Instructor Information:
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Textbooks:
- Clinton, Catherine and Nina Silber, *Divided Houses: Gender and the Civil War.*

Other readings to be provided or assigned.

Description and Format:
In History 4499/03 you will explore facets of the home front in the American Civil War and engage in research of your own that will enable you to display your skills and capabilities as a historian and scholar. This class will have an unusual format in that much of the work you will do will be outside of the classroom. A heavy component of the course will include individual meetings with the instructor as needed for ideas, assistance, etc.

Attendance and Requirements:
Because of the limited classroom time, regular attendance is expected. While some absences may be unavoidable, you should make it a point to attend class. These sessions will be important in determining your final grade, both as to the types of information you will be tested on and as part of a class participation grade. Obviously you will have to attend class in order to participate.

Any outside reading is required as noted on the syllabus or announced in class. You will be responsible for material on the dates shown or announced. The readings will constitute a major part of the tests, discussions and final grade for the course.

Personal Conduct:
Be respectful of each other and the instructor. Discussion and debate are parts of the process, but should be conducted in a civilized manner. Classes are not press conferences from which one enters or departs as one wishes, answers cell phones, texts or catches up on social network lapses and opportunities or lack of sleep, etc. If you need or prefer to be somewhere else or do something other than the class, please do so.
**Tests and Final Course Grade:**

There will be one mid-term assignment and the final paper, but no final exam. Grades will be associated with the mid-term exercise and with your paper as outlined below. Missing any assignments without notification to the instructor does not constitute an excused absence. In English, if you are ill, have a family emergency, etc., you will need to contact the instructor or have someone contact him on your behalf before you have missed a deadline. Your failure to do so puts the instructor under no obligation to give you a make-up or make allowances.

Absences from the class or failure to meet deadlines will be extremely detrimental to your final grade! Try your best to avoid ANY absences, even those for which you might be able to obtain excuses.

No one likes to grade or be graded, but since the instructor must have something to critique to compute a final course grade such a computation will be based upon the following: the mid-term assignment grade (20%), a final paper grade (50%) and a class attendance/participation grade (30%) will determine your final course grade. The participation piece will include assessments of submission of outlines, annotated bibliography, rough draft and an oral presentation, as well as indications of your personal appearance and involvement in the classroom.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL SUBMISSIONS, INCLUDING OUTLINES, ANOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHIES, ROUGH DRAFTS AND FINAL PAPERS, NEED TO BE TYPED, DOUBLE-SPACED, IN 12 POINT TIMES NEW ROMAN FONT.

The scale for the class will be based on: A=90-100, B=80-89, C=70-79, D=60-69 and F=0-59. The instructor reserves the right to assess any fractional consideration.

**Office Hours:**

As a general rule, I will be available throughout the semester, but specifically from 8:00-9:30 A.M. on most MW. I will also be available to meet on TTh from 9:00-10:00 A.M. The exceptions will be when I am in meetings or out of town attending conferences. I am frequently in the office at other times as well as being available by appointment.

**Final Note:**

Academic honor and honesty are very important to the instructor and the institution. You are expected to act accordingly. It is never wise to create conditions that could be resolved by simply doing your own work or asking questions for clarification when needed.

**Readings and Assignments:**

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<th>Week 1:</th>
<th>Aug. 20</th>
<th>The Rules of History: Read Gallman, Intro; Clinton &amp; Silber, Foreword Intro—Overview and Synopsis of the Course—Discussion on writing</th>
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<td>Week 2:</td>
<td>Aug. 27</td>
<td>Mobilization: Society in the Context of War Read Gallman, pp. 1-42, 73-86; Clinton &amp; Silber, Part I; Wills, Chap. 1</td>
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<td>Week 3:</td>
<td>Sept. 3</td>
<td>Reading period—Begin considering topic possibilities*</td>
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| Week 4: | Sept. 10 | The Front Comes Home  
Gallman, pp. 43-72; Wills, Chaps. 2-3  
MID-TERM ASSIGNMENT MADE |
| Week 5: | Sept. 17 | Reading period—CONSIDER TOPICS —WORK ON MID-TERM* |
| Week 6: | Sept. 24 | Reading period—CONSIDER TOPICS—WORK ON MID-TERM* |
| Week 7: | Oct. 1 | Enduring the War  
Gallman, pp. 87-143, 232-253; Clinton & Silber, II-V; Wills, remainder  
MID-TERM ASSIGNMENT DUE |
| Week 8: | Oct. 8 | PAPER TOPIC—INITIAL OUTLINE DUE/DISCUSSION OF PAPERS |
| Week 9: | Oct. 15 | REVISED OUTLINE/ANOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY DUE  
DISCUSSION OF PAPERS/RESEARCH |
| Week 10: | Oct. 22 | Individual Sessions as Needed* |
| Week 11: | Oct. 29 | Individual Sessions as Needed* |
| Week 12: | Nov. 5 | Individual Sessions as Needed* |
| Week 13: | Nov. 12 | ROUGH DRAFT DUE (OFFICE)* |
| Week 14: | Nov. 19 | RETURN OF ROUGH DRAFTS—ORAL PRESENTATIONS |
| Week 15: | Nov. 26 | Individual Sessions as Needed*  
WORK ON POLISHING THAT FINAL DRAFT!  
HAPPY THANKSGIVING! |
| Week 16: | Dec. 3 | Wrap-up as Needed—FINAL PAPER DUE!! |

Unless specified otherwise, all deadlines are by the start of the class (2:00 PM) on the given day. All work is to be made in person, not through surrogates or electronically.

*There will be no formal classroom session in this week.