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CLASS faculty member selected as a NEH Summer Scholar

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College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (CLASS) faculty member Richard Flynn, Ph.D., has been selected as a National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Summer Scholar.

Flynn was chosen from a national applicant pool and will participate in a seminar titled "Elizabeth Bishop and the Literary Archive." The three-week program, which is one of 24 seminars and institutes supported by NEH, will be held at Vassar College in New York and directed by Bethany Hicok. The 16 teachers selected to participate in the program each receive a stipend of $2,700 to cover their travel, study and living expenses.

“I am particularly excited to spend extended time studying Elizabeth Bishop’s manuscripts, which will directly enhance the graduate seminar ‘Major Authors: Elizabeth Bishop’ (ENGL-6634-A) that I will be teaching this fall,” said Flynn. “One of my major areas of scholarship is Elizabeth Bishop’s generation of poets, so this is a real opportunity.”

Flynn is a professor in the Department of Literature and Philosophy at Georgia Southern and holds a Ph.D. in American Literature from George Washington University.

Each summer, NEH supports enrichment opportunities at colleges, universities and cultural institutions so that faculty can work in collaboration and study with experts in humanities disciplines. The approximately 537 NEH Summer Scholars who participate in these programs of study will teach over 93,975 American students the following year.

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