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ENGL 241—Fiction Writing Workshop  
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Class meets 4 -7 pm on the following days:

Tuesday, January 31 (note that we end at 5:30 so we may attend meeting in the Steinbeck Center to discuss curriculum changes)

Tuesday, February 7

Tuesday, February 14

**(Please note: We will not meet on February 21; we will have a makeup class May 25)**

Tuesday, February 28

Tuesday, March 7

Tuesday, March 14

Tuesday, March 21

**Tuesday, March 28—SJSU Spring Recess; No class**

Tuesday, April 4

Tuesday, April 11

Tuesday, April 18

Tuesday, April 25

Tuesday, May 2

Tuesday, May 9

Tuesday, May 16—author Sarah Lapido Manyika, author of *Like a Mule Bringing Ice Cream to the Sun* will be our guest visitor; note that this discussion will likely take place in a larger room as we will be inviting other students from the English Department to join our discussion

**Last class/make-up class will be held Thursday, May 25, 7-9:45 pm.**

Books assigned:

*Disgrace* by J.M. Coetzee

*Hot Milk* by Deborah Levy

*Eileen* by Ottessa Moshfegh

*A Manual for Cleaning Women: Selected Stories* by Lucia Berlin

*The Sympathizer* by Viet Thanh Nguyen

*Like a Mule Bringing Ice Cream to the Sun* by Sarah Lapido

Manyika

Please note: When providing the list of books to the campus bookstore, I put down Ms. Manyika's book as "recommended" and not "required." Now, that she's confirmed she can visit our classroom on May 16, I'd like to encourage everyone to read her book, *Like a Mule Bringing Ice Cream to the Sun*. The book been published in the UK (where it was shortlisted for the prestigious Goldsmiths Prize) but will not be published and available in the U.S. until April.

Xeroxed stories, interviews, and essays will be handed out throughout the semester to complement and support our discussions of the assigned books and of your writing.