NS 280: Assignments and Course Evaluation

To evaluate your performance in this class, I will draw from 5 main sources, of roughly equal importance:

- Weekly writing assignments, turned in at the start of each Monday’s class, and kept in a folder that will be turned in in its entirety at course’s end, along with your self-evaluation.

- First paper, due by Fri., March 15 (preferred), or up until the start of class on Monday, March 25 (i.e., after Spring Break). Details of this assignment will be given next week.

- Final paper, due by Fri., May 3. The nature of the final paper will be discussed several weeks into the course.

- Individual meetings. I will meet with each of you individually in my office at least twice during the term. One time after the first assignment is turned in, and then again at the end of the course. Meetings will generally be for 25 minutes, and we will discuss your recently turned in assignment, and also your reflections on how the course is progressing, and what you’re getting (got) out of it. I may ask you a few questions as well, drawing from the information presented by the course. (In most cases I’ll tell you the questions that I’ll ask ahead of time.)

- Your overall enthusiasm. This can be demonstrated in many ways, including “class participation” (note that giving the sense that you are an engaged listener is considered to be just as important as actively contributing to the discussion), attendance, coming to office hours, etc.