CINE-GT 3049 - Graduate Seminar

CULTURE OF LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES, and MUSEUMS

New York University, Tisch School of the Arts, Department of Cinema Studies
Mondays 18h00 - 22h00 (EDT)
January 24, 31; February 7, 28; March 7, 21, 28; April 4, 11, 18, 25; and May 2, and 9, 2022.

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COURSE DESCRIPTION:
Who collects cultural materials and for what purposes?

In this graduate seminar we will think transversally, spanning multiple categories and contexts, to consider the forms and meanings imbricated within so-called memory institutions. We will explore a broad range of collecting, exhibition, and conservation practices across both conventional and atypical galleries, libraries, archives, and museums (GLAMs). Through engaged discussions, collective projects, readings, and audiovisual studies, students will become well-versed in traditional approaches and philosophies of memory institutions, while required to critically deconstruct the socio-cultural biases and historically extractive practices that GLAMs are founded upon. Seminar readings will oscillate between introductions to museum studies and library/archival science concepts, and more complicated case studies and paradigms that will guide discussion and debate. Power, authority, authenticity, ethics, presentation, and history-making will be major thematic categories we take up through case studies. ‘Guest Stars’ and special seminar speakers will join discussions to share their experiences about related class topics.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES AND GOALS:
Through this seminar students will:
● Build conceptual and linguistic vocabularies about the functional operations of memory institutions.
● Gain an understanding of the social, political, and historical currents that shape memory institutions.
● Develop an awareness of justice and ethics codes surrounding the collection, exhibition, and conservation of cultural memory objects.
● Become acquainted with the numerous professional membership organizations and alliances that serve GLAM communities.
● Work collaboratively with fellow students on class projects, and contribute to respectful dialogue and debate on seminar readings and topics.
● Recognize the range of practical contributions to GLAM institutions and collections, that are possible through academic research, collections labor, and creative publications.
● Have some fun.

REQUIRED COURSE TEXTS:
Due to the pandemic, students can acquire copies of the required texts through online vendors as either physical copies (recommended) or e-books.


RECOMMENDED COURSE TEXTS:
We will read excerpted selections from these texts, available either via NYU Brightspace or as NYU Libraries electronic resources. Also: Manguel reminds us that, “...both libraries—the one of paper and the electronic one—can and should exist.”

● Penelope Houston, *Keepers of the Frame: The Film Archives* (London: British Film Institute, 1994).

ASSIGNMENTS:

Seminar Participation (25% of grade)
The operational bases for the CINE-GT 3049 graduate seminar are student participation and collaboration. We will learn from ourselves and from our fellow seminar participants. Full and complete attendance, listening, reading, and engagement with the seminar are expected.
Assignment #1 (20% of grade): User Study of Two GLAMs
Due date: March 28th
In a video or podcast format, use a cellular telephone or other audiovisual recorder to compare and contrast two local-to-you/New York City-based GLAMs.

N.B. Students have the option of completing this assignment with a class partner. Students may also submit this assignment as a 5-8 page single-spaced typed paper, however, doing so forfeits the option to collaborate with a class partner.

This is both a critical and creative exercise. Pay specific attention to how the GLAMs under review are/are not operating during the COVID-19 pandemic. Articulate how users interact with and engage one institution versus another, with details about their collections access protocol, exhibition procedures, and/or educational pedagogy of your choosing. Consider making the analysis both fun and insightful, referencing course readings and lectures, paying homage to course screenings, and/or adopting a conceptual perspective. Do not attempt Frederick Wiseman-ian length or scope; focus on a common theme, aspect, or observation to compare, and do it well. Projects are not to exceed 7-8 minutes in length (5-8 pages if they take the format of a typed paper). If students require assistance using editing software, please contact the seminar instructor—he will be available to assist. While this assignment can be completed at a variety of either indoor or out-of-doors GLAMs, those not wishing to make public visits to GLAMs because of COVID-19 can compare two online portal offerings of exhibitions and collections using screen capture. Final products should be delivered as digital files, uploaded to the designated NYU Brightspace folder online. Students will present their work in class on March 28th. Below is a by-no-means exhaustive list of GLAMs. Students may consider procurement of a $50 annual student membership to the American Alliance of Museums (AAM), which grants free access to any AAM member institution—which includes most museums in the United States.

