

Introduction to World Performance - Discussion Section
THEATRE 212/RC HUMS 333
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Objectives:

In general, to explore and clarify the concepts discussed in lecture. This discussion section is intended primarily to be a space for learning from your classmates in student-guided discussion.

Attendance:

Your attendance at section is counted along with your attendance at lecture.

My responsibilities:

As the GSI for this course, I assume responsibility for facilitating discussion (or supporting those assigned to do so), for attempting to clarify ideas, terms, and processes raised in the course, and for sharing my knowledge and experience with performance and performance studies as it is relevant. I may not have prior experience with the particular performances or regions covered in this class but my training in performance studies will be a resource for you as we seek out information together.

In addition, I intend to make myself available both in and out of class meetings to help you as you design and work on your final projects, and to be a sounding board for your response papers if you wish. All class assignments are graded by the professor.

The best way to work with me on any of the above topics is to email me to set up a meeting.

Your responsibilities:

As students in this course, you are responsible for keeping up with the readings, for thinking critically about the issues raised in lecture, for communicating to me what difficulties you are having, and for coming to class prepared to contribute to and sometimes to lead discussion.

To this end, each student will be expected to email the class one discussion question each week, based on the materials covered in class. Your discussion questions should be primarily critical, not informational. You may ask informational/clarification questions to the listserv, but please also prepare an open-ended question. Please feel free to reply/respond to one another's questions—our discussions on Friday can either begin with your questions or continue cyber-conversations we've already started.

At minimum, each person is expected to email one discussion question to the listserv by each Thursday at 6pm.