Papyrus to Pixels, spring '24: Syllabus

Course syllabus

Organization of the course

All course material will be available on the course web site at https://github.com/neelsmith/papyrus_to_pixels/.

You will have access to a personal folder on a course Google drive (link TBA). You will submit assignments by adding them to your folder on the course Google drive.

Contact information

Instructor: Neel Smith. **Email:** at `holycross.edu`, user name `nsmith`

Regular class meeting times: TTh 2:00-3:15. Check the course schedule to see if we are meeting in O'Neil 101 or Fenwick 420.

Regular drop-in hours (S24): Wednesday 10:30-12:00, Thursday, 10:30-12:00, Friday 10:00-12:00, in Fenwick 415; or available anytime by appointment.

Manuscripts, Inscriptions and Documents Club: Friday, 2:00 pm - ?, fourth floor of Fenwick Hall.

Please wear masks when we meet in Fenwick 420, and in my office. Masks are optional when we meet in O'Neil 101.

Goals

TBA

What to expect

what the course is about

Tips

> they won't believe it on the syllabus, but I'll repeat it a lot

Course requirements and grades

You determine your own course grade by satisfactorily completing a number of assignments in these categories:

1. four lab assignments, completed in small groups
2. a longer research project completed in multiple stages
3. a contribution to a collection of course resources
4. class attendance

All assignments will be graded satisfactory/unsatisfactory according to an explicit specification of requirements: if you complete *all* requirements, the assignment is satisfactory. If you complete an assignment and submit it on time, but it fails to satisfy all requirements, you will have opportunities to revise the assignment to receive full credit for it.

The deadline for all written submssions such as lab notebooks is noon on the day of the due date.

Small-group lab assignments

Longer research project

Contribution to a collection of course resources

Attendance

Being prepared and attending class is an essential part of the learning proces.

We have 39 scheduled class meetings. This table summarizes the scale of attendance points:

Class meetings attended	Points earned
37+	6

36 5 34 4 32 3 30 2 < 22 0 The total points you can earn in this category is 6.

Determination of final course grade

For each category except the CBL project, the preceding sections define the *maximum* number of assignments. If the daily course schedule changes, and we have fewer than the maximum number of assignments, you will receive full credit for any dropped assignments. For example, if we have 7 in-class language assessments instead of the maximum of 8, you will receive 2 points for the omitted assignment; that plus your points on the seven completed assignments would be your total for the semester in the category of language assessments.

Your course grade will be recorded from the following table. In the row for each grade, the numbers in each column represent the minimum number of points required in that category.

Course grade	Portfolio (18)	Homework (12)	Vocab. assessments (20)	Language assessments (16)	CBL participation	CBL project
A	17	12	18	16	9	6
A-	17	11	16	15	9	6
B+	16	10	16	14	8	6
B	15	10	16	13	8	6
B-	14	9	14	12	8	6
C+	14	9	13	12	6	6
C	12	8	13	12	6	4
C-	12	8	12	12	5	4
D	10	6	10	8	5	4

Policies

Class attendance

TBA

Masking and testing

TBA

Diversity and Inclusivity

TBA

Accommodations for disabilities

Any student who feels the need for accommodation based on the impact of a disability should contact the Office of Disability Services to discuss support services available. The office can be reached by calling 508 793-3693 or by visiting Hogan Campus Center, room 215A.

If you are already registered with Disability Services, please let me know as soon as possible, so that I can take account of this in planning for tests or other course activities.

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