Cleveland State University
Second Six-Week Summer Semester, 2011
Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs
Department of Urban Studies

Course Syllabus
UST 202, Section 504
Topic: Cleveland, Past, Present, and Future:
The African-American Experience

Instructor: Dr. Wendy Slone
Meeting Time: Web-Based Course
E-mail Address: Utilize Blackboard email function.
Office Hours: By Appointment Only.

Course Description:

This course is designed to examine Cleveland’s political, economic, and racial history as typifying older American industrial cities. It will consider current data and trends, and speculate on the future role of African Americans in Cleveland.

Many of the topics covered in this class may be controversial, and challenge students’ opinions relative to the material presented in the course. Therefore, do not take differences in opinion personally. Having respect for people with different opinions is fundamental to having open educational discourse.

General Education Requirement:

UST 202 meets the criteria for the African-American Experience GenEd requirement and the skill areas of critical thinking and information literacy.

African-American Experience Criteria:

1. This course primarily focuses on the contemporary experience of African Americans and maintains the perspectives, experiences and/or achievements of African Americans themselves as central to the course.

2. This course provides students with knowledge of how the field of Urban Affairs studies analyzes the African-American experience.

3. This course provides students with a theoretical and empirical framework for understanding inequality and the distinguishing aspects of the African-American experience.
Skill Area: Critical Thinking Criteria

1. This course requires that at least 15% of the student’s grade is based on an evaluation of critical thinking.

2. This course requires students to attain skills beyond lower-level knowledge, thereby requiring skills that involve the use of content knowledge (e.g. finding information to solve a problem).

Skill Area: Information Literacy Criteria

1. At least 15% of the student’s grade in the course is based on an evaluation of information literacy

2. This course requires students to evaluate the accuracy, authority, currency, objectivity, and reliability of information sources.

3. This course requires students to address the ethical and legal uses of information.

Information literacy skills require students to address ethical and legal uses of information. At times you may want to quote, or state directly what an author has said. Remember to set off quotations in quotation marks and to document them according to the APA style. If you derive your paraphrased statement from several authors, use a single pair of parentheses and a series of references separated by colons for example, (Johnson, 1999; Perry, 2004; Smith, 2006).

Penalties for Plagiarism:

The penalties for plagiarism are found in full in the Student Handbook under Academic Regulations (Policy on Academic Misconduct) at the following link: http://www.csuohio.edu/studentlife/conduct/acadegres.html. Please keep in mind, if a student is caught plagiarizing, it may result in the student receiving a failing grade for the piece of work involved.

Writing Center Page on Plagiarism:

If you require additional information regarding plagiarism you may also refer to the Writing Centers page on plagiarism, which can be accessed at the following link: http://www.csuohio.edu/writingcenter/Plagiarism.html

Paraphrasing:

Paraphrasing should be used to support the hypothesis/theme indicated in the research paper or book review and should form the bulk of the evidence presented in the written assignment. A paraphrase is a restatement of the author’s words or ideas. Paraphrasing adds weight to the argument presented. Where possible maintain the intent of the
original passage, or if synthesizing the work of several authors use the style indicated above.

For students’ with difficulty writing it is strongly suggested that you utilize the Writing Center located in Main Classroom 321. Students may submit their works to the plagiarism detection service at www.turnitin.com to ensure the legal and ethical use of other’s work. Please contact the Writing Center Director for a password and ID number (m.murray@csuohio.edu, extension 6982).

Course Objective:

The purpose of this course is to trace aspects of African American life in Cleveland, with emphasis on the economic, political, cultural, social, housing, and poverty issues facing African American communities in Cleveland. By participating in the course, the student is expected to gain a better understanding of:

(1) Issues and challenges of African American communities in Cleveland,
(2) African American urban history,
(3) Diversity, and
(4) Enhanced writing, research, critical thinking, and analytical skills through writing assignments, group discussions, virtual in-class presentation, and exams.

Because this course is entirely web-based, issues relative to course readings, discussion responses, written assignments, and final exam will occur online via Blackboard. Therefore, all students’ taking the course must be familiar with computers and the Internet.

