The following is a tentative schedule for our readings and topics of discussion for the semester. This schedule is subject to change and will very likely be revised (new readings, less readings, etc) at some point during the semester. On the event that I change the schedule I will announce it in class and on twitter and this blog.

1. Ahmed, Sara. *The Promise of Happiness*. This book will be available from the U of M Bookstore in a few weeks. We aren’t reading it until 11/23.

2. Essays/Articles/Book Chapters on WebVista
   These readings are available to download on our WebVista site.
   *Access WebVista through MyU. Click on MyCourses and then GWSS 4790 or GLBT 3610. Log in and then click on our class again. The readings will be organized under the week we will be reading and discussing them.*

3. Essays/Articles/Book Chapters/Blogs on our course blog
   These readings will be posted on our blog.

**September**

7    Introductions to course and each other

9    Blogging/Twitter Basics

Readings:
- Browse my Trouble Blog (especially at the categories tagged under "queer")
- Browse the Queering Theory Blog from fall 2009
- Spend some time on twitter: learn some twitter basics, check out our class twitter account or my twitter account, and read some twitter tales
- Browse my Blogging Workshop
- Read How to Start Tweeting (and Why You Might Want To)
- Check out this twitter cheat sheet

14    Queer Blogging: An Introduction

Readings:
- Rak, Julie. Excerpts from "The Digital Queer: Weblogs and Internet Identity"
• Threlkeld, Aubry. "Virtual Disruptions: traditional and new media’s challenges to heteronormativity in education"
• Mitra, Rahul. "Resisting the Spectacle of Pride: Queer Indian Bloggers as Interpretive Communities"

16    HASTAC forum

Readings:
• Queer and Feminist New Media Spaces

21/23  BLOG CLUSTER: Judith Butler Refuses Award

Readings:
• Judith Butler Refuses Prize at Berlin CSD 2010
• Transcript of Butler's refusal speech
• Where Now? From Pride Scandal to Transnational Movement
• Butler 1, Homonationalism 0
• Celebrating Refusal
• Angela Davis' youtube response

28/30  QUEERING DESIRE AND ONLINE NEW MEDIA

Readings:
• Pullen, Christopher and Margaret Cooper. "Introduction" to LGBT Identity and Online New Media
• Alexander, Johathan and Elizabeth Losh. "A YouTube of One's Own?":"Coming Out" Videos as Rhetorical Action"
• Gray, Mary L. "From Websites to Wal-Mart: Youth, Identity Work, and the Queering of Boundary Politics in Small Town, USA"
• Queer Blogger Roundtable: What’s the Future?

October
5/7    QUEER PEDAGOGY

Readings:
• Kumashiro, Kevin. Excerpt from Troubling Education
• Marchese, Stephanie Jo. "May I, Please, Queer your Kids/The New Queer Pedagogy"
• Luhmann, Susanne. "Queering/Querying Pedagogy? Or, Pedagogy is a Pretty Queer Thing"

12/14  WHAT IS QUEERING AND QUEERING DESIRE? Part One

Readings:
• Cohen, Cathy. "Punks, Bulldaggers and Welfare Queens"
• N'Yongo, Tavia. "Punk'd Theory"
• Puar, Jasbir. "Terrorist Assemblages"
WHAT IS QUEERING AND QUEERING DESIRE? Part Two

Readings:
- Giffney, Noreen and Myra J. Hird. "Introduction: Queering the Non/Human"
- Bernhardt-House, Phillip. "The Werewolf as Queer, the Queer as Werewolf, and Queer Werewolves"
- Kane, Kathyrn. "A Very Queer Refusal: The Chilling Effect of the Cullens' Heteronormative Embrace"

QUEERING CHILDREN, Part One

Readings:
- Stockton, Kathryn Bond. "Introduction: Growing Sideways, or Why Children Seem to get Queerer in the 20th Century"
- Bruhm, Steven and Natasha Hurley. "Curiouser: On the Queerness of Children"
- Kincaid, James. TBA

November

QUEERING CHILDREN, Part Two

Readings:
- Bernstein, Susan David. "Transparent"
- Rowe, Michael. "What is Says About Us When a 17 month old boy is beaten to death"
- Sedgwick, Eve Kosofsky. "How to Bring Your Kids Up Gay: The War Against Effeminate Boys"
- Halberstam, Judith. "Oh Bondage Up Yours! Female Masculinity and the Tomboy"

NO FUTURE?

Readings:
- Edelman, Lee. "The Future is Kid stuff"
- "The Anti-Social Thesis in Queer Theory"
- Selections from Jose Esteban Munoz

UMN QUEER CONFERENCE

Interrogating Complicities: Postcolonial, Queer, and the Threat Of the Nonnormative
Monday, November 15- Tuesday, November 16
QUEERING FEELINGS/FEELING QUEERLY: Part One

Readings:
Ahmed, Sara. *The Promise of Happiness*
  - "Introduction: Why Happiness, Why Now?"
  - "Feminist Killjoys"

THANKSGIVING: No Class

December
30/2  QUEERING FEELINGS/FEELING QUEERLY: Part Two

Readings:
  • Warner, Michael. "An Ethics of Shame"
  • Ngai, Sianne. "On Disgust"
  • Cvetkovitch, Ann. "Public Feelings"
  • Halberstam, Judith. "Shame and White Gay Masculinity"
  • Butler, Judith. "Beside Oneself: On the Limits of Sexual Autonomy"

7/9  QUEERING FEELINGS/FEELING QUEERLY: Part Three

Readings:
Ahmed, Sara. *The Promise of Happiness*
  • "Happy Objects"
  • "Unhappy Queers"
  • "Happy Futures"
  • "Happiness, Ethics, Possibility"