April 21-30: Powerpoint presentations. Please email me (rlevin@amherst.edu) your presentations by 8am on the morning of your presentation. Practice them in advance so that they are no longer than 8-9 minutes. This is a short time period-- as you design your presentation, carefully consider the main information that you want to teach the class (a good rule is that it is often better to teach a few things well than many things poorly) and how to best organize and illustrate that information.

April 23: Research papers due in class. Please bring three copies; each person will read two and return with comments in class on April 28.

May 5: Let's Eat: Culinary creation, presentation, & banquet. You and a partner will prepare a dish and supply a written recipe, brief explanation (2-3 minutes) to the class of the cultural history of the dish, and the major botanical components (including their scientific and common names, plant families, and origins). Guidelines: your dish must include products from at least 3 different types of plants and be edible by the time it reaches class. A microwave will be available.

May 7: Final quiz focused on content from presentations.

May 8: Final research papers due, 5pm (my office, LSB Rm. 139).