

January '019 ENG 5998.007: **Spring '019 U. S. LITERATURE DISCUSSION GROUP**

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Each session is open to everyone, and we'll usually meet in 415 WMS:

1:30 Friday, 1/11 brief organizational session

2:30 Friday, 1/18 **Liz Hutchison** leads our discussion on “**Intersectionality**,” from the new Keywords for African-American Studies; a few hard copies are in the Big Yellow Folder near the receptionist’s desk, so you can borrow one to photocopy it.

1:30 Friday, 2/1 Setting the stage for the following week’s big “CONTROL” seminar, **Blake Stricklin** and **Prof. Aaron Jaffe** team up to lead our discussion on “Infrastructure” and “Control,” so again, check the BigYellowFolder.

1:30 Friday, 2/22 **Jeanine Ortega** leads our discussion on two entries: “Latino, Latina, Latin@,” from Keywords for American Cultural Studies, 2d ed., and “Latinidad/es,” from Keywords for Latin/o Studies; see BigYellowFolder.

1:30 Friday, 3/8 **Leah Delaney** leads our discussion on “Sexuality,” from Keywords for African-American Studies; a few hard copies will be in BigYellowFolder.

1:30 Friday, 3/29 **Dorothy Calabro** leads our discussion on “Bodies,” from recent special Keywords in Early American Literature and Material Texts issue of Early American Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal, which is a click away at <https://muse.jhu.edu/article/707731>

1:30 Friday, 4/5 **Mallary Rawls**, Resident and Interdisciplinary Librarian at Strozier, leads our discussion of 2018 article from the journal Library Trends: “Browsing Through Bias: The Library of Congress Classification and Subject Headings for African American Studies and LGBTQIA Studies,” downloadable through Project MUSE.

1:30 Friday, 4/19 our fairly traditional Wrap-up Session at Momo’s, on Tennessee St.; first round or two of drafts are on D.M.

Note: attending either or both of the following events is of course optional:

2:30 Mon., FEB. 12, coinciding with FSU Authors’ Day: Calvin’s Coffee Shop hosts twelfth(!) in series of once-per-semester readings+book-signings, this time by **Prof. Tanya Peres** from Anthropology, co-editor of Baking, Bourbon and Black Drink: Foodways Archaeology in the American Southeast, with intro by FSU history prof Andrew Frank and with lively Q+A. **Note:** at 4:00 there’ll be an Authors’ Day reception over at Strozier Library’s Robert Bradley Reading Room. **Hint:** this informal little coffee shop is downstairs at UKirk Tallahassee, at corner of West Park Ave. and Copeland, i.e., just past the Westcott Fountain (and across from Dunkin’ Donuts)

1:30 Fri., FEB. 15: the FSU Faculty Senate’s ROAD SCHOLARS Committee welcomes **Dr. Nadine McQuarrie**, a geologist at the University of Pittsburgh, who’ll speak on “Moving Mountains.” FSU’s Department of Earth, Oceanic and Atmospheric Science is hosting her visit, and word is she’s, well, a rock star(!), and following her talk and then Q+A, in Strozier’s Robert Bradley Reading Room, there’ll be quite the reception, too.

August '018

ENG 5998.10: Fall '018 U. S. LITERATURE DISCUSSION GROUP

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- 1:30 Friday, 8/31** simply gathering at Momo's to welcome **Prof. Frances Chan** and her partner! No need to bring your own draft: first couple of rounds'll be on D.M. *Note:* Open to everyone
- 1:30 Friday, 9/14** **Rita Mookerjee** leads our discussion on "**Queer**," by Siobhan Somerville, among the Web Essays available at <http://keywords.nyupress.org/american-cultural-studies/>
- 1:30 Friday, 9/28** **Emilie Mears** and **Paige Wallace** lead a workshop on their *draft* Keywordsesque paper on **Ecoporn**. For a copy, please e-mail Alex Quinlan at aquinlan@fsu.edu.
- 1:30 Friday, 10/19** **Molly Marotta** leads our discussion on the Keywords entry "**Reform**," by Susan Ryan, *also* among the Web Essays available at <http://keywords.nyupress.org/american-cultural-studies/>
- 1:30 Friday, 11/30** **Prof. Ravi Howard** leads our discussion of James Baldwin's novel If Beale Street Could Talk. The adaptation by FSU film school alum Barry Jenkins -- he of Moonlight and, soon, The Underground Railroad -- is supposed to be in town by then, give or take, so here's Prof. Howard's idea: "I think it may be worthwhile to bring the adaptation into the discussion and that may give everyone a few weeks to see it. Also, I can bring a few of Jenkins' conversations about the book into the talk as well."

