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Mr. Wayne McGuire, Chairman Humanities Division Shoreline Community College

Dear Wayne

The communications curriculum has come down with a severe case of future shock, and I am applying for a sabbatical for the 1972-73 academic year to deal with it.

For many years the techniques, the technology, the students, and the jobs were known quantities in print and broadcast journalism. Now we are faced with an explosion of uncertainties — and possibilities — that demand research before we can make defisions. Here are some examples:

1 - CABLE TV. You recently sent around a two-year curriculum in broadcast news as taught at Mount Royal Junior College in Calgary. I agree with Denzil's comment that what we do in this area depends on what happens in cable tv. If that opens up a vast new job market, then we should seriously consider such a program. Will it? After years of in-fighting, the FCC is scheduled to come up with rules for CATV operation by the end of this year. In addition, an uneasy compromise has been wangled from competing commercial broadcasters and cable operators. We are on the threshold, now, of an era which the commentary tells us will boggle the imagination. In a New York Times analysis on November 15, Jack Gould said: "Entrepreneuss, sociologists, educators, politicians, concerned citizens, and officialdom from small town to White House will want a piece of the action. The lid is being lifted from TV. For the foreseeable years ahead the world of electronics is going to be wedded to change." What this means to the program of the total college, as well as to the communications curriculum specifically, is unclear, and is should be studied in the next year.

2 - THE NEWS CONSUMER. Communications and journalism programs have traditionally been oriented to people who major in that field and who plan to work in the media. Right now we are on the threshold of an important — and vital — change in direction. Journalists tend to be introspective, but few understood the widespread public interest in the field until the criticisms of the last several years. People must get what they need to know and want to know from news outlets. Some of this comes from people telling others what they have heard or read, but the key point is that little of what we know it firsthand knowledge. We are not "there" when most things happen. People are waking up to that fact and demanding better performance from the news media, as they should. On the other hand, the criticisms often are way off base, because the

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viewer or reader doesn't know how news operations work and what their capabilities are. And he doesn't have the critical tools he needs. High schools and colleges are belatedly waking up to the challenges, and faculties now are talking about news criticism courses for the nonjournalist. They have to, because thousands of students are signing up for introductory communications courses, whether or not they plan communications careers. This is an exciting area which my husband and I have researched in preparing a book manuscript which is best described as a survival kit for the news consumer. However, I haven't had time to design either a proposal for a new course or to figure out where this information fits into existing courses. I do know that some of it belongs in Cmu 203, and I'll work with that during spring quarter. Denzil has suggested the possibility of a 5-hour team-taught course which might be offered in place of some of the news writing which is now in the schedule. I honestly don't know yet how this should be handled, but it must be handled, and I'd like to study it. A likely byproduct of such a course would be an improved climate for the campus press.

3 - THE COMPUTER. For several years the Los Angeles Times and other newspapers have been experimenting to see whether computers can help with writing and editing. Reporters can now type their stories onto tape, which can be quickly edited and run through a linotype. Many newspapers are using computer tape operations on wire copy, many on advertising. The New York Times is developing a monumental library retrieval system; other publications have been working on more modest projects. The cathode ray tube and a laser, the technologists assure us, in one day in the not-so-distant future endea. an editor assemble page after page on a television tube and make his corrections with a laser pen, then press a button and turn each page into a plate ready for the press. The implications of these and other technological advances are immense. We have the technology right now to bypass the newsboy and send news into the home by electronic impulse, even though it isn't likely to happen until advertisers are willing. What does all this mean to the communications curriculum we should be teaching? Perhaps it means that we should require students to take courses in basic computer technology and other areas where courses already exist on campus. I know it means that my teaching of the history of journalism should change, and that the news editing course should change. But major research is involved in figuring out what changes to make.

4 - NEWS WRITING. Journalistic writing, at least, used to be one thing that was constant. Learn the inverted pyramid, make sure you're accurate, keep your opinions out. Some of the time-honored ideas have been challenged with a major debate between advocates and objectivists. Writing styles are changing, too, with some of the country's best papers from the Boston Globe and Washington Post through the National Observer and Los Angeles Times encouraging longer, more analytical articles which are much more magazinestyle than like old-time news stories. This has major implications for news attacked writing, and I have begun to change that course content. However, it needs more work.

5 - PERSPECTIVE. We tend to be insular about our view of the world, and never has that been more apparent to me than in my five years in Seattle, especially on trips to Vancouver, B.C. One weekend a couple of years ago I arrived in Vancouver to find gigantic front-page headlines about worsening relations between the U.S. and Canada over trade restrictions. The P-I didn't carry a story at all; The Times played in way inside. We have Atlas magazine, the World Press program on Channel 9. and a valiant effort by the library to take some Canadian, British and other newspapers, as the budget will allow. But what we need is more perspective built into the U.S. media. I would like to do a free-form research project on this by studying the U.S. election in 1972 from the standpoint of the British press. Britain has a system of national newspapers, at least three of which - The Times, the Observer, and the Guardian -- are consistently excellent. Hopefully, this would mean spending the critical part of the elction year in England. While there, I would try to investigate two other areas:

First, a group of London Sunday Times reporters who have been producing the most incisive reporting anywhere in the English speaking world. They say they don't use any special techniques, but what is it they are doing? From that group of about 20 reporters also have come several books, including an excellent study of the last U.S. presidential election, An American Melodrama, and the current book about Bernie Cornfeld's interna-

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If this seems like a lot to do in one year, it is. But all of it is aimed equarely at reorganizing my own courses and at coming back with the research to make reasonable suggestions for possible reorganization of the communications curriculum — or at least the answers which will tell us we're doing what we should be doing in terms of course offerings. I don't presume any vast growth of courses, especially with finances as they are. But I can imagine some reorganization within the existing total of courses and credit hours.

Because a lot of the changes are coming at us right now, I believe these things can best be studied in 1972-73, and so I'm applying for a sabbatical after five years on the faculty.

I'd be happy to answer any questions that you, Dr. White, or the PCC might have. I can provide more background for any or all of the points above. I'd also be glad to provide information about what I've been doing on and off campus. I came to Shoreline College after a dozen years of newspaper and magazine writing and editing. Last year I was president of the Pacific Northwest Association of Journalism Educators, and I'm still a member of the executive board. I've served on several college councils and committees and am currently a member of the Humanities Division planning council. The book manuscript that my husband and I have worked up is under contract to Prentice-Hall and is scheduled for publication

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In addition, I now have many newspaper and magazine clippings to illustrate Englishmen's love of language. We were delighted with the grace and wit with which English was wellded. Man-on-the-Street interviews done for the BBC, for instance, contained innumerable examples of perfectly parsed, literate, incisive prose. I have not returned, I'm sorry to say, with a formula for causing that epidemic to spread to Seattle.

For a writer and teacher of writing, The English press and people have provided a file full of language examples applicable to several

courses.

Trying to pin down, in a few words, a year of broadened perspectives, and a wealth of new materials, is a frustrating assignment, even for an experienced journalist. Perhaps I should leave the whole subject openended, in this fashion: I'm willing to expand on any of the above comments to anyone who is interested, and I'm just as eager to share the material I brought back. My students cannot avoid it, and I'm looking for ways to extend the invitation.

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Dear Carol:

We plan to present reports from last year's sabbatical leave recipients at the meeting of the Board of Trustees to be held on November 12, 1973. As a consequence I am writing this letter to request that you prepare such a report.

In the past we have asked that such reports be brief - two or three pages in length - and that they stress your accomplishments during the leave period. However, as you now know we operate our sabbatical program under the scrutiny of the Council on Higher Education and under their "guidelines". Accordingly I am enclosing for your perusal a copy of these guidelines and suggesting that, for the sake of future sabbatical recipients, your report be drafted with the strictures imposed by these guidelines firmly in mind.

From discussions and correspondence we have had with staff members at both the State Board and CHE level I would suggest that your report give emphasis to the following:

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- 2. Experiences and accomplishments which will benefit the institution in some way, including that mentioned in item 1.
- 3. Experiences and accomplishments which will serve to stimulate you to conduct further research or to undertake new and unique activities which relate to your job.

These same discussions and correspondence would also lead me to suggest that your report de-emphasize the following.

- 1. Progress you may have made toward an advanced degree.
- 2. Travel, for travel's sake.

Mrs. Carol Doig October 19, 1973 Page two 3. Personal fulfillment, enjoyment or relaxation. 4. Any accomplishments that cannot be shown to be relevant to your position at Shoreline. I know that you are particularly busy at this time in once again getting back into your duties at the College. However, I hope that you will find it possible to submit this brief report to my office by November 2, 1973 so that I may have time to prepare they necessary background statements for the Board agenda. Sincerely yours, George Douglas Executive Vice President is enclosure

# PROFESSIONAL LEAVE GUIDELINES

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  - c. Need for new or additional knowledge in subject field to be studied.
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  - e. Evidence of support (in the form of recommendations and/or financial) from other institutions, foundations, or persons concerned with the proposed plan or project.
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of Communications 202, History of the Press in America.

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In addition, I now have many newspaper and magazine clippings to illustrate Englishmen's love of language. We were delighted with the grace and wit with which English was wielded. Man-on-the-Street interviews done for the BBC, for instance, contained innumerable examples of perfectly parsed, literate, incisive prose. I have not returned, I'm sorry to say, with a formula for causing that epidemic to spread to Seattle.

For a writer and teacher of writing, The English press and people have provided a file full of language examples applicable to several

courses.

Trying to pin down, in a few words, a year of broadened perspectives, and a wealth of new materials, is a frustrating assignment, even for an experienced journalist. Perhaps I should leave the whole subject openended, in this fashion: I'm willing to expand on any of the above comments to anyone who is interested, and I'm just as eager to share the material I brought back. My students cannot avoid it, and I'm looking for ways to extend the invitation.

Carol Daig

February 24, 1975

To: Humanities Division Committee on Rank and Tenure Duane Mylerberg, Chairman

From: Carol Doig
Associate Professor, Communications

I'm applying for the rank of professor. In preparing the fellowing information I tried to balance between an outline that would be too skeletal and a clot of information and exhibits that would force upon you more than you want to know. If there are thin spots, let me know and I'll fill in. I'm also including college transcripts which I'd be glad to have returned when you're finished with them.

# ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS AND EQUIVALENCIES

I have a masters degree plus 10 additional semester hours of graduate credit, and I've been a full-time faculty member at Shoreline College since September 1967. Before that, I spent approximately 10 years as a professional journalist. I've co-authored a book about the news media.

# Education.

Northwestern University, The Medill School of Journalism BSJ, 1955; MSJ, 1956 University of California, Berkeley Junior college teaching certificate, 1960 University of Colorado Summer session, 1955

Academic honors: graduate assistantship in journalism; MSJ with distinction; honorary undergraduate scholarship

# Professional experience in journalism.

Everett Herald, Everett, Washington
Assistant telegraph editor, January through August 1967
The Methodist Publishing House, Park Ridge, Illinois
Associate editor, Together magazine, September 1963 to
June 1966.
Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois
Lecturer in journalism (part time), fall 1964
Asbury Park Press, Asbury Park, New Jersey
Reporter, copyeditor, education editor, January 1959 to
September 1963 (with time out for graduate study at Berkeley)
Northwestern University
Staff member, National High School Journalism Institute,

summers 1956-57-60-61-62-65-66
Wells College, Aurora, New York
Director of publications and publicity, September 1956 to
June 1958

# TEACHING EFFECTIVENESS

I can list some former students whom you can ask: Ernest S. Taylor, Madeline Olson, Dan Murphy, Heidi Ekstrand...how many would you like? But, after all, I'm choosing from among those who have done a good job in English and communications.

