Department of English: Director of Creative Writing

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The University of South Alabama is a public research university with more than 14,000 students.

The historic Mobile Bay area is home to many successful creative writers and boasts a lively arts scene in which the USA creative writing faculty members have long figured prominently.

The Stokes Center for Creative Writing:
The Stokes Center enhances the English Department's offerings in creative writing by sponsoring readings, lectures, forums, workshops, community projects, and other events that are free and open to the public. It also supports creative writing students through scholarships and awards in poetry, fiction, and creative nonfiction. The Stokes Center is committed to fostering a vibrant writers' community in southern Alabama that showcases local and national authors and provides a meeting place for writers from around the world.

Visiting Writers Series:
The University of South Alabama has hosted many distinguished authors and scholars over the years, including Margaret Atwood, Charles Bernstein, Percival Everett, Roxanne Gay, Yuri Herrera, Major Jackson, Elizabeth Kolbert, Hank Lazar, Marjorie Perloff, Marge Piercy, Danez Smith, W. D. Snodgrass, and Edward O. Wilson. Now part of the Stokes Center, the Visiting Writers Series brings emerging and established authors to campus for readings and craft talks throughout the year. All events are free and open to the public.

If you have any questions about the search or the process, please contact Search Chair, Dr. Becky McLaughlin, at bmclaugh@southalabama.edu.

Review of applications will begin January 6, 2025, and continue until the position is filled.

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