# Studying at the Department of English Language and Literature

# at Central Michigan University

### The English Department

- The Department offers a wide variety of courses, with classes in British and American literature, World literature, linguistics, composition theory, creative writing, children's literature, and literary theory.
- The Department has a staff of strong teachers, researchers, and writers who treat both their areas of specialization as well as topics of popular and critical interest (the Harry Potter series, graphic novels, and science fiction among them).
- The Department sponsors a robust and eclectic selection of extracurricular offerings, including critical and creative reading and writing groups; monthly readings by local, regional, and national writers; and a number of student-initiated gatherings and social functions.
- The Department encourages students to work closely with faculty mentors in order to tailor course work and projects to their pre-professional needs and personal interests.

# **Central Michigan University**

- The University was founded in 1892, beginning as a Normal School with a class of 31 students and undergoing a series of transformations until it became a full-fledged university with an enrollment of 4,500 students.
- The University now hosts more than 28,000 undergraduate and graduate students, a staff of roughly 2,500 members, and a vibrant gathering of international students and scholars.
- The University offers students access to a vibrant social and cultural life, with regular sporting events (both intercollegiate and intramural), musical and theatrical productions, and a host of Registered Student Organizations that afford students with shared interests the opportunity to assemble and participate in countless activities.
- The University includes a robust and attentive Office of International Affairs to help students thrive and excel on campus.

### **About Mount Pleasant**

- The city of Mount Pleasant is located in the heart of Michigan, offering easy access to all the comforts of a college town and equally ready access to the Great Lakes and many natural attractions.
- The city is approximately one hour away from Lansing, two hours from Detroit, three hours from Chicago, and five hours from Toronto.