FACULTY PROFILE

Department

CSU College: Arts and Sciences
CSU Discipline: English Composition

Basic Info

Name: Brian Wilkins
Title: Part-Time Faculty
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Personal Preferred Availability: Evenings

Education

Master of Fine Arts in Writing: Poetry
University of New Hampshire

Master of Arts in English Literature
University of New Hampshire

Bachelor of Arts in History
College of William and Mary

Biography

Background
Despite an early ambition to become a medievalist, I accepted my responsibilities and buckled down during my graduate studies at the University of New Hampshire to take on the lucrative profession of poet, much to the joy of my parents. Not to worry: my years of staring bleary eyed at rare vellum manuscripts and cruelly small Latin calligraphy have served me well as I scribble long into the night using only an artisanally crafted fountain pen and ink from wild caught pacific squids. I also occasionally write screenplays, comic book scripts, haiku, and wedding speeches, usually gratis. While I rarely find strange tomes in half-sunk castles haunted by ghosts attired in the best fashions of 1315, at least I can write about it.

CSU Story
Looking for work that would allow me time to write, I sought out CSU. What I found, though, was a community of students who are passionate about achieving their dreams, and I am always grateful for the chance to help.

Hobbies/Interests
Writing of all kinds, the reading of said writing, and taijiquan.

Additional Information

Awards:
- Telepay Finalist, Austin Film Festival 2013

Teaching Philosophy
Teaching is a process of interaction, a progressive and continuous exchange with the goal of learning; as such, it does not require the teacher to provide information that the student consumes. Rather, it asks the teacher to help students find the methods to learn for themselves.

Advice for Current Students
Contact your professors. Everyone here wants to help you improve your life. Take advantage of that rare opportunity.