

## **Situating the self**

### **Exercises/Assignment**

For the purpose of this course, we will depend on old-school note-making, with ink and paper. Please keep a dedicated journal, but feel free to also print-out the texts and make marginalia.

#### **Instruction #1**

Forage for three objects within a 1-2-kilometer radius around where you live. Bring them back home or make photographs of them.

#### **Instruction #2**

Compose a text of between 400 to 800 words locating yourself geographically. Situate yourself as a coordinate within a landscape. To whom does the land belong? What is its micro climate? What season are you in? What does the world look like around you? What are the immediate smells, tastes, and sounds that inform your senses daily? Where were you before you got to where you currently are.

Don't over-think the text. Resist the urge to manicure your sentences. Write from a responsorial, intuitive, honest space.