Perhaps you would peefer to quiz a whole class. Bud teaches at 9:30 in the same room where I meet my 10:30 English 101. I'd be happy to have him and other members of the committee take it over at the start

of an hour, while I go for a cup of coffee.

Then, there are faculty members who, for one reason or another, know something about my approach to teaching. Kathleen McCloy has worked with some of my English 101 students in writing lab and consequently has seen numerous papers I ve edited while also working directly with students who are having the most trouble succeeding. Dave Daheim, Margaret Svec, Amy Mates and Wayne McGuire also have more than the usual knowledge of what I try to do.

In addition, I have course outlines and such, if you'd like them.

# CONTRIBUTION TO AND AUTHORITY IN ACADEMIC DISCIPLINE

Aside from teaching, my most significant contribution to communications would be the co-authoring of a text currently in use nationally.

News: A Consumer's Guide, published in 1972 by Prentice-Hall, is in its second printing.

During 10 years as a journalist I wrote hundreds of newspaper reports

and dozens of magazine articles.

In the Northwest, I was founding president of the Pacific Northwest Association of Journalism Educators and served on its executive board for several years. It includes representatives from two- and four-year colleges and from universities in British Columbia, Washington, Oregon and Idaho.

I've also been a member of the major national association of journalism faculty, the Association for Education in Journalism (AEJ).

On several occasions I've evaluated book ideas and manuscripts for

major textbook publishers.

I occasionally do a bit of speechmaking, and in the fall of 1973 my husband Ivan and I gave the closing lecture during a special communications week at Iowa State University. It was particularly fund to do, because previous lecturers had included the likes of Barry Sussman, metropolitan editor of the Washington Post and the direct boss of the Woodward/Bernstein team; and Jerome Barron, the country's foremost communications law professor.

And speaking of speeches, on the English side of the curriculum my current project is preparing a paper to be presented March 21 at the Mational Council of Teachers of English regional meeting in Seattle.

#### CONTRIBUTION TO THE COLLEGE

I must admit that committee work isn't among my favorite activities, but each year I try to make some contribution.

I served on the Student Personned Council for two years, and on its successor for one year. I spent a year on the college's Planning

Doig
Rank and Tenure Committee

Council, and two years in the Humanities Division's planning committee.
I've been a member of several smaller committees and sub-committees.
Last quarter I chaired a Faculty Senate sub-committee which worked out guidelines for the awarding of sabbaticals.

I'm also currently on a committee gathered by Fran Clowers to keep an eye on the educational implications of cable tv.

While Wayne was on sabbatical and Denzil was taking his place, I served for two quarters as assistant division chairman.

Now, what else can I tell you?

SHORELINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

February 20, 1975

# MEMORANDUM

TO: Humanities Division Faculty

FROM: Duane Mylerberg, for the Humanities Division Committee on Runk and Tenure (Mylerberg, Maxwell, Douglas, Kirk)

RE: Recommandations for promotion in rank

Section 9 of the procedural guidelines of the Shoreline Community College Policy on Advancement in Rank (#4722) states:

Recommendations for promotion in rank shall be determined by the appropriate committee after careful consideration of all pertinent available factors. The determinants will vary in each case, but basic elements to be considered shall be: teaching effectiveness (or effectiveness in service area); contribution to and authority in academic disciplins (or service area); and contribution to school and to the community through the program of the school.

The contribution to and authority in his own discipline may have a variety of determinants. The esteem in which the candidate is held by members of his own discipline at Shoreline would be one factor. Other factors might include recognition by colleagues in other places, participation in and contribution to professional groups of state and national scope in specific subject areas, contribution of papers to professional journals and participation in planning courses or texts for wide use in community colleges, etc.

In order that this committee might arrive at correct and consistent recommendations to the Faculty Senate we request that each member of the division prepare an anecdotal statement on each of the candidates for promotion (listed below), commenting on any portion of Section 9 of which he has particular knowledge. Your statements will be confidential.

Carol Doig	Full Professor	Gloria Swisher	Associate	Professor
Pat Hunter	Full Professor	Trudy Forbes	Associate	Professor
David Earling	Full Professor			
John Buckley	Full Professor	Mike Larson	Assistant	Professor

Please reply by Tuesday, February 25, 1975.

SHORELINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE February 20, 1975 MEMORANDUM Carol Doig, Pat Hunter, David Earling, Gloria Swisher, TO: Trudy Forbes, and Mike Larson Duane Mylerberg, for the Humanities Division Committee FROM: on Rank and Tenure (Mylerberg, Maxwell, Douglas, Kirk) Qualifications for advancement in rank RE: The Committee hereby requests that you provide verification of your academic qualifications and equivalencies (where pertinent) and that you provide a brief anecdotal statement that responds to the three criteria outlined in Section 9 of Shoreline Community College Policy 4722 (Advancement in Rank). Please submit same by 2:00 P.M., Tuesday, February 25.

SHORELINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE February 10, 1975

# MEMORANDUM

To: Humanities Divison Faculty

From: A. Wayne McGuire, Chairman, Humanities Division

Re: Advancement in Rank

If you wish to be considered for advancement in rank this year, please write me a note to that effect by Wednesday, February 12, 1975.

# Minimum Criteria:

Asst. Prof.: Tenure plus Master's or equivalent

Assoc. Prof .: Tenure plus three years of college teaching plus Master's or

Doctor's or equivalent

Full Prof.: Tenure plus eight years of college teaching plus Doctor's or equivalent

# Current Rank of Humanities Faculty:

Bennett Assoc. Prof. Blount Assoc. Prof. Buckley Assoc. Prof. Chiu Instructor Christensen Instructor Clark Professor Corey Assoc. Prof. Daheim Professor Doig Assoc. Prof. Douglas Assoc. Prof. Earling Assoc. Prof. Edwards Assoc. Prof. Forbes Asst. Prof. Goodrich Assoc. Prof. Gould Instructor Hart Assoc. Prof. Hendrickson Professor Hunter Assoc. Prof. Kirk Assoc. Prof. Lander Professor Larson Instructor

Mates Maxwell McCartney McCloy McGuire Metzger Morton Mylerberg Olson Ostermeyer Peters Randall Roberts Schot Svec Swisher Thompson I. Thompson W. Vail Walters Wright

Professor -Assoc. Prof. Assoc. Prof. Instructor Professor Assoc. Prof. Assoc. Prof. Assoc. Prof. Assoc. Prof. Assoc. Prof. Assoc. Prof. Professor Instructor Assoc, Prof. Professor Instructor Prof. Emeritus Instructor Instructor Professor Assoc. Prof.

Submitted to: Fred Prydz, Chairman SHORELINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE Salary Advancement Committee 16101 Greenwood Avenue North October 24, 1977 Seattle, Washington 98133 Credit Request For Special Work Experience and Professional Growth Activities Accomplished prior to June 10, 1977 but after the Date of Employment at Shoreline Community College. 1. Name Carol Doig 2. Beginning and ending dates of activity September 1972 through May 1973 3. Where activity occurred London 4. Type of Documentation that will support your request Sabbatical report to Board of Trustees, Minutes, November 12, 1973. (attached). 5. Description of experience: An academic year's sabbatical project, equivalent to three quarters of graduate study. Details included in attached report. 6. In what way has this experience enhanced your value to Shoreline Community College? Details included in attached report. Additional documentation is possible, and I will make every effort to supply the committee with whatever information they request.

# THE MAKING OF A WRITER

# We Need Silence to Find Out What We Think

#### By SHIRLEY HAZZARD

VERYONE who writes is asked at some stage, Why? Some writers give replies to that question, but I wonder if it is truly answerable. If there is a worthy response, it would to my mind have to do with a wish to close the discrepancy between human experience, with all its strangeness of the mind, as it is known to each of us, and as it is generally expressed. We live in a time when past concepts of an order larger than the self are dwindling away or have disappeared - the deference of the human species and of societies to nature and to the universe, to religions, to nationhood, to social systems. The testimony of the accurate word is perhaps the last great mystery to which we can make ourselves accessible, to which we can still sub-

Horace wrote that strong men had lived before Agamemnon, but they lacked a poet to commemorate them and thus passed into oblivion. A modern Italian poet, Eugenio Montale, reminds us, however, that memory existed as a literary genre before writing was invented: Men who lived before Agamemnon were not in their time unreported or unsung. Articulation is central to human survival and self-determination, not only in its commemorative and descriptive functions but in relieving the soul of incoherence. Insofar as expression has been matched to sensation and perception, human nature has seemed to retain consciousness. A sense of deliverance plays its part in the pleasure we feel in all the arts and perhaps most of all in literature.

I say most of all in literature because language, unlike other arts, is a medium through which we all-deal continually in daily life. William Butler Yeats said that "if we understand our own minds, and the things that are striving to utter themselves through our minds, we move others, not because we have thought about those others, but because all life has the



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wrote, in his poem "The Novelist," that the novelist must "among the Just / Be just, among the Filthy, filthy too, / And in his own weak person, if he can, / Must suffer dully all the wrongs of Man."

The task of the poet or novelist is to convey states of mind and of being as immediately as possible, through language. Immediacy of language is not always or necessarily simplicity, although simplicity is a highly desirable and immensely difficult literary instrument. Valéry says that of two words, we should always choose the lesser. But we don't always have a lesser word that meets our need — although it can be said that veracity tends to express itself with an eminent simplicity, in art as in life; just as discursiveness can often be an index of falsehood.

Without diminishing the merits and advantages of brevity, however, literature cannot be looked on as a competition to employ as few words as possible. Rather it is a matter of seeking accurate words to convey a human condition. And of deploying words so that tone, context, sound and syntax are ideally combined, without a show of contrivance. That is the proper and agonizing business of literature, in which much of the writer's suffering originates: "the intolerable wrestle with words and meanings," as T. S. Eliot called it. Every writer who is serious about his craft experiences a sense of profaning pure meaning with unworthy words.

Flaubert told George Sand: "When I come on a bad assonance or a repetition in my sentences, I'm sure I'm floundering in the false. By searching I find the proper expression, which was always the only one,

and which is also harmonious. The word is never lacking when one possesses the idea. Is there not, in this precise fitting of parts, something eternal, like a principle? If not, why should there be a relation between the right word and the musical word? Or why should the greatest compression of thought always result in a

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Through art, as in dreams, we can experience this truth, this root of life, as Yeats calls it. Through art, we can respond ideally to truth as we cannot in life. To suggest the nature of that truth - which is the writer's "material" - I should like to go outside literature for

Shirley Hazzard is the author of "Transit of Venus,"

# "Art is not technology, and cannot be 'mastered.' It is an endless access to revelatory states of mind."

a moment and draw on the view of a painter - Veronese, who in 1572 was called before the Holy Office at Venice to explain why, in a painting of the Last Supper, he had included figures of loiterers, passers-by. people scratching themselves, deformed people, a man having a nosebleed and so on: details then held unfit to appear in a holy subject. When this grave charge of blasphemy was pressed on Veronese by the examiners, who asked him why he had shown such profane matters in a holy picture, he replied, "I thought these things might happen."

