OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

FOR ALL ACTIVITIES BELOW, PLEASE BE SURE TO PLACE IN TYPETRITTEN FORM, AT LEAST 12-POINT FONT SIZE, AND DOUBLE SPACED.

One Concert Review – Worth 25% of the final grade.
Attend a music concert of any style you wish (preferably being studied in this course). Write a review in which you a) give the date, time, and location of the concert; b) describe the facility or environment in which the concert was given including the audience size and makeup; c) describe the performer(s); d) identify the music that was performed. Follow this with a 500-750 word essay in which you evaluate the quality of the concert in a manner similar to being a music critic.

Choose One Outside Activity Option – Worth 25% of the final grade.
Option A – Documentary or Feature Film Observation
For a Documentary or Feature Film Observation, you watch an appropriate film and then follow these guidelines to write up your observations in a 500-750 word essay.

Section 1: Select one scene in the feature film or documentary that you watched that you found to be particularly provocative, interesting, relevant, etc. Describe the scene in detail, where it occurs in the film, and why you selected that scene.

Section 2: As you watch the film, choose a topic upon which to write an essay that reconciles the issues of the course in general and the themes, issues or observations that relate to you personally.

Option B – Special Event or Historical Museum Visit (25% of Grade)
On campus and in many communities, there are opportunities for activities that broaden or deepen your exposure to the issues that are the focus of this course. For example, during the various ethnic heritage months on campus, there are guest lectures and concerts organized to educate students and staff. In the community there are historical museums, places of historical interest, and appropriately themed exhibits. There are also community ethnic festivals (such as Native American Pow Wows, Scottish and Japanese Festivals, Chinese Celebrations, etc.) You may use events and sites such as these under this category. Specify the date and location of the activity. Take notes and write a 500-word essay describing with some specificity what you did/heard/saw.