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LOCATION: Derby 1080 unless otherwise indicated.

TIME: Thursday 3:30-5:00.

This course has emerged as a means for students to attend professionally useful events during the slotted Thursday afternoon 3:30-5:00 (approx) time frame. During this time many departments host visiting speakers. Given the wealth of opportunities and the fact that so many departments use the Thursday slot, the idea is that we would allow for a variety of choices. This year we also have some structured events such as Library and Teaching resources, as well as a new resource book. We do highly recommend that you attend our own departmental marquee and organized sponsored events.

We recommend that students sign up for this course at least once during the MA and once during the PhD. Your advisor may recommend it to you as something worthwhile this quarter and in subsequent years. Please contact me, Dr. Kwan, or your advisors to see if this course is appropriately added to your schedule. Hopefully these opportunities will open new vistas and possibly give the student insights and the impetus to pursue independent research hours with particular faculty. The best use of this course is as a means to expand interests. Another goal is to inculcate a practice of attending professional seminars on a regular basis in areas beyond one's immediate interest. This is an especially appealing part of the academic profession.

There should be something for everyone with options for multiple substantive lectures. There are also a few sessions on broader professional matters, orientation to the broad fields, and general opportunities to meet as a small group.

REQUIREMENTS

Develop a professional CV

Explore grant writing opportunities

The course is for a nominal 1 credit hour and is graded S/U. Attendance is required but would be "self reporting" in that students would simply send me an e-mail to indicate which items they attended on days if unable to meet here.

Date	Day	Topics/Events	People
9/24/2009	Thursday	Introduction: Building a Professional CV	O'Kelly
10/1/2009	Thursday	LIBRARY RESOURCES for RESEARCH	Steve Rogers
10/8/2009	Thursday	Presentation by CENTERS	Sui, Mosley-Thompson
10/13/2009	Tuesday NB**	Taaffe Human Geography Lecture	** Rob Kitchin
10/15/2009	Thursday	Coffee Hour	Grads/Munroe
10/22/2009	Thursday	Designing Significant Learning Experiences	Ola Ahlqvist
10/29/2009	Thursday	Colloquium	** Mona Domosh
11/5/2009	Thursday	Teaching Geography	Ola Ahlqvist
11/12/2009	Thursday	Colloquium	** Jim Glassman
11/19/2009	Thursday	Reports from the Field	Grads/McSweeney
11/26/2009	Thursday	Thanksgiving	No class
12/3/2009	Thursday	Students present professional CV and plans	Class participants