

Mapping, Text, and Travel
Preliminary Syllabus

The Newberry Library
July 11 – August 12, 2016

Week 1

Introduction to Travel Literature and Travel Mapping

Monday, July 11

Session 1: *Introduction to the Seminar*

Afternoon workshop: *Looking at Maps and Texts*

Tuesday, July 12

Session 2: Akerman, *Finding Our Way*

Reading: Akerman, "Finding Our Way"

Wednesday, July 13

Session 3: Dym, *Travel from Polo to the Poles: The Genre of Travel Literature*

Reading: Whitfield, *Travel: A Literary History*; Kennedy, *Reinterpreting Exploration*

Thursday, July 14

Research day and individual consultations with co-directors

Friday, July 15

Session 4: Dym, *On Travel Mapping*

Reading: Dym, "More Calculated to Mislead than Inform;" Gregory, "Cultures of Travel and Spatial Formations of Knowledge"

Week 2

Mapping and Traveling in the Pre-Industrial World

Monday, July 18

Morning Workshop: Pilgrims and Explorers

Session 5: Dym, *Pilgrimage and Mapping*

Reading: Ross, *Picturing Experience in the Early Printed Book*; Wey/Daveys, *The Itineraries of William Wey*

Tuesday, July 19

Session 6: Akerman, *Explorers, their Maps and their Readers*

Readings: Buisseret, *The Mapmaker's Quest*; Harley, *Maps and the Columbian Encounter*; Stern, "Exploration and Enlightenment" and Liebersohn, "A Half Century of Shifting Narrative Perspectives on Encounters"

Wednesday, July 20

Research Day

Brown Bag Lunch

Thursday, July 21

Session 7: Akerman, *By Land or by Sea: Maps, Charts, and Guides for Oceanic and Inland Travelers in the Age of Sail*

Reading: Schotte, "Expert Records"; Pujades, *Portolan Charts*; Delano-Smith, "Milieus of Mobility"

Friday, July 22

Session 8: *Summing Up: Travel Mapping, European Expansion, and the Industrial Revolution*

Readings: To be suggested by participants

Week 3

Mapping and Traveling with a Purpose

Monday, July 25

Morning Workshop: Land and Sea, River and Road: Itinerary and Network Maps

Session 9: Dym, *Mapping by/for Travelers with a purpose: Science, Diplomacy, Travel, and Business in the Atlantic World*

Reading: Bourguet, Licoppe and H. O. Sibum, *Picturing Experience in the Early Printed Book*; Stern, "Exploration and Enlightenment"; Safier, *Measuring the New World*; Bleichmar, "Painting as Exploration"; Pérez-Mejía, *A Geography of Hard Times*

Tuesday, July 26

Session 10: Dym, *Mapping for Leisure Travel and the Grand Tour*

Reading: Withers, "Travels into print: authoring, editing and narratives of travel and exploration, c. 1815-1857;" Buzard, *The Beaten Track*; Withey, *Grand Tours and Cooks' Tours*; Carlson, "Topographical Measures"

Wednesday, July 27

Research Day

Thursday, July 28

Session 10: Akerman, *Scientific Explorers as Travelers and Mapmakers in the American West*

Reading: Foster, *Strange Genius*; Moulton, *Atlas of the Lewis and Clark Expedition*

Friday, July 29

Session 11: Akerman: *Mapping for Migrants*

Reading: Grim, "Maps for Migrants," forthcoming

Week 4

Map, Text, and Travel in the Age of Tourism

Monday, August 1

Morning workshop: Self-made and annotated travelers maps

Session 13: Dym, *From Travel Narrative to Travel Guide*

Reading: Withers, "Travels into print: authoring, editing and narratives of travel and exploration, c. 1815-1857"; Parsons, *Worth the Detour*; Pettit, "Exploration in Print: From the Miscellany to the Newspaper"

Tuesday, August 2

Session 14: Dym, *Off the Beaten Path: Independent Travelers in the Age of Tourism*

Reading: Buzard, *The Beaten Track*

Wednesday, August 3

Research Day

Brown bag lunch

Thursday, August 4

Session 15: Akerman, *Rise of American Tourist Mapping*

Reading: Fifer 1988; Shaffer, *See American First*; Akerman, "Directions and Destinations"

Friday, August 5

Session 16: Akerman: *Atlases, Geographies, and Magazines as Travel Mapping*

Reading: Brückner, *The Geographic Revolution in America*; Schulten, *Geographical Imagination in America*

Week 5

Summing Up

Monday, August 8

Session 17: Akerman, *Cheap Maps and the Digital Age*

Reading: Akerman, "Private Journeys on Public Maps"; Crampton, "A History of Distributed Mapping"

Tuesday, August 9

Session 18: Dym, *Women, Travel & Cartography*

Dolan, *Exploring European Frontiers*; Wesley, *Secret Journeys*; Harper, *Solitary Travelers*; Schriber, *Writing Home*

Wednesday, August 10

Presentations

Thursday, August 11

Presentations

Friday, August 12

Summing up