

English 229 Semester Overview

Fall, 2020

Week 1-2 Getting Started

Exploring Blackboard, introducing ourselves, thinking about art and the creative process.

Weeks 2-8 Poetry

3 Poetry Projects

For each project, we will read samples, chat, complete exercises and watch videos beforehand to help us write our poem. Then we will enter into a period of workshopping (drafting and critiquing) on our way to finishing each project. Each project gives you lots of freedom, while at the same time helping you to practice basic writing skills.

Weeks 9-13 Fiction & Creative Nonfiction

A Brief Look at Creative Nonfiction

1 Fiction Project

As with the poetry unit, we will read samples, converse, watch videos etc. that will assist us in thinking about creative nonfiction and short stories. Following that is the workshop period when we work on drafts and ultimately make a great finished product.

Week 14-16 Reflective Letter & Chapbook

Putting It All Together in Your Own Book!

Taking Stock of the Semester in a Letter to Your Instructor

Finals Week

No Final Exam. Your Chapbook and Reflective Letter are the primary final products.

