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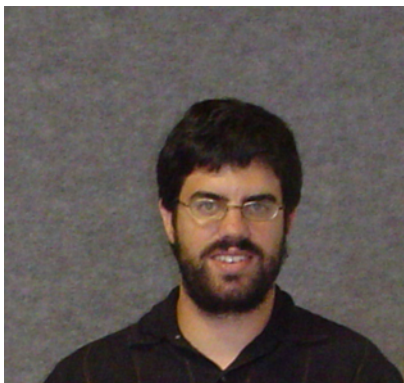
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We would like to introduce you to ...

The Department of English proudly introduces you to our excellent new faculty members and teaching assistants:

Dr. Ted Atkinson holds a PhD from LSU. A specialist in Southern literature, he published *Faulkner and the Great Depression: Aesthetics, Ideology, and Cultural Politics* with University of Georgia Press (2006). Dr. Atkinson will teach American literature surveys, upper-level courses in Southern literature, and seminars in Faulkner.



Dr. Peter DeGabriele just completed his PhD at State University of New York at Buffalo. His article “Intimacy, Survival, and Resistance: Daniel Defoe’s *A Journal of the Plague Year*” will soon be published in the prestigious journal *English Literary History*. A specialist in the long eighteenth century, Dr. DeGabriele will teach English literature surveys and upper-level courses in eighteenth-century literature as well as seminars in the eighteenth-century novel.

New Lecturers

Nick White, Katie Doughty, and Laura Vernon completed their MAs in our department; Sarah Bingham (second from right) earned her MA in English and linguistics at the University of Memphis. They will all teach first-year students in our Composition program.



New Teaching Assistants

We also have twelve new teaching assistants. The back row (left to right) features Katie Salter, Josiah Meints, Raquel Hollinsworth, Chelsea Henshaw, Alice Gill, and Kris Robinson; the front row features Emily Mills, Ja’Net Blackmon, Amanda Patterson, Amanda Philley, Neelie Owen, and Christina Collins.