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English 3999F: Creative Writing

Course Description

This writing workshop focuses on the craft of literary fiction. Students will learn how to write engaging, original and moving stories using a variety of narrative techniques. We will learn to structure a dynamic scene, create an overall story arc, build memorable characters, and ensure verisimilitude. We will surprise and delight the reader! Special attention will be paid to deploying lively and clear language at the level of the sentence. Examples will largely be drawn from the fiction we read (short stories and/or novels), but we may also consider techniques found in poetry and television/film (i.e. screenwriting). Students can expect a substantial workload of reading and writing but will benefit from the robust feedback provided over the course of the semester by their professor and their peers.