Spring 2019 Course Descriptions

Instructor: Andrew Pilsch
Course: 481
Title: Senior Seminar: Is Writing a Fad?

Description: This senior seminar explores the question of writing by exploring both ends of written culture: debates about writing in ancient Athens and the perceived decline in literacy brought about by computers. We will be reading a variety of works from both periods, exploring them from within the rhetorical tradition, and generally attempting to account for the way media, most prominently writing, structures culture and the transmission of knowledge.