

GET TO KNOW ME:



PROFESSOR EDITION



NAME: Katherine Williams

INNIS FYF SEMINAR I WILL BE TEACHING IN 2020-2021:

ENGL197H1F: Representing Disability

HOMETOWN: Most recently, Baltimore, MD / NYC

THE LAST GREAT MOVIE I SAW WAS: Sorry to Bother You (again)

MY ACTUAL FAVOURITE ~~MOVIE~~ Book: Any volume of poetry by Mary Oliver.

THE SONG I HAVE ON REPEAT RIGHT NOW: "Americans" by Janelle Monàe

FAVOURITE FOOD: My grandmother's cheesecake.

GUILTY PLEASURE: Drinking way too much coffee.

I AM SURPRISINGLY VERY GOOD AT: Improvisational cooking (with whatever is in the fridge).

A FUN FACT ABOUT MYSELF: I've just moved to Toronto/U of T from Abu Dhabi (United Arab Emirates), where I was a professor at NYU Abu Dhabi (tell me your favourite hummus in Toronto, please!).

MY FAVOURITE THING ABOUT TEACHING: The joy of thinking together - new questions, ideas and insights through discussion.

WHY YOU SHOULD TAKE MY CLASS: Because we will consider important questions about disability & human variation - and read some good books!

WHAT I WANT MY STUDENTS TO KNOW: The most complex and interesting literature doesn't provide solutions; it prompts new questions.

A COOL FACT ABOUT MY FIELD OF STUDY: The public theaters of the English Renaissance (16th & 17th c.) were basically the TV of the period - drama offers a cultural snapshot of social debates, hot topics and diverse audiences!

SOME FINAL WORDS: Seek help when you are struggling: we're here together!