

Guidelines for the fulfillment of BGC 515. Seminar Series

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All students are encouraged to attend the rich program of lectures, symposia, seminars, performances, lunches, and talks organized by Bard Graduate Center's Public Humanities + Research department. We regard these events as an essential part of our academic program and important to academic formation. For this course, required for completion of the MA degree, students will attend at least ten events during their two years of study (for full-time students) and actively participate at each by asking a question in at least three events per year. Students are further required to reflect on one of these questions (and answer received) in writing. 1 credit (MA only).

Fulfillment details:

- Student may participate in Wednesday night events, Tuesday lunches, and/or symposia.
- Only events held at, or sponsored by, Bard Graduate Center count towards this requirement.

Submission guidelines:

- Students must submit the 515 form, which you will use to record events attended (date, title, format) and the questions posed. We suggest filling this out in real time after each event you attend, so as not to have to recollect it at a later date.
- Students will append one longer reflection of a minimum of 800 words which should include the following components:
 - restate the question asked
 - summarize the answer and explore the value of this answer
 - unpack what the student has learned through this interchange, whether about the topic or their own approach to learning or research.
- The reflection may be written electronically (e.g., a Google or Word document or WordPress blog) or by hand (e.g., in a notebook), but must be presented as one document in a single format. Paper notebooks may be submitted as hard copies or scanned as a single pdf. Hand-written journals must be legible to receive credit.
- Students should submit the form as well as the longer reflection directly to the Office of Academic Programs for review and approval by the student's advisor. It may be submitted at any time during the program, but will be expected to be completed by the end of the student's final semester. For students graduating in May 2023, the journal should be submitted no later than Friday, April 21.