STUDENT DIRECTED SEMINARS

PAST SEMINARS


### 2015/2016 Student Directed Seminars

**Diplomacy: History and Practice**  
(HIST 402A 101)  
Coordinator: Jennine Punzalan  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Steven Lee

**Interdisciplinary Approaches to Religion: Psychological, Social, and Cultural Effects**  
(ASTU 400Y)  
Coordinator: Anica Villamayor  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sunaina Assanand

**The European Union in International Relations: A Force to be Reckoned With?**  
(POLI 464D 001)  
Coordinator: Anne-Sophie Deman  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Kurt Hübner

**(Dis-)Empowered Mothering: A Study on Violence and Mothering in North-American-female-authored Texts**  
(ASTU 400X 001)  
Coordinator: Caitlin Funk  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Heather Latimer

**Cognitive Neuroscience of Executive Functions**  
(ASTU 400W)  
Coordinators: Cameron Drury and Robin Richardson  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michael Souza

**Why the Undead Walk Among Us: An Exploration of Zombies in Literature and Popular Culture**  
(ASTU 400P 001)  
Coordinator: Kate Reilly  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Gisele Baxter

**Hong Kong’s New Wave Cinema: A Filmic Study of the Handover**  
(ASTU 400V 001)  
Coordinator: Nicolaus Li  
Faculty Sponsors: Dr. Robyn Citizen and Dr. Alison Baile

**What makes you click: The Sociology of Online Dating**  
(SOCI 433A 002)  
Coordinator: Skyler Wang  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Carrie Yodanis

**Bilingualism**  
(ASTU 400U 001)  
Coordinator: Tess Forest  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Laurel Fais

**Infectious Diseases of the Tropics: A Description of the Nature, Prevalence, and Treatment of Disease**  
(BIOL 448B 201)  
Coordinators: Ashley Pinter and Garrett Huwyler  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Patricia Shulte
Lovecraft and Cosmic Pessimism  
ASTU 400Z  
Coordinator: Jesse Greenway  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Bo Earle

Philosophical Arguments in Traditional vs. Non-Traditional Media  
PHIL 486A 001  
Coordinators: Konstantin Prodanovic and Daniel Munro  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Christina Hendricks

Space and Politics (cross-listed: students can register in either ASTU 400T 001 or POLI 464F 002)  
Coordinators: Nick Leach and Trenton Sanders  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Jaymie Matthews

Women & Femininity in Alternative Music (MUSC 403M 001)  
Coordinator: Heather Gunn  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. David Metzer

Voices from the Margins: Race, Sexuality, and Settler Colonialism  
GRSJ 425A 001  
Coordinator: Kay Ho  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sunera Thobani

Altered Consciousness  
ASTU 400N 001  
Coordinator: Jensen Burghardt  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Steven Barnes

2014/2015 Student Directed Seminars

Addiction: A Comprehensive View of Substance and Behavioural Dependency  
ISCI 490 101  
Coordinator: Farah Kassam, Richard Rigby  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Steven Barnes

Identity Construction: Self and Society  
SOCI 433A 005  
Coordinator: Avi Ames  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Thomas Kemple

Korean Adoptee Literature  
ASTU 400C 001  
Coordinator: Savanah Knockwood  
Faculty Sponsor: Bruce Fulton

Redefining and Destigmatizing Mood Disorders  
ASTU 400L 001  
Coordinator: Natasha Kolida  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Steven Barnes

Nietzsche: The Death of God and the Rise of Zarathustra  
PHIL 485 001  
Coordinator: Simon Brass, Jason Riach  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Steven Taubeneck

Queer Identities in the Beat Movement  
ASTU 400B 001  
Coordinator: Samantha Lustig  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Stephen Guy-Bray

The Neuroplasticity of Exercise: A Rehabilitation Tool  
KIN 489X 001  
Coordinator: Janice Low  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Tania Lam

Determining Strength and Conditioning Ideologies  
KIN 489S 002  
Coordinator: Jason Yee  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Barry Legh

