AST 398  
Directed Study: Mazu and Gender in Taiwan  
Spring 2011

AST 398 is a course organized and directed by faculty and approved by the Asian Studies Program Director to meet the particular interests and/or needs of specific students. This particular section entails a study of Mazu, her role in Taiwanese religion, and how her image has shaped gender identity for Taiwanese women.

Assessment:

- Six biweekly reading responses to primary sources (due on Mondays by 8 a.m.) = 25% of final grade
- Outline of research essay with annotated bibliography** (due March 21) = 25% of final grade
- Research presentation (to be scheduled during week of April 25) = 25% of final grade
- Research essay (15-20 pages with bibliography, due May 4) = 25% of final grade

* Dr. Bates will serve as secondary reader, while Dr. Richey will serve as primary reader and will meet regularly with the student. All writing assignments should be emailed to both Dr. Bates and Dr. Richey.

**For guidelines regarding annotated bibliography entries, see:

http://www.library.cornell.edu/olinuris/ref/research/skill28.htm
Calendar:

M 2/7
READING RESPONSE #1 DUE BY 8 A.M.


M 2/21
READING RESPONSE #2 DUE BY 8 A.M.

M 3/7
READING RESPONSE #3 DUE BY 8 A.M.


M 3/21
READING RESPONSE #4, ESSAY OUTLINE & ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY DUE BY 8 A.M.


M 4/4
READING RESPONSE #5 DUE BY 8 A.M.


M 4/18
READING RESPONSE #6 DUE BY 8 A.M.


RESEARCH PRESENTATION (date/time TBA)

W 5/4
ESSAY DUE BY 8 A.M.