

Greetings!

Table of Contents:

- 1) Department Name Change
- 2) Dr. Kim Evelyn Joins Faculty
- 3) Writing Center Hours
- 4) Danielle Dyson Interns at Writopia's Creative Writing Workshop
- 5) Internship Opportunity: Editorial/Social Media Intern with CWLA
- 6) Sigma Tau Delta Inducts New Members and Swears In New Officers
- 7) Sigma Tau Delta

1) DEPARTMENT NAME CHANGE

The Department of English & Modern Languages has changed its name to the Department of Language, Literature, & Cultural Studies (LLCS). This name change is leading the way for English departments nationwide to embrace the needs of twenty-first century students who are living and working in a global culture that values inclusive, interdisciplinary perspectives grounded in critical reading, writing, and thinking. As the department grows and adds new courses in the digital humanities, modern languages, and transmedia narratives, we will soon offer a Cultural Studies track and, eventually, a major.

Some of our Cultural Studies course include the following:

- ENGL 250 Introduction to Film
- ENGL 253 Studies in Popular Culture
- ENGL 283 Studies in Popular Songs and Artists
- ENGL 254 Queer Cultural Studies
- ENGL 331 The African-American Vernacular Tradition
- ENGL 333 Graphic Novels
- ENGL 408 Shakespeare and Film/New Media
- ENGL 424 Neo-Slave Narratives
- ENGL 439 Seminar in Cultural Studies

BSU's website and campus signage will soon reflect our name change.

2) DR. KIM EVELYN JOINS FACULTY



Dr. Kim Evelyn is the newest member of our department!

She earned her Ph.D. in English at the University of Rhode Island (URI), where she was also awarded Excellence in Teaching and Excellence in Service awards. At URI, Johnson & Wales University, and Providence College, Dr. Evelyn taught courses in composition and writing, literature (Caribbean, postcolonial, British, African American, and contemporary literatures), public speaking, and interdisciplinary studies. Her research interests include: Caribbean and Caribbean diasporic literature and studies; postcolonial literature and studies; African American literature; first-year writing; research methods; tutoring and mentorship; cultural studies; media, propaganda, and advertising; and race, identity, and citizenship. Her work has appeared in *Anthurium*, *South Atlantic Review*, *The Caribbean Writer*, and *Ocean State Review*.

She has been honored to support incoming freshmen from underserved communities as a tutor with URI's Talent Development Program. As an alumna, Dr. Evelyn recently served on the core committee for URI's National Endowment for the Humanities "Next Generation Ph.D." planning grant which helped URI design programs and foster relationships geared at developing new possibilities for Ph.D. students. For four years Dr. Evelyn trained graduate students teaching literature courses at URI for the first time.

At BSU she is looking forward to finding opportunities for students at all levels to build useful strengths and talents for their careers, contributing to study abroad and international exchange programs, taking part in outreach to connect with organizations beyond campus, and developing a multicultural center to support programming on campus. Dr. Evelyn is teaching ENGL 102: Argument and Persuasion, ENGL 370: Special Topics in Caribbean Literature, and ENGL 759: Seminar in World Literature.

3) DANIELLE DYSON INTERNS AT WRITOPIA



English Senior **Danielle Dyson** (far right) was interning at Writopia's Washington, DC Creative Writing Workshop last semester.

4) INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY: EDITORIAL/SOCIAL MEDIA INTERN WITH CWLA



The Child Welfare League of America (CWLA), a nonprofit advocacy association, is looking for an editorial and social media intern for its publications department.

The intern will primarily assist with our Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook pages; our member magazine, Children's Voice; and other departmental tasks, as assigned. In addition to getting hands-on experience across the department, the intern will research and write for our "Last Week in Child Welfare" blog and for our magazine, Children's Voice.

This is a great opportunity for students or recent graduates who already have some communications experience. Strong writing, editing, and proofreading skills are necessary. The ideal candidate will be a junior or senior undergraduate journalism/English major, a graduate journalism student, or a recent graduate with a keen interest in writing and editing.

This is an unpaid position that is primarily off-site; the intern will check in remotely with CWLA's lead editor and work approximately 10-15 hours per week.

We are looking for an intern who will work through the fall, with the possibility of renewal for the spring 2019 season. To apply, please send us your resume, a cover letter, and two published writing samples. radams@cwla.org

5) WRITING CENTER HOURS



The Writing Center at Smith Vidal Literacy and Language Center is devoted to helping our students become stronger and more confident writers. Our writing consultants offer one-to-one sessions with the goal of helping students express their ideas effectively in written form. We also help them to develop the ability to independently evaluate and revise their own writing. We are writing-driven, not content-based, so our sessions are largely focused on discussions of writing and the writing process. Students can come in at any stage – planning, drafting, revising, editing. We work with all forms of writing, ranging from academic essays and research papers to resumes and cover letters to poems and short stories.

This semester, the Writing Center will be open Monday-Thursday 9:30 am-5:00 pm and Friday 9:30 am-3:30 pm.

We are in MLK 204 and students can make appointments at www.mywco.com/bowiestate.

6) SIGMA TAU DELTA INDUCTS NEW MEMBERS AND OFFICERS



The Nu Nu Chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, the International English Honor Society, inducted six new members at the end of last semester: **Imani Alleyne, Angela James, Shannon Ferguson, Ruth Popoola, Morgan Powell, and Deja Butler**. The organization also swore in four new officers: **President Imani Alleyne, Vice President Edwin Julien, Secretary Deja Butler, and Treasurer Morgan Powell**. Congratulations!

7) SIGMA TAU DELTA



Sigma Tau Delta is looking to welcome new members.

Membership Requirements:

- Candidates for undergraduate membership must have completed a minimum of two college courses in English language or literature beyond the usual requirements in freshman English. The candidate must have a minimum of a B or equivalent average in English and in general scholarship and must have completed at least three semesters or five quarters of college course work. Candidates for undergraduate membership need not be majoring or minoring in the discipline of English.

- Candidates for graduate membership who did not hold undergraduate membership must be enrolled in a graduate program in English or one of its specializations, have completed six semester hours of graduate work or the equivalent, and have a minimum grade point average of 3.3 on a 4.0 scale.

- Lifetime Membership Fee: \$80. \$40 goes to the Nu Nu chapter, which will bestow you with Honor Cords and a Medallion at your Induction Ceremony that you can wear during graduation. The other \$45 goes to Sigma Tau Delta's national office, which will supply you with your Sigma Tau Delta society pin and certificate. The fee must be paid in cash.

If you are interested in becoming a member, please e-mail hsierra@bowiestate.edu

Newsletters are archived on the following page for easy reference:<https://www.bowiestate.edu/academics-research/colleges/college-arts-sciences/departments/english-and-modern-languages/newsletter-2/>