Note: For anyone taking this 1-credit-hour course who needs to make up a missed date, attending one of these sessions -- both of which are open to everyone -- will count:

- 3:30 Fri., Sept. 21** Calvin's Coffee Shop hosts eleventh in series of once-per-semester readings+book-signings, this time by **Prof. Jen Atkins** from the School of Dance, author of New Orleans Carnival Balls: The Secret Side of Mardi Gras, 1870-1920. Following Q+A there'll be a reception. *Hint:* Calvin's is the comfortable little coffee shop downstairs at UKirk Tallahassee, a/k/a the Presbyterian University Center, at corner of West Park Ave. and Copeland (*hint:* it's just past the Westcott Fountain and across from Dunkin' Donuts)
- 1:30 Fri., OCT. 5** the Faculty Senate's ROAD SCHOLARS Committee welcomes **Dr. James Johnson**, the Kenan Distinguished Professor of Strategy and Entrepreneurship at UNC-Chapel Hill, who'll speak on "Six Disruptive Demographics That Will Change America Forever." Following his talk and then Q+A, in RBB 214, please come to the reception in RBB 220. Co-hosts for his visit are the College of Business and the Department of Geography.

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Here're the afternoons when we'll meet; sessions in February and March will be in **415 WMS**.

1:30 Friday, Jan. **19** in the *Common Room*, 013 WMS: **Prof. John Ribó** will set the stage for these two upcoming events --

- campuswide Social Justice Symposium, "Activism in the Academy," **February 9-10**, sponsored by the President's Council for Diversity and Inclusion, the Office of the Provost, the Black Faculty and Staff Network, the Latin@ Faculty Advocacy and Resource Group, and the Center for Leadership and Social Change
- talk by Prof. Robin D.G. Kelley, <http://afam.ucla.edu/faculty/robin-d-g-kelley/>, **April 6-5**, sponsored by our department's Program in Literature

-- by leading our discussion on *these two texts*:

Cornel West's piece in *The Guardian*:

<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2017/dec/17/ta-nehisi-coates-neoliberal-black-struggle-cornel-west>

Robin Kelley's response in *Boston Review*:

<http://bostonreview.net/race/robin-d-g-kelley-coates-and-west-jackson>

2:30 Friday, Feb. **2** **Molly Marotta** will lead our discussion on "Science" by Laura Briggs and "Technology" by Jentery Sayers. NOTE: both are available online at www.keywords.nyupress.org

1:30 Friday, Feb. **23** **Desire Ameigh** will lead our discussion on two entries* from *Keywords for American Cultural Studies*, 2d ed.: "Media" by Lisa Nakamura and "Subject" by Tavia Nyong'o.

1:30 Friday, Mar. **9** **Chris Michaels** will lead our discussion on the entry "Ecopoetics"* by Kate Rigby, from *Keywords for Environmental Studies*.

1:30 Friday, Mar. **30** Discussing a term that should be in *Keywords*: **Prof. Barry Faulk** will lead our discussion on "one or two essays* related to 'Planetarities' (non-human centered accounts of representation)." (Participants in this series in Spring '017 will recall ALEX BRICKLER'S having led a session on his *Keywordsesque* essay on "Afrofuturism.")