Despite the many convoluted theories expended on the novelist's material, its essence is in those words. Paraphrasing a text from Revelation, W. H. Auden and which is also harmonious. The word is never lacking when one possesses the idea. Is there not, in this precise fitting of parts, something eternal, like a principle? If not, why should there be a relation between the right word and the musical word? Or why should the greatest compression of thought always result in a line of poetry?"

Great practitioners of language have supplied new words and new usages when, in the literal sense, words failed them. In most cases, we echo their innovations unthinkingly, because they satisfy, they meet the case. At other times they bear the maker's seal so distinctly that they can't be uttered without a mental nod in the author's direction. But these great innovators cannot provide a pattern for lesser talents; as Jacques Barzun has said, magnitude creates its own space. More usually, the writer works with words in common use, developing as great a range and as original and independent a voice as possible.

Some writers will bring the whole weight of considered language to their task. (Dr. Johnson said that he could have compiled his dictionary from Bacon's works alone.) Some build their impression in single strokes - whether light or powerful. For the imaginative writer, words must be the measure of talent - to an extent not necessarily true for writers dealing in information and "ideas." The intentions of a novelist or

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poet are, of course, important, but he or she must be judged on gifts of expression that may not be commensurate with them. The intentions of a historian or a critic, on the other hand, form the basis of our ultimate judgment of his writings, whatever his abilities or deficiencies of communication. The ear of the imaginative writer is ideally tuned to the highest sensitivity, and his distinctive method of transcription is perhaps somewhat misleadingly called style. It is, I think, a recurring error of criticism to treat "style" as an insubstantial literary contrivance distinct from the author's so-called "material." Asked to justify his employment of "fine allusions, bright images, and elegant phrases," Dr. Johnson replied with what might be an ideal definition of style: "Why sir, all these ornaments are useful, because they obtain an easier reception for the truth."

HAVE said that language bears special responsibil-The writer's vigiities: lance over language and attention to language are themselves an assumption of responsibility. When, with the Renaissance drama, men and women began to speak — through literature with individual voices, rather than as types (as they had done in medieval morality plays), there was a humanistic assumption of personal accountability for what was uttered. And so we have continued, in theory at least, to regard it. Our words, whether in literature or in life, are accepted as a revelation of our private nature, and an index of the measure of responsibility we are prepared to assume for

Even the most imposing speech can, of course, be a confession of evasion. Evasion is rooted in fear, just as responsibility arises from conviction; and the sense of private responsiblity through words proved very hard to maintain. George Orwell said that in order to write fearlessly, one must think fearlessly; and for this it is necessary to have an independent mind. We see that the medieval forms of class and collective responsibility provided a shelter that has been sought ever since through linguistic distortion and pretension.

Our modern age is peculiarly

afflicted in this way. Along with the transforming powers of technology and mass society, there developed in the 19th century a sort of Industrial Revolution in human expression increasing tendency to renounce personal opinion favor of generalized or official opinion and to evade self-knowledge and self-commitment through use of abstractions: a wish, in fact, to believe in some process of feeling more efficient than the human soul. There was also an associated new phenomenon of mass communications and mass advertising that is, of new words and usages not spontaneously but speciously brought into wide circulation as a means of profitably directing human impulse. (The word "jargon," incidentally, anciently derives from the twittering of geese.)

This measure of renunciation of independent and eccentric views that accompanied the growth of mass culture has infected inevitably esthetic matters. The public has been encouraged, in some quarters, put its faith in a self-appointed critical authority that, in the words of one modern critic, will "deal expertly" with literature and other arts, relieving readers of time-consuming burdens of private response and private choice. While commentary and scholarly attention have always been directed toward literature and always will be, an entirely new modern industry has grown up of "interpretation." (I make this distinction with the past in the same spirit that a certain schoolmaster in England used to tell his students: "Remember that the intellectual is to the scholar as the cad once was to the gentleman.")

BODY of attitudes has developed that seeks to neutralize the very directness to life that is nurtured by art, and to sever the private bond, the immortal intimacy, that has existed between reader and writer. The great writers do not write as if through intermediaries. The new phenomenon is notably one of explication rather than comprehension . the concept of art as a discipline to be contained within consistent laws, the seductive promise of a technology to be mastered

by those who will then be equipped to dictate and regiment taste. All this turns on what W. H. Auden called the inability of certain critics to acknowledge that works of art can be more important than anything critics can say about them. As an ominous result we are getting, in literature, an increasing response not to poems and novels but to interpretations. Not to the thing but to the self. While the students of such interpreters can - and do - expound their mentors' views by the hour, it has become very rare to hear them spontaneously quote a line of poetry.

It is always tempting, course, to impose one's view rather than to undergo the submission required by art - a submission, akin to that of generosity or love, that evokes the private response rather than the authorized one. But art is not technology and cannot be "mastered." It is an endless access to revelatory states of mind, a vast extension of living experience and a way of communing with the dead. An intimacy with truth, through which, however much instruction is provided and absorbed, each of us must

pass alone.

The degradation of language in the extreme versions of these current explicatory approaches to the arts should be the first concern of anyone wishing to penetrate them. The supposedly 'clinical'' approach to art necessitates a dehumanized and labored vocabulary and a tone of infectious claims to higher seriousness a seriousness that proposes itself as superior to art. The unconscious of the modern critical body deserves some exploration, if only to probe its effects on the life of the imagination and to discover why critics of this kind so seldom step aside to allow art to speak, inimitably, for itself art frequently appearing in their discussions as "mere material" for dissection and classification, and for self-advance-

VERY child knows that it is easier to dismantle a complex creation than to reassemble it.

Of similar pedants, Seneca wrote that "No one lets humanity down quite so much as those who study knowledge as if it were a negotiable skill." And it may be that what we suffer from now is simply a new stage of the immemorial attempt to exorcise great mysteries that are inimical to human vanity. I would attach it also to a modern incapacity for wholeness, for synthesis. The power of a work of art ultimately derives not from classifiable components but from an enigmatic quality of synthesis, which does not lend itself to analysis. We do not know why art should exist or why a few beings should be capable of producing it and even fewer of doing so with enduring excellence. We are often unable even to discern such gifts clearly during an artist's lifetime.

To return from these heights to my own case: I may say that I have found that a great deal of literary discussion seeks to impose consistency for the purpose of proposing "patterns." Of course, some writers work according to a more readily recognizable method than others do. Yet I think that each author's approach - and to each of his own works will differ. Writers share common difficulties, but they nurture individual ways of contending with them. Similarly, in the work itself, I think that "form" means little unless the quality brought to it can seize it as an opportunity. Like style, form is after all simply the idiosyncratic way one has discovered to convey one's idea.

OR me, the ear has an essential role in literary meaning. The arrangement of words, phrases, sentences should sound on the mental ear as effectively as possible, in the silence of the writer's intimacy with his or her reader. For both writer and reader, this is a sensibility refined by reading - that is, through love of literature. For the writer it is often intuitively present in the work - if by intuition we understand a synthesis of intelligence, understanding and feeling. And it will be intuitively felt and enjoyed by the reader if it is effective. These matters are not devices to pull the wool over the reader's eyes: They are attempts to regain that shared root of life of which Yeats wrote.

The other question most asked of a novelist is to what extent he or she is autobiographically present in the work. Much modern fiction particularly invites that inquiry. Again, any reliable answer will vary greatly from one author to another. And — I should add — there are rather few reliable answers: Authors are unlikely to lay all their

cards on the table; there is no reason why they should. For myself, I feel that I drew more on private and even subjective experience when I was first writing and that this diminished as time went on. Even in the first stories I wrote, whole lives and scenes came into my imagination without apparent basis in my acquaintance with life. When we speak of "writing from experience," we usually define experience as whatever has happened directly - or merely to ourselves. That was to some extent my youthful view. As I got older my experience became more and more what I observed in others, what I imagined of other lives, what I could divine of the infinite range of human possibilities. Thus one may come to speak of writing from experience without simply referring to events and sensations directly affecting oneself.

The author reveals himself, to some degree, in almost any work of fiction, whether intentionally or inadvertently; whether in incidental disclosures or in a gradual emanation of personality. There seems no need for esthetic or "moral" regulation of this - even though it has been a subject of critical "decrees." I enjoy what Byron called the author's "addresses from the throne" if they are done well enough and are seen as part of an inspired whole as in Dickens or George Eliot or Hardy or Conrad, where author's asides are numerous. Again, it seems to me a question of the order of talent. Anything whatever may be achieved by genius. Or, at the least, the scope and power of genius may make acceptable to us features that are intolerable in lesser talents.

HE last theme I would like to touch on is the context in which work is produced, The attempt to touch truth through a work of imagination requires an inner center of privacy and solitude. We all need silence - both external and interior - in order to find out what we truly think. I have come more and more to value the view of Ortega y Gasset that "without a certain margin of tranquillity, truth succumbs." However passionate writer's material, some distance and detachment needed before the concept can be realized. In our time, the writer can expect little or nothing in the way of silence, privacy or removal from the deaf-

ening clamor of "communications," with all its disturbing and superfluous information. In addition, novelty and merely up-to-date are urged on writers not only in the name of innovation but virtually as some new form of moral obligation. while critical explication hovers like a vulture. Social continuity and social order — or even the illusion of these — are so disrupted as to have almost gone out of business. The sense of territory and the identity of one's readers are similarly obscured or dispersed. The necessary margin of tranquillity for creative work must now présumably be developed somehow in the writer's own consciousness. That involves the exclusion of many other claims including rightful ones, no doubt - if one is to preserve some inwardness amid the din.

The poet Montale, whom I mentioned earlier, spoke not long before his recent death of the modern rejection of solitude and singularity, saying that "the wish to huddle in groups, to create noise, and to escape from thought is a sign of desperation and despair." He said that the need to accept group ideology and generational conformity is contrary to the nature of art and of poetry. Similarly, for the artist, Montale said that the subordination to a method of thinking that one has not worked toward oneself implies a surrender to uniformity, to officialism: "Only the man who lives in solitude can speak of the fatal isolation we all suffer under this inhuman, mass produced communication. Being in fashion and famous now seems the only accepted role for the contemporary artist. . . And I ask myself where this absurd absence of judgment will lead us."

This brings me round to my starting point. There is at least one immense truth which we can still adhere to and make central to our lives - responsibility to the accurate word. It is through literature that the word has been preserved and nourished, and it is in literature that we find the candor and refreshment of truth. In the words of Jean Cocteau, the good and rightful tears of the reader are drawn simultaneously by an emotion evoked through literature, and by the experience of seeing a word in place.

This article is drawn from a lecture delivered earlier this year at New York University's Gallatin Division.

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### Sabbatical Selection Committee

### Criteria for Selection

# MERIT: of the Sabbatical Project

- 1. Will add to teaching abilities.
- 2. Will add to other competencies.
- 3. Will increase ability to serve campus needs.
- 4. Will increase ability to serve students' needs.
- 5. Will be used to update curriculum requirements.
- 6. Will provide an opportunity for applicant to reevaluate educational perspective.

### APPLICANTS CURRENT AND PREVIOUS CONTRIBUTIONS TO COLLEGE COMMUNITY:

- 1. Accomplishments that bring SCC into public view.
- 2. Involvement in campus activities, e.g. special assignments, committee participation, sponsoring student organizations, continuing education courses.
- 3. Involvement in intercampus activities.

