

NEWLY APPROVED COURSES

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Hundreds of new courses are added to the Columbia undergraduate curriculum each year. So that students may be apprised of these offerings, new courses are collected on this page. Students are encouraged to check back periodically to review these new offerings.

Fall 2021 Newly Approved Courses

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Art History and Archaeology

AHIS UN2415	History Painting and Its Afterlives
AHIS UN3017	Architecture and Deception
AHIS UN3104	The Art of the Gods: Images of the Divine in the Ancient Mediterranean
AHIS UN3229	Medieval Monuments and Memory
AHIS UN3614	Landscape and the Visual Arts in China
AHIS UN3615	Imperial (Re)Visions: Art and Empire in India
AHIS GU4503	Planning and Programming An Exhibition, Subject: Childhood

American Studies

AMST UN3935	Indigenous Peoples of New York and New England
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Anthropology

ANTH GU4066	Hydropolitics in Madagascar
ANTH GU4653	Art beyond Aesthetics: Decolonizing approaches to representation

Biology

BIOL UN3320	Regulation of Behaviors for Survival
BIOL GU4036	Transformative Concepts in Systems Biology

Chemistry

CHEM GU4164	Electric Field Effects in Catalysis
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Classics

CLLT UN3126	Queer Classics: Desire, Embodiment, Backward Glances
CLST UN3041	The Ancient City and Us: Archaeology of a Relationship
CLGM UN3800	WRITING RESISTANCE
CLCV GU4160	Reading Rome in the Middle Ages and Beyond
CLCV GU4180	Friendship from Antiquity to the Present
CLGM GU4600	Multilingual America: Translation, Migration, Gender
GRKM GU4821	The Greek Revolution of 1821 and Its Legacies

Committee on Global Thought

CGTH GU4200	Global Food Worlds
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Comparative Literature and Society

CPLS UN3231	Rhetoric of Science: The roles of metaphor and narrative in the scientific enterprise
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Earth and Environmental Sciences

EESC UN1009	GLOBAL WARMING FOR GLOBAL LEADERS
EESC UN3109	CLIMATE PHYSICS

East Asian Languages and Cultures

CHNS GU4105	Advanced Chinese Conversation and Composition
EARL GU4328	Texts, Paintings, and Images of Korean Religions

English and Comparative Literature

ENTA UN3349	DISABILITY IN THEATRE AND PERFORMANCE
ENGL UN3387	AUSTEN, ELIOT, JAMES
ENGL UN3496	CHARLES DICKENS
ENGL UN3628	FAULKNER
ENGL UN3642	LOVE IN NINETEENTH-CENTURY BRITISH LITERATURE
CLEN GU4406	MEMOIR: LIFE WRITING AND BODILY DIFFERENCE
ENTA GU4672	rites in crisis: CONTEMPORARY THEATER AND THE PROBLEM OF REPAIR

French and Romance Philology

FREN UN3835	Violence, Politics, and the Graphic Novel
FREN GU4422	Baudelaire Painter of Modern Life

Germanic Languages

GERM UN3003	What is German? Linguistic Variation Across Social and Historical Contexts
CLGR GU4170	Thomas Mann's Magic Mountain: Morbidity, Modernity and Metaphysics
CLGR GU4252	What is Fascism?

History

HIST UN1488	Indigenous History of North America
HIST UN3164	Novels of Empire
HIST UN3418	The Carceral United States
HIST UN3982	The Quantified State: How Democracy Includes, Excludes, and Governs with Numbers
HIST GU4151	A Trans-Imperial Society: the History of the Danube River Basin
HIST GU4189	Composing the Self in Early Modern Europe
HIST GU4301	Politics and Justice in Latin America through Crime Fiction
HIST GU4512	Property and Power in 20th Century U.S.
HIST GU4632	Jews in the Ancient City: Politics and Materiality

Italian

ITAL UN3669	Gender/Genre: Italian Renaissance Women Authors
CLIA GU4025	Italian Migrations
CLIA GU4500	Mediterranean Humanities

Jewish Studies

CLYD UN3500	READINGS IN JEWISH LITERATURE: American Jewish Literature: A survey (Humor: Modern Jewish Literature (ENG))
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Latin American and Iberian Cultures

