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This course provides students an opportunity to complete a semester-long research project in American history. Here is your chance to take on the historian's task, from soup to nuts. You will design a topic, research primary historical sources, locate a historical problem relating to your topic from secondary historical sources, and develop a hypothesis which addresses your question. The end result will be a paper of at least twenty-five pages. You may choose any doable topic on the history of the Civil War era (loosely considered) or African American history before the twentieth century.