Shoreline Community College January 12, 1979 To: Sabbatical Selection Committee From: Carol Doig Re: Sabbatical Application THE SABBATICAL PROJECT Purpose. Article X. 2: "The purpose of a sabbatical leave for Shoreline Community College faculty should primarily be to deepen, enrich and renew the individual for the primary task: teaching." The sabbatical for which I am applying and which is outlined here is designed to: 1. Broaden my academic background. 2. Freshen my perspectives. 3. Provide new classroom techniques. 4. Improve my research capabilities. 5. Reorganize the mass media course, making it more international and integrative in character. This is my 12th year as a faculty member at the college, and I'm legally entitled to keep at it for another 25 years. It is the thought of the years to come that has spurred me into applying for a sabbatical. My bachelors and masters degrees in journalism provided a thoroughly reasonable base for my teaching assignment when I was hired for news writing, editing, and camous newspaper advising. Over the years that assignment has shifted -- and I'm happy for the change -- to idea courses where I've discovered the limits of my learning and the limits of time and organization available for private study. Currently, two-thirds of my teaching assignment is given over to the mass media course, which is offered in two sections each quarter, and which has a remarkable potential for interesting students in a wide range of other courses. Partly as a consequence of striving for an integrative approach to news and international affairs, and partly because of the diversity of news events as we study them, I have a course which goes in many directions. Is it a story about cloning, and the publication of a book which alleges that a human being has been cloned? There are basic questions to be asked. What is the likelihood that the particular book is a hoax? Even if it is, what do experts in the field say about the possibility that cloning will be possible within our lifetimes? If it is, what does this suggest about the definition of human life, of our assumptions about religion and philosophy, about medical ethics, and about utopias and

their opposites? In one such news item, then, the course work ranges through science, philosophy, history and literature, in addition to the mechanics of the news business.

Students seem genuinely interested in that kind of approach, and the sabbatical year that I propose would allow time for me to refine it. I aim to broaden my own background and knowledge, both through course work and independent study, and to be better prepared to suggest further study to students as they become interested in different disciplines. I think that the media course has a particular value for spin-offs into other areas throughout the college.

Plan for course work and independent study. I will enroll at the University of Washington as an unclassified graduate student, and will complete up to 30 hours of courses chosen carefully according to two criteria: (1) integrative approaches, and (2) distinguished teaching faculty. I am seeking a generalist, cross-disciplinary experience as one major goal, and exceptional teachers from whom to glean new ideas for classroom teaching as another.

The kind of faculty I am seeking is suggested by Roger Sale in English, Otis Pease in history, Don Pember in Communications.

The approach to courses is exemplified by:
Communications 483, International Communications Systems
English 360, Literary Modernism and the History of Ideas
Geography 442, Social Geography
History 312, Science in Civilization
EAsia 210, The Far East in the Modern World
Anthropology 350, The Civilized and the Primitive
Anthropology 354, The Comparative Study of Societies

As for independent study, one of my very real handicaps is the hesitancy with which I approach research sources. I am confident about such reporting tools as the interview, the periodicals indexes, and the like, but I have not developed a familiarity with more sophisticated research tools. As the most effective way to deal with this concern, I intend to contract with a highly qualified research librarian who has worked at the UW library, has taught the library school's course in research, and who is now an independent researcher, to offer me a special short course. This also will give me the chance to assemble the research for the new material I plan to develop for the mass media course.

Planning for that course will evolve from the class work and research, of course, but my tentative emphases include a study of comparative mass media systems; a study of language, using the language of war as the principal example; a unit dealing with the effects of technology on international communication, and a unit suggesting the effects differences in culture and belief can have on the choice and analysis of information.

Doig/sabbatical application Page 3. APPLICANT'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COLLEGE COMMUNITY My current on-campus contributions to the college include: Chairman, Board of Publications Member, faculty negotiating team Member, tenure committee In terms of off-campus meetings which relate specifically to my discipline and teaching, my current-year activities include: Participant, annual meeting, Association for Education in Journalism, August 13-16, 1978. This is the one meeting each year which brings together journalism instructors from throughout the nation. Participant, Pacific Northwest Association of Journalism Educators. of which I am founding president. This group includes senior college and community college faculty from the Pacific Northwest and British Columbia, and it is especially helpful in keeping current on transfer requirements and curriculum changes. Over the term of my employment at the college, I would list among my most useful contributions: Co-authorship of News: A Consumer's Quide, a text which took a new approach to mass media courses. The standard senior college texts

Co-authorship of News: A Consumer's Guide, a text which took a new approach to mass media courses. The standard senior college texts are theoretical and detailed in a way that is useful only to journalism majors at upper levels. At Shoreline, and at many other colleges now, we are dealing primarily with students who have a general interest in media because they are consumers of it.

Service for two quarters as assistant division chairman, when a temporary replacement was needed because of a sabbatical leave.

Other kinds of activities are suggested by the following list, which is representative rather than inclusive:

Participation as a major speaker during Mass Media Week at Iowa State University.

Presentation of a paper at the Northwest Regional Conference, National Conference of Teachers of English.

Participation in News Reporters' Legal Seminar, sponsored by the Seattle-King County Bar Association.

Moderator for Popular Culture, the Course by Newspaper sponsored by the college.

Participant, conference on state and federal Freedom of Information acts, sponsored by the University of Washington.

l. I was awarded one previous sabbatical, during the 1972-73 academic year, for a highly focused project dealing with the British media. This was a very useful year, but much more narrow in scope than the current proposal. It did get me thinking in a more organized way about comparative media systems, and is due credit for the emphasis I now intend on international media systems, including the Third World.

2. I am attaching a transcript of my college work at Northwestern University from the fall of 1951 through bachelors and masters degrees in journalism, and concluding in 1956. Something of my concern with the breadth and depth of my education can be seen here, with the strong emphases on journalism and political science, but little beyond introductory courses in other fields.

My only other credits came from a semester's work at the University of California at Berkeley in 1960, where I earned a junior

college teaching credential.

In the intervening years I've depended on considerable reading to keep me current, but now, with more than 20 years between me and the masters, I very much do feel the need for the discipline of additional course work.

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February 16, 1979

Mrs. Carol Doig Humanities Division Shoreline Community College

Dear Mrs. Doig:

At its meeting on February 16, 1979 the Board of Trustees of Shoreline Community College, District Number Seven granted sabbatical leave to you for the 1979-80 academic year.

So far as the terms and conditions of your leave are concerned, I would refer you to Article X of the current agreement between the Shoreline Community College Federation of Teachers and the Board of Trustees. At the time contracts are issued for the 1979-80 year, Mr. Tronson will forward a sabbatical leave agreement for your signature which will specify the amount of the stipend which will be paid to you. Should you desire any information dealing with the financial aspect of your leave prior to that time, I am sure Mr. Tronson will be happy to talk with you.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and the President's Office, I would like to take this opportunity to extend best wishes for a happy and rewarding year!

Sincerely yours,

Violet Jurgich

Secretary, Board of Trustees Shoreline Community College District Number Seven

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cc: Mr. Denzil Walters, Chairman, Humanities Division

Dr. George Douglas, Executive Vice President

Mr. Edgar Tronson, Vice President, Business and Personnel

Dr. Richard White, President



# SHORELINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 7

16101 Greenwood Avenue North \* Seattle, Washington 98133 \* Area Code 206 \* Lincoln 6-4101

March 26, 1979

Carol Doig Shoreline Community College 16101 Greenwood Avenue North Seattle, Washington 98133

Dear Carol:

The Sabbatical Selection Committee wishes to congratulate you on the awarding of your sabbatical leave for the coming school year.

We are sure that what you gain will be of benefit to the college community as a whole and we hope that your time away from the campus fulfills your highest expectations.

We have asked that the Administration inform you within a month of the probable amount of your stipend in order that you can make your plans. We would appreciate knowing when you receive that information.

For your information, a copy of the criteria used by the Selection Committee is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

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For students in the Graduate School, 100-200 level courses and courses numbered 600, 700 and 800 are excluded from quarter and cumulative credits, grade points and grade-point averages.

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See the current University General Catalog for detailed information on grades and grading systems and exceptions to the grading system for students in the Graduate School and schools of Law, Medicine and Dentistry.

March 28, 1979

To: Professional Activity Credits Committee

From: Carol Doig

I will begin course work at the University of Washington during summer quarter toward the sabbatical project outlined in the following two pages. As you will see, this project involves a range of courses, and my application included a suggestive list.

I would appreciate you approving:

(1) the list of courses on page 2 of the sabbatical application, and (2) the list which follows on this page.

From these, depending on the vagaries of the time schedules and the relevance to the sabbatical project as it develops, I will take a maximum of 30 credits by June, 1980. Should other courses seem advisable, I will ask for other options during the next academic year.

Anthropology 100, Introduction to the Study of Man Anthropology 301, Human Nature and Culture Communications 402, Government and the Mass Media English 211, Reading Fiction English 355, American Literature Since 1945 History 215, The History of the Atomic Bomb History 345, War and Society

<sup>\*</sup> I am on leave this quarter and will be in Britain from April 1 through May 13. If there are any questions, I can be reached at home, 542-6658, beginning May 14.

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SHORELINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NUMBER SEVEN AUGUST 9, 1979

TO:

Carol Doig

FROM:

Elizabeth Hinrichs

Please sign and return to me one copy of the enclosed sabbatical agreement.

### SHORELINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NUMBER SEVEN

### SABBATICAL LEAVE AGREEMENT

In consideration of payment to me by the Shoreline Community College District
Number Seven of a \$ 14,990 stipend while on sabbatical leave and in
accordance with the sabbatical leave conditions and terms as expressed in
Section X-A-1-d of the Shoreline Community College 1978-81 Salary Agreement, I
agree to return all of such stipend paid to me unless I fulfill the condition
of the leave which requires me to return to Shoreline Community College for at
least one contract year immediately following the leave.

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Signature		
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In accordance with the provisions of Section X-A-1-d of the 1978-81 Salary Agreement, Shoreline Community College District Number Seven agrees to reassign

CAROL DOIG

upon his/her return from sabbatical leave to a professional position for which he/she is qualified.

Signature Ed M. Tronson

August 9, 1979

Date

October 10, 1980 Dr. George Douglas Executive Vice President Dear George I am glad to respond to your request for a report of my sabbatical year -the more so because it proved so enriching to me as an instructor and as an individual, and because it has resulted in a new course for the college as well as an improved model of a very successful older course. When I applied for the sabbatical I set out the following goals: 1. Broaden my academic background. 2. Freshen my perspectives. 3. Provide new classroom techniques. 4. Improve my research capabilities. 5. Reorganize the mass media course, making it more international and integrative in nature. I was able to accomplish the first four with course work at the University of Washington, where I completed the following courses: Communications 498, Problems of Communication History 456, The American Character History 312, Science in Modern Society English 355, American Literature Since 1945 History 135, American History Since 1940 Anthropology 100, Introduction to the Study of Man That is less random than it may look! I chose the course work to broaden the horizons of my own knowledge, especially in ways that would be useful to the mass media course, and also for the known quality of the instructors. In addition, I chose a wide range of class size, so that I might consider differing pedagogical techniques attributable to scale. In fact, the smallest course enrolled just 11 students (History 456), and the largest 350 (Anthropology 100). You will see that the courses have in common an emphasis on modern society, but approach it in differing ways. I am happy to say that I found much of the information applicable to the mass media course which currently occupies two-thirds of my teaching time. I did enrich that course (Communications 150), spending most of spring quarter working at the library in the afternoons, and writing lectures at home in the mornings.