Absurd Spaces  
ASTU 400D 001  
Coordinator: Sonja Cvoric, Claire Elise Buckley  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michael Zeitlin

Disorders of Consciousness  
ASTU 400E 001  
Coordinator: Samantha Baglot  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lawrence Ward

The Science of Happiness  
ASTU 400F 001  
Coordinator: Heather Herriot, Lynnaea Northey  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michael Souza
Japanese Jidaigeki Cinema of the 1950s and 1960s
ASTU 400K 001
Coordinator: William Strausser
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Stefania Burk

Multidisciplinary Approaches to Sports and Exercise
ASTU 400I 001
Coordinator: Charlotte Kukowski
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sunaina Assanand

The Social Construction of Sexual Deviance: Paraphilias and the DSM-V
ASTU 400G 001
Coordinator: Amanda Herron
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sunaina Assanand

Bully Culture and the Politics of Change
ASTU 400H 001
Coordinator: Georgia Filippopoulos
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Patrick Moore

Sexualized Violence in Universities
SOCI 433A 002
Coordinator: Paz Villar
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Becki Ross

Environmental Issues in British Columbia
ENVR 490 201
Coordinator: Derek Wiens
Faculty Sponsor: Tara Ivanochko

The Modern State of Iran
POLI 422A 001
Coordinator: Parmida Esmaeipour, Katherine Tyson
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lisa Sundstrom

Philosophy of Metafiction
PHIL 489 002
Coordinator: Yannick Jamey
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Steven Taubeneck

2013/2014 Student Directed Seminars

The Development of Self-Consciousness
PHIL 486C 001
Coordinators: Omid Kazemi, Conrad Gryba
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Steven Taubeneck

Disordered Eating: Biology and Behaviour
ASTU 400U
Coordinator: Jacob Sussman
Faculty Sponsors: Dr. Michael Souza, Dr. Sunaina Assanand

From Bench to Bedside: Exploring the Impact of Research & Innovation on the Health Care System
ASTU 400J
Coordinator: Janet Lee
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Jennifer Gardy

Fundamentals of Recovery: Life After a Brain Injury
ASTU 400Y
Coordinator: Christina van den Brink
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michael Souza

International Relations of the Middle East: Theory and Policy
ASTU 400N
Coordinators: Lee Aldar
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Arjun Chowdhury

Large-Scale Machine Learning and Big Data
CPSC 490
Coordinator: Brendan Shillingford
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Steven Wolfman

Literature based approach to French creative writing - Écriture creative basée sur la littérature
FREN 498F 201
Coordinator: Simon Ferguson
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ralph Sarkonak

Neuropsychological Disorders in Children
ASTU 400Z
Coordinator: Tamar O'Shea
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michael Souza
Pragmatism: Just Chasing Squirrels?
PHIL 487 001
Coordinator: Lu-Vada Dunford
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Steven Taubeneck

Prostitution and Human Trafficking in Comparative Perspectives
ASTU 400K
Coordinators: Kate Beck, Kathryn Hutchins
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Neil Guppy

Roy Kiyooka: Modernism Between the Intimate and the Political
ASTU 400M
Coordinators: Carolyn Nakagawa, Angus Reid
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Chris Lee

Spectral Spirits, Suspense, and the Sublime: Gothic Literature in Speculation
ASTU 400G
Coordinators: Gemma Grimes, Catherine Read
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Gisele M. Baxter

Transformative Education: Exploitation, Violence and the Sexes
ASTU 400W
Coordinator: Gaylean Davies
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sunaina Assanand

Traumatic Brain Injury: The Full Picture of Impact
ASTU 400T
Coordinator: Vivian Kwan
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michael Souza

The Frankfurt School
PHIL 485 001
Coordinators: Jeremy Arnott, Hannah Tollefson
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Steven Taubeneck

The Politics of Indigenous-Settler Reconciliation in Canada
FNSP 433A 001
Coordinator: Erica Baker
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Daniel Heath Justice

2012/2013 Student Directed Seminars

ADHD: Attention Detours on a Highway Drive
ASTU 400A 001
Coordinator: Kay Seet Chee Chan
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sunaina Assanand

