## Term Paper Outline Guidelines

- Your term paper outline should comprise a **minimum of 250 words** and can take the form of a running text or bullet points.
- It should contain the following information:
  - o Topic of your term paper
  - o Primary material you want to focus on
  - Your research question
  - o Brief overview of the structure, including the main aspects relevant to your topic that you intend to discuss
  - → The topic is entirely up to you, but it should be related to the texts we discussed in class. Make sure that your focus is narrow enough to be discussed in depth on the comparatively small number of pages.
  - → The topic needs to be approved by the lecturer. If you want to change your topic later, you need to confer with your lecturer first.
- Your outline can also feature the following (this is optional, but it might be beneficial for you to get early feedback on these aspects of your term paper):
  - o Thesis statement
  - o General information on your topic (e.g. historical or cultural context)
  - o Importance and relevance
  - Overview of previous research conducted on this topic; possibly research gaps, and where you situate your own paper
  - o Theoretical framework
  - o Preliminary table of contents