
Shared-Theme Tutorials

The Interdisciplinary Studies Advisory Board invites next year's Tutorial instructors to consider developing shared-theme Tutorials. Tutorials present an opportunity for experimentation for those interested in developing an interdisciplinary course, and faculty members who have taught shared theme Tutorials report benefitting from scholarly exchange. New Tutorial instructors also have welcomed the level of mentoring that collaborative teaching provides.

The Advisory Board proposes two themes:

- Environmental Challenges and Responses
- Human Rights and Human Dignity (for which there will be a Rosenfield Symposium in 2009/10)

In addition to other topics identified by groups:

- Issues of identity
- Visual Culture
- Peace and Conflict
- Early Modern themes

In past few years, faculty members have offered shared-theme Tutorials on "Religion and Politics" (Bob Grey, Clark Lindgren, Kathleen Skerrett), "The Aesthetics of Home" (Jenny Anger, Lee Running), various health issues (Raphael Cabeza, Emily Moore, Chuck Sullivan).