International Cultural Studies Certificate Program (ICSCP)

University of Hawaii at Manoa

CUL 750: Capstone Project

**Description:** Once the student has completed all course requirements, s/he will be ready to begin the capstone experience. After initial consultation with the co-directors of the Program, the student will select an advisor for the capstone experience research project. Together, the student and the advisor will conceive of a research project to be pursued by the student. For students pursuing MA and Ph.D. degrees at UH, the capstone experience may form one part of or overlap with their larger research projects.

The capstone project is expected to be work of publishable quality. On the other hand, it may also be a project related to the performing arts or to community development.

This project ultimately provides the student with an opportunity to pursue her/his interests within the framework of Cultural Studies theory and practice. Thus, the topics are endless.

Please note the Deadlines for various CUL 750 requirements on the back side of this sheet. Students are responsible for all communication with their Advisor, including informing their Advisor of all their Deadlines.
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<td>Wed. Aug. 26</td>
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| Wed. Sept. 16| Advisor must be selected from ICS Affiliate Faculty and must be approved by the ICS Director.  

Student is required to submit a 1-page proposal on her/his CUL 750 research project to her/his Advisor and to the ICS Director for approval; email proposal to culture@hawaii.edu |
| Weds. Sept. 23| Student intending to receive her/his ICSCP Certificates in the Fall 2015 semester must submit a current copy of her/his Progress Checklist form to the ICSCP office or email the form to culture@hawaii.edu |
| Weds. Oct. 14| To ensure that a student completes the Certification process this semester, the student should inform her/his Advisor that s/he should send a brief progress report on the Project s/he is advising. email the Director at nsharma@hawaii.edu |
| Weds. Nov. 4 | Student must submit a draft of Project to Advisor.  

Deadline for confirming participation of both Student and Advisor in Capstone Forum – Please email confirmation to culture@hawaii.edu |
| Weds. Dec. 9 | Capstone Forum Event at Burns 2118, noon – After the Certificate candidate’s Capstone presentation, the Advisor gives a brief, verbal response/critique of the advisee’s Capstone project or presentation. |
| Fri. Dec. 18 | Deadline for Advisor to submit CUL 750 grades to ICSCP Director (nsharma@hawaii.edu).  

Advisor will submit a 1-page evaluation of her/his advisee’s Capstone Project/experience to culture@hawaii.edu  

Deadline for Student to submit her/his error-free Project in a PDF format to culture@hawaii.edu. This copy must include a 1-page reflection of the student’s experiences in completing the Certificate. Necessary Certification paperwork will be processed upon the candidate’s submission of this final copy. |

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