in Chicago. For complete information, go to: www.acm.edu/newberry.

Research in the humanities at an unparalleled library

On the ACM Newberry Seminar in the Humanities, students conduct independent research and writing at one of the world's great libraries in the exciting city of Chicago.

Fall semester participants write a substantial paper on a topic of their choice, based on research in the rich primary collections of the Newberry Library. They work closely with faculty members and a select group of colleagues in a seminar that provides context and guidance for their research.

In some cases, the paper qualifies as a senior or honors thesis. In all cases, the fall seminar gives participants significant research experience that prepares them for graduate study, professional education (such as law school), or other careers.

Short-term seminars offered in the winter and spring include class meetings and a shorter paper, providing a similar experience of independent research and writing.

Top: "Cheyenne Camp attacked at Powder River by Soldiers (Mackenzies) Fall of 1876," in [Black Horse ledger, ca. 1877-79]; VAULT Oversize Ayer MS 3227.

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Topic Placing Race: Investigating the History and Memory of Racial Past

Faculty

Jane Rhodes, American Studies, Macalester College
Lynn M. Hudson, History, Macalester College

Dates Fall semester (early September - mid-December)

Credits Recommended credit is 16 semester hours or the equivalent.

Enrollment Maximum of 20 students

Eligibility Juniors and seniors interested in pursuing serious research in the humanities.

How to apply

- For information about applying, go to www.acm.edu/apply.
- ACM must receive completed applications (having gone through all on-campus procedures) by: March 15 — Fall semester deadline.

Weeks 1-6	Weeks 7-15
Introduction to the Newberry collections Seminar meetings: Readings and discussion	Independent research and writing Meet individually with faculty
Write research proposal	Seminar meetings

Research Symposium

Winter/Spring 2009 Short-term Seminars

Offered primarily for students at Colorado College and Cornell College, but open to all interested students, these seminars are considered equivalent to one course

on the home campus. See the schedule below for dates, topics, and instructors. Go to www.acm.edu/newberryshort for more details.

March 23 - April 15, 2009

Mammon-Historical Inquiries into the Impact of Wealth on Society

Esther Redmount, Economics
Colorado College

April 6 - 29, 2009

Shakespeare's Rivals

Katy Stavreva, English
Cornell College

April 20 - May 13, 2009

Modernists and Their Critics

Bryant "Tip" Ragan, History
Colorado College