REL 3380 Short Sheet, Spring 2017

**Modules:**
1. “The Sacred and Tribal America” weeks 1-4
2. “American Indian Religious Freedom” weeks 5-8
3. “Rituals, Ceremony, Social Gatherings” weeks 9-11
4. “Tribes of Florida, Past and Present; Tribal Enterprises; Critical Book Review” weeks 12-16

**Assignments:**
**Introduce Yourself Blog:** January 22 at 23:59 (11:59 PM)

**Essay #1:** discuss the “Earth as Sacred,” 300 word-minimum, **due February 5 at 23:59**

**Essay #2:** "NAGPRA," **due Feb 12 at 23:59**, approximately 300 words

**Research Essay:** approximately 300-word minimum regarding US Laws governing Indian societies; select a law or act to research and discuss; include footnotes or endnotes and a bibliography from outside resources. **Due Sunday, Feb 26 at 23:59**

**Part A:** Critical Review or Research Paper- Abstract of 150-200 words that includes a thesis statement, an outline for writing your review, and a bibliography. Select your topic from either a critical review of *The Round House*, or one of the following themes from the book: “the significance of a round house in the American Indian community,” “the incidence of rape in the American Indian community compared to reported rape cases in the US” (provide statistics), or “discuss of how life differs on an Indian Reservation versus life in an American urban or metropolitan community;” **due Apr 16 at 23:59**

**Part B:** Final Critical Review/Research Paper 1,500 words or more due **Sunday April 30 at 23:59 (This review or research paper replaces a final exam)**

**Discussions/Live chats**
*Live chat #1,* Adobe Connect Meeting, Jan 19, 21:00-22:00 (9-10 PM). If you are unable to attend the live chat, please follow the protocol under the Discussion Board to post your response after you have viewed the recorded chat

**Discussion #1:** Initial post for the topic “Indian religiousness” as a cultural revolution in the US; **due Thursday, Jan 26 at 23:59 (11:59 PM).** Post your responses to at least 3 others **by Sunday, Jan 29 at 23:59**

**Discussion #2:** public v privatization of land, (include the Dakota pipeline events), initial post **due Thursday, Feb 2 at 23:59**; responses to at least 3 others **by Sunday, Feb 5 at 23:59**

**Discussion #3:** Can genocide be considered regarding the treatment of American
Indians in the US? Initial post by Thursday, Mar 2 at 23:59; respond to 3 others by Sunday, Mar 5 at 23:59

Discussion #4: Explain in your own words why the South Florida tribes have been financially successful. Initial post by Thursday, Apr 6 @ 23:59, respond to at least 3 others by Sunday, Apr 9 @ 23:59

Assessments
Quiz #1: opens Jan 26 at 08:00, closes Sunday, Jan 29 at 23:59 (material from weeks 1-2, 10 questions @ 10 points- matching, multiple choice, true/false)

Quiz #2: opens Thursday Feb 16 at 08:00, closes Sunday evening at 23:59 (material from weeks 3-4, 10 questions @ 10 points- matching, multiple choice, true/false)

Quiz #3: opens Thursday, Mar 2 at 08:00, closes Sunday, Mar 5 at 23:59 (material from weeks 5-7, 10 questions @ 10 points- matching, multiple choice, true/false)

Quiz #4: Zaption quiz assessment for videos due Mar 12 at 23:59

Midterm Exam: opens Wednesday Mar 22 at 08:00, closes Sunday Mar 26 at 23:59 (material from Weeks 1-8, 48 randomized questions or statements-matching, multiple choice, true/false @ 2 points, 1 short essay @ 4 points)

Quiz #5: opens Thursday, April 6 at 8:00, closes Sunday April 9 at 23:59 (material from weeks 9-11, 10 questions @ 10 points, matching, multiple choice, true/false)