

"Inquiry into the Body, Identity, and Culture will examine the human body as a site of communicative action and rhetorical display. Topics for reading and writing include sex and sexuality; weight and athletics; modes of dress; race; ethnicity; tattooing and piercing; body modification; body mortification; illnesses and disabilities; dying and death; and the digital creation of bodies through sites like YouTube and Myspace. We will inquire into the body's role in establishing culture and how we participate in culture(s) using our bodies."