Alzheimers’ Disease and Related Dementias
ASTU 400M 001
Coordinator: Jennifer Ferris
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michael Souza

Androids, Aliens, Spaceships and Death Rays: Theorizing Science Fiction in Popular Culture
ASTU 400D 001
Coordinator: Laurel Rogers
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Larissa Lai

Culture, Resources, and Conflict: The Anthropology of Mining in the Global South
ANTH 433B
Coordinator: Gabriel Giauque
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John Barker

Diplomatic Procedure and Delegation within the United Nations
ASTU 400H 001
Coordinators: Terrie Chan, Pedram Maheiddinibonab
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Robert Crawford

Introduction to Behavioral Economics
COMM 486B 201
Coordinators: WeiYi Shen, Haoran Jiang
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Chloe Tergiman

Marx and Das Kapital
PHIL 487
Coordinators: Wayne Robinson, Dexter Fergie
Faculty Sponsor: Steven Taubeneck
Municipal Politics: A Practical Analysis
ASTU 400E 001
Coordinator: April Feenstra
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Maxwell Cameron

Nationalism and Separatism
ASTU 400C 001
Coordinator: Marion Benkaiouche
Faculty Sponsors: Dr. Arjun Chowdhury, Dr. Allan Craigie

Neurophysiology of Attention: Data and Models
ASTU 400N
Coordinator: Benj Wansker-Kirsh
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lawrence Ward

Power, People, and Politics in the HBO television series The Wire
ASTU 400W 001
Coordinator: Sharon Doucet
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Tiffany Potter

Representations of Vancouver in Contemporary Poetry and Prose
ASTU 400Y 001
Coordinator: Michael Prior
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Laura Moss

Social Dimensions of the Internet and New Media
SOCI 433
Coordinators: Justin Kong, Salima Hirji
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Tom Kemple

Social Mobilization and Advocacy for Climate Sustainability
POLI 405B / CONS 449
Coordinator: Quinn Runkle
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. George Hoberg

Teetering Bulbs of Dread and Dream: Exploring Strange Loops and Tangled Hierarchies in Douglas Hofstadter's Gödel, Escher, Bach
PHIL 489
Coordinators: Travis LaCroix, Adrian Yee
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Chris Mole

The Philosophy of Max Stirner
ASTU 400G 001
Coordinator: Kramer Rappos
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sylvia Berryman

United Nations and Diplomacy
ASTU 400J 001
Coordinators: Mike Hills, Montana Hunter
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Allen Sens

Youth in Transition: Community-Based Approaches to Exploring Social Determinants of Health
ASTU 400K 001
Coordinator: Melody Wang
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Jim Frankish

2011/2012 Student Directed Seminars

Birth, Breastfeeding, & Maternity Care from a Feminist Perspective
WMST 425B 001
Coordinator: Zoe Jordan
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Becki Ross

Books on Trial: Modernism, Aesthetics, and Obscenity
ASTU 400B 001
Coordinator: Justin Yang
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lorraine Weir

Challenging Ideas and Today’s Science
BIOC 490 001
Coordinator: Nicolas Coutin
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Jason Read

Development of the Modern State and Sexuality
WMST 425C 001
Coordinator: Carven Li
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Janice Stewart

Emerging Technologies and Business
COMM 486 201
Coordinator: Mimi YuFan You
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ronald T. Cenfetelli

Immigration and Multicultural Community Development: A Community-Based Evaluation Research Approach
SOCI 433A 001
Coordinator: Amanda Cheong
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Wendy Roth
Multiculturalism: Menace, Myth, or Wave of the Future?  
ASTU 400Y 001  
Coordinator: Keshav Kelkar  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michel Ducherme

Rationality + Human Decision Making  
PSYC 417A 001  
Coordinator: Erik Thulin  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lawrence Ward

Reading Hegel’s Phenomenology of Spirit  
PHIL 486A 001  
Coordinator: Kenji Hayakawa  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Christina Hendricks

The Case for Dramaturgy in Business  
COMM 486B 001  
Coordinators: Eunice Hii, Selena Shannon  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John X. Cooper

