A. Course Description

Credits: 4

Lab Hours/ Weeks: Corequisites: None

Lecture Hours/ Week :

MnTC Goals: Goal LS - Upper Division Liberal Studies, Goal EL - General Education/Liberal Studies Elect.

Beyond memoir and creative nonfiction lies the dangerous world of social and political commentary, a genre based on personal experience, intelligent surveillance of the political milieu and the skill of provocative writing. This class explores the process involved in the creation of the social-political essay and commentary.

B. Course Effective Dates: 08/23/2003 - 12/13/2008 12/13/2008 - Present

C. Outline of Major Content Areas:

See Course Description for major content areas.

D. Learning Outcomes (General)

1. Able to critique writing of others in a constructive manner at an advanced level.
2. Advanced understanding of how social commentaries differ from other forms of the essay.
3. Apply knowledge of social, political, and cultural issues to social commentary essays.
4. Gain confidence in essay writing skills to an advanced level.
5. Understand methods of studying and evaluating social, political, and cultural issues at an advanced level.

E. Learning Outcomes (MN Transfer Curriculum)

Goal LS - Upper Division Liberal Studies
None

Goal EL - General Education/Liberal Studies Elect.
None

G. Special Information

Prerequisite: A 200- or 300-level writing course or instructor's consent.