**WRIT 532 : Writing about Place**

**A. Course Description**

Credits: 4

Lab Hours/ Weeks: Corequisites: None

Lecture Hours/ Week :

MnTC Goals: Goal LS - Upper Division Liberal Studies, Goal EL - General Education/Liberal Studies Elect.

This course explores questions such as, How does place shape a writer's voice? How do writers see nature in urban environments? Students use memory, imagination, research, experience and analysis to write about places important to them. Students work toward achieving advanced skills in creative nonfiction, an individual written voice, and a thoughtful approach to place and environment. Prerequisites: a 300-level Writing course or instructor's consent.

**B. Course Effective Dates:** 05/10/2004 - 05/06/2013 05/07/2013 - Present

**C. Outline of Major Content Areas:**

See Course Description for major content areas.

**D. Learning Outcomes (General)**

1. Able to apply advanced strategies for writing nonfiction and creative nonfiction that emphasize place.
2. Able to write in an advanced way for an educated audience that enjoys and understands play with language.
3. Advanced level of critical thinking skills (analysis, imagination, synthesis, speculation).
4. Advanced research and evaluation skills.
5. Understanding of selected concepts of place in literature and culture.
6. Use of revision to develop work.

**E. Learning Outcomes (MN Transfer Curriculum)**

Goal LS - Upper Division Liberal Studies

None

Goal EL - General Education/Liberal Studies Elect.

None

**G. Special Information**

Community Engagement

Prerequisites: A 300-level Writing course or instructor's consent.