NEWBERRY SEMINAR
Research in the Humanities

FOR STUDENTS INTERESTED IN
History
English, Literature, & Writing
Humanities & Digital Humanities
American Studies
Politics & Government
Religious Studies & Philosophy
Gender & Women’s Studies

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Led by a team of two visiting faculty members, the fall Newberry Seminar focuses on a specific theme in the humanities and is structured to provide context and guidance as you write a substantial paper on a topic of your choice, based on research in the library’s rich primary collections. You’ll engage with the Newberry community, present your work to the library’s research scholars, and have the opportunity to gain practical experience through a part-time job at the library.

GET ACCESS TO UNPARALLELED RESOURCES
The collections of the Newberry Library, located on Chicago’s Near North Side, 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. As a Newberry Seminar participant, you will be among a select few undergraduates to have full research access to this incredible source material.

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Conduct independent research at one of the world’s great research libraries – the Newberry Library – in the dynamic city of Chicago.

The Associated Colleges of the Midwest’s Newberry Seminar: Research in the Humanities offers a significant research experience that will prepare you for graduate study, professional education, and other careers.

FALL 2016 SEMINAR

VISITING FACULTY
Tori Barnes-Brus, Sociology and Anthropology, Cornell College
Rebecca Entel, English and Creative Writing, Cornell College

NOVEL ACTION: LITERATURE, SOCIAL MOVEMENTS, AND THE PUBLIC GOOD
What is social reform? Who are reformers and what are their motivations? What is the relationship between “words and deeds,” literature and action?
The Fall 2016 seminar will operate at the intersection of literature, social movements, and the public humanities. In readings from America’s “Age of Reform” to contemporary reform efforts, students will explore the relationship between literary and social movements that address multiple systems of oppression and discrimination.
Participants will gain hands-on experience with the Newberry Library’s unique collections and trace Chicago’s long history of social action through field trips. Training as independent researchers, students will learn to share, test, challenge, and develop new ideas within a strong scholarly community of faculty, librarians, archivists, writers, and activists.

DATES
Fall semester (early September - mid-December)

CREDITS
Recommended credit is 16 semester credits or the equivalent.

HOUSING
Students live in furnished apartments near the Newberry Library in Chicago’s Gold Coast neighborhood.

WORKING AT THE NEWBERRY
Part-time jobs at the Newberry Library are available for students, providing valuable experience and an opportunity to learn more about the inner workings of a major research library.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 15
Apply at ACM.edu/apply, and check with your Off-Campus Study Office about your college’s application procedures and deadlines.