Course Requirements:

Students’ are required to meet the following criteria for this course:

(1) Prepare/submit all written assignments, discussion responses, and final exam under the appropriate tab via Blackboard on time. Late assignments are at the discretion of the instructor;
(2) Read all readings assigned for the course; and
(3) Edit written assignments extensively before submission.

This course is entirely web based. This course will not utilize lectures for instruction, and therefore requires students’ to do the following:
   (1) Develop work plans to time effectively time manage for there course load;
   (2) Utilize scholarly literature i.e., journals, Internet, etc.;
   (3) Research/collect relevant data/material; and
   (4) Complete/submit the writing assignment developed for this course.
Questions regarding the course should be submitted to the instructor via Blackboard email only. The instructor will not respond to emails submitted to her university (campus) email address. Students’ requiring additional assistance must make an appointment with the instructor via the instructors Blackboard email address. Students should indicate the purpose/object of the meeting in the email.

Writing Across the Curriculum Requirement Criteria:

This course also fulfills the Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) requirement. The universities criteria for meeting the WAC requirement are the following:

1. The course requires students to write between 3,000 and 5,000 words (10-20 pages, double-spaced, in 12-point font, with 1” margins) in writing assignments (which may include drafts).

2. Final versions of at least one assignment should total no less than 2,000 words (eight pages).

3. The course teaches students writing-to-learn strategies that foster students’ experiences in learning, and writing-to-communicate strategies that foster students’ respect of readers’ experiences. Planning assignments (e.g. reading logs, pre-writing strategies) and peer reviews will be included in class assignments.

4. Students will be assigned writing complex enough to require substantive revision. Students will be given feedback to assist them in preparing subsequent papers or drafts of papers. This feedback will consist of more than mechanical correction of punctuation and grammar.

5. The course provides instruction in discipline-appropriate forms of texts, arguments, evidence, style, audience, and citation. Students will be required to use the American Psychological Association (APA) style. The CSU Library website lists citation guides including links to the APA style guide: http://www.ulib.csuohio.edu/research/vrd/citations.html; or go to the APA website, http://www.apastyle.org/

6. There will be writing assignments throughout the semester.

7. The course will address the needs of students regarding library competency.

8. In order to receive a C or better in the course, students must write at a satisfactory skill level (C or better). If the student’s writing is weak, but shows understanding of the course material, the student may be assigned a D, in which case WAC credit will not be received for the course.
Writing Assignments:

All writing assignments (i.e., concept paper and book reviews only) must be submitted as an attachment using Word 2000 or as a rich text file, and not Vista or Word 7. Students are required to use APA style to format citations in the body of their paper, and in their reference section only. Students are not required to include an abstract, footnotes or running headers in their paper.

**Papers that fail to use APA style to format citations and reference page will automatically lose ten (10) points.**

*Students electing to submit a draft of their written assignments must do so one week prior to the final paper submission date. When submitting a draft paper for review the draft paper must be submitted under the draft concept paper tab.*

I. Concept Paper (100 points)

Students’ are to submit a minimum of 10 pages (2,000 words) or a maximum of 20 pages (5,000 words) concept paper. It will discuss the history of an issue affecting African American life in Cleveland. Students may choose from the following five (5) topics.

(1) Leadership, Politics, and Institutions within the African-American Community;
(2) Class and Culture within the African-American Community;
(3) The Impact of Poverty on the African-American Community;
(4) Public Housing and the African American Community; and
(5) Hip Hop Generation: Young Blacks and the Crisis in African-American Culture.

**Students are required to use a minimum of five (5) legitimate reference resources, four (4) of which cannot be from material assigned in this course.**

Legitimate reference resources include the use of: scholarly journals/articles, books, data cited from databases (i.e., U.S. Census, etc.), and reports (i.e., United States General Accountability Office, etc.). Citations from Internet sources that are merely web pages constructed by individuals airing their personal views are unacceptable sources. However, legitimate websites accessing refereed academic journals/reports (i.e., articles published in The Urban Institute, Journal of Urban Affairs, etc.) are legitimate resources.