The Ethics of Tourism  
HESO 449B 001  
Coordinators: Andrea Paley, Sarah Gregory  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Shafik Dharamsi

The Politics of Food: History and Theory of North American Cultivation  
ASTU 400F 001  
Coordinator: Nicholas Ellan  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Glenn Deer

Understanding Canadian Identity Through Representations of Food  
ASTU 400U 001  
Coordinator: Serenade Yu  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Laura Moss

Multiculturalism: Menace, Myth, or Wave of the Future?  
ASTU 400Y 001  
Coordinator: Keshav Kelkar  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Michel Ducherme

Contemporary Research in Manipulating Consciousness  
PHIL 486A  
Coordinators: Theo Rosenfeld, Colin Steinmann, Chris Rogers  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr Christopher Mole

Critical Perspectives of Healthy and Activity: Who’s In and Who’s Out  
HKIN 489  
Coordinators: Alex Taub, Emilie Whittemore  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr Laura Hurd Clarke

Democracy and Development in the Age of the Internet and New Media  
ASTU 400F 001  
Coordinators: Caroline Durran, Alex Bookbinder  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr Alfred Hermida

Developing Internationalists: Critical Approaches to Service  
HESO 449B  
Coordinator: Ricardo Segovia  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr Shafik Dharamsi

Ecohealth: Global Implications  
HESO 449  
Coordinators: Dena Javadi, Nadine Quereshi  
Faculty Sponsor: Jerry Spiegel

Fairytales Retold  
ASTU 400C 002  
Coordinator: Nafiza Azad  
Faculty Sponsor: Suzanne James

Food Science Applications to Address to Nutrient Deficiencies in Developing Countries  
FNH 490  
Coordinators: Chelsea Leung, Beatriz Ramos  
Faculty Sponsors: Dr Li-Chan, Dr Judy McLean

Historical Fiction and the Makings of a Canadian Identity  
HIST 420A  
Coordinator: Richard Kemick  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr Robert McDonald

Issues in Korean Politics  
ASTU 400G 001  
Coordinator: Jin Young Park  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr Kyung Ae Park

2010/2011 Student Directed Seminars
Journalism in the 21st Century
ASTU 400M
Coordinator: Justin McElroy
Faculty Sponsor: Dr Mary Lynn Young

Landscapes of Energy
GEOG 442
Coordinator: George Rahi
Faculty Sponsor: Dr Philippe Le Billon

Multicultural/Pluralism and Identity in Canada
SOCI 433
Coordinators: Christina Kwon, Hanae Akiyama
Faculty Sponsor: Dr Neil Guppy

Perspectives on Peace: An Examination of Post Conflict Societies
ASTU 400D 001
Coordinators: Julia Palmiano, Amber Hill
Faculty Sponsor: Dr Judy McLean

So it goes...The Modern American Voice of Kurt Vonnegut Jr.
ASTU 400H 001
Coordinator: Tony Eden
Faculty Sponsor: Dr Christopher Lee

Stealing History-Art and Cultural Property Theft in Situations of Armed Conflict
ASTU 400J
Coordinator: Claudia Pedrero
Faculty Sponsor: Dr Allen Sens

Sustainability and Greenization Initiative
APSC 498K
Coordinator: Resha Sabti
Faculty Sponsor: Dr Bruce Dunwoody

The Business of Biotechnology
BIOL 490A
Coordinator: Dawei Ji
Faculty Sponsor: Dr Brett Finlay

The History of Quebec Nationalism
HIST 420D 201
Coordinator: Mathieu Swiderski
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lara Silver

The Politics of English Language Teaching: Ethics, Ideology, and Imperialism
LLED 491B 002
Coordinator: Alyssa Satterwhite
Faculty Sponsor: Steven Talmi

Topics and Methods in Computer Science Education
CS 490
Coordinator: Elizabeth Patitsas
Faculty Sponsor: Steve Wolfman

Topics on International Development and Project Ecuador
HESO 449
Coordinators: Monique Smith, Sarah Mohebiany
Faculty Sponsor: Dr Jerry Spiegel

