

Inst 421 Fall 2017 Schedule of Activities and Deadlines

Summer before beginning Inst 421: Contact mentor and do preliminary research

Week	Dates	Activity
1	August 21-25	Develop topic with mentor based on research and reading.
2	August 28-September 1	Develop topic with mentor based on research and reading. Identify possible third readers.
3	September 5-8	Identify primary sources/data. Begin developing thesis prospectus in consultation with mentor.
4	September 11-15	Continue developing thesis prospectus. Notify Croft of name of third reader by Monday, September 11.
5	September 18-22	Continue writing thesis prospectus.
6	September 25- 29	Submit prospectus to mentor, third reader, and Croft Institute by Monday, September 25. Readers provide feedback on prospectus by Monday, October 2.
7	October 2-6	Revise thesis prospectus based on feedback from readers. Mentor Report #1 due Friday, October 6
8	October 9-13	Submit revised prospectus to mentor, third reader, and Croft Institute by Monday, October 9. Prepare thesis writer's conference presentation.
9	October 16-20	Thesis Writers' Conference from Monday, October 16, to Friday, October 20 .
10	October 23-27	Establish concrete work plan for the rest of the semester in consultation with mentor.
11	October 30-November 3	Analyze primary sources/data; continue research and writing.
12	November 6-10	Analyze primary sources/data; continue research and writing.
13	November 13-17	Analyze primary sources/data; continue research and writing.
14	November 20-24	THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS
15	November 27-December 1	Submit preliminary research product to mentor by Friday, December 1.
16	December 4-8	Finals Week. Grade for Inst 421 assigned. Mentor Report #2 due by Friday, December 8.