

This
interdisciplinary
seminar guides
students engaged
in critical, feminist,
liberatory, and
social justice
oriented projects
through the process
of research design.

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## **WST 680**

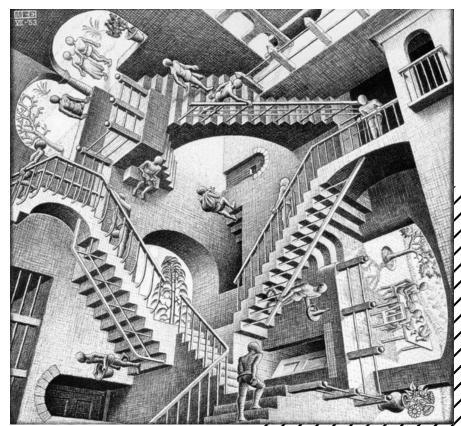
interdisciplinary research design

Tuesdays 1:00 - 3:50 p.m. DR. NANCY HIEMSTRA

We will explore interdisciplinary ideas and debates voiced by scholars and activists about the relationship between theory and research practice, and the conduct of research and research outcomes. Students will be introduced to an array of research methods available across the Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences and Sciences, think critically about their use, and gain some hands-on experience with methods.

The seminar is designed as a workshop to apply knowledge of methods and methodologies to students' own research, and over the semester, students will develop either a research proposal for funding agencies and/or their dissertation proposal (prospectus).

Course topics will include formulating and refining research questions; developing appropriate theoretical frameworks; articulating scholarly value; and thinking critically about the methods used in feminist interdisciplinary research. Students are expected to work collaboratively, presenting their individual works-in-progress to the class for constructive critique.



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