

LA 609 | Terminal Project Clinic

Spring 2024

Time	Monday, Wednesday, Friday 1:00 pm – 4:50 pm
Location	Lawrence Hall 400S
Credits	Variable up to 9
Instructor	Elizabeth (Ellee) Stapleton (she/her/hers, they/them/theirs) Visiting Assistant Professor Lawrence Hall 311 estaple2@uoregon.edu Office hours M 12pm-1pm & W 11am-12pm (sign up using Calendly) Or by appointment

Course Description

This course supports MLA students with the completion of their masters projects during their final quarter. The focus of clinic is on the production of professional quality final deliverables to present independent student research. To this end, the course provides guidance, feedback, and support in developing a final written booklet, oral presentation, and associated script. A major emphasis of this course is on clear and effective communication of a project narrative across these written, oral, and graphic deliverables.

Course Format

This design studio is run similarly to a writing circle. Each clinic session will begin with a full class meeting to discuss scheduling and assignments and will conclude with a brief check-in on work progress. In consultation with the instructor, virtual attendance may be permitted for those who need to work in a non-studio context. Regardless of location, it is an expectation of this course that students are working on their projects for the duration of studio time.

Learning Objectives

The learning objectives of this course build upon the research skills developed throughout LA 620, LA 621, fall LA 699, and winter LA 609. This last term of clinic focuses on finalizing written, oral, and graphic products that communicate research findings, design process, and final design proposals. Curricular learning objectives supported by this course include:

- Integrating research and design
- Employing interdisciplinary and cross-scale thinking
- Succinctly and effectively communicating complex ideas
- Demonstrating curiosity, self-motivation, and self-critique
- Independently conceiving of and managing a project