The Schedule of Senior Seminars

*History 4499, the Senior Seminar, is one of three upper division courses required of all History majors (who are graduating under the old History major).*

Prerequisites:

History 2270 - Intro to Themes in History  
History 3376 - Historiographical Debates  
*Both must be passed with a grade of "C" or better.*

Students who meet these requirements need to fill out and submit the override request form located on our website ([http://hp.hss.kennesaw.edu/resources/override-request](http://hp.hss.kennesaw.edu/resources/override-request)). They will then be granted an override to register for the course.

**Seminars Scheduled**

Below are the seminars scheduled as of September 18, 2015. Instructors’ names are provided, with an email link for students who have questions about the seminar.

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**Fall 2015**

*Seminar Title: Georgia in the New South*  
*Instructor: Dr. David Parker ([dparker@kennesaw.edu](mailto:dparker@kennesaw.edu))*

This seminar covers the social, cultural, and political history of post-Reconstruction Georgia. The first few weeks of the course will be based on discussions of common readings, giving students the necessary background for their senior theses. During the remainder of the semester, students will research and write their theses, which can be on any aspect of Georgia history. We will meet regularly to critique drafts and discuss individual research.

*Seminar Title: Revolution in World History*  
*Instructor: Dr. Alice Pate ([apate9@kennesaw.edu](mailto:apate9@kennesaw.edu))*

This seminar will analyze the theme of revolution in modern world history. We will study several historical and theoretical approaches to the theme of revolution. Students will be expected to produce a capstone project on a topic of their choice in the form of a major research paper based on analysis of primary source materials interpreted within the context of the historiography.

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**Spring 2016**

*Seminar Title: The United States in World Affairs, 1914-1990*  
*Instructor: Dr. Jim Piecuch ([jpiecuch@kennesaw.edu](mailto:jpiecuch@kennesaw.edu))*

This course will cover the history of American diplomacy from 1914-1990. Topics will include American involvement in World Wars I and II, the origins and progress of the Cold War, and the U.S. interventions in Korea and Vietnam. Key elements that shaped American policy in this era including presidential leadership, political and ideological factors, economic interests, and external threats to American security will be emphasized. Students will read a variety of works on these subjects in preparation for researching and writing an article-length essay (the senior thesis). Students will also make a formal in-class presentation of their research findings at the end of the semester.

*Seminar Title: Writing the History of Suppressed Voices*  
*Instructor: Dr. Ryan Ronnenberg ([pryan4@kennesaw.edu](mailto:pryan4@kennesaw.edu))*

This course addresses movements within the historical discipline which have emphasized voices long excluded from established historical narratives. Students will discuss subaltern studies’ revision of historical approaches to colonialism, the critique of paternalism (by data-driven analysis) as an explanatory model for slavery in North America, and legitimating oral traditions as historical sources as a means of forcing the inclusion of African History as a subfield in its own right. Students will then use the theoretical and historiographical lessons learned in class to craft essays in a fields of their choice.