Humanities Connect: Spring 2021

The Humanities in Arts & Sciences Advisory Board invites faculty from any department or program in A&S to apply to Humanities Connect, an interdisciplinary seminar to be held in Spring 2021. Humanities Connect will bring together five faculty members, 3-4 advanced undergraduates, and a community-based humanist to explore common humanistic interests and pursue intellectual, scholarly, and educational outcomes around them. The word “connect” in the title emphasizes the power of humanistic questions to draw together many perspectives and UR’s commitment to innovative intellectual exchange across disciplinary, faculty-student, and community-university lines.

We invite applicants from any humanistic discipline or interdisciplinary program, working on any region or place in the world and any time period, from the ancient world to the present.

The seminar will meet five times over the course of the Spring to pursue three primary goals:

- Workshop faculty and student works-in-progress,
- Explore common humanistic themes in one another’s research,
- Develop substantive intellectual links across disciplinary and faculty-student lines.

Faculty in the seminar will be expected to 1) present at a virtual roundtable symposium, 2) mentor the group’s student members, 3) attend all seminar meetings and both roundtable symposia, and 4) generate one piece of scholarly/creative work (e.g. journal article, book chapter, conference paper, performance, exhibition, DH project, community-based scholarship, etc.).

For their commitment to building this intellectual community and close mentoring of the student participants, faculty participants will receive a $1,000 stipend.

Interested faculty should send two paragraphs to Nicole Sackley (nsackley@richmond.edu) by Friday, November 6th explaining:

1) How participation in this seminar would benefit their research/creative work;

2) Their reasons for joining an interdisciplinary group;

3) And their preparation and interest in mentoring student research across disciplinary lines.

Applications will be vetted by members of the Humanities Advisory Board and applicants will be notified during the week of November 16th.

If you have any questions, please contact nsackley@richmond.edu and as@richmond.edu.