Fall/Winter 2020-2021

AP/EN 4610 6.0A (Y)	Senior Prose Workshop: Fiction
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	Office hours: Tuesdays, 12-2pm
Time:	Wednesday, 2:30pm – 5:30pm
Delivery Format:	REMOTE – (synchronous delivery) – There are scheduled meeting
-	times for this course (see above). Students should plan to be
	available for course-related activities during the appointed times.
	For more information, see the Description and/or Requirements
	below.
Description:	In this course students draft and revise works of fiction and, through
•	discussions of their work and that of established writers, develop
	critical faculties to help situate their writing within both a literary
	framework and broader cultural, political and social contexts.
	Classes will be divided between a lecture/discussion of the assigned
	readings and workshops. Lectures will examine the roles of language and storytelling in the creation of geographical, cultural, ideological and
	virtual communities, how the structures of power are reified through
	dominant popular narratives, and how alternatives to those
	narratives can be fostered through writing and literature.
	Students are encouraged to consider how these practices might apply
	to their own writing, and are required to respond in writing to assigned
	readings; these responses will be handed in for a grade at the end of
	each term. In workshops, students discuss, per each piece's intentions,
	the writing of their classmates with respect to its strengths and areas of
	potential improvement. Each student is responsible for providing at
	least one workshop piece per term.
	Because this is a discussion-based course, students must be active
	participants in lectures and workshops. Please be prepared to
	contribute thoughtfully, generously and creatively in conversations
	about assigned readings and one another's work. You will be
	evaluated partly on the quality of your participation every week.
Category:	NA
Historical Requirement:	NA
Requirements:	Classes will convene weekly online, via Zoom, to discuss the
	week's assigned readings and to workshop student work.
	Students unable to attend and participate are expected to
	respond in an online discussion forum on Moodle. Lectures
	(PowerPoint and recorded audio) will also be posted to Moodle.

	The final grade for the course will be based on the following
	rubric:
	 First term workshop submission 10%
	 First term reading responses 15%
	 Second term workshop submission 10%
	 Second term reading responses 15%
	Participation 20%
	• Final portfolio 30%
Reading List:	Thomas King, The Truth About Stories
	Mary Robison, Why Did I Ever
	Additional readings will be open source and online
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