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ENGL 499 is the continuation and completion of ENGL 498, resulting in a 20+ page research paper on a subject of your choice in consultation with your faculty mentor. The course concludes with and requires the oral presentation of your project to a public audience at semester's end.

Meetings: The course meets Wednesdays 3-3:50 p.m. We will use class meetings primarily to rehearse and refine the oral presentation of about 12 minutes. Everyone must make at least two practice presentations.

Grading: Grades will be based on (1) completing at least two practice presentations, (2) completing the final draft and finished paper as scheduled, (3) the quality of your public presentation, and (4) your mentor's grade on the finished paper. Mentors are responsible for assigning 80% of the grade, based on individual meetings, the finished paper, and the quality of the public presentation; I determine 20% of the grade based on meeting course requirements and deadlines and the final presentation.

Tentative meeting schedule (changes may occur with advance notice)

January

20 Where are you? What do you still need to do?  
27

February

3  
10 Practice presentations  
17 " "  
24 Practice presentations

March

2 Practice presentations  
9 " "  
16 Complete draft due to me. I will pass it on to your mentor.  
23 ?

30 Spring break

April

6 75-word abstract due. This deadline is established by the Annual Research Symposium Committee and must be met to have your abstract in the program.

13 Finished paper due to me. I will pass it on to your mentor.  
20 Practice presentations  
27 “ “

#### May

4 ?

6 Public presentation, Center for Arts and History

#### Dan Parker Senior Research Award

This award is presented each year for the best senior project(s) in ENGL 498/499. It is named in honor of Dan Parker, Professor of English at LCSC from 1964 to 1986. The award is determined following senior research presentations at the end of ENGL 499 by vote of the faculty mentors for the projects and the instructor of ENGL 498/499, who shall have separate votes as mentor and as course instructor, based on familiarity with all projects. The amount available annually for awards is \$150, which may be distributed as a single award for the project deemed best; \$100 for a first choice project and \$50 for a second choice; or two \$75 awards for equally distinguished projects. If no projects are deemed worthy, the committee may decline to present an award.

#### Award criteria

1. Originality and thoroughness of topic
2. Quality of research
3. Quality of writing
4. Quality of oral presentation
5. Consistency of participation in ENGL 498/499