*to borrow a hard copy of these texts in order to photocopy them, please visit the Big Yellow Folder in the department's command module, 405 WMS

1:30ish F, Apr. ~~20~~**27** lunch at **Momo's**, i.e., D.M.'s treat for folks taking this 1-credit-hr course this time around and for discussion leaders

August '017 ENG 5998.02: Fall '017 U. S. LITERATURE DISCUSSION GROUP

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Here're the afternoons when we'll meet, *usually* in 415 WMS. Each student taking this 1-credit-hour course needs to attend at least **3** of these discussions.

- 1:30** Friday, Sept. 1 brief organizational session, upstairs in 415, where there'll be coffee and, yep, doughnuts, today
- 1:30** Friday, Sept. 8 **Phil Grech** will lead our discussion on Ann Cvetkovich's "Affect," from Keywords for American Cultural Studies, 2d ed.; a .pdf of it will be available via our Blackboard site
- 3:00** Friday, Sept. 15 **"No Permission Required: Black Women Playwrights Beyond the Great White Way"**: presentation by UNC-Chapel Hill theatre prof Kathy Jenkins downstairs in the Augusta Conradi Theatre, followed by Q+A, of course, plus a fine reception in the Williams Courtyard! Attendance is *optional*, of course, and details about this series, now in its fourth year, are at <http://fla.st/FDA-RoadScholars>
- 1:30** Friday, Sept. 22 **Alex Quinlan** will lead our discussion on "Democracy" by Fred Moten, from Keywords for American Cultural Studies, 2d ed., "Identity" by Carla Kaplan and "Race" by Roderick A. Ferguson; a .pdf of Moten's will be at our Bb page, and the other two are at the "Web Essays" link at <http://keywords.nyupress.org/american-cultural-studies/>
- 1:30** Friday, Oct. 6 **Prof. Alisha Gaines** will lead our discussion, revolving around next semester's visit by distinguished scholar Robin D. G. Kelley (please see <http://www.afro-am.ucla.edu/message-from-the-chair>).
- 1:30** Friday, Oct. 20 **Dorothy Chan** will lead our discussion on "Food" by Anita Mannur, "Gender" by Judy Tzu-Chun Wu and "Sexuality" by Martin Joseph Ponce, all from Keywords for Asian American Studies; for pdfs, see our Bb page
- 1:30** Friday, Oct. 27 **Paige Wallace** will lead our discussion on "Environmental Justice" by Giovanna Di Chiro and "Ecomedia" by Michael Ziser, both from Keywords for Environmental Studies; for both pdfs, see our Bb page
- 1:30ish** Friday, December 1 or December 8 – let's decide by Thanksgiving: lunch at **Momo's** (D.M.'s treat for folks who're taking this 1-credit-hr course this time around)

Note: For anyone who's taking this 1-credit-hour course and needs to make up a missed date, attending that September 15 event would be fine and could be spectacular

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Here're the **6** days we'll meet, *usually* in **415 WMS**. Each student taking this
1-credit-hour course needs to attend at least **4** (see **Notes 1** and **2** below).

- 1:30** Friday, **JAN. 13** brief organizational session, downstairs in the department's *Common Room*, where there'll be coffee and, yep, doughnuts
- 1:30** Friday, **FEB. 3** **Wayne Reed** will lead our discussion on these two selections in *Keywords for American Cultural Studies*, 2d ed.: David Ruccio's entry "**Capitalism**" and Roderick Ferguson's entry "**Race**"
- 1:30** Friday, **FEB. 24** **Alex Brickler** will lead discussion on his own draft *Keywords* entry, on **Afrofuturism**
- 1:30** Friday, **MAR. 24** **Phil Grech** will lead our discussion on these two *Keywords* selections: Ann Cvetkovich's on "**Affect**" and Lindsay Reckson's on "**Gesture**." Look, at <http://keywords.nyupress.org/american-cultural-studies/>, scroll down to the "Post-Publication Essays" list for Reckson's essay
- 1:30** Friday, **APR. 14** **David Kirby**'ll lead our discussion on Lisa Nanamura's entry "**Media**" and Tara McPherson's entry "**Digital**." Look, at same URL, check out the "Web Essays" list
- 1:30** Friday, **APR. 21** **Cocoa Williams**'ll lead our discussion on Valerie Rohy's entry "**Time**"
- 1:30** Friday, **APR. 28** *Momo's R us!*
(D.M.'s treat for folks who're taking this 1-credit-hr course this time around)

