In addition to assignments and readings found on the undergraduate syllabus for this course, graduate students must 1) read additional articles listed below and submit a 5 page synopsis of the works each week that they are required (due Thursday in class) and 2) write a research report on the topic of their choice. This report takes the place of the final exam and should be 10 to 20 pages in length, excluding bibliography. You must cite at least 10 new articles or book chapters beyond those read in class for assignments. The research paper is due May 3 in class the day of the final.

Jan. 20: The Earliest Maya: Early and Middle Formative Periods
Lesure, Richard G.

Hammond, Norman

Hendon, Julia

Jan. 27: Urbanization and Early State Formation
McAnany, Patricia

Freidel, David A., Kathryn Reese-Taylor, and David Mora Marin.

Feb. 3: Theories for the Rise of Maya Kingdoms
Freidel, David A., and Linda Schele

McAnany, Patricia

Feb. 10: Epigraphic Studies
Schele, Linda, and Peter Mathews

Martin, Simon and Nikolai Grube

Feb. 24: Ancient Maya Religion
Taube, Karl

Becker, Marshall J.

**March 3: Courtly life**

Inomata, Takeshi, and Stephen D. Houston
2001 Opening the Royal Maya Court. In *Royal Courts of the Ancient Maya (Vol. 1)*, edited by T. Inomata and S. D. Houston, pp. 3-23. Westview. (See E-learning website)

Robin, Cynthia

Gillespie, Susan

**March 24: Crafting**

Inomata, Takeshi

Potter, Daniel R., and Eleanor M. King

**March 31: Classic Maya States**

Sharer, Robert J., and Charles W. Golden

Marcus, Joyce

Ianone, Gyles

**April 7: The Collapse of Southern Maya Civilization**

Manahan, T. K.

Inomata, Takeshi

Demarest, Arthur, Prudence M. Rice, and Don S. Rice
Yaeger, Jason, and David A. Hodell

**April 14: Postclassic Reconfiguration**
Chase, Diane Z.
Milbrath, Susan, and Carlos Peraza Lope