

# English 255: Literature and Class

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MW, 11:10 AM - 12:35 PM

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This course will explore the subject of literature and class, covering such topics as: The relationship between social class and readership; the association of genres with high-, middle-, and lower-class readers; the intersections of race, gender identity, and social class; how access and popularity are shaped by the politics of publishing; and the role of literature as social commentary. Students will read works across various genres, from authors including Jane Austen, Herman Melville, James Baldwin, bell hooks, Thorstein Veblen, Virginia Woolf, Octavio Paz, Joy Harjo, Sally Rooney, and others.

