#### THEO 5102: Research Methods

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Course Description: An introduction to the sources, methods and communication of research in each theological field. The course focuses on research skills, the integration and synthesis of sources, and the presentation of material primarily through the medium of writing. Faculty in various fields (Biblical, historical, theological, and ministry) will participate in the instruction and assignments as needed. This is a core course for the MATS degree and is required for those students writing a thesis.

## **Objectives:**

This course emphasizes assigned readings and assignments on the practice of research as well as readings in your research subject.

#### Students will become skilled in:

- \*finding and evaluating sources, including internet resources
- \*analysis and argumentation
- \*constructing and answering good research questions
- \*building bibliographies
- \*using the library
- \*critical reading of texts, including putting sources in conversation with one another
- \*formulation of good research projects, including focused subjects and theses

#### Students will be introduced to:

- \*library resources
- \*theological, biblical, and ministry sources
- \*methods of reasoning in general fields
- \*thesis format and style and the required thesis template

<sup>\*</sup>Syllabus subject to minor changes.

**Course format:** The course will be a hybrid, partially on-campus and partially online. We will gather on campus on three Fridays for all day sessions (9 am-5 pm; lunch is **not** provided): September 14, October 5, and November 16. Prior to, in between, and after the Friday sessions, we will work online, with material posted by me, student assignments shared online, and discussions of my material and yours.

**Requirements & Assignments:** While the students will be introduced to a variety of research methods, the goal is to become skilled in a specific research area. Students interested in interdisciplinary work should show how they are integrating areas of research. Most of the assignments should serve to develop each student's specific area of research interest. Unless otherwise specified, assignments are due by 11:59 pm (Chicago time) on the date indicated.

## 1. Class Participation

This course is primarily a seminar course, with emphasis on student collaborative work and discussion, with students providing mutual as sistance with their research. This requires that students complete the readings and assignments prior to on-campus sessions and come prepared to discuss the scheduled subject. Note that there are some weeks when there will be no new assignments due, to provide extra time for independent work on your respective research project.

Each student will be required to respond substantively **at least twice** to the thread of discussion for each item of material shared online by me or other students. Brief postings of "I agree/disagree" or "That's good [or bad, correct, incorrect, etc.]" are inadequate. You should comment specifically on strengths or weaknesses, on matters of agreement or disagreement, on questions or points needing clarification, etc. Provide reasons for your response, whether positive or negative. Please let me know if you have questions about this. The goal is to replicate a version of the kind of substantive discussions from an on campus, face-to-face course.

For most of the required reading, I will post weekly some discussion questions so that can students to respond to the readings as signed for that week. Please post your responses and reply to other students' posts.

Due to the scarcity of our on-campus, face-to-face gatherings, attendance at all three Saturday sessions is crucial. Any unexcused absences will be an "F" for the day and will affect your grade for the course.

#### 2. Research Log

Throughout this course, you will keep a weekly log of your research activity. You may use a notebook, binder, computer folder, etc., whatever works best for your organization. You must, however, log at least once a week because each week you will submit these logs to me. If you do not write your log digitally, you may scan the paper in order to send them via e-mail. Your notes do not need to be sentences, they can be sentence fragments, perhaps in the form of bullet points. Your log should include the following every week:

1. Date.

- 2. A list of reading you have done on your research subject (NOT the assigned reading for the course), including the bibliographic information the first time you enter a source.
- 3. Notes on anything interesting you found, including notes on the questions that focus your research project.
- 4. New questions that arose from your reading.
- 5. Problems that emerge or break-throughs in ideas.
- 6. 20 minutes of "stream of consciousness" writing. This, like the rest, does not need to be edited at all.

The learning objectives of this assignment include the following:

- 1. To keep track of your research progress throughout the semester in case you need to find something quickly or retrieve ideas
- 2. To continue developing organizational skills
- 3. To hold you accountable to reading every week in your subject area
- 4. To develop consistent writing habits that aid you in synthesizing what you have been reading
- 5. To find new questions, new solutions, and new problems in your research—all of which cultivate a more refined research question and approach.

This assignment will be graded on consistency, timeliness (I will check themat various points) and following the above guidelines. It will not be graded on writing style, content (other than that you are reading appropriate sources), or creativity. However, feel free to be creative in your thinking, writing, questions, etc.!