Utilization of information/data or articles found on websites such as Wikipedia or www.lydiaspeakeshermind.com are not acceptable for this assignment. One way to determine if a website is acceptable or not is to ask the question, “If the Internet did not exist, would I be able to find this article in the university library?” Newspaper or magazine articles may be used for this assignment provided they are in-depth articles on the issue, and not just commentaries or editorials. A maximum of two (2) newspaper or magazine articles are acceptable.
II. Research Paper

Students are to submit (1) research paper. The research paper must contain a minimum of 8 pages (2,000 words) or a maximum of 10 pages (3,000 words) discussing African American life in Cleveland. You must choose one topic (from the four listed below) for this assignment.

(1) Racial Discrimination,
(2) Evolution of African-American Political Power,
(3) Urban Change and the Roots of the Ghetto, and
(4) Civil Rights and the African-American

Students should adhere to the following guidelines for the assignment. However, papers should not read like items on a checklist. Instead, these papers should be part of a fluid narrative. The minimal requirement for the research paper should be the following:

(1) Discuss the primary social issue(s) associated with the topic selected;
(2) Clearly identify the research question or hypothesis you are presenting in your paper;
(3) Indicate the historical setting or social context within which the issue occurs;
(4) Discuss the current status of public policy relative to the issue, if applicable;
(5) Discuss the type of analysis/research, if applicable, being conducted on the subject [i.e., quantitative (statistical) or qualitative (interviews)];
(6) Discuss the political, social, and cultural implications;
(7) Conduct a critical analysis of the topic as it relates to the literature reviewed for the project; and
(8) Use supporting evidence from legitimate reference sources to support item #7 (your critical analysis of the topic).

Class Assignments:

I. Five Weekly Discussion Question Responses (20 points each/100 points total)

Students are responsible for responding in writing to the assigned weekly discussion questions. Responses for the discussion questions must be between 150 – 200 words in length (two full paragraphs), and must be submitted under the appropriate weekly discussion tab in Blackboard to receive credit. FYI: Keep in mind three sentences does not constitute a paragraph. A good paragraph should consist of a minimum of 5-6 sentences.

Students’ are required to participate in the weekly on-line discussion questions to promote Writing-to-Learn exercises, which are intended to promote learning at a deeper level than memorization or recitation. Utilizing Blackboard, students should login every Tuesday and submit their discussion question responses no later than 11:00 p.m. every week. Students may submit their discussion question responses early if they are reading ahead or anytime prior to the due date/time. Because this is a six-
week course, late discussion question responses will not be accepted, even it is submitted on the due date (i.e., if you submit your discussion response at 11:01 p.m. on the due date it is considered late and will not be accepted).

Students’ first discussion question response will be due Tuesday July 12, 2011. *All discussion responses must be submitted as text under the discussion tab located under the main course menu found on my Blackboard home page. Students’ that fail to submit their weekly discussion entries under the discussion tab will not receive credit.

Articles used for the discussion questions are available on Electronic Course Reserve (ECR) at the CSU library and can be accessed at the following link: http://www.scholar.csuohio.edu/screen/m_course.html. You can search for the articles using the course and section number or by my last name (Slone) and selecting the appropriate course/section number.

Written Assignment Evaluation:

A grading rubric will be utilized to evaluate written assignments. Evaluation of student papers is based on the following criteria:

**Higher Order Concerns**

(1) **Focus** – The hypothesis or main point of your paper needs to be stated clearly at its beginning.

(2) **Development** – The research i.e., literature, date, etc. utilized to support your hypothesis. More specifically, students’ incorporation of quotes, paraphrases, examples, inferences, reasoning, opinions, and forecasts relative to supporting their hypothesis.

(3) **Organization** – The organization/structure of the paper. Do the paragraphs proceed from one to another in a logical order and style using appropriate transitions? Is the paper well organized? Did the student adhere to the APA style format suggested for this course?

**Lower Order Concerns**

(1) **Style** – Style can be considered in terms of sentence patterns and diction. Are the sentence patterns varied (preferred) or all the same? Variety in style makes for a far more interesting read. Is the diction appropriate (wording, choice of words) for an upper level college assignment? Is he diction appropriate for the discipline?