Transgressive Sexuality in Science Fiction
WMST 425R
Coordinator: Andy Holloway
Faculty Sponsor: Dr Janice Stewart

United Nations & Diplomacy
ASTU 400E
Coordinator: Dominika Ziemczonek
Faculty Sponsor: Dr Allen Sens

2009/2010 Student Directed Seminars

United Nations and Diplomacy
ASTU 400T
Coordinator: Sarah Chambers
Faculty Sponsor: Dr Allen Sens

Leadership in Social Enterprise
COMM 486D-101
Coordinators: Paulina Lipska and Fiona McGlynn
Faculty Sponsor: Jeff Kroeker

Five Novels of Jane Austen: Let other pens dwell on guilt and misery
ASTU 400U
Coordinators: Jenna-Lee Shephard and Christa Defazio
Faculty Sponsor: Lee Johnson

Ethics in International Development
HESO 449A 003
Coordinator: Andra Dediu
Faculty Sponsor: Dr Shafik Dharamsi
Communications in Food Systems Analysis  
GEOG 442  
Coordinator: Ben Amundson  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Juanita Sundberg

FutureSocial Design Charrette  
ENDS 482C 001  
Coordinators: Jon-Scott Kohli and Alexandra Manson  
Faculty Sponsor: Mari Fujita

Anthropology of the Secular  
ANTHRO 433A 003  
Coordinators: Azim Islam and Rania Mashkoor  
Faculty Sponsor: Sonia Das

Topics in Family Law: Child Protection Law  
LAW 362D 001  
Coordinator: Jaime Sarophim  
Faculty Sponsor: Sharon Sutherland

Critical and Comparative Economics  
ASTU 400Y 002  
Coordinators: Charles Zhu and Tiffany Tong  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. William Rees

Knowledge and Power in International Relations: Critical Perspectives  
ASTU 400J 002  
Coordinators: Lucy Rodina and Brent Cooper  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Richard Price

Increasing Access to Essential Medicines in Developing Countries: Strategies and Barriers  
HESO 449B  
Coordinator: Sonja Babovic  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Kishor Wasan

Counter Enlightenments  
PHIL 486A 001  
Coordinator: Royce Zeisler  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Christina Hendricks

Trade, Aid, and International Health  
HESO 449B 002  
Coordinator: Aneil Jaswal  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Jerry Spiegel

An Exploration of how the Media is Indoctrinating the Mind’s of the Next Generation  
SOCI 433A 003  
Coordinator: Jacqueline Cheng  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Neil Guppy

Interdisciplinary Applications of Evolutionary Theory  
BIOL 490A-201 / ASTU 400B-002  
Coordinators: Scott Newson and Yana Eglit  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Santokh Singh

Enterprise Web Application Development  
CPSC 490-201  
Coordinator: Payam Moghaddam  
Faculty Sponsor: Meghan Allen

Topics in International Service Learning  
HESO 449B 001  
Coordinators: Yan Xu and Sabine Lague  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Shafik Dharamsi

Canada’s Impact on Human Security in Africa  
ASTU 400W 002  
Coordinators: Annabel Wong, Sarina Rehal, and Tanja Bergen  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Erin Baines

Topics in International Service Learning  
HESO 449B 001  
Coordinators: Yan Xu and Sabine Lague  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Shafik Dharamsi

An Outlook on the Iranian Cinema and Music  
ASTU 400Z 002  
Coordinators: Mandana Salimian and Nardin Roshin Moniri  
Faculty Sponsor: Mory Gomshei

Creating a National Image: Iconography and Identity in Canada  
ARTH 397D  
Coordinator: Britt Gallpen  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John O’Brian

Science and Civilization in Islam  
ISCI 490 / ASTU 400M-002  
Coordinators: Aalia Sachedina and Raheem Noormohammed  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Shafik Dharamsi
Physics and Society  
PHYS 447B 002  
Coordinator: Tess Baker  
Faculty Sponsors: Dr. Janis McKenna and Dr. Chris Waltham