**Due:** We will check in weekly for this assignment. Your log for the previous week should be sent to me by 11:59 pm Monday (Chicago time) of each week. The first is due Sept. 4 (a Tuesday, because of the Labor Day holiday).

#### 3. Research Exercises

This will include assignments designed to refine students' research and critical thinking abilities.

Some will be done during on-campus class sessions and evaluated by other students. Some will be done during weeks when we are not on-campus and thus will be posted online to be shared with the class.

Examples include critiquing research articles in various fields, finding recent sources on a subject, entering bibliographic information, online searches, etc.

Most of these assignments build on one another and are geared toward your final research paper. The length of the exercises varies. Some are relatively short and some are longer. All should be typewritten.

\*\* Unless otherwise noted, for on-campus sessions, bring a copy of all research exercises for each class mate, as we will work on these in class. If you would like me

# to make copies, email them to me by at least 9 am Thursday morning before the Friday on-campus class.

Late exercises will be accepted but will be graded down a full grade for every day they are late.

**Due:** See course calendar below for specific dates.

## 4. Bibliography

Build a bibliography around your focused subject. Your bibliography should include at least 20 entries. Each entry must be **correctly cited** according to Turabian form or your project will be marked down. For at least 10 of the entries (but preferably all entries), you must include an **annotation**. Use *How to Read a Book*, 46-47 (from chapter 5) as your guideline. Your annotation should answer each of the 4 que stions on 46-47 in *How to Read a Book*.

Due: October 18

## 5. Syntopical Reading Project.

This as signment is critical for constructing your thesis and outline for your research paper and builds on a number of the previous research exercises. The key instructional framework for this assignment is chapter 20 of *How to Read a Book*, read previously. In this assignment, you will identify key terms and arguments and put sources in conversation with one another. This will aid in identifying and refining your research question. For clarification of the steps, see *How to Read a Book*, 335-36 (you can also look at *From Topic to Thesis*, 77-85). Further instructions (you only need to turn in the steps that are marked with an \*):

#### Part I

Step 1- Use your bibliography.

Step 2- Inspect all your books and sources. (See "Inspectional Reading," *How to Read a* Book, 31-44).

Part II

- Step 1- Using at least 6 of the most relevant sources, identify the most important passages in each sources. (You should already have used some of these sources in the *How to Read a Book* research exercises.)
- \*Step 2-Bring authors to terms (as Adler refers to it). What are the central categories and terms that you will use in your papers, and how do your main sources employ, define, describe each term/category? (see *How to Read a Book*, ch. 8)
- \*Step 3-List 3-5 central questions that each of your sources address (directly or indirectly).
- \*Step 4- Define the major is sues and then the minor is sues by showing the positions of your authors in context of the central questions of step 3.
- \*Step 5-Order the questions and is sues in such a way as to throw maximum light on the subject. Show how the is sues are related.

#### Due November 5.

6. Research Paper. Write a 12-15 page research paper on a focused subject. Your paper should have a clear question that you answer, should address a problem, and include a

full bibliography (see earlier as signment). Ideally your paper will be one of two things: (1) a research paper that you are writing for another course or (2) a chapter of your thesis. If your current work does not fall into any of these categories, we will decide together on another subject for you.

Due: Friday December 14, midnight (Chicago time)

## **Grading Weights**

-Class Participation (includes class attendance, preparedness, and online discussion

postings): 10%
-Research Log: 15%
-Research Exercises: 25%
-Bibliography: 10%

-Syntopical Reading Project: 15%

-Research Paper: 25%

#### Title IX

Students who believe they have been harassed, discriminated against, or involved in sexual violence should contact the Seminary Dean of Students and Community Life ((773) 244-6222) or Dean of Students (773-244-5565) or Director of Human Resources (773-244-5599) for information about campus resources and support services, including confidential counseling services.

As a member of the North Park faculty, we are concerned about the well-being and development of our students, and are available to discuss any concerns. Faculty are legally obligated to share information with the University's Title IX coordinator in certain situations help ensure that the student's safety and welfare is being addressed, consistent with the requirements of the law. These disclosures include but are not limited to reports of sexual assault, relational/domestic violence, and stalking.

