

## **ENGL 7602-001: Fiction Workshop**

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Wednesdays 5:30-8:30 pm

Patterson Hall 315

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A graduate-level workshop in fiction writing. Class sessions will be devoted primarily to reading and workshopping student work, with particular attention to story structure, emotional interrogation, character revelation, language, and the revision process. Students will be given freedom to pursue their own ongoing projects and where appropriate critiques will consider student stories and chapters in the context of book-length projects. We will also discuss published fiction, mostly short stories, representing a variety of narrative and sentimental strategies. Students will help determine our reading list.

Readings from: Alexia Arthurs, James Baldwin, JG Ballard, Jorge Luis Borges, Italo Calvino, Angela Carter, Garth Greenwell, Jamaica Kincaid, Gary Lutz, Scholastique Mukasonga, James Purdy, Claudia Rankine, Merritt Tierce, Bryan Washington.

Required Texts:

- ENGL 7602 Coursepack