Issues in ethnographic research II (Spring 2015)

Final essay question

How have anthropologists worked through one or more methodological issue(s) of fieldwork in either a specific topic relating to your research (e.g. childhood) or a specific theoretical approach that you might use in your work (e.g. embodiment)?

In your essay, please do the following:

* Explain how the methodological issue(s) that you discuss are important to consider in answering your research question, and how you will go about addressing the issue during fieldwork.
* Articulate clearly (1) key approaches, debates, and/or developments in the relevant literature and (2) how you are going to provide an intervention to this body of literature. Please remember that this essay should focus on methodological questions. So part of the task is to be able to identify key scholars, texts, and debates on topics or theories, but you will need to consider these vis-à-vis the methodological issues and readings we have done in IER 2 and/or IER 1.

You can choose any issue that relates to methods drawing from IER 1 or IER 2.

Please make sure that the essay for this course is not the same as the essay you hand in for the PGR seminar.

Please check your idea with me before you start.