

## **HST 397R DIRECTED STUDY**

HST 397r is a variable credit course which students complete independently, under the auspices of the instructor. Its format will vary, depending on student and instructor interest. The student will be expected to work with self-motivation, and produce work that reflects careful thought and preparation. The workload will vary, depending on the amount of credit a student receives for completing the course, student interest, and other varying considerations. All such matters will be arranged privately with the instructor.

### **I. COURSE OBJECTIVES**

- A. To develop familiarity with some historical period, issue, or event, and the relevant literature.
- B. To learn to search out useful materials.
- C. To sharpen our critical writing and thinking skills.

### **II. COURSE POLICIES**

- A. While the instructor will help the student to the best of his ability, said student must also demonstrate self-motivation. The student will be turned loose in the library, and expected to have something to show for his/her efforts.
- B. Appropriate work-loads and the grading thereof will be determined by the instructor, at his discretion.
- C. The student will be expected to contact the instructor at appropriate intervals, as determined in verbal consultation with the instructor.
- D. An important part of the course will be the scheduling of office visits, during which time the student will verbally indicate the status of his/her research, and answer subsequent questions from the instructor. Lack of preparation for such office visits can be reflected in the student's final grade, at the judgement and discretion of the instructor.
- E. It is expected that the student will contact the instructor to arrange appointments, not vice-versa.
- F. A student's final research paper will always be due the last day of scheduled classes.
- G. The Honor Code Applies to all work submitted for HST 397R.