Some Out-of-Doors NYC GLAMs
- Storm King, https://stormking.org/
- Dia Beacon, https://www.diaart.org/
- Mmuseumm, https://www.mmuseumm.com/
- Brooklyn Botanic Garden, https://www.bbg.org/
- Bronx Zoo, https://bronxzoo.com/
- Socrates Sculpture Park, https://socratessculpturepark.org/visit/directions-and-hours/

Other Excellent NYC GLAMs
- Sculpture Center, http://www.sculpture-center.org/
- The Broken Kilometer, (Walter De Maria, 1979) [You will need a timed reservation] https://www.diaart.org/visit/visit-our-locations-sites/walter-de-maria-the-broken-kilometer-new-york-united-states
- The New York Earth Room, (Walter De Maria, 1977), [You will need a
Assignment #2 (25% of your grade): Collaborative Contributions to Scrapbook-Zine
Due date: Contributions may be submitted on a rolling basis, however a first contribution is due by March 28th. All contributions must be submitted by May 2nd.
Contribute a minimum of two (maximum of four) conceptually different pages for a collaborative class-made ‘Scrapbook-Zine’ publication. They should take the format of color and/or black-and-white pages (8 ½ x 11 inches, each, with 0.5-inch bleed) of print-ready PDF-format material.

Students should keep in mind that the resultant published Scrapbook-Zine will become artifactual evidence of their participation in this seminar, so ‘phoning it in’ may have legacy consequences. Creative and artistic contributions that intelligently engage seminar topics are acceptable and encouraged. Personal reflections on current events and topical news stories related to seminar subjects are acceptable and encouraged. Formal academic textual papers with a central argument about seminar themes (akin to a thoughtful 500-word response to a weekly reading) are acceptable and encouraged.

Students will be graded on the intellectual rigor and originality of their contributions, across all formats. Thus, while contributions may be artistic and creative (say, a watercolor portrait of Ernest Lindgren), they must also exhibit intellectual engagement with seminar topics, readings, discussions, etc. (ie. a watercolor portrait of Ernest Lindgren, with thought bubbles highlighting his deepest insecure thoughts about rival Henri Langlois). Some possible ideas include:

- Brief interview with classmate or grandparent or neighbor or COVID partner about their favorite personal collections or collecting policies;
- Clever collage work of relevant images and texts;
- Focused showcase of personal collections;
- Newspaper Opinion Page response, or Letter-to-the-Editor style text that engages a news item related to GLAMs, or articulately critiques the author of a seminar reading (extra credit: if these are actually published);
- Short critique or focused argument about some of the CAML/GLAM films in the syllabus—ie., variations between Frederick Wiseman’s documentary treatment of institutionality in National Gallery (2014) versus Ex Libris (2017);
- Situationist-style détourned comics with re-worked speech bubbles using important or significant or insightful quotes from course readings;
- Glossary;
- Poem, or short story.
Final Project (30% of your grade)
Due date: Final Projects must be submitted and presented in class on May 9. A 400-word proposal for the Final Project must be submitted by April 4.
Students should create a Final Project that serves their interests and careers. The range of possibilities is broad. Students should discuss their intentions with the instructor, and a 400-word proposal is due on April 4. Research papers must be in excess of 10 pages, and all projects must be presented to the class (for 15-20 minutes) at the final meeting of the seminar on May 9. Students should work to generate their own ideas, however possibilities include:

- “Detailed study of a non-US institution of the moving image (a museum, archive, or cinémathèque), to be presented in class at the end of the semester and written up. Your project should include a comparative focus in which you discuss a particular challenge, issue, or part of the history of your chosen archive in relation to another institution with which you are familiar,” (final CAML assignment in the seminar’s Spring 2009 iteration);
- Traditional 10+ page research paper on a GLAM-relevant topic of student’s choosing;
- “Profiles in Courage”-style in-depth biographical and professional study on individual GLAM worker, or group/collective, including interview (*should be publication-ready). Possible subjects are up to the students, but Megan McShea does have an incredible untold oral history about working in the “stock footage” building in the Meatpacking District during the 1990s;
- Helgueran-style biographical divertimento about a GLAM collection item of student’s research and choosing;
- Demonstrated significant practical volunteer digital labor performed remotely on a collection—some suggestions: Smithsonian Transcription Center; the Laboratorio Experimental de Cine; a topically-specific Wiki project; and, others TBD—to be accompanied by a written report/presentation;
- Literature review of a GLAM topic that can serve as a publishable contribution to the field;
- In-depth family archives project (makes a great gift!);
- Detailed research product about primary source cultural materials, objects, or collections from student internship sites.