The bonus for the year was a fortuitous invitation, in the summer of 1979, to team teach Communications 200, The Communication Process, at the University of Washington. I grabbed the chance and, in effect, began the sabbatical a quarter early, also enrolling in an English class at the same time. The communications course was one we knew that we should have had in our curriculum, but the subject matter is difficult and outside of my area of particular knowledge. With the opportunity to team-teach it with Professor Samuelson, however, I was able to work it into shape, and we have begun to offer it, effective this quarter.

Not only does it provide a useful option for our students, but it offers a double benefit for those who plan to transfer to the University of Washington. For majors, it counts as one of two courses required for students to gain entrance into the School of Communications (Cmu 150 is the other). For nonmajors, both courses count as social science distribution requirements.

As I read back over what I've written so far, I see that although it contains the relevant information, it lacks the spirit of the sabbatical enterprise. Anecdotally, perhaps I should add that one of the greatest pleasures of attending the University of Washington was the frequent convergence with former Shoreline students now enrolled there. They were complimentary to the point of enthusiasm about their Shoreline educations, and I was more than pleased to discover that the standout student in the course that I team-taught was a Shoreline College graduate. In terms of my own reactions, I remember precisely what I said the first time one of these former students hailed me and, in the course of conversation asked, "Are you going to be teaching at the UW from now on, Mrs. Doig?" Before I quite realized what was happening I'd replied, "Heck, no. This is a fine place to visit, but...."

Quite beyond the official outline and accomplishments of my leaven then, came the additional insight and confirmation that I'm teaching exactly where I want to. Grateful as I am for the UW, with its library, its scholars, its eminent lecturers, I would not trade places with one of their faculty members. My greatest source of satisfaction lies in dealing with classes of approximately 30 beginning college students for each class — a format which makes it possible for me not only to talk at them, but to talk with them. Their constant feedback, telling me what they know and what they need to know — and not so incidentally teaching me what they know — provides the educational atmosphere that I've found most satisfactory.

Finally, I want to thank the members of the Board of Trustees for their support for the sabbatical program. I believe it's fundamentally important to the quality of education that we are able to offer, especially as the faculty grows older, on average. If we can expect that for some years there will not be much influx of new, young faculty members, then the sabbatical option takes on added significance as the existing faculty strives to provide fresh ideas and broadened knowledge to the community.

My gratitude for the opportunity I've enjoyed.

Sincerely

SABBATICAL LEAVE APPLICATION Carol Doig NAME Humanities Communications DIVISION DISCIPLINE: Number of Quarters Desired for Sabbatical Leave (1-3): One Please answer the following questions: 1. How will you spend your sabbatical leave? 2. How will a sabbatical enhance your effectiveness as a faculty member at Shoreline Community College? List current and previous contributions to the College. 3. Are there other comments or further information you feel the committee 4. needs to know? APPLICATION FOR SABBATICAL LEAVE Your sabbatical proposal will be part of the public record. 1. Prior proposals and reports are on file at the Circulation Desk 2. in the Library. Answers can be as lengthy as the applicant feels is necessary. 3. 4. The written sabbatical proposals will be judged along with the oral interviews in accordance with Article XI, pages 25-27 of the current contract. If you have any questions, see the sabbatical representative in your 5. teaching area. THIS PROPOSAL IS DUE AT 5 p.m., JANUARY 10, 1986 IN BURT WESTON'S OFFICE ROOM 2209. PLEASE HAND DELIVER.

Page 1 of 5 How will you spend your sabbatical leave? If my application for a one-quarter sabbatical is approved, I'll spend it on research leading to a reorganization of the course which commands two-thirds of my teaching time during each academic year: Cmu 203W, Mass Media and Society. My plan is to work on four specific segments of the course, each of which will then (1) concentrate on a particular significant area within mass media; (2) focus on a particular case within that problem area, and (3) actively engage The core of this course is that a free flow of information is necessary to the survival of a healthy representative democracy. That proposition is followed from the ideas of the Enlight enment through the library of Thomas Jefferson and into the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution, where we narrow our sights to the First Amendment and its speech and press through U.S. history. From my own working background in the information side of each of the print media, I'm comfortable with those areas. Several others, however, require more attention than I've been able to give them while also teaching a full course load. I propose, therefore, to work on the following: Film and television. I propose to interview at least one, and I hope more, of producers/writers Annick Smith, Beth Ferris and Jean Walkinshaw, with a view toward showing the information potential of film and television. Smith was executive producer and Ferris screenwriter for the superb film Heartland. Smith is now in the process of producing an eight-part public television series on the upper West, keyed to centennials in several states, including Washington. Ferris has just finished Contrary Warriors, a 60-minute retrospective about the Crow Indians, to be released this month. Walkinshaw, a documentary producer for Channel 9 here in Seattle, is currently working on a television portrait of the octogenarian Quaker activist, Floyd Schmoe. All have won major awards for their work and serve as articulate spokespersons for film and television at its intellectual best. I would want students to see and analyze a major work by one of these producer/writers. Advertising and public relations Advertising, of course, plays the dominant role in supporting mass media in the United States, and advertising efforts normally are accompanied by a wide range of public relations activities. The text I assign (Pember, Mass Media in America) says that rather well, but does not demonstrate the point. I propose to work up a case study of a successful, integrated, and highly ethical advertising/pr campaign -- the probable focus will be the rescue of the Tylenol brand name after the random cyanide poisonings in the fall of 1982. Then, by way of contrast, I would work up a counterproductive effort. The leading candidate here is Union Carbide, in the aftermath of Bhopal.

There's excellent documentation of the Tylenol story, and I've gathered enough to give a shortened version of this segment in current classes. The feedback to the details of a major campaign has been favorable. I haven't had a chance to research Union Carbide in depth, but my collection of news stories does indicate a rich motherlode.

In terms of direct student involvement, I'm contemplating a hypothetical case where students could think about, and do a paper in memo or draft form of the steps to be taken to (1) get the facts, (2) distribute information, (3) decide whether to recall products, (4) assess the damage, and (5) plan the first stages of an integrated advertising/pr campaign to restore a brand name.

### Mergers, Conglomerates, Buyouts

American mass media is being fundamentally changed by the current run of mergers and buyouts, friendly and otherwise. The trend is not new to either business or mass media, of course. William Randolph Hearst had the idea long ago, and in 1947 the blue-ribbon Hutchins Commission warned that lack of diversity was becoming a serious problem in media ownership. In the last several years, however, the trend has been much accelerated. For example, in 1985 each of the major television networks was threatened with takeover, and by year's end two had been announced. I would like to look in some detail at the last of these: General Electric's friendly plans to purchase RCA, which contains within it the NBC network.

Abiding First Amendment theory posits that a wide range of information sources is a healthy state of affairs, bringing with it a diversity of information and opinion. Conglomerate mergers of recent scale, in addition to decreasing the range of ownership, bring up enormous additional problems of possible conflict of interest. It matters that GE is a major weapons manufacturer. Can NBC, under GE ownership, be expected to do hard reporting of its parent company's problems?

To be sure, there are other networks and other media, but the trend throughout the mass media is unmistakable: fewer ownerships controlling more and more of the major information sources.

In this segment I would want students to wrestle with the dilemma of how to maximize diversity while minimizing government control.

Commercials I and the political process,

Is there a difference between selling soap flakes and selling political candidates? Consider this excerpt from an advertising column in the NY Times during the fall of 1984, commenting on the Reagan campaign's television commercials:

"It's not only the best creative advertising I have ever seen," said Laurel Cutler.... "It's the best advertising."

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"It's the kind of advertising we've seen for products," said Alvin Hampel.."Pure imagery by and large, it surrounds him with beautiful pictures, America. It's big, uplifting. It is the kind of advertising that is usually used for a parity product. If you took some of the Reagan footage and put in some other voiceover and sound tracks, you could have the commercial for another product."

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There is much information about this subject, but what I'd hope to do here is to provide several 30-second spots for students to study. There are several archives in the country, most notably at Vanderbilt University, which make network news and information programs available for scholarly purposes at modest cost. I am hoping to assemble a sample of political campaign ads for classroom use.

The student work that would accompany this segment would involve looking up information about a candidate or potential candidate, and about voting patterns and issues. It might be a Bill Bradley or Jack Kemp, Jeane Kirkpatrick or George Bush or Diane Feinstein, or it might be someone at the state level. The student would be asked to select a candidate, gather the material, and then write two 30-second scripts, one aimed at information and the other at avoiding it. I would give them a format for shot lists, too, so that they could contemplate the visual content.

WHILE there are other things I'd like to work on, I doubt that there will be time. If there is, I would add a free press segment, focussing on the thorny issues of a particular case, such as the Pentagon Papers or the Westmoreland suit against CBS.

To accomplish what I've suggested above will take a considerable amount of standard library research, some correspondence and interviewing, and some culling and editing of film and television material. I would, therefore, rigorously schedule each week's work to achieve specific goals.

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2. How will a sabbatical enhance your effectiveness as a faculty member at Shoreline Community College? During the academic year I am now spending two-thirds of my teaching time with the mass media course, which I regard as the most important course that I've had the opportunity to teach. Majors and nonmajors alike need to know the structure of the information system to which they are subjected all their lives. To be able to strengthen the course in the ways outlined above will, I believe, make the students more knowledgeable and analytical in their own lives. Most of the students who take this course are not majors; rather, they are citizens who will benefit from increased knowledge and analytical information skills. This course is necessary for communication majors, and a popular distribution credit for nonmajors here, at the UW and elsewhere. The two sections each quarter have been filling and, uncertain world though this is, it looks as if my efforts to upgrade the course will pro-rate well. Finally, if I can get a handle on the research during a quarter's sabbatical, I'll stand a reasonable chance to keep the momentum going. Since nearly everything I teach is writing oriented, the workload during the ordinary quarter is so heavy as to make the research activities described above seem the equivalent of a dream always out of grasp beyond my grading pen. Put plainly, I need unbroken time away from student papers to take on this necessary research.

3. Current and previous contributions to the college.

On Campus

Teaching and advising of students since the Fall of 1967.

Membership on three consecutive faculty negotiating committees. Coordinator of the 1983 team.

Humanities Planning Committee. Repeatedly. The usual sequence is every other year.

Faculty advisor to the campus newspaper, Fall of 1967 through Spring of 1970.

Co-author of the text, News A Consumer's Guide, Prentice-Hall, 1972.

Assistant division chair of Humanities during the Winter and Spring of 1972.

Numerous other committees, including the Board of Publications, tenure review, dismissal review and workload. Early in the college's career, and mine, I served on the Student Personnel Council for two years, and on its successor for one year.

### Off campus

I served as founding president of the Pacific Northwest Association for Journalism Educators and was a member of its executive board for several years. I have also held membership in the Association for Education in Journalism and in the National Council of Teachers of English, and have attended conferences and given presentations and papers.

Phenomena of Communication

In the summer of 1979 I team taught the Mass Media and Society course at the University of Washington's School of Communications with Professor Merrill Samuelson. I used the opportunity to prepare the course for Shoreline's curriculum, and we became the only community college to offer direct transfer credit both for that course and for another introductory course, The Phenomena of Communicating.

