COURSE DESCRIPTION
This seminar is for students in the joint Anthropology/Social Work Program, and open to students in related disciplines and joint programs. It is designed as a workshop for students to share works-in-progress, jointly stake out creative ways of developing the intersection between social work and anthropology, and build an intellectual community with other students, as well as with faculty and alumni of the program.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS
The course can be taken for either one or three credits. Students earning one credit must complete the first three requirements below. Those taking the course for three credits are additionally responsible for the 4th assignment.

(1) Class participation. This is a seminar that relies on everyone’s active participation. Please plan to be present at every meeting and contribute frequently to discussions.

(2) Readings. Please do all required reading in time for class participation.

(3) Presentation. Plan to do one presentation during the semester. You can present your own work-in-progress, or be a discussant of someone else’s work. When presenting, you are encouraged to provide a handout, circulate a paper in advance, prepare a powerpoint slide show, and/or offer another written product for the group to discuss.

(4) Final paper. If you are taking this course for three credits, expect to submit a major research paper. Optimally, this paper will entail primary data collection, sharp analysis, and high quality writing. You should develop a plan of study and a topic for research in consultation with the professor early in the semester. The workshop nature of this course provides plenty of opportunity for feedback on drafts, and offers time for independent research. Please keep a photocopy of all written work you submit, and please back up your computer files.
CLASS SCHEDULE AND READINGS

January 18  
**Anthropology, Creativity, and Community**  
*Note:* session to be held 5:30-7:00pm in coordination with Conversations Across the Social Disciplines

**Guest speaker:**
Ruth Behar, Professor of Anthropology and Faculty Associate of Latina/Latino Studies, Women's Studies, and the Latin American and Caribbean Studies Program

**Guest speaker:**
Janice Paul, Assistant Professor of Social Work and Assistant Professor of Art.

**Discussant:** Tam Perry, Joint Doctoral Student in Social Work-Social Science (Anthropology), "Intersections of risk and creativity in exploration of the personal history"

**Readings:**
Janice Paul, "Addressing Inequality in Education Through a University/School Arts Partnership"  
[http://www.ssw.umich.edu/CASD/addresinequalfinal.pdf](http://www.ssw.umich.edu/CASD/addresinequalfinal.pdf)

[http://www.ssw.umich.edu/CASD/BeharLACORTADA.pdf](http://www.ssw.umich.edu/CASD/BeharLACORTADA.pdf)

January 25  
**Participatory Democracy and Development**  
*Note:* session to be held at noon, room 3752 SSWB, in coordination with the Andean Studies Group

**Presenter:** Julia Paley, Assistant Professor of Social Work and Anthropology

**Reading:**
February 1  Humanitarianism and Trauma Therapy

Guest speaker: Ann Rall, alumna of the Joint Doctoral Program in Social Work and Social Science (Anthropology)

Readings:

February 8  Adoption and Poverty, Commodification and Shame

Presenters: Jennifer Bowles, MSW student, and Angela Harrison, Anthropology PhD student

Readings:
Jennifer Bowles, “Therapeutic Ethnography: Can Weaving the Construct of Shame into Methodology and Fieldwork Make a Difference?”


March 1  Spring Recess – No Classes

March 15  Drug Treatment and Homelessness

Note: session to be held Friday March 17th, in coordination with Recruitment Weekend for the Joint Doctoral Program in Social Work and Social Sciences

Guest speaker: Summerson Carr, alumna of the Joint Doctoral Program in Social Work and Social Science (Anthropology)

Reading
E. Summerson Carr, “‘Secrets Keep You Sick’: Metalinguistic Labor In A Drug Treatment Program For Homeless Women”
March 22  

**Altruism and Health**

**Presenters:** Laura Heinemann, Joint Doctoral Student in Social Work and Social Science (Anthropology) and John Mathias, incoming Joint Doctoral Student in Social Work and Social Science (Anthropology)

**Handout:**
Laura Heinemann, “Cooperative Creation: Cystic Fibrosis, Diagnosis, And the Making of Meaning Through Everyday Parenting” (conference poster presentation)

**Reading:**

April 5

**Women’s Mental Health and Domestic Violence**

**Presentations:**
Kathleen Allen, MSW Student, “Soul Sickness: Stories of Women with Depression”

Aparna Ramakrishnan, Joint Doctoral Student in Social Work and Social Science (Anthropology), Participatory Action Research in relation to Domestic Violence Among Asian-American Women (conference presentation)

Ellen Block, Joint Doctoral Student in Social Work and Social Science, Refugees and Social Service Provision (research internship proposal)