Attention: Rising Seniors

Required one hour class: EN 4111, “Portfolios and Reflective Writing.”

The reading and writing assignments in this course will help you to “reflect” on your progress as a student of literature and on your future as a professional.

Specifically, you will write

- **Responses to theorists**—in rhetoric and composition and in literature—who have written about the value of portfolios and reflective writing for those who want to understand and sustain their growth as writers.

- **A portfolio.** The portfolio will include five essays you have already written as an English major at MSU; it will also include the centerpiece of the portfolio,

- **The reflective essay.** This ‘close reading’ of your five selections will assess the strengths of each paper and the practices—in reading, researching, drafting, and revising—that led to each completed work. *You may submit this same portfolio to be included in the department’s assessment program.*

- **An application letter/resume.** This project will also help you to prepare for what follows the application letter and resume: the face-to-face interview, either with employers or with directors of graduate programs.

EN 4111 becomes a required class for rising seniors effective Fall 2012. It is offered in the fall term of each year.