Note 1: For anyone who's taking this 1-credit-hour course and needs to make up a missed date, attending a session from this basket will count:

- 2:30** Th, **FEB. 23** Calvin's Coffee Shop will host eighth in series of once-per-semester readings+book-signings, this time by **Prof. Christopher Coutts** (from Urban and Regional Planning), author of *Green Infrastructure and Public Health* (Routledge, 2016)
Hint: Calvin's is the coffee shop downstairs at UKirk Tallahassee, a/k/a the Presbyterian University Center, at corner of W. Park Ave. and Copeland, i.e., just beyond the Westcott Fountain and across from Dunkin' Donuts
- 1:30** F, **FEB. 10** first of 2 programs in this semester's ROAD SCHOLARS series: a talk on the origins of the phenom we know as celebrity chefs by Prof. Michael Garval from N.C. State
- 1:30** F, **APR. 7** second of this semester's ROAD SCHOLARS sessions, a talk by Prof. Silvio Torres-Saillant from Syracuse

Note 2: each Road Scholars session includes quite the reception immediately afterward, *yum!*, in the Robert Bradley Reading Room at Scholars' Commons, in Strozier. For more details, please visit <http://fda.fsu.edu/Special-Events/ACC-Road-Scholars>

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1:30 Friday, SEP. ~~2~~----9

brief organizational moment, then Dorothy Chan will lead our discussion of the entry "Marriage," in Keywords for American Cultural Studies, 2d ed., vis-à-vis several poems by Sylvia Plath

1:30 Friday, SEP. 23 special guest discussion leader: Dr. Aaron Jaffe, the department's brand-new Frances Cushing Ervin Professor of English, thinking ahead to the Literature Program's big colloquium on October 7:

- the Keywords entry "Modern," by Chandan Reddy
- Paul de Man's essay "Literary History and Literary Modernism"
- Review of Modernist Cultural Studies, vis-à-vis new modernist studies
- Raymond Williams' essay "Modern"

1:30 Fri., OCT. 21 Rita Mookerjee will lead our discussion of "Fashion," from Keywords

Friday, NOV. 4-- a lot of good folks will be off to SAMLA, so we won't meet today

1:30 Fri., DEC. 2 Emilie Mears leads our discussion of "Environment," from Keywords

1:30 Fri., DEC. 9 back to Momo's for pizza and beer (my treat for folks who're taking this 1-credit-hr course this time around)

Now, attending any or all of the following events is optional.

Note 1: For anyone who's taking this 1-credit-hour course and needs to make up a missed date, yep, attending a session from this basket will count.

Note 2: each of the sessions marked "Road Scholars" will include quite a reception immediately afterward, yum!, in same space there at Scholars' Commons. For more details, please visit <http://fda.fsu.edu/Special-Events/ACC-Road-Scholars>

3:30 F, Sept. 30 Calvin's Coffee Shop will host seventh in series of once-per-semester readings+book-signings, this time by Prof. Martin Munro, FSU's Ada Belle Winthrop-King Prof. of French, who published two books last year: Tropical Apocalypse: Haiti and the Caribbean End Times (U P of Va) and the focus of today's session, The Haunted Tropics: Caribbean Ghost Stories. *Hint:* Calvin's is the coffee shop downstairs at UKirk Tallahassee, a/k/a the Presbyterian University Center, at corner of West Park Ave. and Copeland (*hint:* just beyond the Westcott Fountain and across from Dunkin' Donuts)

F, OCT. 7 the English Dept's Literature Program presents "MODERNIST LITERARY CULTURE AND ITS GLOBALIST CONTEXTS." *whoa!*