(2) **Mechanics** – Refers to the punctuation, spelling, and grammar. **Students should make sure they proofread their paper prior to submission. Points will be deducted for inappropriate punctuation, improper use of grammar, and misspelled words.**
Exam:

Final Exam: The final exam will be open for students to access from 8:00 a.m. on Monday August 8, 2011 until 11:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 9, 2011. The final exam will cover all the material presented for the six-week session from the textbook, and weekly discussion question readings. The final for the course will be posted on Blackboard under the assessment tab located under the course menu. Students’ should complete the final exam on-line under the assessment tab. Grades for the final exam will be posted on Blackboard once the exam is complete. Grades for the final exam will post in students’ Blackboard grade book at the end of the exam period on Tuesday August 9, 2011.

NOTE: Students’ are permitted to use class materials to complete the final exam. No study guide will be provided for the final exam because students’ are able to use their books and notes from the class.

Grading:

The following is a breakdown of the letter grades that will be distributed in this course.

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FYI: The concept paper, research paper, weekly discussion question responses, and final exam add up to a total of 350 possible points for the semester. The grade breakdown listed above is based on the accumulation of the total number of points students’ actually received divided by 350, which is the total number of points possible. Students’ must keep in mind the final breakdown of grades is based on the overall spread of scores achieved by the class for the semester. **Below is a summary of the grade weight for the six course assignments.**

Grade Weight for the Six Course Assignments:

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<td>(4) Final Exam*</td>
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* Note: The final exam will consist of 25 multiple-choice questions; however, the exam is based on a total of 100 possible points. Each question is only worth one point, but the total score (i.e., 25 out of 25 equal 100 points). The final exam will be based on the material presented in the course.

Class Schedule:

This course is entirely web-based and students are required to log into Blackboard on a regular basis to post assignments, check announcements, and stay apprised as to what is going on in the class.

Required Text Books:

Primary Textbooks:

(1) *A Ghetto Takes Shape: Black Cleveland, 1870 – 1930* by Kenneth L. Kusmer, published in 1976. The textbook utilized for this course can be purchased at the Cleveland State University bookstore.

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Reading Assignments:

Students are responsible for reading all the chapters assigned from the textbooks and ERC articles for the weekly discussion questions. Below is a listing of the reading assignments for the course. Additional supplemental readings may be added at a later date if needed. Refer to the announcement tab under Blackboard for listing of any additional readings.
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Introduction and class organization.  
**Readings:** Kusmer, chps. 1 & 2 (pages 3 – 34); Keating et al., Cleveland: The Making and Remaking of an American City, 1796 – 1993 (pages 29 – 48).  
ERC Article: How the Media Compound Urban Problems |
| 2    | **7.12**  
**Readings:** Kusmer, chps. 3 & 4 (pages 53 - 90); and Keating et al., Between Spires and Stakes: The People and Neighborhoods of Cleveland & The Impact of Poverty on Cleveland Neighborhoods (pages 177 – 227).  
ERC Article: (1) Black Picket Fences Privilege and Peril among the Black Middle Class, and (2) Middle Class Blacks are their Brothers Keeper.  
**Weekly Discussion Response, How the Media Compound Urban Problems: Due Today**  
*Draft Concept Paper Due Today* |
| 3    | **7.19**  
**Readings:** Kusmer, chps. 5 & 6 (pages 91 – 154); and Keating et al., Politics and the Development of Public Housing & Housing Dynamics of the Cleveland Area, 1950 – 2000 (pages 228 – 262).  
ERC Article: (1) City Police Stop Blacks more often, Study Says, and (2) Traffic Tickets for One and All.  
**Weekly Discussion Response, (A) Black Picket Fences Privilege and Peril among the Black Middle Class, and (B) Middle Class Blacks are their Brothers Keeper: Due Today**  
*Research Paper: Due Today*  
**Last day to submit draft concept paper** |
| 4    | **7.26**  
**Readings:** Kusmer, chps. 7 & 8 (pages 157 – 189); Keating et al., Black Cleveland and the Central-Woodland Community, 1865 – 1930 & Cleveland: The Evolution of Black Political Power (pages 263 – 299).  
ERC Article: 30 Years after the Kerner Report  
**Weekly Discussion Response, (1) City Police Stop Blacks more often, Study Says, and (2) Traffic Tickets for One and All: Due Today** |
| 5    | **8.2**  
**Readings:** Kusmer, chps. 9 & 10 (pages 190 – 234); Kusmer, chps. 11 (pages 235-274); Keating et al., Black Civil Rights (pages 119-132); and Keating et al., The Cleveland Economy: A Case Study of Economic Restructuring (pages 51 – 84)  
ERC Article: And the Last Shall be First Racial Diversity, Distributive Justice, and Affirmative Action  
**Weekly Discussion Response, 30 Years after the Kerner Report: Due Today** |
**Concept Paper: Due Today**

