MDIA 5028: Course Overview 2018

| Semester Week | Lecture Date | Lecture Location | Lecture topic / Content | Tutorial/Lab Content (For locations, see Tutorial Timetable' on Moodle) | Readings and video content. | | | |
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| Guiding research questions for this course: Might an appreciation of cultural communication theory and major movements apropos help us to understand and critique the dynamics of historical and contemporary communication campaigns? How might an understanding of communication campaign strategy as an abstract, multi-dimensional, and profoundly dynamic phenomenon influence the way we might think about the construction of a communication campaign? | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 01 March | Mathews ThD | Introductions The dynamics of strategy: levering multiple theories Aristotle's theory of communication | Introductions Reflecting on theory The matter of ethos Assessment 1 | See Moodle for Week 1 readings. | | | |
| 2 | 08 March | Mathews ThD | Classical Theory 2 The theories of Isocrates, Cicero, & Quintilian | Choosing pairs & assigning presentation weeks for Assessment 1 Applying Aristotle's tripartite model to campaign collateral | See Moodle for Week 2 readings. | | | |
| 3 | 15 March | Mathews ThD | Modernism, Formalism & the Russian tradition. Shklovsky, Eichenbaum, & Tomashevsky. | Applying Formalist theory to campaign collateral | See Moodle for Week 3 readings. | | | |
| 4 | 22 March | Mathews ThD | New Criticism & the English tradition. Leavis, Richards, & Eliot | Assessment 1 presentations, per presentation schedule | See Moodle for Week 4 readings. | | | |
| 5 | 29 March | Mathews ThD | Structuralism 1: Introduction to Structuralism Saussure, Jakobson, Levi- Strauss & Greimas | Assessment 1 presentations, per presentation schedule | See Moodle for Week 5 readings. See also: Louis Markos Structualism Lecture https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bcR -4y3Npqc | | | |
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| EASTER /MID- SEMEST ER BREAK | Friday 30 March – Sunday 08 April | NO CLASSES | | | NO READINGS THIS WEEK |
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| POST- GRAD READIN G WEEK | Monday 09 April – Friday13 April | POST-GRAD READING WEEK: NO LECTURE OR TUTORIALS: ASSESSMENT 2 PREPARATION | | | See Moodle for Week 6 readings. |
| 7 | 19 April | Mathews ThD | Structuralism 2: Barthes & Foucault | Assessment 1 presentations, per presentation schedule | See Moodle for Week 7 readings. |
| 8 | 26 April (Note: Weds 25 April = public holiday) | Mathews ThD | Frame and Critical Discourse Analysis (CDA): Solution Golden Cakoff Van Dijk; van Leeuwen, & Gunter Kress | Group selection for A3 via Moodle A2 Workshop 1 | See Moodle for Week 8 readings |
| 9 | 03 May | Mathews ThD | Postmodernism/ Deconstruction 1: What is Postmodernism? De Man and Derrida | Finalise A3 group selection via Moodle A2 Workshop 2 Applying postmodern theory to a political campaign: Trump v Clinton Assessment 2 due Sunday 06 May 2300. | See Moodle for Week 9 readings See also: https://www. youtube.co m/watch?v= vgwOjjoYtco |
| 10 | 10 May | [online] | Postmodernism/ Deconstruction 2: Lecture 35, Postmodernism: Ideas of the Twentieth Century, University of Texas at Austin, Fall 2013 https://www.youtub e.com/watch?v=we 6cwmzhbBE&list=P LYWS_oyBNgvkRd nN6xDLWY8tOpL2 y7FI0 | Designing a campaign: key elements Applying theory to an activist campaign: Sea Shepherd, Southern Ocean (Anti-Whaling) | NO READINGS THIS WEEK |
| 11 | 17 May | Mathews ThD | Beyond Postmodernism: rhetoric, narrative theory and supermodernity | A3 Workshop | NO READINGS THIS WEEK |
| 12 | 24 May | Mathews ThD | Course overview | A3 Workshop | NO READINGS THIS WEEK |

| 13 | 31 May | NO LECTURE (TUTORIALS ONLY) | A3 Workshop Assessment 3 due Sunday 03 June 2300. | NO READINGS THIS WEEK |
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