Student: Jennifer Williams will do independent study in the genre of autobiography and memoir.

Requirements:

Send weekly progress reports/updates via e-mail.

Meet the first Monday in September, October, and November to discuss autobiography, her readings, and research.

Research and produce bibliographies of primary and secondary texts on contemporary American autobiography and on minority autobiography. Due November 20th.

She will read a sampling of works: *Narrative of Frederick Douglas*; *Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin*; Elie Weisel’s *Night*; James Frey’s *A Million Little Pieces*; and Nick Flynn’s *Another Bullshit Night in Suck City*.

Write a 20 page research paper. Due December 4th.

Learning Outcomes

- Student will gain knowledge about secondary work on contemporary American autobiography
- Student will read and analyze contemporary autobiographies
- Student will learn to write based on original research