F, OCT. 14 first of 3 programs in this semester's ROAD SCHOLARS series: a talk by a religion prof from Wake Forest University

F, OCT. 28 second of this semester's ROAD SCHOLARS series, a talk by an art prof from Clemson

Thursday, NOV. 10 third of this semester ROAD SCHOLARS presentations: a talk by a young scientist from Georgia Tech

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Certain Fridays, usually at 1:30* and usually in 415 WMS**

NOTE: to receive credit for this 1-hour course, each student on the roll needs to attend **at least four** of these meetings. *Thanks!*

1:30 today brief organizational meeting to compare notes

7:00 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 19 *yo, this session's **Optional**, i.e., not officially on our calendar*
"AN EVENING WITH JELANI COBB," headline event in FSU's 28th annual MLK Week,
as in <http://news.fsu.edu/Top-Stories/FSU-to-host-MLK-Week-celebration>

1:30 Friday, JANUARY 22

discussion led by **Prof. John Ribo**, who has posted some materials for us at DropBox, like so:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/6lylrud47wexjcs/AAD6UjBj12Gb-E09NhFhfMSUa?dl=0>

There'll be job talks we'll want to attend, plus several sessions are still in the works:

Feb. 5: discussing Intro to ED BAPTIST's book The Gift Has Never Been Told, led by FSU history prof Andrew FRANK
Feb 15: informal chat with Cornell professor ED BAPTIST, as above (✓)
Feb 26: discussion of specific terms from Keywords for American Cultural Studies vis-à-vis certain poems by Dr. Walt Whitman, led by Dorothy Chan

1:30 Friday, MARCH 25

discussion led by **Prof. Ned Stuckey-French** and **Yolanda Franklin** of Ta-Nehisi Coates' Between the World and Me and Claudia Rankine's Citizen

***noonish Friday, APRIL 22**

in a tradition that dates back several semesters, let's meet **at Momo's**** (the one on Tennessee St., but of course) to compare notes over pizza and beers, my treat for folks on the roll for this 1-credit-hr class

M, Aug 31 '015

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1:30 today brief organizational meeting to compare notes

1:30 Friday, SEPTEMBER 11

discussion of *the Rachel Dolezal "case,"* led by **Prof. Alisha Gaines**, who's working on an epilogue about this phenomenon for her forthcoming book. Watch for a follow-up note, via our Bb site, with links to some articles plus a reminder along the lines of "look at the tweets about her" (quoting recent e-mail from Prof. Gaines :)

2:00 Wednesday, Sept. 16 *yo, this session's Optional, i.e., not officially on our calendar*

"**FINDING PRIMARY SOURCES**," a workshop at Strozier Library's Scholars' Commons; watch for a follow-up note, via the gs list. (Meanwhile, ask around about how valuable the workshop was that they staged for us, over here, last Fall: "Research Resources in U.S. Literature")

1:30 Friday, SEPTEMBER 25

discussion of readings by the two distinguished visiting scholars who'll be here a week later, led by **Prof. Trinyan Mariano** (who's co-chairing that symposium with Prof. Kilgore)

2:00* Friday, **OCTOBER 2**

the Literature Program presents "**NEW READINGS IN THE POLITICS OF AMERICAN LITERARY HISTORY**," featuring talks by **Prof. Nancy Bentley**, of Penn, and **Prof. Dana Nelson**, of Vanderbilt. *whoa!*

2:15* Friday, **OCTOBER 30**

meeting to walk together to Calvin's for 2:30 reading and book-signing by **Prof. Delia Poey** of the Department of Modern Languages, author of Cuban Women and Salsa: Dancing to the Beat of Their Own Drum. *Note:* Calvin's is the coffee shop downstairs at the Presbyterian University Center, at corner of West Park Ave. and Copeland (*hint:* just beyond the Westcott Fountain and across from Dunkin' Donuts)

1:30 Friday, DECEMBER 4

in a tradition that dates back to last Spring, let's meet *at Momo's*** (the one on Tennessee St., but of course) to compare notes over pizza and beers, my treat for folks on the roll for this 1-credit-hr class

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Note: yes, on some of these Fridays, early in the semester, there might be a job talk.

