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ENGL 212: Shakespeare - Donald Dickson
This course will explore selected works of a recognized master of English literature whose plays are still brought to life in many places in the world today. Students will be introduced to a selection of the major plays—including his sonnets, comedies, history plays, and tragedies. In addition to improving your critical reading skills, you will also have the opportunity to improve your writing skills through essays on exams.

ENGL 235: Elements of Creative Writing
Elements of Creative Writing. Initiation into the craft of creative writing in prose and poetry; extensive reading in the genres; peer workshops.

ENGL 251/FILM 251: Introduction to Film Analysis
Fundamental aspects of film analysis and criticism.
Robin's Song

By Andrew Ramirez

A gentle breeze is flowing free
Amongst the leaves a robin sings

Her tune rings clear and floats with grace
Hewn down my fears, the sound embraced

The sweetly sung and blended notes
Are neatly hung and mended hopes

A robin's song is better still
More stories told than letters will

They lift me up and set me down
A gift of love that's free from doubt

Her nestled sound forever perched
Has settled now in clever search

Yet,

A robin's song is never free
It's bound by wind and
Lives in me...
These Sci-Fi authors stopped by Aggieland to talk about their ideal worlds, what it’s like to have their book turned into a movie, and the harsh realities of life. Stay tuned on our social media for future events! Don’t miss out!
As I walked out of my last final, I sat down in Academic Plaza for a couple of minutes. I was filled with all sorts of emotions, overwhelmed and unable to move from that spot. I truly cannot believe it. I did it. Right as I was about to claim victory with The Breakfast Club fist midair, I was hit by a feeling of shock at the fact that time has flown by when I thought there was literally an eternity between now and actual adulting. But wait, just when I thought I was feeling crazy-accomplished and oh-so-relieved, another emotion crept up: utter confusion.

I take it all back. I’ll keep the fall season football games, the late nights at the Annex, and the tardies to 8 a.m. class because the train decided to stop by and say Hullabaloo Caneck Caneck. Am I ready to go out into the “real” world? I mean, I know I complained about my sleep deprivation and how I couldn’t procrastinate comfortably but c’mon! I was only kidding, A&M! Am I ready to turn my ring? No. In all honesty, no. I am ready for the all-nighters and caffeinated test cram highs to be over, though. At least for a couple of weeks. If I stay a student, loans can’t catch up to me right? Keep your loans, I will have that $200,000 piece of paper, thank you very much. What a trade off! The truth is, some of us have life figured out and some of us will live under our mom’s roof for the next six months or so and both are completely okay. I was told this morning, “Aim high. Be ambitious. Don’t settle. You are far too talented to settle. But in anything you do, be sure you are comfortable and happy.” Yeah, can I get that pep talk every morning? If you thought reality TV was crazy, wait until you see reality. Acceptance is the first step. Simply accept the fact that you know very little and don’t have all the answers at the beginning of this new adventure, but know that you can definitely find the answers. I’m sure you can never go wrong with Google. Maybe they have a quizlet for it!

It’s okay to take time to reflect on your life and decide what’s best for you. Maybe that means returning to a hometown you ran from in the first place, living abroad and away from responsibilities that await on U.S. soil, or starting all over in a big city all alone. It’s all about timing, right? You’re looking down the barrel of a lot of long-term commitment and life is far too short to be unhappy. So be happy! Make that a priority. You stressed enough for four years already, might as well show the smile you’ve basically hidden for months. And always remember, wherever you are, the Aggie Network will always be around the corner.

It’s the end of an era, the college era. So world, what do you have in store for me? Please I beg you, not a bunch of lemons, just enough to make the right lemonade.
Wishing you had more opportunities to use those excellent essays, creative fiction, poetry, and photography that are languishing on your hard drive or in the back of your mind?

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