I have given occasional lectures and presentations apart from those listed above, including featured appearances at the University of Washington and the University of New Mexico, and participation in a major lecture series in communications at Iowa State University.

DISTRICT NO. 7

February 1, 1990

To:

Carol Doig

From:

1989-90 Sabbatical Committee

Re:

Application for Sabbatical Leave During 1990-91

The committee thanks you for submitting an application for sabbatical leave for the 1990-91 academic year. Thanks also for your cooperation in setting the schedule for the personal interviews. This year eleven (11) faculty members applied for sabbaticals which in the aggregate totaled thirty (30) quarters. Unfortunately we can only allocate seventeen (17) quarters of sabbatical leave.

As in past years, everyone presented the committee with an excellent proposal. The committee judged all the proposals on the merit of the sabbatical project, on the applicant's current and previous contributions to the college community and on whether or not the applicant had received a previous sabbatical. The committee considered both your written application and the personal interview in coming to its collective decision.

The committee is pleased to announce we are recommending to the College President that you be granted a sabbatical leave for one quarter during the 1990-91 academic year.

The leave is not official until it is acted upon by the Board of Trustees.

Again, congratulations.

**DISTRICT NO. 7** 

April 25, 1991

Ms. Carol Doig Humanities Division Shoreline Community College

Dear Ms. Doig:

It is my pleasure to inform you that the Board of Trustees of Shoreline Community College District Seven at its meeting on April 24, 1991, granted you one quarter of sabbatical leave for the 1991-92 academic year.

Prior to the beginning of your leave, the Personnel Office will forward a sabbatical leave agreement for your signature. Should you desire any information concerning the financial aspects of your leave prior to that time, Joanne Warner in the Personnel Office will be happy to answer any of your questions.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and the President's Office, I would like to take this opportunity to extend best wishes for a successful leave.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Wies

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Secretary, Board of Trustees

Shoreline Community College District Seven

Wayne McGuire, Chair, Humanities Division Ken LaFountaine, Faculty President Anna Sestrich, Director of Peronnel/Human Resources Marie Rosenwasser, Vice President for Academic Affairs Ronald E. Bell, President Members, Board of Trustees

April 25, 1991

Carol Doig Shoreline Community College Seattle, Washington

### Dear Carol;

At their April 24 meeting the Board of Trustees voted to award you a one quarter sabbatical leave for the 1991-92 academic year. Congratulations! May your endeavors light the world and all those who serve it.

Sincerely,

Ken LaFountaine, President

Shoreline Community College

**Federation of Teachers** 

# SABBATICAL LEAVE APPLICATION Name: Carol Doig Division: Humanities Discipline: English Number of Quarters Requested: Two (Winter and Spring of 1991). How will you spend your sabbatical leave? If this proposal is accepted, I will use it for two principal projects: 1. To research and design an American Literature course which will include work from the Southwest as well as the Pacific Northwest and Interior West, and 2. To buy a computer for home use which will replace a terminally ill word processor, and to transfer file folders of material as well as new course material into updated computer files. The first part of the leave will be spent in residence at the University of Arizona, where I intend to study the literature and history of the Southwest. In addition I'll travel in the Southwest, where I will interview Professor

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The second part of the leave will be spent assimilating and organizing this material.

2. How will this sabbatical enhance your effectiveness as a faculty member at Shoreline Community College?

There's a way of teaching literature of the American West which integrates the work of the writers with the environment they write in — that considers geography and culture and history, and that promotes thoughtful analysis of what is written in terms of how human beings have related to the land in which they live and the other human beings sharing it with them.

Last summer I spent my vacation preparing such a course about the northern West, and I taught that course last quarter as English 202. It was a success in several ways: registration promptly closed; the students who enrolled also stayed (between the tenth day and the end of the quarter only three withdrew, and one of those because of a new job), and the evaluations done by the students at the end of the quarter were unusually positive.

Carol Doig Sabbatical Application Page 2. However, the course was incomplete in that it did not consider the Southwest with all its distinctiveness. I've been encouraged both by students and by my division's leadership to remedy that defect, but here we get into a problem of time and travel. I could do the first part of the course through volunteer labor during the summer because I know that area, have traveled and photographed it extensively, and because I know many of the living writers and much of the history. For the Southwest I'm not so lucky. It should perhaps be explained that, to an unusual degree, an understanding of the literature of the American West depends on knowledge of landscape. From the time of the Lewis and Clark field journals, writing about the West has been about land. For fiction writers, the Western landscape often serves as a principal character in their work. People who spend their careers in literary criticism point out that European and East coast literature seems to be turned inward, while in the West it is outward: a landscape which cannot be ignored because it makes so many demands on people trying to live there. While not wanting to subject you to a lecture on that subject, it is the reason why I am seeking to spend at least a little time with the geography and in the varied cultural traditions of the Southwest. As to the second part of the sabbatical, the core of the matter is this: I have been teaching at Shoreline Community College since September of 1967, and with our usual teaching load of 15 contact hours, and classes five days a week, I have reached the point where summer and weekend labor has not been enough to allow me to reorganize, as I must, if I am to provide my best efforts to students during the next decade. 3. List current and previous contributions to the college. In my 22 years as a full-time faculty member, I've served on many committees within and outside the division, including the sabbatical selection committee. My three most significant areas of contribution are: 1. Formal and informal advising of students, in which I have had an ongoing interest. Maybe there's something like a magnetic pole: students find me. know that's nothing unique on this campus, but include me in. I am always glad to see reports from student surveys which mention how well we deal with students, and in several cases my name has been among those mentioned in that regard. I also have letters in the file, among the most recent a thank-you note from a very quiet student for whom I wrote letters of recommendation for three different law schools. She made all three -- certainly by her own efforts. What interested me was that she seemed surprised I'd remembered her. 2. Active participation on the faculty negotiating team for three different contracts. I've believed that the chores should be spread around, and this is one major way I've tried to contribute to the general good. It is interesting but grueling work, and I wore out at it. I've not been on the last couple of teams.

Carol Doig Sabbatical Application Page 3. 3. Active participation in learning communities and combined courses. After 20 years as a lone instructor I decided that my colleagues undoubtedly had things they could teach me, and I organized a learning community which included an English teacher, an historian, a librarian, and an instructor of mass media. It was successful even to the point of becoming better friends over the course of the quarter. I realize this is not for everyone, but in my case the experience of combined courses has revitalized my teaching and I am currently part of a two-instructor team doing English 102 and mass media. In terms of other recent contributions, I am serving on the Humanities Division Planning Committee, and I was a member of the visiting evaluation team for English at Shorecrest High School last spring. 4. Further information. Why now, Professor Doig? At the end of this academic year I will complete 23 years of full-time teaching at Shoreline Community College, and I'll be 56 years old. My last sabbatical was 10 years ago. I view this current proposal as an opportunity to prepare for the best use of the last third of my teaching career. Other factors conspire to lend some timeliness, perhaps even urgency to the request. The timeliness is in terms of my husband's schedule. This year he will wind up an eight-year project, after which he promises to surface for breath and contemplation of systems management in our household. He'll be available, then, to help decide on a computer purchase. If I am awarded a sabbatical we will have a new computer in the house. Although my husband is unlikely to use it extensively -- he has eye problems which seem to be aggravated by prolonged looking at a screen -- he is interested and his input is important, since we share a study. A further consideration is that the period projected for this sabbatical is the one imaginable time he could contemplate accompanying me. The urgency is in interviewing the dean of western writers and historians: Wallace Stegner. Although in good health, he is 80 years old, and I would like to see him as soon as possible. He is the towering figure in Western literature and history, and I do have an invitation to visit. I have never met him. Finally, as we enter a new decade in the life of the college, there are many things we will want to continue to do well, and some new ones we'll want to try. This college has excelled in many areas, one of which has been to prepare students for upper division work in arts and sciences. We have an unusual opportunity right now to create an even more outstanding program of literature and writing than we have previously enjoyed. I would hope to contribute to that strength.

November 1991 To: Board of Trustees Shoreline Community College Professor, Humanities and Doug From: Carol Doig re: Sabbatical Leave, Winter 1991. Expansion of Literature of the American West to Southwest Literature. It is a pleasure to report the successful completion of the one-quarter sabbatical leave awarded to me during the 1990-1991 academic year. Some decisions were necessitated at the outset, since I had applied for two quarters of leave and had done initial plans to cover that time period. When I was offered one quarter I unhesitatingly accepted, deciding to do the core of the field work. I needed a good library that would provide resources for the literature of the Southwest, and I needed access to cultural and historical sights. Most of my leave, therefore, was spent in Tucson, Arizona, where my husband and I rented an apartment just a 12-minute drive from the University of Arizona library. I was granted full library privileges, including access to the stacks, and normal access to archives and special collections. My daily routine included arrival at the campus parking lot just across the street from the library by 7 a.m., when the library doors opened. On several occasions the vacuum cleaners were still at work as I headed for the catalogs, after which I would hunt the day's books and take them to a carrel on the top floor, which provided a panoramic view of the Tucson Mountains as an antidote to eyestrain. I came home with many pages of notes and photocopies, as well as a shelf of books I purchased for my own collection. Among the most useful have been The American West: A Narrative Bibliography, by Charles F. Wilkinson, and Southwest Classics by Lawrence Clark Powell. As a direct, early result of this research, I changed the text list for the American West course, which now includes two works which broaden the cultural richness of the curriculum: Bless Me, Ultima by Rudolfo Anaya, a novel dealing with Chicano traditions in northern New Mexico, and Tony Hillerman's Listening Woman, set in Navajo country. Students have reacted favorably to both of these choices. Much remains to be done with the material I've assembled: many ideas for lectures, discussions and written assignments need to be refined. You will hear more of this next year, since I've now been granted a second quarter of sabbatical leave, which I'll use in Spring of 1992 to complete my original plan. I sincerely appreciate this chance for renewal and revitalization.

Application for Sabbatical Leave Academic year 1991-1992 Applicant: Carol Doig Division: Humanities. Discipline: English A. I am applying for one quarter of sabbatical leave, in order to complete the sabbatical project proposed last year. My 1990-1991 proposal for two quarters fell at the cutoff point, and I was awarded one quarter, which I was pleased to have. I am now at work on the beginning stages of that proposal, and I am about the leave for the Southwest to continue it. I am asking this committee to consider my application to complete the work of expanding English 202W, Literature of the American West, to include the Southwest. When I began the course in the Fall of 1989, at the invitation of the Humanities Division, I did so enthusiastically, but explained that I would have to limit the scope to the Northern Tier states, which I have spent many years studying and where I know many of the writers and their work. I have now taught the course twice, it has achieved full enrollment each time, and it is time to broaden the offering to more fully represent that part of the United States west of the 98th meridian. B. 1. How I would spend my proposed sabbatical leave. In last year's application for two quarters, I proposed: \* a thorough survey of the literature of the American Southwest, based on narrative bibliographies and recent reviews. \* a careful reading of major works, in the process of making selections for text and recommended reading lists and for planning class sessions. \* a comprehensive plan for the class: lectures, discussions, writing assignments and tests. \* an historical overview of the Southwest. \* a study of the role of landscape and weather in the literature. \* a study of cultural influences, including architecture, art and music. \* interviews with the leading historian and senior literary figure of the West, Wallace Stegner, and with the current historian-bibliographer, Richard Etulain of the University of New Mexico. \* the taping, for use in class, of the interviews, as well as recording landscape and culture. \* the purchase and start-up of a computer for my home office so as to collect and organize course material as it is generated. (You'll recognize that this application is being typed on an older form of word processor.)