ATTENDANCE:
Synchronous attendance for all in-person and remote instruction (Zoom) sessions is mandatory. Student participation in discussing seminar readings, screenings, and projects is essential for the course’s learning objectives. Any absence must be addressed with, and authorized by, the Instructor, prior to the class.
CLASS TOPICS:

January 24, 2022
CLASS #1: Memory and Death

Topics:
General introduction to the history of the seminar and its role in the Department of Cinema studies curriculum. Overview of course themes, and detailed explanation of expectations and assignments. Severe warning about penalties for plagiarism will take place. Introduction of conceptual syntax through which we will discuss memory, historical objects, and institutionality. Discussion of death, loss, destruction, customs, and ritual.

Required reading before class:
- Elizabeth Merritt, “Crowdsourcing a Database of Permanently Closing Museums,” (January 8, 2021).
  https://www.aam-us.org/2021/01/08/crowdsourcing-a-database-of-permanent-museum-closings/

Listen:
- [Theaster Gates interview on CBC Radio], (March 15, 2015).
  https://www.cbc.ca/radio/q/schedule-for-thursday-april-24-1.2983113/best-of-q-theaster-gates-on-the-art-of-urban-space-1.2983357

Screenings during class:
  https://archive.org/details/11_thru_12
- [Tupac Hologram Performance at Coachella 2012] 5 minutes.
- Toute la mémoire du monde, by Alain Resnais (1956). 21 minutes.
  https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YAAxqTmAkmA
- [News reportage of the Cineteca Nacional fire], by Televisa (1982). 18 minutes.
January 31, 2022
CLASS #2: Navigating the LAM-byrinth

Topics:
What are the key differences and areas of overlap across galleries, archives, museums, and libraries? How have these memory institutions traditionally operated, and how have technology and the pandemic impacted their functions? How are cultural materials handled differently by each type of GLAM? How does each manage information? What balances are struck between specialization and general interest? What about social media (@ChangeTheMuseum and Archives Hashtag Party)? Our Guest Star speaks about curatorial practices that engage and focus on collections of things.

Guest Star:
Jordan Stein, Independent Curator.

Required reading before class:

Additional recommended readings:
- Carolyn Steedman, Preface and Chapter 1 “In the Archon’s House,” in *Dust* (Manchester: Manchester University Press, 2001), ix-16.

Screenings during class:
- *The Berkeley Tool Lending Library*, by the Center for a New American Dream (2012). 6 minutes. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kSyulV00xuM
February 7, 2022
CLASS #3: Collecting

Topics:
What does collecting things implicate? What is the nature and origin of such compulsion, and who are some of history’s most legendary, curious, or deranged collectors? What constitutes value, authenticity, uniqueness, and who says so? What are the various marketplaces for collecting? How much is your Beanie Baby worth?

Due this class:
Create a ‘Collection’ and the means for its ‘Display.’ The Collection can be anything—made, found, large, small. The means for its Display are up to you and your powers for creativity, juxtaposition, critical framing, contextualization, etc. You will share your work with the seminar in less than five minutes, so consider employing sound and/or image, or don’t. [Via: Rachel Foullon, “A Collection and the Means for Its Display,” in Draw it with your eyes closed: the art of the art assignment (Brooklyn: Paper Monument, 2012), 51.]

Required reading before class:
- William K. Everson, Antonia Lant, and Annette Michelson, [Transcript of WKE Lecture for NYU Class on Film archiving] (September 28, 1995).
- Craig Baldwin, Baldwin’s Anomalies 38 (January 2022).
- Sam Kula, “Zapruder Film,” in Appraising Moving Images: Assessing the Archival and Monetary Value of Film and Video Records (Lanham, MD: Scarecrow Press, 2003), 97-102.
- [Anonymized Sample Audiovisual Collection Appraisals (2)]

Additional recommended readings:
   - Additional chapters of your choosing from Helguera’s *What in the World*.

**Recommended screenings of museum ‘heist’ films before class:**

**Screenings during class:**
- Excerpt from *Hoarders*, by A&E (2009-2013). 8 minutes. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qP3_-3kxzGM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qP3_-3kxzGM)
- *How To With John Wilson*, (Season 2, Episode 4). 29 minutes. [Available via NYU Brightspace]

**February 14, 2022**
Library of Congress – Virtual Trip

**February 21, 2022**
Presidents Day (Monday schedule) – No Class This Week

**February 28, 2022**
CLASS #4: GLAM-orous Labor
*Topics:*
Who are these people? We consider the enormous range of roles and responsibilities for workers in GLAM ecosystems.

