

SOCIAL SCIENCES (SS)

SS 600 Thinking and Practicing Interdisciplinarity in the Humanities and the Social Sciences **3 Credits**

Grade Mode: Standard Letter, Audit/Non Audit

This course will introduce students to the hackneyed and complex notion of interdisciplinarity and to the ways in which it has been theorized in Interdisciplinarity Studies and practiced in Women, Digital and Translation Studies. It will invite students to develop their interdisciplinary skills in critical and reflexive ways.

SS 612 Research Methods **3 Credits**

Grade Mode: Standard Letter, Audit/Non Audit

The Research Methods course is an essential component of the MA in Digital Humanities program, designed to equip students with the necessary skills and knowledge to conduct rigorous research in the field. The course covers a wide range of research methods, including both qualitative and quantitative approaches, and provides hands-on experience using R for data analysis and visualization. Students will learn how to identify research problems, formulate research questions, conduct secondary research, and understand research integrity and ethics. The course also explores the use of Large Language Models (LLMs) in research and their potential applications in Digital Humanities. By the end of the course, students will have a solid foundation in research methods and be prepared to apply their skills to real-world research projects.

SS 662 The Gulf States and the International Order **3 Credits**

Grade Mode: Standard Letter, Audit/Non Audit

This course analyses the contemporary Gulf States from the perspectives of politics, political sociology, economics and international relations. It seeks to locate the states in an international context in order to identify and evaluate the manner in which their policies have evolved. This course will seek to achieve this through an interdisciplinary analysis of the subject matter. It gives focus to the challenges faced and policy responses. The course will conclude with an examination of the challenges of economic, political and security reform in the Gulf States.