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*The Schedule and assignments may change at the discretion of the instructor.*

**Course Calendar:**

Written assignments (i.e., concept paper and research papers), weekly discussion question responses and final exam for UST 202 are due on the following dates.

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*Draft papers must be submitted at least one week prior to the due date as an email attachment to the instructor in Blackboard.*

### Class Assignments

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### Text Book & ERC Reading Schedule

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APA Style Tips:

Student papers must include documentation of at least five (5) scholarly (i.e., periodicals, government documents, books, Internet sources, etc.). However, the bases of student’s papers need to come from scholarly literature and not solely from the Internet. Students’ research statements must be documented in the reference section of the paper.

The APA style utilizes in-text citations that refer to a list of sources. The following are a few examples of the APA style:

**In Text Citations:**

(1) **Direct Quotations**

   (A) As Smith (2004) noted,
   (B) As Berry and Simmons (1985) indicated,

(2) **Internet Citations within the Text of your Paper:**

   (A) In the article “Policy Implementation and Practices,” Dr. Smyth indicate… (State of Ohio, 2008).
   (B) According to a report by the United States Census… (U.S. Census, 2004).

(3) **Summary or Paraphrase:** Include the author(s) last name and the date either in a single phrase or in parenthesis at the end of the sentence. For example:

   (A) Kelp and Johnson (2001) argued that…. (Kelp and Johnson, 2001).

**Referencing Citations from the Internet in your Reference Section**

(1) **How to Cite Internet Citations on the Reference Page of a Document. (Not to be used in the body of the document. ONLY use in REFEERNCE SECTION):** Cite material from a web site by giving the web address in parenthesis (http://historyofclevlena.org). When are referring to the entire site, it is not necessary to include a bibliography entry. Conversely, when referring to a specific document from the web site, provide a bibliography entry in the list of references. For example:


**Citation Help:** For additional help in utilizing APA citations refer to http://www.apastyle.org/elecref.html or go to the CUS library home page virtual reference site and click on the drop down list to citation guides (http://library.csuohio.edu/).
**Where to do Research:** Two excellent ways to access scholarly periodic literature is on the CSU library home page, from the CSU home page, refer to:

1. Find articles,
2. Journals and Subject Portals.

**Submission of Assignments:**

Though this class is being taught face-to-face; however, it is still imperative students manage their time and develop a work plan for the course to ensure you meet deadlines established for the submission of assignments, and exams. Students’ should:

1. Prepare and submit all assignments, discussion responses on time utilizing the appropriate tabs located under the course menu found on Blackboard (i.e., assignment, group discussion, etc);
2. Send all correspondence/questions to the instructor, which are not course assignments via Blackboard email;
3. Submit written assignments, discussion responses, virtual in-class presentation, and exams utilizing the appropriate tabs under the course menu via Blackboard; and
4. Log on to Blackboard at least once a week to check for changes, updates and/or additional information relative to the class. **Students’ should pay special attention to the announcements and informational e-mails posted for the class.**

**NOTE:** Periodically, the instructor may send emails to the class for informational purposes only. The informational emails will not require student’s response. For example, students may receive emails with subject headers such as:

*Submission of Assignments: Please Do not Respond to this email.* The instructor will use informational only e-mails when the entire class can benefit from having additional information on topics relative to the class.

(5) **Students using Vista must submit all written assignments (i.e., concept paper/research paper) as a PDF, Word 2000, or rich text file attachment under the appropriate assignment tab located on the course menu in Blackboard. Written assignments not submitted as an attachment to the appropriate assignment tab or saved as a PDF, Word 2000, or rich text file will not be accepted.**

(6) Weekly discussion responses must be typed into the text box in Blackboard and not submitted as attachments. The only attachments accepted in Blackboard are the written assignments (i.e., concept paper/research paper).

