

# COMING IN SPRING 2010

## EH 412/512: Form of Fiction

Mondays 2:30-5:20

**Taught by eminent scholar**  
*Sena Jeter Naslund*

**Admission to this class requires  
submission of a fiction writing  
sample by October 15, 2009**

**Length:** 5-10 pages (typed, double spaced) **Email to:** [lyndsey.torok@uah.edu](mailto:lyndsey.torok@uah.edu), or leave it at Morton 222.

### Course Description:

English 412/512 combines analytic and creative writing. In the first part of the course, students study the unity of subject, structure, and style in modern and contemporary fiction. While the elements of subject, structure, and style combine to give any artistic entity its distinctive identity, we'll also explore the interrelatedness of additional aspects of fiction—plot, character, theme, setting, atmosphere, point of view, tone, and pace. In response to the assigned reading of published fiction, students may write either critical essays or their own creative fiction, or some of each. Student writing will be discussed in workshop sessions.

Undergraduates submit stories and/or essays twice for workshop discussion, while graduate students produce three papers. Both undergraduate and graduates are required to revise one of their pieces of critical writing or creative writing in lieu of a final examination.



**Sena Jeter Naslund** is the author of six novels, of which her most recent is *Abundance: A Novel of Marie Antoinette* (Morrow-HarperCollins 2006). *Ahab's Wife* was a bestseller and Book of the Month selection in 1999. *Four Spirits* won the Hall-Waters Southern Prize in 2003. Her new novel, *Adam and Eve*, is due out in 2010. It draws on the genre of the suspense novel and is set in the year 2020.

Naslund is Professor of English and Writer in Residence at the University of Louisville, where she received the Distinguished Teaching Professor award. She is also Program Director of the Brief-Residency Master of Fine Arts in Writing, Spalding University, and Editor, *The Louisville Review* and Fleur-de-lis Press. For links to more about Naslund online, see the English Department Website, [www.uah.edu/english](http://www.uah.edu/english).