SPAN UN3890	Forensic Fictions in the Premodern Iberian Archive
PORT GU4467	Race and Decolonial Dialogues in the Americas
SPAN GU4889	Great Latin American Artists (That Never Existed)

Middle Eastern, South Asian, and African Studies

MDES UN1030	"Game of Thrones": On Epics and Empires
MDES UN2042	South Asia at the Crossroads of Empires
CLME GU4221	Literary Encounters and Reading across the Wor(l)ds
MDES GU4266	Decolonizing the Arabian Nights
Music	
MUSI UN2230	History and Practice of Electronic Music
MUSI UN3410	The Multicultural Roots of U.S. Popular Music
MUSI UN3425	Music, Sound and the Law
Philosophy	
PHIL GU4850	THE PHILOSOPHY OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
Psychology	
COGS UN1001	Introduction to Cognitive Science
PSYC UN3671	Motivation Science
Religion	
RELI UN3317	Deep Tantra: Sex, Violence, Ritual
RELI UN3414	Changing Places
Slavic Languages	
CLRS GU4214	The Road to Power: Marxism in Germany and Russia
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Sociology	
SOCI GU4983	The Sociology of Love and Eroticism

Summer 2021 Newly Approved Courses

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American Studies

AMST UN3932	William James's Varieties of Religious Experience
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Anthropology

ANTH UN3603	Religion in Chinese Society
ANTH GU4149	ART STRIKE: MUSEUM DISSIDENTS # DISSONANCE
ANTH GU4160	Elementary Forms of Populism

Art History and Archaeology

AHIS UN2102	GORE # VIOLENCE IN GREEK ART
AHIS UN3206	Sacred Travel, Shrines, and Souvenirs in the Medieval World
AHIS UN3321	Modern Titian

Classics

CLCV UN3018	Illness and Healing in the Classical world and beyond
CLGM GU4650	Hidden emotions, hidden power: mental health in Literature from antiquity to futurity

East Asian Languages and Cultures

JPNS UN1001	INTRODUCTORY JAPANESE A
KORN UN1001	INTRODUCTORY KOREAN A
KORN UN1002	INTRODUCTORY KOREAN B
CHNS UN1010	INTRODUCTORY CHINESE A
CHNS UN1011	INTRODUCTORY CHINESE B
KORN UN1101	FIRST YEAR KOREAN I
CHNS UN1115	Accelerated First Year Chinese (W)
TIBT UN1401	First Year Classical Tibetan

CHNS UN2201	SECOND YEAR CHINESE N I
EAAS UN3215	KOREAN LITERATURE # FILM
EAAS UN3343	JAPANESE CONTEMPORARY CINEMA # MEDIA CULTURE
JPNS UN3402	JAPANESE POP CULTURE II
HSEA UN3851	GODS, GHOSTS, AND ANCESTORS: RELIGION IN CHINESE CULTURE AND SOCIETY
CHNS GU4012	BUSINESS CHINESE I
CHNS GU4015	MEDIA CHINESE II
CHNS GU4016	FOURTH YEAR CHINESE II
HSEA GU4251	A Transpacific Age: China-U.S. Relations in the Long Nineteenth Century
EAAS GU4342	Pre-1900 Japanese Literature: Through the Lens of Adaptation
HSEA GU4756	Toward A Social History: Tibetan Societies Across the Himalayan Plateau
EAAS GU4831	The Supernatural in Modern Japanese Literature and Film

Ecology, Evolution, and Environmental Biology

EEEB UN3087	Conservation Biology
EEEB UN3970	Biological Basis of Human Variation

English and Comparative Literature

ENGL UN3328	Early American Literature: 1492-1852
ENGL UN3494	THE NOVEL OF SLAVERY
ENGL UN3552	Shakespeare
ENGL UN3746	Ancient Rome in Early Modern Theater
ENGL UN3756	Literary Nonfiction

Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Race

CSER UN3946	Indigenous Theater, Performance # Politics
CSER UN3947	Transpacific Media Cultures
CSER UN3948	Indigenous Language Revitalization in Latin America