*Guest Star:*
Takako Tanabe, Founder/Director, Ulterior Gallery.

**Required reading before class:**
- Paolo Cherchi Usai, David Francis, Alexander Horwath, Michael Loebenstein
Required viewing before class (watch one, at a minimum):


Additional recommended readings:


Screenings during class:

- Ten Bullets, directed by Tom Sachs and Van Neistat (2010). 20 minutes.
  https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=49p1JVLHUos

March 7, 2022
CLASS #5: Order, Users, and Ethics

Topics:
Who accesses cultural artefacts and knowledge, how do they do so, and what guidelines determine the modes of their use? How do rules and ethics bound everyday practices? We consider a vast range of physical and electronic modes of access to GLAMs and their collections, take up some problematic examples, and consider possible solutions.

Required reading before class:

- “Mobile Cinemas” section, in INCITE: Journal of Experimental Media, No. 4 (Fall 2013), pp. 180-201. *MIAP Authors.
  https://www.clir.org/pubs/reports/pub149/

Please review before class:

- Professional organizations of interest to MIAP students:
  http://www.nyu.edu/tisch/preservation/program/resources/orgs-list.html
- FIAF-International Federation of Film Archives Code of Ethics:
Required viewing before class (watch at least one before class):

- **F for Fake**, by Orson Welles (1973). 88 minutes. [Bobst AFC# VCA 5117. Also streaming via Kanopy.]

Additional recommended readings:


March 14, 2022
Spring Break - No Class This Week

March 21, 2022
CLASS #6: Power and Resistance

**Topics:**
Who says so? We explore notions of authority, authenticity, and anthology. Our Guest Star shares with us her work archiving local community culture in Xochimilco—an ancient city built on a system of aquatic canals—while working a day job at Mexico's national audiovisual repository, the Cienteca Nacional.

Due this class:
Browse some online ‘shadow libraries’ and share one collection, or item, with the class. Some excellent ‘shadow libraries’ include: [UbuWeb](https://ubuweb.org), [Monoskop](http://www.monoskop.org), the [MoOM Annex](http://mom.arts.manchester.ac.uk/), but students may also lurk in dark shadows of their own choosing.

**Guest Star:**
Tzutzumatzín Soto, Department Head, Videographic and Iconographic Archive, Cineteca Nacional de México.

Required reading before class:
https://monoskop.org/media/text/goldsmith_2020_duchamp_is_my_lawyer/

Additional recommended readings:

Required viewing before class:

March 28, 2022
CLASS #7: Mid-Term Student Presentations of User Studies and Scrapbook-Zine Contribution(s)
Due this class: Students will present the results of their Assignment #1, as well as their first Scrapbook-Zine contributions. We will use any remaining time to follow up on persistent discussions, sketch our Scrapbook-Zine publication plans, and clarify any doubts regarding the second half of the semester.

April 4, 2022
CLASS #8: Identities & Virtual Field Trip to National Museum of African American History and Culture
Topics:
How do GLAMs attempt to represent personal, community, and national identities? What processes are involved in building and exhibiting collections that tell such stories? Our roster of Guest Stars provide several behind-the-display-case looks at the newest Smithsonian museum.

Guest Stars: Staff from the Smithsonian’s National Museum of African American History and Culture.

Required reading before class:

Additional recommended readings:

Required viewing before class:

April 11, 2022
CLASS #9: Scandale!: Ethics, Controversies, and ‘Ownership’ in Collections and Exhibitions
Topics:
Building on discussions about ethics in collections care, we look at ethical controversies in exhibitions. How have issues about ownership, theft, and cultural appropriation of heritage been addressed? When film labs close is it OK to ‘liberate’ negatives? We also consider the longstanding ‘colorization’ controversy, and debate its recent incarnations.

Required reading before class:
- “Someone Used Neural Networks To Upscale An 1895 Film To 4K 60 FPS, And The Result Is Really Quite Astounding”, Digg, (February 4, 2020).
Screenings during class:

- **Storm Center**, by Daniel Taradash (1956). 86 minutes. [Also available via NYU Brightspace.]

