Spring 2019 Course Descriptions

Instructor: David McWhirter
Course: ENGL 303-902
Title: Approaches to English Studies: How to Read, Write and Think Like an English Major

Description: This writing-intensive course is designed to provide students with a working knowledge of the English major at Texas A&M, and a basic familiarity with the kinds of questions scholars in our discipline ask and the rhetorical strategies, research methods and critical methodologies available for engaging those questions. The course will be focused on a limited number of texts drawn from 20th/21st century American literature and culture – from Faulkner to Junot Díaz – each of which will be approached through at least two distinct scholarly methodologies, and accompanied by model works of criticism exemplifying those methodologies. Requirements will include a variety of writing assignments.