

Honors 2013.2 / Spring 2012 / Foucault and Biopower / MW 3:10-4:30 / 424 Hodges  
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## ASSIGNMENTS

Attendance and participation	(15%)
3 Writing assignments	(45%)
Term paper	(40%)

## DETAILS

"Attendance and participation" means that you come to every class alert, with the reading responses done, and prepared to discuss. You'll receive the reading response questions by email about a week before they are due. Write a short paragraph on each question. Include relevant facts, but do not limit yourself to them; try to give some reaction to the facts. Respond before start of class by email to [protevi@lsu.edu](mailto:protevi@lsu.edu) with Subject line "Honors Foucault Reading" AND your last name and the date. For example "Honors Foucault Reading Byl Jan 23"

You will do three writing assignments of 4 pages each during the course (assigned topics), and a term paper of 12 pages (topic of your choice). These will all be exposition. "Exposition" means that you are to put forth (ex – posit) Foucault's ideas, in your own words, that is, without paraphrase, as clearly and carefully as possible. You can redo the assignments once and get the second grade, but you're not guaranteed the second grade will be better than the first.

For the term papers, prior to the draft, you will have to hand in a topic statement.

## SCHEDULE

W 18 Jan:	Introduction	
M 23 Jan:	Readings 1-4	
W 25 Jan:	Reading 6 (xi-xxi only)	
M 30 Jan:	Reading 7, Part One	
W 1 Feb:	Reading 7, Part One	
M 6 Feb:	Reading 7, Part Two	
W 8 Feb:	Reading 7, Part Three	
M 13 Feb:	Reading 7, Part Three	
W 15 Feb:	Reading 7, Part Four	Writing 1
M 20 Feb:	NO CLASS: Mardi Gras	
W 22 Feb:	Reading 10	
M 27 Feb:	Reading 8, Part One	
W 29 Feb:	Reading 8, Part Two	

M 5 Mar: Reading 8, Part Three  
W 7 Mar: Reading 8, Part Four

M 12 Mar: Reading 8, Part Five  
W 14 Mar: Reading 8, Part Five

M 19 Mar: Reading 9, lectures 1-2 Writing 2  
W 21 Mar: Reading 9, lectures 3-4

M 26 Mar: Individual office appointments  
W 28 Mar: Individual office appointments

M 2 April: Reading 9, lecture 5 Topic statement for term paper  
W 4 April: Readings 9, lecture 11

M -W 9-11 April: NO CLASS: Spring Break

M 16 April: Reading 13  
W 18 April: Reading 15, Chapter 1 Writing 3

M 23 April: Reading 15, Chapter 2  
W 25 April: Reading 15, Chapter 3

M 30 April: Reading 15, Chapter 4 Draft of term paper  
W 2 May: Reading 15, Chapter 5

TERM PAPERS DUE Friday May 11, by email, 5 pm

#### KEY FOR READINGS

1. Protevi, "Short Foucault Biography" (website)
2. Protevi, "Foucault Chronology" (website)
3. Protevi, "Social Power Chart" (website)
4. Protevi, "Difficulty of Reading F " (website)
5. Protevi, "Reading Foucault" (website)
6. Colin Gordon, "Introduction" to *Power* volume
7. *Discipline and Punish* (1975)
8. *History of Sexuality, vol 1* (1976)
9. "*Society Must Be Defended*" (1976)
10. "The Subject and Power" (1982) *Power* 326-48; *DE2* 1041-1062
11. "Truth and Power" (1976) ~~*Power* 111-33; *DE2* 140-160~~
12. "*Birth of Social Medicine* (1977): ~~*Power* 134-56; *DE2* 207-228~~
13. "Governmentality" (1977): *Power* 201-22; *DE2* 635-657
14. "*Omnes et Singulatim*" (1979): ~~*Power* 298-325; *DE2* 953-980~~
15. Nealon, *Foucault Beyond Foucault*