April 18, 2022

CLASS #10: Folk Archives, Artists, and Re-Use

*Topics:*

How do artists create, keep, and use archival materials? Our Guest Star—a living legend film icon—helps us think about ‘folk archives’ and effective strategies for breathing life into materials from dusty shelves. We also take up stock footage libraries and several expressions of archival footage in popular culture.

*Guest Star:*

TBD.

*Required reading before class:*

- *Laureana Toledo...but it often rhymes*, ed. Kit Hammonds (Mexico City: Fundación Jumex Arte Contemporáneo, 2019).

*Additional recommended readings:*


*Please review before class:*

- Cory Arcangel’s AUDMCRS [https://audmcrs.coryarcangel.com/](https://audmcrs.coryarcangel.com/)

Screenings during class:

- Documentation of *One Year Performance 1980 - 1981* [by Tehching Hsieh] (1981). 2 minutes. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=90izVR2Kip0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=90izVR2Kip0)
Recommended screening before class:

April 25, 2022
CLASS #11: Moving Image Repositories
*Topics:*
Which GLAMs specialize in moving images and recorded sound? We explore the rich history of film archives, including: institutional origins, classic debates, egomaniacal personalities, successful development strategies, and legendary moments in the audiovisual archiving field. Our Guest Star shares his vast expertise.

*Guest Star:*
John Klacsmann, Archivist, Anthology Film Archives.

Required reading before class:
- Penelope Houston, Introduction and Chapters 1-6, in *Keepers of the Frame: The Film Archives* (London: British Film Institute, 1994), 1-94.

Recommended Additional Readings:

Required viewing before class:
- *Dawson City Frozen Time*, by Bill Morrison (2016). 121 minutes. [Bobst AFC# DVD 47846. Also streaming via Kanopy.]

May 2, 2021
CLASS #12: *1984* or, We Become the Collection
*Topics:*
Have we willfully conjured Baudrillard’s “tragedy of a utopian dream made reality”? We consider dysfunctional surveillance, evil, and the uses of ‘memory’ and information within late-stage capitalism. We put on our tin foil hats, wrap up any loose ends, and look to the future.

**Guest Star:**
Dr. Martin Gascon, PhD, Senior Data Scientist, Wärtsilä Energy.

**Required reading before class:**
- Kari Paul, “They know us better than we know ourselves: how Amazon tracked my last two years or reading,” *The Guardian* (February 3, 2020).

**Required viewing before class:**
- *Fahrenheit 451*, by François Truffaut (1966). 112 minutes. [Bobst AFC# DVD 46372 BLU.]
- *Alphaville*, by Jean-Luc Godard (1965). 99 minutes. [Bobst AFC# DVD 9917.]

**Recommended screenings of ‘surveillance’ films (watch at least one before class):**
- *MLK/FBI*, by Sam Pollard (2021). 104 minutes. [Via VOD.]
- *Fahrenheit 451*, by François Truffaut (1966). 112 minutes. [Bobst AFC# DVD 46372 BLU.]
- *Alphaville*, by Jean-Luc Godard (1965). 99 minutes. [Bobst AFC# DVD 9917.]

May 9, 2021:
**CLASS #13: Student Presentations of Final Projects**
**Due this class:** Student Presentations of Final Projects
DIGITAL ARCHIVE OF STUDENT WORKS:
All student projects are to be collected and made accessible on the Student Work page of the MIAP website https://tisch.nyu.edu/cinema-studies/miap/student-work). Certain types of assignments will be password-protected and made accessible only to MIAP students and faculty. Students are required to submit all of their work for each class to their professor in a digital format (.pdf is encouraged for cross-platform compatibility) via email or other available digital medium.

As a primary goal of NYU's MIAP Program is to be useful to the archival field, the default status of student works will be public (with the exception of internship reports and thesis proposals). Students, in consultation with their instructor, can make a case for why a particular assignment should be restricted to internal use. Proprietary information, confidential information, or copyright issues may lead to this decision, but not a general unwillingness to make work public.

FORMATTING AND FILE NAMING:
Regarding the formatting of citations, students should feel free to use either MLA or Chicago style, however consistency is essential. When in doubt, having a copy of Strunk & White’s Elements of Style can never hurt.

