

Creative Writing

MRS. SALEM



"Either write something worth reading or do something worth writing."

--Benjamin Franklin

"A word after a word after a word is power."

--Margaret Atwood

"I write to discover what I know."

--Flannery O'Connor

"Get it down. Take chances. It may be bad, but it's the only way you can do anything really good."

--William Faulkner

COURSE PURPOSE

This course is meant to spark your literary interests, talents, and inclinations, so that you can walk away with a clearer image of who you are – or rather, who you might be – as a writer. This applies to everyone, from those who might have never written before, to those who are fairly decided on their preferred forms of writing, and everyone in between. You will read a fair amount of short stories and poems, and then write your own. You will critique the works of your classmates, and help one another on this path of self-discovery and skill improvement. And if you enjoy the crafts of fiction and poetry, rest assured: you will have a great time.

REQUIRED TEXTS

THERE IS NO TEXT FOR THIS CLASS. ALL READINGS WILL BE UPLOADED TO GOOGLE CLASSROOM AND YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO PRINT YOUR COPIES FROM THERE TO BRING TO CLASS.

PROJECTS/ASSIGNMENTS

Short Story	Flash Fiction
Poetry	Braided Essay
Creative Nonfiction	Journals
Memoirs	Children's Books

COURSE STRUCTURE

EVERY TUESDAY WE WILL HAVE A READING WORKSHOP ON THE REQUIRED READING FOR THE WEEK. WE WILL SPEND WEDNESDAY ON MINI LESSONS RELATED TO THE READINGS AND WORK TO STRENGTHEN OUR SKILLS. THURSDAYS AND MONDAYS WILL BE FOR WRITING. FRIDAYS WILL BE FOR THE STORY GAME AND FOR CLASS WRITING WORKSHOPS.

A NOTE ABOUT GRADING

ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE GRADED ON EFFORT AND MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS. YOU WILL NOT BE GRADED ON WRITING SKILL/ABILITY.

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