

**Development Studies and Social Change (DSSC) Minor Program Courses
2018-19**

****Registration for DSSC Courses****

You will need a permission number to allow you to register for a DSSC course. Please email Laura Bell at icgc@umn.edu for permission numbers. Do you have questions about the courses or the DSSC minor program? Please see Karen Brown in 537 Heller Hall or email kbt@umn.edu. Topics course descriptions are listed below and you'll find core course descriptions on our website www.icgc.umn.edu.

FALL SEMESTER 2018

DSSC 8111 **Ways of Knowing (3 cr)**
Instructor: **Dr. Richa Nagar**
Course Schedule: **Fridays 9:15am– 11:45am**

Who takes this course? ICGC Scholars in their first year of the program should enroll in DSSC 8111. ICGC Scholars from earlier cohorts who have not yet taken Ways of Knowing due to scheduling conflicts should also enroll in this seminar.

DSSC 8211 **Doctoral Research Workshop (3 cr)**
Instructor: **Dr. Karen Brown, ICGC**
Course Schedule: **Tuesdays, 11am-1:30pm**

Who takes this course? ICGC Scholars in their third year, or in the year prior to their dissertation research year, should enroll in DSSC 8211 in Fall semester.

DSSC 8310 **Topics in Development Studies and Social Change (1 cr)**
Section 1: **Black Reconstruction in a Global Context**
Instructors: **Dr. Kate Derickson , Geography, Environment & Society**
Course Schedule: **Fridays, 1:15-3:15pm, 2nd Half of the Semester**

Who takes this class? ICGC Scholars in their second year of the program should enroll for a minimum of 2 credits of DSSC 8310. DSSC 8310 is a variable credit course, typically offered for one credit. Students are welcome to enroll in multiple sections of DSSC 8310, and must complete at least two credits.

Course Description: Reconstruction in America was a period of experimentation among formerly enslaved Black people about what it means to be free. These stories and struggles remain relevant for understanding contemporary geographies of the American South, despite the fact that white supremacist historians, institutions, and policies converged to purge many, but not all, of the material and aspirational projects for freedom and self-determination. A few decades later, historian WEB DuBois wrote "Black Reconstruction in America," the definitive text reinterpreting the Reconstruction era from the Black perspective. Beginning with a close reading of this text, this one-credit course explores the intersections between visions from freedom that took shape and were in some case made manifest in during the Reconstruction Era in the US and global struggles for justice. After reading DuBois' text, students and the instructor will work together to identify

readings that help us make these connections, drawing on existing research and expertise as well as curiosities that are sparked during the reading of the text. The aim is to analytically "world" (Roy and Ong 2011) these struggles and aspirations by drawing topographical lines between the American South in the late 19th century and contemporary and ongoing struggles for freedom.

DSSC 8310 **Topics in Development Studies and Social Change (1 cr)**
Section 2: **Food Fellows Workshop**
Instructor: **Dr. Tracey Deutsch**
Course Schedule: **TBA, Full Semester**

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SPRING SEMESTER 2019

DSSC 8112 **Scholarship and Public Responsibility (1 cr)**
Instructor: **Dr. Bhaskar Uphadyay, Curriculum & Instruction**
Course Schedule: **Fridays, 10-11:30am, 1st Half of the Semester**

Who takes this course? ICGC Scholars in their first year of the program should enroll in DSSC 8112. ICGC Scholars from earlier cohorts who have not yet taken DSSC 8112 due to scheduling conflicts should also enroll in this seminar.

DSSC 8310 **Topics in Development Studies and Social Change (1 cr)**
Section 1: **Cuba in Transition: An Interdisciplinary Perspective**
Instructor: **Drs. Karen Brown, Frances Vavrus, Ana Paula Ferreira, Greta Freidemmann-Sanchez, and Julie Grossman**
Course Schedule: **Thursdays 2-4pm, 2nd Half of the Semester**

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Course Description: This seminar will be taught by five ICGC-affiliated faculty who participated in an interdisciplinary study tour in Cuba in June 2016. Drawing on critical development studies, education, gender studies, international relations, literature, and agriculture, the seminar will explore how processes of cultural, economic, political, and social change have unfolded in Cuba during the past century with a particular focus on the past 25 years of transition. The course will include films, readings, and short writing assignments to make connections across time, place, and disciplines.

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