

## Course Guidelines: BA-Seminar

*Credit Point Requirements:* 3 CP

Apart from carefully reading the set texts and actively participating in the individual sessions, you are asked to make an *Extended Contribution*. *Extended Contributions* typically consist of two parts: A first part in which you are introducing an interpretive approach, a concept or a theoretical text to the class – as the case may be. In the second part you are in charge of leading the discussion, either on your own or in cooperation with others assigned to the same text. *Extended Contributions* should last 15 minutes – make sure to time yourself beforehand in order not to exceed this limit. In addition, you are asked to prepare a handout (cum Bibliography in *MLA* format) to accompany your contribution.

*Credit Point Requirements:* 6 CP

Apart from carefully reading the set texts and actively participating in the individual sessions, you are asked to hand in an essay conforming to the requirements outlined in the *Study Guide Literature*. The essay should be between 4000 and 5000 words in length and must be handed in before the deadline (see below or cf. program). The thesis together with a first paragraph should be briefly discussed with me before handing it in. Grading will be based in particular on an assessment of the following five criteria:

- Argument Logic and Content
- Quality and Extent of Criticism Considered
- Thesis Statement and Essay Structure
- Language
- Formal Aspects

Deadlines for papers:

course takes place in the FS: July 26

course takes place in the HS: February 1

When you hand in your paper, do not forget to add a signed *Selbständigkeitserklärung*. Please hand in a hard copy as well as an electronic version to both Prof. Heusser and Michelle Dreiding and send the latter as follows: surname-seminar title (short)-title of paper (short).doc. Avoid mutated vowels (*Umlaute*). Example: Mueller-Metafiction-Sterne.doc. Do not send the title page as a separate file. Please note that plagiarism is illegal, and that you cannot get credit for the course if you fail to acknowledge your sources appropriately.

*General Requirements / Information*

Please note that the maximum number of missed classes is two. Papers can be revised once. 3 CP performances are not graded – 6 CP papers are graded.

The best time to contact me is during my consultation hours (Mondays 13–14.40, Pestalozzistr. 50, Room 206). Please ask one of my assistants, Michelle Dreiding (michelle.dreiding@es.uzh.ch) or Rahel Rivera (rahel.rivera@es.uzh.ch) to sign you up (both: 044 634 36 71).