Please refer to North Park's Safe Community site for contact information and further details. <a href="http://www.northpark.edu/Campus-Life-and-Services/Safe-Community">http://www.northpark.edu/Campus-Life-and-Services/Safe-Community</a>

#### Disabilities Accommodations

Students with disabilities who believe that they may need accommodations in this class are encouraged to contact the program's office (773-244-5619). Please do so as soon as possible to better ensure that such accommodations are implemented in a timely manner. Please review the following website: http://www.northpark.edu/ada

#### **Academic Honesty**

In keeping with our Christian heritage and commitment, North Park is committed to the highest possible ethical and moral standards. Just as we will constantly strive to live up to these high standards, we expect our students to do the same. To that end, cheating of any sort will not be tolerated. Students who are discovered cheating are subject to discipline up to and including failure of a course and expulsion. Our definition of cheating includes but is not limited to: 1. Plagiarism—the use of another's work as one's own without giving credit to the individual. This includes using materials from the internet. 2. Copying

another's answers on an examination. 3. Deliberately allowing another to copy one's answers or work. 4. Signing an attendance roster for another who is not present. For further information on this subject you may refer to the Academic Dishonesty section of the University's online catalog.

\*Please see the academic handbook for is sues of standards and plagiarism.

#### Textbook List

## Required:

- Adler, Mortimer J. and Charles Van Doren. *How to Read a Book*. Rev. and updated ed. New York: Simon & Schuster, 1972. ISBN: 0671212095. (**Hereafter:** *How to Read a Book*) In the Reference Collection.
- Booth, Wayne C., Gregory G. Colomb, and Joseph M. Williams. *The Craft of Research*. 4th ed. Chicago Guides to Writing, Editing. and Publishing. Chicago: The University of Chicago Press, 2016. ISBN: 9780226239736 (**Hereafter:** *Craft of Research*) In the Reference Collection
- Kibbe, Michael. From Topic to Thesis: A Guide to Theological Research. Downers Grove, IL: IVP Academic, 2016. ISBN: 9780830851317 (Hereafter From Topic to Thesis) In the Reference Collection
- Turabian, Kate L. A Manual for Writers of Term Papers, Theses, and Dissertations: Chicago Style for Students and Researchers. 8<sup>th</sup> ed. Rev. by Wayne C. Booth, Gregory G. Colomb, and Joseph M. Williams. Chicago Guides to Writing, Editing, and Publishing. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2013. ISBN: 9780226816388 (Hereafter: Turabian) In the Reference Collection
- Vyhmeister, Nancy Jean, and Terry Dwain Robertson. Your Guide to Writing Quality Research Papers: For Students of Religion and Theology, 3d ed. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2014. ISBN: 978-0310514022 (Hereafter: Quality Research Papers)
  In the Reference Collection

## Recommended Reading:

Stewart, David R. *The Literature of Theology: A Guide for Students and Pastors*. Rev. ed. Louis ville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2003. **In the Reference Collection.** 

## Additional Bibliography

#### Research Methods

- Abbott, Andrew. Digital Paper: A Manual for Research and Writing with Library and Internet Materials. Chicago Guides to Writing, Editing, and Publishing. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2014.
- Barber, Cyril J., and Robert M. Krauss, Jr. *An Introduction to Theological Research*. 2nd ed. Lanham, MD: University Press of America, 2000.

<sup>\*</sup>Selected research articles (to be distributed later).

- Bayard, Pierre. *How to Talk about Books You Haven't Read*. Translated from the French by Jeffrey Mehlman. New York: Blooms bury, 2007.
- Chernow, Barbara A. Beyond the Internet: Successful Research Strategies. Lanham, MD: Bernan, 2007.
- Mann, Thomas. Library Research Models: A Guide to Classification, Cataloging, and Computers. New York: Oxford University Press, 1993.
- Mann, Thomas. *The Oxford Guide to Library Research*. 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. New York: Oxford University Press, 2005.
- Pazmino, Robert W. Doing Theological Research: An Introductory Guide for Survival in Theological Education. Eugene, OR: Wipf & Stock, 2009.
- Weidenborner, Stephen, Caruso Domenick, and Gary Parks. Writing Research Papers: A Guide to the Process. 7<sup>th</sup> ed. Boston: Bedford/St. Martin's: 2005.

