Critical Issues in Basic Writing: 1992

October 8–10, 1992
University of Maryland at College Park

The National Basic Writing Conference offers a forum and network for those whose teaching and research focus on basic writing students at the college level. The 1992 meeting is being organized by the Conference on Basic Writing, a special interest group of CCC, and is cosponsored by the University of Maryland and the National Council of Teachers of English.

The conference will feature a keynote address by David Bartholomae of the University of Pittsburgh, influential writing theorist, past chair of CCC, and chair of the Second MLA Literacy Conference in September 1990. In addition, invited speakers will be convened in plenary panels to address “critical issues” for our field. In a closing session-of-the-whole, all participants will be invited to respond to the speakers’ presentations and raise questions of their own.

Keynote Address

David Bartholomae, University of Pittsburgh, “The Tidy House: Basic Writing in the American Curriculum”

Starting Places Speaker

Peter Dow Adams, Essex Community College, Baltimore

Critical Issues Speakers

Tom Fow, California State University/Chico Jenrie Cobb Scott, Central State University, OH Jeanne Gunner, UCLA Karen Greenberg, Hunter College/CUNY William Jones, Rutgers University/Newark, NJ Mary Jo Berger, Randolph-Macon College, VA

Critical Issues Moderator

Lynn Troyka, Queensborough Community College/CUNY

Program

A wide array of concurrent panels and workshops will include: Audrey Roth on adopting portfolio assessment Journal of Basic Writing Editorial Board members advising on publication Marilyn Sternglass on composition theory Suellynn Duffey, Kay Halasek, and Mary Kuhner on collaboration between basic writing students and honors students Sylvia Robins on reading student writing in a Facts, Artifacts, and Counterfacts course Bill Bernhardt, Peter Miller, and Rose Ortiz on the Gattopagn approach Sara Games on writing in literary histories Sallyanne Fitzgerald on integrated language arts Fran Zak on responding to student writing Karen Uehling on adult basic writers Julia Fogarty on a theme-based course Janet Gilbert on language processes Sally Harrod on the basic writing canon Joseph Harris on academic writing Pamela Gay on curriculum Patricia Laurence on the ideology of basic writing Stan Dambroski on the politics of basic writing programs Firsthand reports on computer applications, FAC curricula, portfolio assessment—and much more.

Setting and Accommodations

The meeting will be held in the University of Maryland’s attractive Conference Center on the College Park campus, near the beltway and approximately 20 minutes from downtown Washington, DC, by subway, bus, or car. Meals in addition to those scheduled as part of the conference are available in the Center, as well as at local restaurants; conference participants who haven’t arranged for housing through the arrangements committee (cutoff date was September 1) may still find accommodations in the Center or in convenient nearby motels. Contact Eugene Hammond for information.

Parking at the Conference Center is free. The Maryland campus is easily accessible from any of the three Washington-area airports (Dulles International, Baltimore-Washington International, and Washington National). The New Carrollton Amtrak station is a $9 cab ride away.

Participants from out of town may want to visit the nation’s capital, taking advantage of the Columbus Day weekend. The local arrangements committee will provide information to help plan Washington sightseeing and restaurant expeditions.

Registration

Register by September 30 to avoid the late-registration penalty. The registration fee of $80 ($45 for graduate students) covers materials, coffee, Friday and Saturday lunches, and a Friday evening reception. One-day registration is $50 and includes lunch. Refunds will be made for cancellations received before the conference date.
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Conference Schedule

**Thursday, October 8**
Registration, 5:00 p.m.
6:30–9:00 p.m.   Dinner. Starting Places
Peter Dow Adams, Essex Community College, Baltimore
"Telling It Like It Is: Success Stories in Basic Writing"

**Friday, October 9**
Registration, 8:00 a.m.
8:00–8:45 a.m.   Breakfast buffet
9:00–10:15 a.m.   Keynote Address
David Bartholomae, University of Pittsburgh
"The Tidy House: Basic Writing in the American Curriculum"
10:30–11:45 a.m.   Session A: Concurrent panels and workshops
12:00–1:00 p.m.   Lunch, Introductions, Presentation of Shaughnessy Award
1:00–2:15 p.m.   Session B: Concurrent panels and workshops
2:30–3:45 p.m.   Session C: Concurrent panels and workshops
4:00–5:45 p.m.   Plenary 1: Critical Issues in Basic Writing
Tom Fox, California State University/Chico
Jemie Cobb Scott, Central State University, OH
Jeanne Gunner, UCLA
5:45 p.m.   Wine and cheese reception
7:30 p.m.   Dinner on your own: transportation available to Washington, DC

**Saturday, October 10**
Registration, 8:30 a.m.
9:00–10:15 a.m.   Session D: Concurrent panels and workshops
10:30 a.m.–12:15 p.m.   Plenary 2: Critical Issues in Basic Writing
Karen Greenberg, Hunter College/CUNY
William Jones, Rutgers University/Newark, NJ
Mary Jo Berger, Randolph-Macon College, VA
12:30–1:30 p.m.   Box lunch
1:45–4:45 p.m.   Session-of-the-whole: Critical Issues in Basic Writing
Lynn Trotka, Queensborough Community College/CUNY, moderator

**Registration Form**
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Please print clearly. Return this form or a photocopy to NCTE Education Services, 1111 Kenyon Road, Urbana, IL 61801.

Name __________________________
Institution ______________________
Mailing address __________________
Office phone ______________________ Home phone __________________

Check here if you’re interested in:
□ Information about off-campus housing
□ Friday dinner excursion to Washington, DC
□ Information about Washington sightseeing

The registration fee includes program, materials, coffee, Friday and Saturday lunches, and a Friday evening reception.

Registration  $80  □
Graduate student registration  $45  □
After September 30  $95  □
One-day attendance with luncheon
  □ Friday  □ Saturday
One-day fee  $50  □

The following meals are optional conference events. It’s also possible to eat on your own in the Conference Center at meal times.

Thursday dinner  $18  □
Friday breakfast buffet  $6  □

Registration Fee
Total payment for items indicated
□ Enclosed is my check (payable to NCTE)
□ Charge my  □ Visa  □ MasterCard
Print cardholder’s name __________________________
Signature __________________________
Number __________________________ Expiration date ____________