Film

FILM GU4294	World Cinema: Latin America
FILM GU4305	Digital Storytelling I

History

HIST UN3092	U.S.-Middle East Relations
HIST GU4358	THEMES IN INTELLECTUAL HIST
HIST GU4945	SPORT # SOCIETY IN EASTERN EUROPE
HIST GU4962	Making and Knowing in Early Modern Europe: Hands-On History

Institute for the Study of Human Rights

HRTS GU4750	Facing the Violent Past: Prevention and Repair
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Jewish Studies

JWST S4145	Topics in Israeli Cinema
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Journalism

JOUR S3101	Political Reporting on the Campaign Trail
JOUR S3102	Journalism in the Age of Activism

Psychology

PSYC UN1021	Science of Psychology: Explorations and Applications
PSYC S1902	Global Bootcamp: Neuroscience of Consciousness
PSYC UN2481	Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience
PSYC UN2640	INTRO TO SOCIAL COGNITION

Slavic Languages

RUSS UN3221	LIT # REVOLUTION (20TH C LIT)
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UKRN GU4033	Fin de Siecle Ukrainian Literature
CLRS GU4037	Poets, Rebels, Exiles: 100 Years of Russians and Russian Jews in America

Spring 2021 Newly Approved Courses

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American Studies

AMST UN3931	Topics in American Studies (Frederick Douglass, Abraham Lincoln, and the Meaning of America)
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AMST UN3933 The American Graphic Novel

Anthropology

ANTH GU4052	Post/Socialist Bodies
ANTH GU4378	Strange Resonances, Close Listening
ANTH GU4349	Shades of the Political: Anthropological Investigations of Everyday Life in Turkey

Art History and Archaeology

AHIS GU4521	Sin and Sodomy
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Biological Sciences

BIOL UN2502	Foundations for Lab Biology
BIOT GU4161	ETHICS IN BIOPHARM PAT/REG LAW

Chemistry

CHEM GU4313	Peptide and Protein Chemistry
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Classics

CLST UN3030	Beyond City Limits: Considering the Countryside in the Ancient Roman World
CLST UN3040	Ethnicity, Power, and Resistance in Ancient Empire
CLCV UN3070	Polis: the Biography of the Ancient Greek City-State 650 BCE-350 CE
CLLT UN3129	An Odyssey of Odysseys: Receptions of Homer's Odyssey from Antiquity to the 21st Century

Institute for Comparative Literature and Society

CSER UN3305	Provincializing Prohibition: The "War on Drugs" in the Americas
CPLS GU4323	Utopia and the Pandemic
CPLS GU4325	Abolition Medicine: Medical Racisms and Anti-Racisms
CPLS GU4732	Matters of Life/Death
CLGM GU4550	Greek Poets and their Interlocutors
CPLS GU4800	Advanced Topics in Medical Humanities (Pandemic and Social Inequality)

Earth and Environmental Sciences

EESC UN3328	Glacial Geomorphology
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Ecology, Evolution, and Environmental Biology

EEEB GU4670	Introduction to Geographical Information Systems
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Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Race

CSER UN3041	The Art # Politics of Memory in Latin America: Truth, Justice, and Reconciliation
CSER UN3304	Race and Aesthetics in Cinema
CSER UN3964	Maya Guatemala-Neoliberalism # Resistance

East Asian Languages and Cultures

BURM UN2102	Intermediate Burmese II
TWI UN2102	Intermediate Twi II
TIBT UN2711	ADVANCED LITERARY TIBETAN II

JPNS UN3402	JAPANESE POP CULTURE II
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EAAS UN3435	Chinese Revolution, Asian Revolution, World Revolution: Revolution and Radicalism in the Long Twentieth Century
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HSEA UN3971	STATES OF SURVEILLANCE: A GLOBAL HISTORY OF BIG BROTHER
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VIET GU4102	MIXED ADVANCED VIETNAMESE II
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EAAS GU4124	SOUTH KOREAN FILM AS HISTORY
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HSEA GU4250	MADE IN CHINA: CRAFT AND INDUSTRY IN CHINESE HISTORY
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HSEA GU4729	Amdo: The Tibetan, Chinese, Mongolian and Muslim Interface
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English and Comparative Literature