## Writing and Style

- Colomb, Gregory, and Joseph Williams. *The Craft of Argument*. Chicago Guides to Writing, Editing, and Publishing. New York: Longman, 2002.
- Strunk, William, Jr., and E. B. White. *The Elements of Style*. 4th ed. New York: Allyn and Bacon, 2000.
- Weston, Anthony. A Rulebook for Arguments. 4th ed. Indianapolis: Hackett, 2009.
- Williams, Joseph M. *Style: The Basics of Clarity and Grace*. 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. Chicago Guides to Writing, Editing, and Publishing. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2006.
- Williams, Joseph M. *Style: Toward Clarity and Grace*. Chicago Guides to Writing, Editing, and Publishing. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1995.
- Yaghjian, Lucretia. Writing Theology Well: A Rhetoric for Theological and Biblical Writers. Continuum. 2006.
- Zinsser, William. On Writing Well: The Classic Guide to Writing Nonfiction. 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reprint Edition. New York: Harper Perennial, 2006.

## Biblical and Theological Bibliography

Bradley, James E., and Richard A. Muller. *Church History: An Introduction to Research, Reference Works, and Methods*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1995.

Johnston, William M. Recent Reference Books in Religion: A Guide for Students, Scholars, Researchers, Buyers, & Readers. Rev. ed. Chicago: Fitzroy Dearborn, 1998.

## Other Resources

- Li, Xia, and Nancy B. Crane. *Electronic Styles: A Handbook for Citing Electronic Information*. 2d ed. Medford, N.J.: Information Today, 1996.
- Thomas, R. Murray, and Dale L. Brubaker. *Theses and Dissertations: A Guide to Planning, Research and Writing.* Westport, Conn.: Bergin and Garvey, 2000.
- The University of Chicago Press. *The Chicago Manual of Style*. 16th ed. Chicago: The University of Chicago Press, 20010.

## Online via Brandel catalog:

https://northpark.idm.oclc.org/login?url=http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/book/ed17/frontmatter/toc.html

## **Course Calendar**

## Key

"Reading" – reading that is to be completed by class.

"Course reading" includes required books and articles.

"Subject reading" includes reading done in your area of research.

Late as signments will be marked down a full letter grade per day.

See above booklist for book abbreviations.

## Three Friday meetings on campus for in-person sessions, 9 am-5 pm:

Sept. 14

Oct. 5

Nov. 16

# Week 1: Aug. 27-Sept. 1 ONLINE Course Overview and Brainstorm

Introductions: Please post a brief paragraph introducing yourself, providing your program, location, and present or anticipated ministry)

Explanation of the syllabus and assignments (Spencer)

Introduction to the course books and required reading (Spencer)

## **Assignment:**

Share at least a paragraph or two on your general subject of interest, as far as you can at this stage.

Postings: Brainstorm your research subject, raise questions about each other's subjects, and become familiar with each other's areas of interest.

## Week 2: Sept. 2-8 ONLINE

### **Reading Due:**

Sept. 5: How to Read a Book, ch. 1-7

Sept. 6: From Topic to Thesis, Appendix E;

Sept. 7: *Ouality Research Papers*, ch. 14-15;

Sept. 8: Craft of Research, skimch. 1-2;

2 hours of subject reading (i.e., reading in your area of interest).

#### **Assignment to turn in:**

Research logs

#### To be turned in and posted for discussion:

Research Exercise 1: X-ray of a book.

Choose a book from your area of interest and X-ray the book.

In a few sentences, what is the unity (main point) of the book?

What is its primary claim?

What are the major parts of the book? How are they organized into a whole? (see *HRB*, chapter 7)

## Week 3: Sept. 9-15 Online and On-campus

## Sept. 14 On-Campus Session 9 am-5 pm

## Library Field Trip

We will go to the Library for an orientation to the library, introduction to the reference section, databases, etc. You will be introduced to how to begin building your bibliographies.

## Subjects

I will address the important aspects of coming up with a good subject and ways to refine your subject.

#### Research Exercise 2

Develop an interest sketch of a subject that you are considering researching. Include the general subject you would like to research, why you think it is a good research subject, who would be the intended audience and what you hope to accomplish in researching your subject (see *Craft of Research*).

We will discuss these during our Saturday sessions. Students will read each other's subject sketches to assist in clarification and development.

## Research Exercise 3 (to be done on campus Saturday)

Reference books are helpful for getting general background information, overviews, etc.

Using five (5) different *Reference* books from the **Reference Collection** on the **first floor the library** (e.g., encyclopedias, dictionaries, handbooks, NOT commentaries or monographs), locate *five additional* sources to which each reference book leads you.