Application for 1991-1992 sabbatical Page 3. Carol Doig 3. Current and past contributions to the college. As I look back at nearly two dozen years at the college, I can see a pattern has emerged. During the first third of my time as a faculty member, I served on a majority of the committees then extant. (I have served twice on the sabbatical committee, for example.) This period reflected an immersion in the organizational and institutional side of the college which I enjoyed, and where I learned how the college operated. During the second third of my faculty service, my emphasis outside the classroom moved to the faculty organization, where I served on a number of committees, most notably in the area of rewriting the faculty contract. My major contributions during these years were service on three faculty bargaining teams, with emphasis on the word "team:" every one of us participated in every bargaining session, and we met before every session, after most sessions, and many other times as well. I was coordinator for the team, which meant handling the bulk of the logistics, when Roger Vail was chief negotiator. I also served on teams headed by Burt Weston and Julian Andersen. Those years were a privilege -- they also were exhausting. Most recently, I have devoted my efforts to curriculum planning and team teaching. In the spring of 1987 I recruited Diane Gould, for English 102, and Lloyd Keith, for history, to combine with my mass media course. At the invitation of Barbara Adams, we added a fourth member, Jean Roden of the library faculty. After two intense quarters of planning we offered. during Winter Quarter of 1988, an 18-hour course that successfully integrated the foreground of mass media, the background of history, with the skills of researching and writing. Student evaluations of this learning community were notably positive, but the economics were not. Since then, Diane and I have twice successfully offered the combination of English 102 and mass media in a 10-hour segment. My current curriculum concern is, of course, embodied in this proposal, and I look forward to future efforts, as yet undesignated. (Please also see addendum, Diane Gould's evaluation.) 4. Other information for the committee. For your full understanding of this proposal, you may want some explanation of why it's imperative that I spend time on the scene in the Southwest. Without taking you through the full course, I think I can give you the idea by offering quotes from several historians, authors and critics of the literature of the American West. Here along the Pacific raincoast we are, of course, the exceptions in the American West -- people growing moss on our backs while others blister. As Wallace Stegner phrases it in The American West as Living Space (University of Michigan Press, 1987): the West, as usually defined "...starts about the 98th meridian of west longitude...the isohyetal line...beyond which the mean annual rainfall is less than the twenty inches normally necessary for unirrigated crops."

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Stegner continues:

"The most splendid part of the American habitat, it is also the most fragile. It has been misinterpreted and mistreated because, coming to it from earlier frontiers where conditions were not unlike those of northern Europe, we found it different, daunting, exhilarating, dangerous, and unpredictable, and we entered it carrying habits that were often inappropriate, and expectations that were surely excessive."

The works that I am seeking to include under literature of the American West are those that deal with geography and climate, as westerners have historically had to do. In an interview in Nicholas O'Connell's book, At the Field's End (Madrona Press, 1987), Ivan Doig -- an author I know something about -- said of his home territory in Montana:

"You can't be around that landscape without it being on your mind. The weather governed our lives on the ranch, often determining whether the entire year was a success or not. Our lives turned on the weather, in combination with the landscape. This carries over into my writing."

And writing in the American West, about the American West, as it is interpreted by leading authors, is different from other parts of the country, and from Europe, where most of our literary traditions and expectations were born. The literary tradition is one of looking inward, and of using certain forms and a set of symbolisms that are not often found in literature of the American West, which looks outward. In New Ground: Western American Narrative and the Literary Canon, A. Carl Bredahl Jr. (University of North Carolina Press, 1989) writes:

"The literature of the traditional American canon -- Edenic in the South, nationalistic in the North -- expresses uncomfortable fascination and concern with enclosure....in contrast....

"Confronting an environment of extravagant size, weather, and configuration, the western imagination had finally to discard assumptions of imposing self and enclosing landscape, efforts that in the West met inevitably with disaster....Farmers and ranchers ultimately had to ask what the land would tolerate."

It is a question still widely unanswered in both urban and rural areas of the West, and a question in the forefront of concerns from the spotted owl to urban gridlock. In the vitality of the literature of the American West, students can think about, and rethink, much of their own experience. To borrow from Stegner once more, the effect of reading serious fiction should be an enlarged understanding of ourselves and the land in which we live.

I hope that the committee will consider this request in the spirit of enlarging the understanding of the instructor.

January 10, 1992 To: Sabbatical Selection Committee From: Carol Doig, Humanities Faculty re: Sabbatical Leave Proposal I am applying for one quarter of sabbatical leave during the 1992-1993 academic year. If this application is granted, I will be able to complete an integrated sabbatical which will have spread over three academic years. The purpose of these interrelated sabbatical proposals has been to redirect my efforts toward the teaching of literature, and by taking one sabbatical quarter per year rather than an entire year at once I've been able to integrate information and ideas into the flow of each teaching year. This has been a happily productive discovery I hadn't foreseen in my first proposal, which was for two quarters' leave during the 1990-1991 academic year and the intention to apply for another quarter when the circumstances of my writing/teaching household permitted. However, when that year's sabbatical committee offered me the one last available quarter, I realized that I could achieve my original plan incrementally, bringing a fresh quarter of research and thinking into the Literature of the American West course as I developed it year by year. My amended plan began with the expansion of Literature of the American West to include southwestern literature, which took me to the University of Arizona for Winter Quarter of 1991. I reapplied successfully for the second sabbatical quarter, which is scheduled for Spring of 1992 and which will allow me to study the explosion of new literary work and scholarly research that has occurred since I began teaching Literature of the American West. Now for the final link. A. How the applicant will spend the sabbatical leave time. Teaching the Literature of the American West is a balancing act somewhat like trying to teach the contemporary history of the ex-Soviet Union. The events, which is to say the new books and the advancing scholarship, keep happening so swiftly and strongly that American Western literature puts itself into new contexts by the time I teach the course each year. For example, since I began putting the course together (in 1989), new peak-of-career books have appeared from such writers as Wallace Stegner, Linda Bierds, James Welch, Ivan Doig, Louise Erdrich and Michael Dorris, and maturing writers such as Mary

Doig/sabbatical proposal 2. Clearman Blew and Barbara Kingsolver have begun to ascend. Simultaneously, the "New West" school of historical scholarship has more skeptically viewed the traditional versions of the settlement of the American West, and the West itself is undergoing radical changes in population, economy, and culture. If I am granted this final quarter of sabbatical leave. I'll use the time to update for my students the context and connections between Literature of the American West and the traditional mainstream of American literature. Primary in this will be a directed reading program in which I'll be advised by Professor Sydney Janet Kaplan of the English Department at the University of Washington. I'll achieve for classroom use what might be called mini-links within the course. in the form of lectures, handouts and discussion material which will make students aware of the broader sweep of literature. It's said that literature is a vast lake into which many rivers pour; this sabbatical project in essence is to help me and my students explore the rich deltas where American Western Literature meets more traditional American Literature. A few examples of the kinds of questions I'll be seeking answers to. in this sabbatical project: James Welch's classic novel Fools Crow centers on an almost unknown historical clash, the Marias Massacre of 1870; yet that event effectively destroyed the spirit of an entire tribal entity, the Piegan Blackfeet. What are the traditions within American writing, of the time and since, that allowed such a breaking of a culture to pass literarily unnoticed for more than a century? Louise Erdrich, with prize-winning books and short stories already to her credit, is a writer generally acclaimed as younger than anyone who is better and better than anyone who is younger. Is she another mysteriously wonderful starburst such as, say, Faulkner, or does she descend from discernible literary influences? Are there examples of authentic Asian-American voices in mainst ream literature before the successes of Maxine Hong Kingston and Amy Tan? A central assumption in research by Western Literary Association academic scholars is that the literary tradition of the American West deals centrally with landscape and weather. while the European tradition is much more inward looking. Does the evidence within major works of each tradition actually bear this out?

Doig/sabbatical proposal 3. The sabbatical quarter would provide me with seed time for concentrated work toward answering these and other questions and toward making closer acquaintance with American literature in general. If this sabbatical request is successful, I will spend my time as follows: 1. The first third of the sabbatical will be spent in concentrated reading, consultation, and study at the University of Washington. 2. The middle part of the quarter will be divided between reading and the preparation of written material for class use. 3. The final weeks will be spent producing the lecture material and student assignments that will enhance the literary and historical dimensions of the course. B. How a sabbatical leave will enhance the applicant's effectiveness as a faculty member at Shoreline Community College. It's important to the context of the committee to know that my undergraduate and masters work was in journalism, and that I earned enough course credit in political science to come close to a double major. For a decade thereafter, I worked as a reporter and editor at newspapers and magazines, and during my 25-year career at this college I have taught writing and media classes. Mass media has become my particular specialty and a particular favorite because it demands that I continue to learn history, political science, First Amendment law, and it demands that I keep up with news events. None of that preparation prepared me for literature, which is another chapter in this serendipitous tale. This part began more than three years ago when I was asked by our humanities management to develop a course involving literature of the American West. I believe this came about after it was noted that I'd been following a particular author around the West for some years and in the process had read some of the literature and had become acquainted with a range of authors from A.B. Guthrie, Richard Hugo and Norman Maclean to James Welch, Mary Clearman Blew, William Kittredge and Barbara Kingsolver. After I got beyond my immediate response of "Who, me? Gosh, I couldn't...." I decided that maybe I could, and therefore I am. I have read steadily and broadly in the constant flow of books by Western writers, and have joined the Western Literature Association and kept abreast of the scholarship by its members. However, as intense as I have been in this adopted field, when Wayne McGuire asked me to take on his American literature course for this Winter Quarter while he's on sabbatical, I looked at that reading list and told him, with real regret but with conviction, "I'm sorry to say I'm not ready."

Part of the point of this sabbatical is to work toward the broader knowledge where I could take on such an assignment; now that I know the Western tributaries, to learn enough of that vast lake of literature to navigate there, too. Clearly, the division would be helped by having more people who could take on a wider variety of assignments. After all, our horizons either expand or contract—stasis is not an option.

With specific reference to the humanities division, its faculty and its teaching requirements, the newer faculty members in English are specialists in reading and writing skills, and new hires for years to come will likely be in that same area. Those of us who are in the middle of the career spectrum need increasing flexibility as others opt for retirement.

Most assuredly, my principal contribution to Shoreline Community College has been as a classroom teacher, and I have focussed my energies on my classes and students for a quarter of a century. Looking down the list of committee members, I see the names of colleagues who have watched the full spectrum of that work, and I trust that their insights can be shared among committee members. In addition, please see the appendix, with particular reference to the summary in the last paragraph.

Outside of the classroom, my contributions to the college have been in three main areas, as follows:

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While the above categories are not mutually exclusive, they do serve to show the emphases thus far. I look forward to whatever new challenges present themselves in years to come.

## D. Further information of use to the committee.

Throughout my career I have been willing to shift assignments to fit the needs of the college and its students. I began as advisor to the student newspaper and as instructor of newswriting and editing, skills which I had practiced professionally for a decade previous to becoming a faculty member. In time I took on assignments in English 101, then in the more lecture-oriented communications courses.

It is in the spirit of meeting the ongoing needs of the college that I make this proposal.