2008/2009 Student Directed Seminars

Problem Solving in Computer Science  
Coordinators: Robert Tseng and Christopher Head  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. William Evans

UBC Reads  
ENVR 490  
Coordinators: Jessica Baas and Chelsea Burns  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. George Spiegelman

The Art and Architecture of Iran  
ARTH 397A  
Coordinators: Sadaf Yahyai and Shadi Mahmoudi  
Faculty Sponsors: Dr. Rhodri Windsor-Lacombe and Dr. Mory Ghomshei

International Health and Development  
HESO 449B 003  
Coordinators: Amaan Banwait and Aleem Kara  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Shafik Dharamsi

Politicization of Science  
ISCI 490  
Coordinator: Elizabeth Hendren  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sunita Chowrira

Philosophy of Technology and the Body  
PHIL 486A  
Coordinator: Erik Hoff  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Steven Taubeneck

Perspectives on Health Policy and Social Justice  
HESO 449B  
Coordinators: Jeremy Taylor and Heather Allyn  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Steve Morgan

Beyond the Dark Side of the Mind: Positive Psychology  
ASTU 400H  
Coordinators: Kartika Kepper and Keita Demming  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Darrin Lehman

What the Dickens! An Indepth Analysis of one of English Literature’s Most Influential Writers  
ASTU 400B 001  
Coordinator: Lydia Hol  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Sarika Bose

Repatriation as Reconciliation  
ANTH 433  
Coordinators: Jennifer Robinson and Sarah Turnbull  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Susan Rowley

United Nations and Diplomacy  
ASTU 400A 001  
Coordinator: Elysa Hogg  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Allen Sens

Contemporary Issues in International Health Aid  
HESO 449  
Coordinators: Iran Seyed-Raeisy and Trisha Taneja  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Jerry Spiegel

Sustainable Green Design: Building an Ecosystem  
Coordinators: Morghain Gibbons and Ross Richardsen  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Susan Nesbit

The Sex Industry: Regulations and Representations  
SOCI 433A 004  
Coordinator: Natasha Wright  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Amy Hanser

Health Issues in Latin America  
Coordinators: Monica Freudenreich and Katy Konyk  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Jon Beasley-Murray

The Politics of Health Care Reform  
HESO 449B  
Coordinator: Rebecca Brooke  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Alan Jacobs

Issues Associated with Recreational Drug Use  
Coordinators: Anthony Gador and Ankur Midha  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Brian Cairns

Shakespeare: The Final Frontier  
Coordinator: Michael LaPointe  
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John X. Cooper
Mythic Connections: The Significance of Myth in Modern Storytelling
CLST 360J
Coordinator: Chelsey Stuyt
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lyn Rae

2007/2008 Student Directed Seminars

Think Globally, Act Locally: Citizenship in Vancouver
SOCI 433A 002
Coordinators: Esther Yuen and Maureen Mendoza
Faculty Sponsor: Rima Wilkes

Popular Culture and Folklore in Contemporary Japan
ASTU 400B-001
Coordinator: Yoshiko Kosugi
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Adheesh Sathaye

The Baha’i Faith and Today’s World
ASTU 400E-001
Coordinator: Sahand Vafadary
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lee Brown

Approaches to Teaching Community Health Internationally
SOCI 433A 002
Coordinators: Vanessa Barbosa and Natalie Amram
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Jerry Spiegel

Contemporary Iranian History and Governments
ASTU 400D-001
Coordinators: Bahador Moosavi Zadeh and Razi Ardakani
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Daniel Vickers

Graphic Novels: Legitimizing the Genre
ASTU 400A -001
Coordinator: Phedra Deonarin
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Kevin McNeilly

Medicine in the 21st Century: Delivery and Care
ANAT 448K
Coordinator: Bez Toosi
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Bernie Bressler

Perspectives on Health: From Local to Global
FNH 497B
Coordinator: Melanie Byland and Nadia Formigoni
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Jim Frankish
The United Nations and Diplomacy
ASTU 400C-001
Coordinator: Anna Filippova
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Allen Sens