For example, a reference book might have an article with a bibliography at the end. You may list the relevant items from the bibliography.

Or, a reference book might define a termthat leads you to go to another book that has other sources in the notes or bibliography, etc.

The format is as follows, using full citations for all sources:

- 1. Reference book 1, Article name, author's name
  - a. Source 1 (Why did you look at this source?)
  - b. Source 2 (Why did you look at this source?)
  - c. Source 3 (Why did you look at this source?)
  - d. Source 4 (Why did you look at this source?)
  - e. Source 5 (Why did you look at this source?)
- 2. Reference book 2 same as above
- 3. Reference book 3 same as above

- 4. Reference book 4 same as above
- 5. Reference book 5 same as above

This exercise should help you start your bibliography, further familiarize you with the library, help you think about your research steps, and further clarify your research subject. Some/most of the sources you find should be included in your later Bibliography assignment for your paper.

Documenting sources exercise. \*Bring your Turabian book to class!

## Reading & due dates

Sept. 10: *How to Read a* Book, chapters 8-12;

Sept. 11: From Topic to Thesis, "Introduction," ch. 1;

Sept. 12: Quality Research Papers, ch. 11 (and the relevant ch(s). from ch. 2-11);

Sept. 13: Craft of Research, ch. 3, 6;

2 hours of subject reading.

To be turned in: Research logs

## Week 4: Sept. 16-22 ONLINE

**Building Bibliographies** 

Subject reading check in

Evaluating sources

Research questions

Scholarly Journals

#### **Evaluating Sources**

We will work together through your journal research exercises (see below), discussing how to evaluate scholarly journals and how you can use them in your research and writing.

#### Readings & due dates:

Sept. 18: Craft of Research, ch. 4

Sept. 19: From Topic to Thesis, ch. 2, Appendix B, C;

Sept. 20: Quality Research Papers, ch. 19;

Familiarize yourself with Turabian's Manual, Part II;

4 hours subject reading

#### To be turned in:

Research log

Research Exercise 4

Make a list of 10 interesting questions that will help you to continue to narrow your subject and add to your thesis proposal. Choose the 3 best questions from your list and be prepared to discuss why. (See *Craft of Research*)

#### Research Exercise 5

Choose two scholarly journals that you think will be helpful for researching your subject (see the partial list in *From Topic to Thesis*, 123-125 for suggestions). Review the table of contents of two journals per year from the last 5 years (these can be viewed online in the ATLA Religion Database, under "Publications," second from the left in the tabs at the top of the ATLA homepage), and answer the following questions about *each* of the journals:

- (1) What kind of journal is it? How do you know it is reputable?
- (2) What is the general subject that the journal covers?
- (3) What specific subjects has the journal covered in the last 5 years? Can you note any trends in the research?
- (4) Choose ONE article from each journal (include the author, title, journal name/volume/date/pages). What is the main question that the article attempts to answer?

## Week 5: Sept. 23-29 ONLINE

Problems; Internet Sources

Discussion of how to find good problems.

Discuss internet sources.

#### Reading:

Craft of Research, ch. 5; From Topic to Thesis, ch. 3; Quality Research Papers, ch. 12; 4 hours subject reading.

#### Assignment to be posted for class discussion:

Identify a couple of internet sites that might be useful for your research. Also, feel free to identify any sites that you judged unhelpful or poorly done.

#### To be turned in:

Research log

Research Exercise 6.

Brainstorm 3 potential problems your research project might address (see *Craft of Research* ch. 5).

## Week 6: Sept. 30-Oct. 6 Online and On Campus Oct. 5 Campus session 9 am-5 pm [adjust from Oct. 21 last year]

Thesis statement Article analysis (see below)

#### Reading:

From Topic to Thesis, ch. 4-5; Quality Research Papers, ch. 16; Article, William T. Cavanaugh, "Killing in the Name of God," *New Blackfriars*, 85, no. 999 (September 2004): 510-526) [Please note that you can find this in Academic Search Complete; it is indexed in ATLA, but is not available full-text in ATLA]

2 hours subject reading

Thesis statement

Draft a statement of the thesis of your research paper, in a single sentence.

## Article analysis:

Analyze Cavanaugh's article, "Killing in the Name of God."

