COM 493--Cleveland and Film Seminar

Feedback on Individual Journals--Addendum, 4/9/01

On the recent round of journal evaluations (i.e., looking at entries for 2/19-3/28), I allocated up to 30 pts. (15% of your course grade) for the journal. The remaining 30 pts. (another 15% of your course grade) will be allocated on a final review at the end of the semester.

On this recent round, I found that many of you did not display knowledge of our class readings (articles and websites from our class website), something that I had asked for in my evaluation sheet on the first evaluation wave (1/22-2/14). I deducted five points for having no references to readings. Now, I am discovering that there was some confusion about what I wanted, especially for those who did not have that criterion checked on their sheets during the first round.

Hence, I’ll offer you this--for those who missed points for this reason (item #3 on the checklist), you may get the points back if you do the following: Add a special entry to your journal, labeled “Readings for Part 2,” that discusses the readings relevant to class events from 2/19 to 3/28.

And now, don’t forget to include relevant analyses and references to readings for the final weeks of the semester! My hope is that you’ll check out relevant sites and articles before the guest arrives (or shortly thereafter, if materials are not available beforehand), and integrate some information from that with your entry for that guest . . . a more “fully informed” discussion of the person/topic, if you will.

Thanks!