

Hello/Hola/Salut from the Department of Language, Literature, & Cultural Studies!

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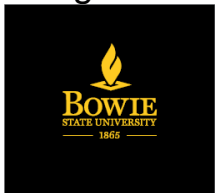
1) AUTHOR MIKAEL AWAKE SPEAKS WITH STUDENTS



New York Times-bestselling author Michael Awake spoke to **Dr. Shakil Rabbi's** ENGL 102 and **Dr. Monifa Love's** ENGL 360 classes last week. Awake, author of *Dapper Dan: Made in Harlem*, discussed his process for writing the memoir, working with the subject, and his views on writing non-fiction.

2) PROFESSOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Congratulations to the following LLCS professors on their BSU anniversaries:



Professor Jenise Williamson – 25 years

Professor Hoke "Brother Yao" Glover – 15 Years

Professor Kala Richardson – 15 years

Michael Becker and **Monica Boothe** presented at the 52nd Annual Convention for the Northeast Modern Language Association (NEMLA). Their talk was entitled "Rebooting the Human: Our (Newly) Online Writing Center Launches a 'Writing Mentorship Program'" and was part of the roundtable "Beyond Tech Support: Innovating Support for Undergraduate Writers Online," which was chaired by Dr. Kellie Sharp (University at Buffalo).

Dr. Kim Evelyn also presented at the NEMLA Conference. Her paper, "He squats on the tips of our language': Anansi the Spider and Caribbean Storytelling," considers how folklore and traditional oral storytelling have shaped Caribbean vernacular literature from poetry to prose, particularly with Anansi, the trickster spider/spider-man folklore figure of the African diaspora. The storytellers, poets, and prose writers who embrace Anansi often do so in Caribbean vernacular (various creoles/patwahs/dialects), celebrating the orality of storytelling. Writing in vernacular, writers such as Fred D'Aguiar, Andrew Salkey, and Kamau Brathwaite have re-envisioned Anansi stories, raising deep philosophical questions about the inherent goodness of people, ruminating on aging, and interweaving Caribbean histories. Through their work, Dr. Evelyn argues, Anansi transcends genres just as he is said to move between worlds and dimensions.

3) BS ENGLISH EDUCATION INFORMATION

Please visit the following website if you are a BS in English Education major and want to learn more about the program's deadlines and internship process: <https://sites.google.com/view/bsuearlyfieldexperience/college-of-education>

4) CAREER CONVERSATIONS SERIES - WEDNESDAY



April 7, 5:00 pm

Markus Howell is an English Teacher at Dr. Henry Wise Jr., High School and a Baseball Coach at C.H. Flowers High School, both of which are in Prince George's County Public Schools. After being a member of the U.S Marine Corps and working for the Naval Sea Systems Command, Markus enrolled at Bowie State University as an English major with a concentration in Secondary Education and Teaching. He finished his Bachelor's degree at Clemson University, where he is currently working on his Master of Science degree in Athletic Leadership.

Recurring Zoom Link: <https://bowiestate.zoom.us/j/4090540458>

Dr. Horacio Sierra's ENGL 483: Senior Seminar is hosting a "Career Conversations" series wherein students meet with young professionals to discuss how they can use their college degree to launch a successful career. All BSU students are welcome to join the conversation. Come learn how these professionals used the skills they acquired in college to find meaning, purpose, and financial security at work and in their personal lives.

5) NEW PAID INTERNSHIP: NATIONAL PARK SERVICE



The need for preserving our nation's history has never been greater, and the National Park Service is counting on HBCU interns for a 10-week summer experience sponsored by the Greening Youth Foundation. As a part of this program, students from schools around the country are putting their unique skills and talents to work in preserving the contributions of African Americans to our nation's history and culture. Participants gain real-world, on-the-job experience as they explore federal careers in the U.S. National Park Service.

Click here for more information and to apply: [Apply Here](#)

6) PAID INTERNSHIP: U.S. LIBRARY OF CONGRESS



Archives, History and Heritage Advanced Internship Program – Remote Internship 2021

- Program Duration: Short-term. 10 weeks: Monday, September 13, 2021 – Friday, November 19, 2021
- Qualifications: Currently enrolled undergraduate juniors and seniors, masters and Ph.D. candidates at Historically Black Colleges and Universities from all majors or those who have graduated between the months of December 2020 - June 2021.

Program Overview: This program offers undergraduate juniors and seniors, graduate and doctoral students from Historically Black Colleges and Universities insights into the Library of Congress collections—the world's largest and most comprehensive repository of human knowledge. Interns will work under the supervision and guidance of a senior specialist and learn the standards and techniques to properly arrange and provide online descriptions for archival collection materials. Responsibilities will include analyzing, organizing, and interpreting collections or programs that help share an inclusive story of the American experience. Projects will heighten visibility and promote accessibility for Library resources that more fully represent the rich cultural heritage of the United States.

Program Focus: The focus of this program is to build awareness of how unique historical records are analyzed, organized, and described in order to make them available for research and educational use. Interns will have the opportunity to explore

historical documents representing rich cultural, creative, and intellectual resources, while working under the direction of library specialists in various divisions.

Click here for more information and to

apply: <https://www.loc.gov/item/internships/archives-history-and-heritage-advanced-internship-program-remote-internship-2021/>

7) FALL 2021 COURSES

Make an appointment with your Academic Adviser ASAP so you can register.

ENGL 210: Intro. to English Grammar - T/R 12:30 - Dr. Basena

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ENGL 211: World Literature - T/R 5:00 - Dr. Bates

ENGL 212: African American Literaty Imagination - MWF 3:00 - Dr. Thompson

ENGL 236: Intro. to Literature - MWF 10:00 - Dr. Evelyn

ENGL 250: Intro. to Film - MWF 11:00 - Dr. Kaloustian

ENGL 254: Queer Cultural Studies - T/R 9:30 - Dr. Sierra *Hybrid*

ENGL 256: Intro. to Creative Writing - MWF 12:00 - Prof. Glover

ENGL 257: Creative Writing II: Fiction - TWRF 2:00 - Prof. Williamson

ENGL 265: Social Identity and Dress in the US - MWF 4:00 - Dr. Uddin

ENGL 301: British Literature I - T/R 3:30 - Dr. Sierra *Hybrid*

ENGL 303: Special Topics in British Literature - MWF 12:00 - Dr. Kaloustian

ENGL 316: American Literature I - T/R 9:30 - Dr. Bates

ENGL 324: African American Literature I - MWF 2:00 - Dr. Thompson

ENGL 345: Intro to General Linguistics - T 4:55 - Dr. Basena

ENGL 401: History of the English Novel - MWF 1:00 - Dr. Evelyn

ENGL 380: Identity and Social Media -W 4:55 - Dr. Uddin

ENGL 254: Queer Cultural Studies

Fall 2021 - Tuesdays & Thursdays - 9:30-10:45 - Hybrid

(GenEd Elective)



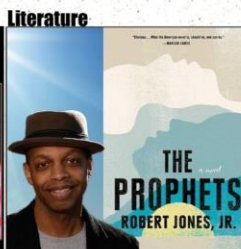
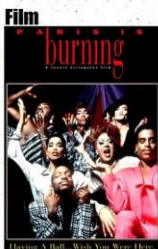
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Podcasts



8) SIGMA TAU DELTA



SIGMA TAU DELTA
INTERNATIONAL ENGLISH HONOR SOCIETY

Sigma Tau Delta is always looking to welcome new members. Whether virtual or in person, this year's Induction Ceremony will be held in the Spring semester.

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.

To learn more about Membership Benefits, please click here: <http://english.org/members/benefits.shtml>

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

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