**Blackboard Policies:**

Please see the course on Blackboard for changes and/or additional information.

**Use of Blackboard Technology in the Workplace:** For students that have permission to do class work at the workplace, keep in mind that many employers have safeguards in
place that may prevent you from being able to optimize the use of Blackboard.

**How to Access Blackboard:**

Students are automatically enrolled in Blackboard when they register for the class.

**Submitting Weekly Discussion Responses on Blackboard:**

From the course menu in Blackboard, students should select the discussion tab and type in the corresponding weekly discussion response. Students should not submit an attachment for the weekly discussion response. If students have problems entering their weekly discussion response, contact the University Help Desk or Center for E-Learning. If students are still having a problem, notify the instructor before the due date, so an alternative submission format can be discussed.

Students should make sure they include their name and reference the week for which they are submitting their weekly discussion response. **For example: Slone, week 1 discussion response: Middle Class Blacks are their Brother’s Keepers.**

**Submitting Written Assignments on Blackboard:**

From the course menu in Blackboard, students should select the assignment tab and follow the directions for attaching course assignments under the appropriate tab (i.e., under the assignment tab located on the course menu select appropriate assignment tab i.e., Concept Paper, Research Papers and Discussion Responses). Attaching papers under the corresponding assignment tabs is just like sending an email attachment. If students have problems attaching their assignment, contact the Help Desk or Center for E-Learning. If students are still having a problem, they should notify the instructor before the due date so an alternative submission format can be discussed.

(1) **YOU MUST NAME THE FILE WITH YOUR NAME;**
(2) **YOU MUST INCLUDE A TITLE PAGE; and**
(3) **PUT YOUR LAST NAME, PAGE NUMBER, AND COURSE NUMBER AND COURSE SECTION ON THE PAGES OF YOUR ASSIGNMENTS IN THE FOOTER OR HEADER ALONGSIDE THE PAGE NUMBER.**

**For example: (page) #, last name, UST 202, Section 504.** Points will be deducted if you do not include a title page, number on your pages, include your last name, and course number in the footer of every page.

**Late Assignments:**

Because this is a six-week course late written assignments’ will be accepted at the instructors’ discretion and will be subject to (10) ten points being deducted from the assignment for each day the assignment is late. Excuses such as, “I got behind in my
other classes” etc., will not warrant an extension for the submission of late written assignments, or request for an extension on the final exam.

**Technology Management:**

**STUDENT’S ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING THE TECHNOLOGY REQUIRED FOR THE COURSE AND SHOULD FACTOR THAT INTO THEIR PLANNING AND ORGANIZATION.**

For example, keep copies of all homework assignments in case they don’t download correctly. As another example, call the instructor immediately if the computer crashes in the middle of an exam. As a third example, if your personal computer crashes, you will have to find another way to participate such as using school computers.

For students who have permission to do course work in their workplace, please be advised that many workplaces have computer safeguards in place that may prevent access to Blackboard. In particular, workplace pop-blockers may block the quizzes and exams.

**NOTE:** The new Blackboard platform requires students to unable pop-up blockers to view web links.

**Failing to Withdraw from Class:**

Students’ are responsible for withdrawing from the class by the drop dates stipulated by the University. Student’s failing to withdraw by the dates indicated by the University will receive an “F” for the course at the end of the semester.

**A Word of Warning:**

Successful completion of an Internet based class requires students to:

(1) Develop a work plan (schedule) for the semester to meet the demands of the course. Once a work plan is developed, students should adhere to the plan;
(2) Stay focused;
(3) If there is an issue, notify the instructor immediately; and
(4) If a student fails to withdraw from the course by the designated drop date listed on the university calendar the letter grade of “F” will be assigned at the end of the semester, unless prior arrangements have been made with the instructor to complete the requirements for the course during the semester the student is enrolled.
Cleveland State University Important Dates to Remember:

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*The final exam will be available from 8:00 a.m. on Monday August 8, 2011 until 11:00 p.m. on Tuesday August 9, 2011 only.*