February 3, 1992

To: Carol Doig

From: 1991-1992 Sabbatical Leave Committee

Re: Sabbatical Committee Recommendations (1992-1993)

Dear Carol:

The committee is pleased to inform you that we are recommending to the College President that you be granted a sabbatical leave for one quarter during the 1992-1993 academic year.

Please note that the leave is not official until it has been awarded by the Board of Trustees.

As in past years, the committee received excellent proposals. In accordance with Article XI of the 1990-1993 Agreement, the committee appraised these on: the merit of the sabbatical project; the applicant's current and previous contributions to the college community; whether the applicant had previously received a sabbatical. The committee considered both the written proposal and the interview in coming to a collective determination.

The committee would like to thank you for your help in setting the schedule for interviews.

Cordially,

Shannon Flynn, Co-Chair

Tim Perry, Co-Chair

DISTRICT NO. 7

SCAN 274-1101

February 24, 1992

Ms. Carol Doig Humanities Division Shoreline Community College

Dear Ms. Doig:

It is my pleasure to inform you that the Board of Trustees of Shoreline Community College District Seven at its meeting on February 21, 1992, granted you one quarter of sabbatical leave for the 1992-93 academic year.

Prior to the beginning of your leave, the Personnel Office will forward a sabbatical leave agreement for your signature. Should you desire any information concerning the financial aspects of your leave prior to that time, Joanne Warner in the Personnel Office will be happy to answer any of your questions.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and the President's Office, I would like to take this opportunity to extend best wishes for a successful leave.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Wies

Secretary, Board of Trustees

Shoreline Community College District Seven

Diane Gould, Chair, Humanities Division Jim Goodwin, Faculty President Anna Sestrich, Director of Personnel/Human Resources Marie Rosenwasser, Vice President for Academic Affairs Ronald E. Bell, President Members, Board of Trustees

### SHORELINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NUMBER SEVEN

### SABBATICAL LEAVE AGREEMENT

In consideration of payment to me by the Shoreline Community College District Number Seven of a \$9,699.75 stipend while on sabbatical leave during the Spring Quarter, 1992 and in accordance with the sabbatical leave conditions and terms as expressed in the negotiated agreement between the District Number VII Board of Trustees and the Shoreline Community College Federation of Teachers, I agree to return all of such stipend paid to me unless I fulfill the condition of the leave which requires me to return to Shoreline Community College for the period of time equal to the amount of leave.

Signature March 10, 1992

Date

In accordance with the provisions of the negotiated agreement between the District Number VII Board of Trustees and the Shoreline Community College Federation of Teachers, Shoreline Community College agrees to reassign Carol D. Doig upon her return from sabbatical leave to a professional position for which she is qualified.

Marie Rosenwasser, Vice President for Academic Affairs

Date

Spring 1992 sabbatical quarter Literature of the American West Summary of work accomplished Week 1 (March 30). 1. Review and revision of file folders. 2. John Steinbeck's Cannery Row, 1945 read as possible text addition. Student suggestion (Jen Bronson and others). Yes, add it. Schedule for line-by-line study next week. 3. Read environmental historian Donald Worster's new book from Oxford U. Press, Under Western Skies: Nature and History in the American West. Repeats themes of aridity and the dangers of hydraulic societies. Schedule notes for first two essays, which provide analytical frameworks for looking at the West. 4. Order historian Richard White's It's Your Misfortune and None of My Own, 1992, U. Oklahoma. 5. Purchase of The Columbia History of the American Novel, Emory Elliott, ed. Columbia U., 1991. \$59.95+ Author bios, selected bibliography and extensive index. 905 pp. Section on "Fiction of the West." Schedule for thorough browsing of whole volume. 1. Line study of Cannery Row completed. Sweet Thursday Week 2 bought for follow-up reading later. 2. Re-read Edward Abbey's Desert Solitaire, to consider for text adoption. Compared its down-the-river section with The Monkey Wrench Gang. Also browsed The Journey Home, which is repetitive, but intro does list his idols, including Steinbeck. 3. Took notes from Worster's Under Western Skies, especially Chapter 2, "New West, True West," which usefully parses through meanings and definitions. This will be useful in my introductory lecture about the American West. 4. Looked up references to Steinbeck, Abbey, Jack London in Columbia History of the American Novel. 5. Reorganized bookshelves to provide room for/reference sources.

Week 3

1. Read Steinbeck's Sweet Thursday, as follow-up to Cannery Row, on redommendation of Eliz. Simpson. Add it to supplementary reading list.

2. Begin Richard White's revisionist text, It's Your Misfortune and None of My Own. Terrific beginning.

Week 4

1. Read galleys of Norman Maclean's Young Men & Fire. Lacks clear organization and is redundant even within some paragraphs. Useful study of an unfinished ms. and what might have been done to strengthen it.

2. Write detailed syllabus for first three weeks of Lit. of the American West.

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## SHORELINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE HUMANITIES DIVISION

October 23, 1992

### MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Trustees

Shorline Community College

FROM: Carol Doig

Humanities Div.

SUBJ: Spring 1992 Sabbatical Quarter

The members of the board may recall that I have been granted three quarters of leave which is to be spread over three years. The first quarter, taken in Winter of 1991, was spent principally at the University of Arizona, researching literature of the American Southwest and gaining some understanding of how the landscape has affected that literature.

I am now reporting on Spring of 1992, which was spent principally at home, digesting that information into lectures, discussions and assignments, as well as organizing and reorganizing files. I am most appreciative of this time, which allowed me to focus on the material for a considerable period. One of the challenges of community college instruction is a classroom load so heavy that little scholarship can be accomplished while teaching.

In addition to digesting the material that I uncovered at the University of Arizona and which I reported on last year, I also was able this time to read some of the environmental and multicultural history of the American West. Among these were works by new West historians Patricia Nelson Limerick of Colorado, Donald Worster of the University of Kansas, and Richard White of the University of Washington.

I would particularly recommend Richard White's "It's Your Misfortune and None of My Own: A New History of the American West, published in 1991 by the University of Oklahoma Press. His 634-page text provides a fresh approach by considering many perspectives, buttressed by a mountain of research.



For the purpose of English 208W, Literature of the American West, his final chapter, "The Imagined West", is most helpful. He writes about positive as well as negative mythologies of the American West, including the stereotypical western and on page 616 makes one of the most useful distinctions that I have encountered:

For a good historian, the past is, as the cliche goes, another country. People in the past operate in a different context than do we in the present; they often live by other logics. And lessons the past teaches are those about processes and change;; we cannot derive uniformly valid rules about our present situation from the past. Myth, for all its attention to the past, denies this and thus denies "history"itself...in myth, time brings no essential change. The past and the presently are not only connected, they are also metaphorically identical.

Such insights provide the intellectual muscle of sabbatical study time.

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### SHORELINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NUMBER SEVEN

### SABBATICAL LEAVE AGREEMENT

In consideration of payment to me by the Shoreline Community College District Number Seven of a \$9,909.54 stipend while on sabbatical leave during the Spring Quarter, 1993 and in accordance with the sabbatical leave conditions and terms as expressed in the negotiated agreement between the District Number VII Board of Trustees and the Shoreline Community College Federation of Teachers, I agree to return all of such stipend paid to me unless I fulfill the condition of the leave which requires me to return to Shoreline Community College for the period of time equal to the amount of leave.

Signature Merch 10, 1993

Date

In accordance with the provisions of the negotiated agreement between the District Number VII Board of Trustees and the Shoreline Community College Federation of Teachers, Shoreline Community College agrees to reassign Carol Doig upon her return from sabbatical leave to a professional position for which she is qualified.

Marie Rosenwasser, Vice President for Academic Affairs

Date

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November 1, 1993 To: Board of Trustees Shore line Community College From: Carol Doig Professor, Humanities re: Spring 1993 sabbatical For the opportunity to complete my sabbatical project I would like to thank the Board, the sabbatical selection committee, and those administrators who have so stoutly championed sabbatical leaves. I am indeed grateful for the chance to enhance my teaching capabilities. Board members may recall that I have taken one quarter's sabbatical leave in each of the last three years. That meant that I had to apply three times, but it was well worth the effort. The advantage, I found, was in being able to apply new knowledge and teaching ideas incrementally. My project involved gaining background and context for the teaching of English 208W, Literature of the American West. Invited to teach this course -- create it, in fact -- because of my current knowledge of contemporary authors and their work, I had to concede that my background was thinner than I wished. I therefore developed a plan which provided for reading and travel in the American West, and study at the University of Arizona, during my first sabbatical quarter; preparation of lectures and class assignments, along with further reading the second quarter, and finally more general reading of American literature and a five-week expedition into the High West during this last Spring. Advice on the reading was kindly provided by Sydney Kaplan, Professor of English at the University of Washington and a specialist in modern British and American literature. The travel was aided and abetted by my husband, who had been invited to lecture at the University of Montana in mid-April, and to visit and speak in small towns in Utah, by the Humanities Commission there, in late May. In between we managed a week in Santa Fe, the literary center of the High West, as well as travels to villages in hispanic New Mexico and to native American communities in Arizona and Utah. The effect of reading in the context of the site -- for example, Willa Cather's Death Comes for the Archbishop in its Santa Fe setting and Oliver La Farge's Behind the Mountains in Rociada, on the southern slopes of the Sangre de Cristo -- is something close to magical. I also took many slides which are of value in showing the relationship of landscape to the literature created there. In Western American literature, landscape and weather are particularly important; indeed, some writers have used these elements as virtual characters in their work. It is with a great deal of enthusiasm, then, that I have returned to the classroom to share what I have found.

### Class Schedule

English 354A: American Literature: The Early Modern Period Winter Quarter 1993, Mon. & Wed. 12:30-2:20 p.m. Savery 311 Prof. Sydney J. Kaplan Office Hours: Mon. & Wed., 2:30-3:30, Padelford B110J, Telephone: 685-1538

I. Week One (Jan. 4 & 6) Monday: Introduction and overview of course Wednesday: Willa Cather, My Antonia

II. Week Two (Jan. 11 & 13)

Monday: My Antonia
Wednesday: Sherwood Anderson, Winesburg, Ohio

III. Week Three (Jan. 18 & 20)

Monday: Martin Luther King Day, no class
Wednesday: Winesburg, Ohio

IV. Week Four (Jan. 25 & 27)

Monday: FIRST MIDTERM EXAM (50 minutes)

Begin: Ernest Hemingway, The Sun Also Rises

Wednesday: The Sun Also Rises

V. Week Five (Feb. 1 & 3)

Monday: The Sun Also Rises (1st hour)

Begin: Tender is the Night (2nd hour)

Wednesday: Tender is the Night

VI. Week Six (Feb. 8 & 10)
Monday: Tender is the Night
Wednesday: William Faulkner, The Sound and the Fury

VII. Week Seven (Feb. 15 & 17)
Monday: President's Day Holiday, no class
Wednesday: The Sound and the Fury

VIII. Week Eight (Feb. 22 & 24)
Monday: SECOND MIDTERN EXAM
Wednesday: Zora Neale Hurston, Their Eyes Were
Watching God

IX. Week Nine (March 1 & 3)

Monday: Their Eyes Were Watching God

Wednesday: Carson McCullers, The Member of the Wedding

X. Week Ten (March 8 & 10) Monday: The Member of the Wedding Wednesday: Concluding discussion of American modernism PAPERS DUE (4-6 pages, topic to be assigned)