

**Course Calendar 2015:** The dates for all assignments follow. Remember, the syllabus provides a general plan for the course; deviations may be necessary.

**Week 1**

Jan 13 Introduction to Course/Review Syllabus

Jan 15 Reading: "Seven Shapes of Community Life," *Mercer Reader (MR)*

**Week 2**

Jan 20 Readings: "Letter" from Birmingham Jail & Message from the Grassroots" (*MR*)

Jan 22 Field Trip to I-75 Bridges

**Week 3**

**Jan. 26 Roads and Community Assignment Due**

Jan 27 Readings: "Getting Along" & "Democracy in America" (*MR*)  
Driving Log Discussion

Jan 29 Reading: "Visitors to the Black Belt" & "Shirt" (*MR*)

**Week 4**

Feb 3 Individual Meetings to discuss first writing assignment and  
**Driving Log Essay thesis**

Feb 5 Readings: "The Next American Metropolis" &  
"A Sunday on La Grande Jatte" (*MR*)

**Week 5**

Feb 10 **Peer Review Workshop: Bring 2 typed copies to class**

Feb 12 Readings: "Problems with Mistaking Community Life for Public Life" &  
"Spring Festival Along the River" (*MR*)

**Week 6**

**Feb 16 Final Draft of Essay 2 Due** – You must hand in a hard copies of your rough drafts, and all handouts associated with workshops

Feb 17 Readings: *Traffic*, "Prologue"

Feb 19 Readings: *Traffic*, Ch. 1

**Week 7**

Feb 24 Readings: *Traffic*, Ch. 2

**Thesis Workshop: Second Street Project (Bring 3 hardcopies)**

Feb 26 Readings: *Traffic*, Ch. 3

**Week 8**

Mar 3 **Peer Review: Second Street Project (Bring 1 hardcopy)**

Mar 5 Readings: *Traffic*, Ch. 4

**Week 9**

Mar 10-12 **SPRING BREAK**

**Week 10**

Mar 17 Readings: *Traffic*, Ch. 5

Mar 19 Readings: *Traffic*, Ch. 6

**Mar 20 Final Draft of Essay 3 Due** – You must hand in a hard copies of your rough drafts, and all handouts associated with workshops

**Week 11**

Mar 24 Readings: *Traffic*, Ch. 7  
**Concept Workshop for Roads and Community Blog/Website**

Mar 26 Readings: *Traffic*, Ch. 8

**Week 12**

Mar 31 Readings: *Traffic*, Ch. 9

Apr 2 Readings: *Traffic*, “Epilogue”

**Week 13**

Apr 7 **Peer Review Workshop: Blog posts (bring 1 hardcopy)**

Apr 9 Readings: “Those Who Walk Away from Omelas” & “The Perils of Obedience” (MR)

**Week 14**

Apr 14 Readings: “Healing the Earth” (MR)

Apr 16 Readings:

**Week 15**

Apr 20 **Site Live**

Apr 21

Readings:

Apr 23

Readings: "The Lesson" (*MR*)

**Week 16**

Apr 28

Presentations

Apr 30

Presentations

**Week 17**

May 7

**Final Essay Due (7-10pm)**