

The purpose of a writer is to keep civilization from destroying itself.

- Albert Camus



ENGL 3037

Creative Writing Workshop

2nd Semester 2018-2019

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This course encourages students to experiment with various genres in creative writing, such as verse and prose and comics vis-à-vis life writing, (auto)biography, reportage, and fiction. After self- and peer-editing and self-reflection and -assessment, students will run their own writing workshops and teach underprivileged groups of Hong Kong.

When Creativity Cultivates Environmentalism

Students will step outside the classroom for a week or two and embrace Mother Nature to gain inspirations for their own creating writings as well as the writing workshops. Working with NGOs to teach less privileged groups fulfils two purposes: while students are enabled to see the relevance between writing and anthropocene issues, the public could also be educated and reminded of the importance and significance of protecting our natural environment and habitats. Creativity is thus translated into something viable, which is a caring attitude for the world at large.