2006/2007 Student Directed Seminars

Managing Diversity in Organizations: Challenging the ‘-isms’ in Organizational Culture and Social Networks
COMM 490B and ASTU 400E
Coordinators: Eiston Lo and Josephine Wong
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Marc-David Seidel

Higher Education Reform:
EDUC 449B
Coordinators: Iain Snee and Brittany Baum
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Marc-David Seidel

Conflict Management Systems
APSC 498F
Coordinator: Bijan Ahmadian
Faculty Sponsor: Sharon Sutherland

Consumer Culture and Identity in Latin America
HIST 450D
Coordinator: Angela Chaisson
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Alejandra Bronfman

Problem Solving in Computer Science
CPSC 490
Coordinators: Igor Ostrovsky and Andrew Rothbart
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Patrice Belleville

Constructing Everyday Life: The Sociology of Popular Culture
SOCl 433
Coordinators: Kerry Watts and Anna Downing
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Tom Kemple

Philosophy of Cognitive Liberty
PHIL 489
Coordinator: Robin Tavender
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Steven Taubeneck

The Graphic Novel as Literature
ENGL 490
Coordinator: Drew Gilmour
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Kieran Kealy
The Rise of Modern Medicine and its Impact on Society
BIOL 448B/ASTU 400A
Coordinators: Brinda Shah and Kathryn Hunter
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Keith Benson

Immigration and Identity in Canada
SOCI 433B
Coordinator: Madeleine de Trenquayle
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Gillian Creese

An Investigation into Complimentary and Alternative Medicine
BIOL 448G
Coordinator: Sylvia Lim
Faculty Sponsor: Lynda Eccott

Communalism and Politics in South Asian Literature:
ASTU 400F
Coordinators: Komal Kumar and Nabila Pirani
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ken Bryant

History and Literature of Iran
ASTU 400C
Coordinators: Mani Roshan Moniri, Nazanin Roshan Moniri
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Mory Ghomshehi

History of Taiwan
ASTU 400D
Coordinator: Iris Chen
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Peter Nosco

Appropriate Technology in International Development
APSC 262
Coordinators: Kris Madelung and Davey Mitchell
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Robert Millar

Sexual Violence
SOCI 433B
Coordinators: Bryce Westlake and Dominika Kupczyk
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Becki Ross

English Unbound
ENGL 466F
Coordinators: Amanda Reaume and Johnson Chan
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Marlene Briggs

Diplomacy and the United Nations
ASTU 400B
Coordinators: Jennifer Brooke and Amir Musin
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ramjee Parajulee

An Introduction to the Fields and Methods of Biomedical Research
BIOL 448J
Coordinators: Noah Alexander and Gordon Kirkpatrick
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Agnes Lacombe

2005/2006 Student Directed Seminars

Sex, Drugs, and Rock ‘n Roll: Popular Culture, 1970s to Today
ENGL 466E
Coordinator: Ashley Bayles
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Gisele Baxter

Transforming Theory to Action: An Exploration of Critical Race and Critical Pedagogy Praxis
WMST 450B
Coordinator: Mia Amir
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Juanita Sundberg

Problem Solving in Computer Science
CPSC 490
Coordinators: Dustin Tseng and Mike Li
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. David Kirkpatrick

Politics of HIV/AIDS in Africa
ASTU 400F
Coordinator: Brenda Ogembo
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Jerry Spiegel

Globalization and the Environment
ISCI 490
Coordinators: Ashley Good and Shelby Tay
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. George Spiegelman

