A Room of One’s Own: Writing Nonfiction in Algeria
Free Course for Algerian Women Writers

April 26 to May 28, 2017 at the American Cultural Center in Algiers

Course Information:
This 6-week program will bring together 30 Algerian women for an online course in creative nonfiction writing. With the guidance of an experienced instructor from the University of Iowa’s International Writing Program, students will examine a diverse selection of texts, complete writing assignments, participate in community discussion, and refine their work. The instructor will discuss the processes of creating professional writing networks and building a writing career. Participants can expect to generate a portfolio of new writing, form a new community for future collaboration and support, and gain a basic understanding of professional writing pathways.

Classes will be taught via a live video conference and conducted in English; sufficient English-language fluency is required for participation. Participants will gather for one 2-hour video class per week, to be held at the American Cultural Center at the U.S. Embassy in Algiers. Classes will be scheduled once per week between April 26 and May 28, 2017 during the American Cultural Center’s regular business hours of 9:00AM to 3:00PM, Sunday to Wednesday.

Requirements to Apply:
- Must be female, 15-30 years old, and interested in learning about nonfiction writing and writing careers
- No prior writing experience is necessary
- The course will be taught in English. To apply, you must be able to read, write, and converse in English
- You must be able to attend the classes at American Cultural Center at the U.S. Embassy in Algiers each week during the scheduled course session (specific day/time for each class will be agreed upon and shared with selected participants).

Please submit the following application information to Algiers_ACCA@state.gov by March 27, 2017
Application Form

A. First Name:  

B. Date of Birth (Month, Day, Year):

C. City of Birth:

D. Country of Birth:

E. Residency:

F. Occupation:

G. Email:

F. Please answer the following questions in no more than 100 words per answer:

1- Please share a summary of your English studies background—This includes coursework or other experiences, hobbies, interests connected to studying English.

2- Why do you want to take this course?

3- What do you hope to achieve through this program?

4- How would you share your experience with others?

5- How do you think this course will help you in your career?