POLI 4000 - Dean's Seminar "Southern Culture in a Multi-Racial Age" will be team taught by Dean Gaines Foster and Professor Wayne Parent.

The course requirements:
Weekly reactions to the discussions and whatever readings the speaker may assign - due the Thursday after class. Together these are worth 40% of your grade.
A final paper worth 30% of your grade. Details in class.
Three other short written assignments are worth 10% each: the Cobb review mentioned above, an analysis of a survey comparing southerners to non-southerners that we'll discuss in class and an abstract/outline of your final paper.

Weekly reaction papers. Most weeks, we will have a guest speaker who will normally assign readings ahead of time, which will be posted on moodle and are to be read before class. The speaker will discuss the topic and readings with us for about an hour, then we'll break, then we will return without the speaker and continue the discussion. By the Thursday after the Monday class, you'll email a short thoughtful response of 300-500 words to both Foster and Parent. We'll both read and react but will alternate grading them and emailing you a paragraph response and grade.

The first two class meetings, Monday January 14 and Monday January 28 (January 21 is the MLK holiday) will be taught by Dean Foster, who will give an overview of southern history. Before the January 28 class, students will be expected to have read and written a short review essay on "Away Down South" by James Cobb. Details in class. The first class we will meet on campus, in Stubbs 210. Most of the remaining classes will be in the home of one of the instructors. We'll arrange carpools and such the first day in class.