Gender, Sex, and Sexuality in Japanese Culture
ASTU 400A
Coordinator: Yvonne Kong
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Eye of the Beholder: A Study of the Social Experience of the Chinese Cultural Revolution
ASTU 400C
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Corporate Social Responsibility – Solutions and Limitations
COMM 490B/ASTU 400L
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Political Entities, Political Identities
ASTU 400B
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Factors in the Modeling the Spread of Disease
ASTU 400K
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Topics in Stem Cell Research
BIOL 448C / MEDG 488C
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Seminal Papers in Marine Biogeochemistry
EOSC 448E
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Anarchism and Everyday Life
ANTH 433A
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Human Rights at Home: A Practical Approach to Challenging the -isms
SOCI 433A
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The Role of Technology in International Development
APSC 262
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Exploration of Iranian Contemporary Art and Culture
ASTU 400G
Coordinators: Pooya Khalili and Iman Khalili
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Theorizing and Practicing Education for Integrated, Whole Human Development
ASTU 400D
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An Insight into Biomedical Research: Clinical Research, Innovative Technology and Integrated Healing
BIOL 448J
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Social, Cultural and Clinical Issues of the Child Bearing Year
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Renewable Energy Engineering
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Persian Poetry: Classical to Modern
ASTU 400A
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International Relations: Critical Theories & Representation
ASTU 400F
Coordinators: Jose Poveda, Sam Leung, and Christina Apostol
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BIOL 448
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Topics in HIV/AIDS Research
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Intimate Discussions with Sexuality in Renaissance Drama
ENGL 347A
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Multimedia Practice in Education
EDUC 449D
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Faculty Sponsor: Ms. Anne-Marie Lamonde

Diplomacy and Negotiation
POLI 370
Coordinators: Ana-Maria Blanaru, Marko Papic
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CPSC Problem Solving Course
CPSC 448
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A Study of the Decline of Selected Civilizations
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An Investigation into Integrative, Complementary, and Alternative Medicine (ICAM)
PHAR 450
Coordinators: Irfan Kuo
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ingrid Price

Eating Disorders: from prevention to treatment
FNH 490
Coordinator: Sarah Kielly
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ryna Levy-Milne

The Crusades
Coordinator: Craig Jangula
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. R. Unger

Awareness
Coordinator: Ivan Tucakov
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Jaymie Matthews

Environmental Action
GEOG 448
Coordinator: Deanna Del Vecchio
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Juanita Sundberg

Scandals in History
Coordinator: Sri Bhavani Ganesan

An Interdisciplinary Evaluation of Marine Protected Areas
ISCI 448
Coordinator: Becky Freedman
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lee Gass

Activist Media Studies
SOCI 433
Coordinator: Eric Rosenberg
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Appropriate Technology and Engineering Ethics in the Developing World
APSC 262
Coordinator: Jordan Ko
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Robert Crawford

Integrative, Complementary, & Alternative Medicine (ICAM)
PHAR 450
Coordinators: Liana Hwang and Ryan Morasiewicz
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Lynda Eccott

Environmental Movements
SOCI 433
Coordinator: Daphne Hamilton-Nagorsen
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. David Tindall

Cognitive Liberty: Psychedelic Perspectives
PHIL 486
Coordinator: Mark Bryan
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Jim Dybikowski

Historical Mysteries
ASTU 400
Coordinators: Elisa Wakabayashi and Terrance Yue
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. M. Boudreau

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Empowerment, Engagement and Social
ASTU 400
Coordinator: Sara Ross
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Rob Van Wynsberghe
Sustainability in Vancouver
ASTU 400
Coordinator: R. Drage
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Fiona Crofton

Introduction to Asian Performing Arts
THTR 448B
Coordinator: C. Mackie
Faculty Sponsor: Peter Loeffler

Future Problem Solving and Gifted Education
EPSE 390
Coordinator: Kevin Burnell
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Marion Porath

Social Justice
ASTU 400
Coordinator: Sima Zerehi
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Maureen Ryan

An Investigation into Integrative, Complementary and Alternative Medicine (ICAM)
PHAR 450
Coordinator: A. J. Rubin
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Mathematical Ratios and Patterns in Nature Biology
BIOL 448
Coordinator: Jen Sunday
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Martin Adamson

An Investigation into Complimentary and Alternative Medicine (ICAM)
BIOC 448 / PHAR 450
Coordinator: Ashley Riskin
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Richard Barton

Film in Post-Colonial Asia
FILM 434B
Coordinator: Nicki Magnolo
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Ken Bryant

Management of Natural and Human Resources in the Georgia Basin
ASTU 400
Coordinator: Tom Bird
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. John Robinson