

Preliminary Web Course Description

*Please note: This is a preliminary web course description only. The department reserves the right to change without notice any information in this description. The final, binding course outline will be distributed in the first class of the semester.

School of English and Theatre Studies

Course Code: CRWR*2100	Course Title: Fiction Workshop: Anthropocene	Date of Offering: W24
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Course Instructor: Carrienne Leung	Course Format: Workshop
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Brief Course Synopsis:

The term 'Anthropocene' is the name of a new epoch in which the human species has become a geological force, largely driven by industrialization, extractivism, and reliance on technology, that has caused climate change, species extinction and loss of biodiversity. Students will explore the cultural implications of this epochal shift by crafting fiction that helps them rethink the relationships among nature, culture and technology and consider how writing the Anthropocene invites new approaches to received fictional forms. This course will encourage students to engage from diverse perspectives with issues involving planetary change brought about by human activity while honing their creative writing skills.

Methods of Evaluation and Weight:

Attendance and Participation: 30%
Writing Exercises/Prompt Story: 10%
Workshop letters to peers: 15%
Individual workshop reflections: 10%
Presentation + Facilitate discussion: 10%
Final Portfolio

- Reflections: 10%
- Revised short story and notes on revisions – 15%

Texts and/or Resources Required (e.g. Internet access, specific textbook title, lab kit, etc.)

Internet Access

Information about mode of delivery (synchronous/asynchronous/distance/in-person/other details):

In-Person

*Students who registered at the University of Guelph after Fall 2018 must fulfill the “new” major and minor requirements. Students who registered at the University of Guelph prior to Fall 2018 must fulfill the requirements of the Calendar in effect when they first enrolled unless they have filed a Schedule of Studies Change Request to change to the 2018-2019 calendar. For more information, please consult the major and minor checklists at <https://www.uoguelph.ca/arts/sets/undergraduate/english/current-student-information>.