ENGL UN3026	RENAISSANCE ENGLAND AND THE POETRY OF EXPERIMENT
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ENGL UN3048	British Literature to 1500
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ENGL UN3232	COUNTERARCHIVES
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ENGL UN3482	LIVES OF PROPERTY IN THE COLONIAL ATLANTIC WORLD
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ENGL UN3570	MODERNISM: STRUGGLE AND UTOPIA
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ENGL UN3691	DESIRE AND DISGUST IN THE EIGHTEENTH CENTURY
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ENGL UN3789	AMERICAN NATURE WRITING TO 1900
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ENGL GU4568	Radical Domesticity: Modernism, Gender, and Building the Future
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ENGL GU4821	The Transitions: Trends and Texts of World Transformation
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ENGL GU4836	BLACK LITERATURE AND VISUAL ART: STUDIES IN COLLABORATION
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ENGL GU4975	PRISON LITERATURE
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ENGL GU4931	NEW YORK INTELLECTUALS: MARY MCCARTHY, HANNAH ARENDT, SUSAN SONTAG
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French

FREN UN3243	Lang. Culture, Society: La culture pop
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FREN UN3762	Sex, Drugs, and Marxism: France in the 1960's
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CLFR OC3821	CITY DIPLOMACY (This course will be taught in Reid Hall.)
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CLFR GU4440	Remapping Algeria: Poetics and Politics of Space
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FREN GU4441	Classical French Moralists
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CLFR GU4521	The Politics of Memory. Remembrance, Ethics and Identity in France since 1945
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Germanic Languages

CLYD UN3000	Do you read Jewish? From Yiddish, to Yinglish, to Yiddler, in the US
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History

HIST UN3269	From Oracles to Mathematics
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HIST UN3702	Russia's Silver Age, 1890-1920
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HIST UN3384	Brazilian Slavery in its Global Context
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HIST GU4090	Craft, Literature, and Data: Hands-on Material and Digital Methods for the Study of How-to Technical Texts
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HIST GU4727	The History of the End of the World
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HIST GU4821	Italy's Material Culture, 1945-2015
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HIST GU4844	Outlaws in Asian History
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HIST GU4956	Mesopotamian Culture and Society in the first millennium BCE
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Italian

CLIA GU4024 Nationalism in Theory and History

Jewish Studies

JWST UN3538 Jews in the City in the Islamic Middle East

Latin American and Iberian Cultures

PORT UN3443 Visual Cultures and the City

Linguistics

LING GU4173 Hyphenated Minds: Heritage Speakers and Their Vocabularies

Mathematics

MATH GU4392 INTRO TO QUANTUM MECHANICS II

Middle Eastern, South Asian, and African Studies

MDES UN3047 MESAAS # History: Court Cultures 350-1750

MDES UN3048 Pandemics: A Global History

MDES GU4239 Medicine and Disease in the Pre-Modern Islamic World

Music

MUSI UN3117 Singing Against Slavery: Five Centuries of Resistance

Philosophy

PHIL UN3861 Language # Society

PHIL GU4080 PLATO

PHIL GU4763 Feminist, Social and Political Philosophy of Language

Political Science

POLS UN3112 GANDHI, KING # POLS OF NONVIOLENCE

POLS UN3177 REASON AND POLITICS

POLS GU4722 QUANT METH 2 STAT THEO#CAUS INF

POLS GU4823 CHINA AND THE WORLD ECONOMY

Psychology

PSYC UN1021 Science of Psychology: Explorations and Applications

PSYC UN2690 Frontiers of Justice

PSYC GU4224 Consciousness and Cognitive Science

PSYC GU4493 Stress and the Brain

PSYC GU4880 In Service of Equity: Examining Developmental Science through the Lens of Policy

Religion

RELI UN2335 RELI IN BLACK AMERICA:AN INTRO

RELI GU4517 After the Human

Slavic Languages

SLCL UN3101 The Slavs: Myths, Literacies and Attitudes

CLRS UN3312 Thinking Bodies: Literature, Film, Performance

UKRN GU4121 Agent of Change: Ukrainian Art Between Revolutions

CLSL GU4009 Hegel: State, History, Freedom

Writing

WRIT UN3320 Provocations in Twentieth-Century Poetics

Institute for Research on Women, Gender, and Sexuality

WMST UN3655 Gender and Public Health: Disparities, Pathways, and Policies