Write a 2-3 page paper addressing the following matters:

Identify contradictions, inconsistencies, incomplete explanations, gaps.

What questions does this article take on?

How does it answer them or not?

Does it leave unanswered questions?

If so, what?

#### To be turned in:

Research log

Thesis statement

Analysis of Cavanaugh, "Killing in the Name of God"

#### Week 7: Oct. 7-13 ONLINE

Use of sources

Bibliography

To be turned in:

Research log

#### Bibliography

Build a bibliography around your focused subject. Your bibliography should include at least 15 entries. Each entry must be **correctly cited** according to Turabian formor your project will be marked down. For at least 5 of the entries, you must include an **annotation**. Use *How to Read a Book*, 46-47 (from chapter 5) as your guideline. Your annotation should answer each of the 4 questions on 46-47 in *How to Read a Book*.

#### Week 8: Oct. 14-20 Reading Week

Reading and research for semester projects: Syntopical project Research paper

#### Reading:

4 hours subject reading

#### Week 9: Oct. 21-27 ONLINE

Methods & Argumentation

Workshop: work through the article below, discuss your own method for presenting your research, and discuss writing styles and audience.

## Reading:

*Craft of Research*, ch. 7-11;

From Topic to Thesis, Appendix A;

Quality Research Papers, ch. 17-18;

Hyun Kyung Chung, "Han-pu-ri: Doing Theology from Korean Women's Perspective," *The Ecumenical Review*, 40, no 1 (Jan 1988): 27-36) [available in ATLA Religion Database]

#### **Assignment**:

Read the article "Han-pu-ri" and analyze its argumentation in a 2-3 page paper. Address the following questions:

- 1. What is the main argument of the article? What is the author arguing for? Against?
- 2. What approach does the author take?
- 3. How does she make her claims? Support her argument?
- 4. What does the author as sume?
- 5. Name and evaluate the strengths/weaknesses of the argument.

#### To be turned in:

Research log

Analysis of Chung, "Han-pu-ri."

## Week 10: Oct. 28-Nov. 3 ONLINE

Discussion of Syntopical reading projects

#### Reading:

Quality Research Papers, ch. 21-22

#### To be turned in:

Research log

Syntopical Reading Project

## **Week 11: Nov. 4-10 ONLINE**

**Argumentation, Incorporating Sources** 

## Plagiarism exercise

Peer writing evaluations

#### Reading:

Craft of Research, ch. 12

## **Assignment**:

Prepare a short (2 page) final form document, from your longer research paper, well-written, using correct Turabian style format and developing a small segment of persuasive argument, using sources correctly.

We will review and critique your samples.

#### To be turned in:

Research log

## Week 12: Nov. 11-17 Online and on-campus

## Nov. 16 Campus Session 9 am-5 pm

Sentence Outlines (See *Craft of Research*, ch. 13): We will work through your outlines together, to clarify and develop.

Reading sample thesis / paper abstracts (to be distributed)

Drafting an abstract

## Reading:

Craft of Research, chapters 13-14

#### To be turned in:

Research log

Sentence outline

Write a sentence outline of your research paper. This uses complete sentences instead of the phrases or sentence fragments of a typical outline.

Your outline should include a *single* complete sentence for *each* of the major arguments or sections and then for each of the points you will cover in each section.

Your research and writing are still in process, of course, so the statements are preliminary and subject to your later revision.

Using a single full sentence for each point,

- (1) state the current form of your thesis
- (2) and then the major points of your argument for that thesis, including the conclusion.
- (3) Then provide sentence statements for primary sub-points (only the first level of sub-points, not sub-sub-points).

The point of the assignment is to identify the skeleton of your paper, apart from the meat or details, so that the flow of your argument is more easily visible.

#### Week 13: Nov. 18-24 ONLINE

Use this week for writing and editing your paper and preparing a presentation of the paper or a portion of it. Please contact me with any questions or problems you may have.

#### To be turned in:

Thesis abstract

Students will write a thesis (or paper) abstract that is between 300-350 words.

## Week 14: Nov. 25-Dec. 1 ONLINE

Use this week as well for writing and editing your paper and preparing a presentation of the paper or a portion of it. Please contact me with any questions or problems you may have.

Week 15: Dec. 2-8 ONLINE

Final paper due: Friday December 14, 11:59 pm (Chicago time)