

*When I stepped out into the bright sunlight
from the darkness of the movie house,
I had only two things on my mind:
Paul Newman and a ride home...*

—*The Outsiders* by S.E. Hinton

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ENGL 405: Young Adult Literature

Professor Mary Ann Samyn

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TR 2:30-3:45 pm

ENGL 405 is really about the love of reading: how it develops, why it matters, and, unfortunately, why it sometimes gets thwarted.

Together, we'll read classic and contemporary YA novels. You'll also read a fifth novel of your choice, consider your own experiences as a reader, complete projects that speak to your interests and aspirations, and become part of a reading community.

Also, I hope you like cake, because I will be baking for our class.

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