First-year Odyssey Course

Digital Oral History and Autism (CRN 38151)
Wednesday 12:20 - 2:15, 7.5 weeks; First day of class: 1/13/16; Last day of class: 3/2/16, Russell Special Collections Library (0740), Room 0329

Through seminars and an oral history interview, students will be introduced to research using oral history methodologies, and research in autism spectrum disorders. Seminars will include discussion of autism and autism research at UGA, teach issues in oral history methodologies in the digital age, and explore the differences between qualitative and quantitative research. At the end of the course, student pairs will engage in experiential learning by using the knowledge and methodologies taught in seminars to conduct and record one audio oral history interview with local, volunteer family members of children with autism. These oral histories will be archived in the Georgia Disability History Archive at the Special Collections Libraries, and also made available online through Center for Autism and Behavioral Education Research, as a unique resource for parents and pediatricians of children with autism.