Students must adhere to MIAP’s digital file naming convention requirements:

File names should conform to MIAP's standard format, with f used to indicate fall semester and s used to indicate spring semester: YYsemester_course number_author’s last name_a[assignment#].file extension. Here is an example of a student with the surname ‘Akerman,’ submitting the first assignment in the Spring 2022 course CINE-GT 3049: 22s_3049_Akerman_a1.pdf.

For multiple authors, the two initials of each author will be used, separated from each other by underscores. An underscore and the assignment number will follow this. Assignment numbers are determined by the order in which the assignments are given. They begin with an "a," followed by a number between one and ten. For assignments with multiple files, a letter can be added after the number. Thus, one could have "a1b," meaning that this is the second of multiple files from one student for one particular assignment. In the case of a restricted file that should not be made public, the student should add an "_x" to the end of the file name indicating the file's restricted status: 22s_3049_Akerman_a1_x.pdf. Otherwise, permission shall be implicitly granted for the student's work to be posted on the MIAP website.

GRADING:
Course grades will be determined by performance in four areas. Each receives a numerical score. The final letter grade for the course is determined by numerical total.
92 points or higher (A); 90-91 (A-); 88-89 (B+); 82-87 (B); 80-81 (B-); 78-79 (C+); 70-77 (C); 60-69 (D); less than 60 points (F).

Seminar Participation: 25%
User Study of GLAMs: 20%
Scrapbook-Zine Contributions: 25%
Final Project: 30%
TOTAL: 100 points maximum

IMPORTANT POLICIES AND RESOURCES:

Tisch Policy on Academic Integrity
The core of the educational experience at the Tisch School of the Arts is the creation of original work by students for the critical review of faculty members. Any attempt to evade that essential transaction through plagiarism or cheating is educationally self-defeating and a grave violation of Tisch’s community standards. Plagiarism is presenting someone else’s original work as if it were your own; cheating is an attempt to deceive a faculty member into believing that your mastery of a subject or discipline is greater than it really is. Penalties for violations of Tisch’s Academic Integrity Policy may range from being required to redo an assignment to dismissal from the School. For more information on the policy—including academic integrity resources, investigation procedures, and penalties—please refer to the Policies and Procedures Handbook (tisch.nyu.edu/student-affairs/important-resources/tisch-policies-and-handbooks) on the website of the Tisch Office of Student Affairs.

Health & Wellness Resources
Your health and safety are a priority at NYU. If you experience any health or mental health issues during this course, we encourage you to utilize the support services of the 24/7 NYU Wellness Exchange: contact 212-443-9999 or via their website. Also, all students who may require academic accommodation due to a qualified disability, physical or mental, please register with the Moses Center for Student Accessibility (CSA): contact 212-998-4980 or via their website. Please let your instructor know if you need help connecting to these resources. Students may also contact MIAP Director Juana Suárez (juana@nyu.edu) and/or Academic Program Manager, Jess Cayer (jess.cayer@nyu.edu) for help connecting to resources.

Sexual Misconduct, Relationship Violence, and Stalking Resource Guide for Students
New York University (NYU) is committed to providing a safe environment for its Students. Sexual Misconduct, Relationship Violence, and Stalking are emotionally and physically traumatic, and are a violation of one’s rights. There are many on-campus and community support services and resources available to help Students. Students are encouraged to consult the online Sexual Misconduct, Relationship Violence, and Stalking Resource Guide for Students (nyu.edu/about/policies-guidelines-compliance/policies-and-guidelines/sexual-misconduct--relationship-violence--and-stalking-resource-.html) for detailed information about on-campus and community support services, resources, and reporting procedures. Students are also welcome to
report any concerns to MIAP Director Juana Suárez (juana@nyu.edu) and/or Academic Program Manager, Jess Cayer (jess.cayer@nyu.edu).

NYU Title IX Policy
New York University (NYU) is committed to complying with Title IX and related laws and guidance, enforcing University policies prohibiting discrimination, and maintaining a safe learning, living, and working environment. To that end, the responsibilities of NYU’s Office of Equal Opportunity (OEO) include managing the University’s response to reports of discrimination, including alleged violations of NYU’s Sexual Misconduct, Relationship Violence, and Stalking Policy (Sexual Misconduct Policy). Detailed information regarding these laws and related NYU policies and the resources that are available to students through the Title IX office can be found by using this link: https://www.nyu.edu/about/policies-guidelines-compliance/equal-opportunity/title9.html

Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy & Reporting Procedures
New York University is committed to equal treatment and opportunity for its students; to maintaining an environment that is free of bias, prejudice, discrimination, harassment, and retaliation; and to establishing complaint procedures for allegations involving students. This policy demonstrates the University’s strong commitment to prevent discrimination and harassment against students on the bases of several protected characteristics as set forth below. This policy applies regardless of whether the alleged wrongdoer is a student. This policy applies when the conduct occurs on NYU premises, in the context of an NYU program or activity (including but not limited to NYU-sponsored study abroad, research, or internship program), or the conduct occurs outside the context of an NYU program or activity but (i) has continuing adverse effects on NYU premises or in any NYU program or activity or (ii) occurs in close proximity to NYU premises and is connected to violative conduct on NYU premises.

NYU strongly encourages all members of the University community who have been victims of prohibited discrimination, prohibited harassment, or retaliation to report the conduct. In the case of incidents of prohibited discrimination and prohibited harassment alleged to have been committed against students, the student complainant or other reporting party may make a report to anyone listed on this website: Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy and Complaint Procedures (nyu.edu/about/policies-guidelines-compliance/policies-and-guidelines/non-discrimination-and-anti-harassment-policy-and-complaint-proc.html) which also has detailed information about on-campus and community support services, resources, and reporting procedures.

MIAP students may make such reports to MIAP Director Juana Suárez (juana@nyu.edu) and/or Academic Program Manager, Jess Cayer (jess.cayer@nyu.edu), or directly to the offices linked above.

NYU Guidelines for Compliance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)
The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) was enacted to protect the privacy of students' education records, to establish the rights of students to inspect and review their education records, and to provide students with an opportunity
to have inaccurate or misleading information in their education records corrected. In general, personally identifiable information from a student’s education records, including grades, may not be shared without a student’s written consent. However, such consent is not needed for disclosure of such information between school officials with legitimate educational interests, which includes any University employee acting within the scope of their University employment. See here (nyu.edu/about/policies-guidelines-compliance/policies-and-guidelines/FERPA.html) for full policy guidelines.

**NYU Student Religious Observance Policy**
See here for the University Calendar Policy on Religious Holidays.

**NYU Academic Support Services**
NYU offers a wide range of academic support services to help students with research, writing, study skills, learning disability accommodation, and more. Here is a brief summary:

**NYU Libraries**
Main Site: library.nyu.edu; Ask A Librarian: library.nyu.edu/ask
70 Washington Square S, New York, NY 10012
Staff at NYU Libraries has prepared a guide (http://guides.nyu.edu/c.php?g=276579&p=1844806) covering services and resources of particular relevance to graduate students. These include research services and guides by topic area, subject specialists, library classes, individual consultations, data services, and more. There's also a range of study spaces, collaborative work spaces, and media rooms at Bobst, the library's main branch.

**The Writing Center**
nyu.mywconline.com
411 Lafayette, 4th Floor, 212-998-8860, writingcenter@nyu.edu
The Writing Center is open to all NYU students. There, students can meet with a faculty writing consultant or a senior peer tutor at any stage of the writing process, about any piece of writing (except exams). Appointments can be scheduled online. Students for whom English is a second language can get additional help with their writing through a monthly workshop series scheduled by the Writing Center (cas.nyu.edu/content/nyu-as/cas/ewp/writing-resources/rise-workshops.html).

**The University Learning Center (ULC)**
nyu.edu/ulc; Academic Resource Center (18 Washington Pl, 212-998-8085) or University Hall (110 East 14th St, 212-998-9047)

**Moses Center for Student Accessibility (CSA)**
https://www.nyu.edu/students/communities-and-groups/student-accessibility.html
726 Broadway, 3rd Floor, 212-998-4980, mosescsd@nyu.edu
New York University is committed to providing equal educational opportunity and participation for all students. The Moses Center for Student Accessibility (CSA) works with NYU students to determine and implement appropriate and reasonable accommodations as well as connect to available programs and resources to support
equal access to a world-class education. CSA provides services for undergraduate and graduate students (and other students enrolled in an NYU course) with hearing and visual, mobility, learning and attention, chronic illness, psychological and temporary needs. Learn more about CSA services at nyu.edu/csa.

**MIAP Resources for Current Students**

More resources for current MIAP students can be found here: https://tisch.nyu.edu/cinema-studies/miap/current-students including the Program Contacts, links to the NYU MIAP Student Handbook, Academic Policies, Important Dates, and additional information for current MIAP students.