1:30 Friday, JANUARY 16

brief organizational meeting to compare notes; hmmm, y'all, ¿what about that mid-April session?

12:45* Friday, JANUARY 23

meeting to walk over to Strozier's Robert Bradley Reading Room (one floor down, in the Scholars' Commons; you've each already signed up for card-swipe access to this wonderfully quiet space, ¿no?) for University of Louisville historian **Cate Fosl**'s 1:00 talk, "Using Biography to Explain Social Movements of the Twentieth Century," as, yes, part of FSU's new ROAD SCHOLARS series

2:00* Friday, JANUARY 30

meeting *at* the Museum of Florida History** for gallery talk by **Michelle Hearn**, who curated the "Civil Rights in the Sunshine State" exhibit: <http://www.museumoffloridahistory.com/exhibits/coming.cfm>! It's not very far to walk -- but *if* you drive over for this special session they'll even provide a parking token so you can avoid having to put \$5 in the gizmo; whoa!

[*In February some us're off to SASA, so let's all catch our breath after all that front-loading :*]

1:45* Friday, MARCH 27

meeting to walking across the street** to Reading + Book-Signing by **Denise Von Glahn**, Professor of Historical Musicology and Director of FSU's Center for Music of the Americas and author of Music and the Skillful Listener: American Women Compose the Natural World (Indiana U.P., '013)

Note: it'll be at Calvin's, the coffeeshop downstairs at the Presbyterian University Center, at corner of West Park Ave. and Copeland (*hint:* just beyond the Westcott Fountain)

1:30 Friday, APRIL 17

TBA: thank you, Ramsey, for suggesting we discuss Toni Morrison's Playing in the Dark that afternoon -- and for agreeing to keep track of any and all recommendations on how to proceed with it

1:30 Friday, APRIL 24

in a tradition that dates back to last Spring, let's meet *at Momo's*** (the one on Tennessee St., but of course) to compare notes over pizza and beers, my treat

T, September 9 '014

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Certain Fridays at 1:30* in the English Department's Common Room, 013 WMS**

1:30 Friday, SEPTEMBER 5

organizational meeting:
comparing notes about another topic or two *and* about next February's biennial SASA (Southern American Studies Association) conference, in Atlanta

Note: deadline for proposing paper or panel proposals in next Friday

1:30 Friday, OCTOBER 3

walking across the street to Reading + Book-Signing by new prof in FSU's History Department: **Katherine Mooney**, author of Race Horse Men: How Slavery and Freedom Were Made at the Racetrack (Harvard U.P., '014)

Note: it'll be at Calvin's, the coffeeshop downstairs at the Presbyterian University Center, at corner of West Park Ave. and Copeland (*hint:* just beyond the Westcott Fountain)

1:30 Friday, OCTOBER 10

discussing 2010 article coauthored by *next* week's distinguished visiting scholar -- "Projecting Early American Literary Studies," by Sandra Gustafson (ed., Early American Literature) and Gordon Hutner (ed., American Literary History) -- led by **Wayne Reed**.

Note: it's available via JSTOR.

12:30* Friday, OCTOBER 17

let's walk over to the new Honors, Scholars and Fellows House (between here and Strozier), where **Sandra Gustafson, Professor of English and American Studies at Notre Dame**, will give a talk in FSU's first-ever ROAD SCHOLARS series.

Note: talk begins at 1:00, followed by a reception at 2:00; coooool!, and yep, details abound at www.fda.fsu.edu/accroadscholars

1:30 Friday, NOVEMBER 14

Ms. Abby Scheel of Strozier Library's Scholars' Commons will present a workshop for us, over here, on "**Research Resources in U. S. Literature**"!

1:30 Friday, DECEMBER 5

in the tradition that dates back to April, let's meet *at Momo's***
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