1969: The Year Everything Changed?

Spring Term 2019: Tuesday 1:00 - 3:00, 7 weeks beginning April 2
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The novel *In the Lake of the Woods* by Tim O’Brien, available new and used in book stores and online, is the text for this class.

NOTE: In the subject matter of this course we may encounter video and readings that contain nudity, profanity, sexuality, violence, and political differences.

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| 1    | Introductions: to the class, class members, and author Tim O’Brien  
TOPIC: 1969: A Space Odyssey |
| 2    | O’BRIEN: Short readings re: blurring fiction, nonfiction, and the truth  
(27 pp provided by email):  
from *The Things They Carried* (fiction)  
"How to Tell a True War Story,"  
"The Man I Killed,"  
"Ambush," and  
"Good Form,"  
from *If I Die in a Combat Zone* (nonfiction)  
excerpt from "IX Ambush"  
TOPIC: America Undressed: the Sexual Revolution |
| 3    | O’BRIEN: *In the Lake of the Woods*, Ch 1-10  
TOPICS: American Families: Famous, Infamous, and Fictional  
In the Movies: Cowboys |
| 4    | O’BRIEN: *In the Lake of the Woods*, Ch 11-17  
TOPIC: Nixon’s War |
| 5    | O’BRIEN: *In the Lake of the Woods*, Ch 18-22  
TOPIC: Hell, No, We Won’t Go  
GUEST SPEAKER: Terry Ortlieb |
| 6    | O’BRIEN: *In the Lake of the Woods*, Ch 23-31 (end)  
TOPIC: Shaking the Cage: the Counter Culture |
| 7    | *Easy Rider*: view and discuss |

Lively discussion of the readings make literature classes spirited and engaging!  
Be prepared! Don’t miss out!
FILM LIST

For your information: This is a list of the movies that relate to each week's theme in case you might want to see them for fun (or not), DEFINITELY NOT ASSIGNED. Most titles were released in 1969. Others were not, but relate to a song or book or Broadway show that did come out in 1969. Obviously, anyone who has seen one recently will be our class expert (or you can keep your secret and fly under the radar).

Week 1: A Space Odyssey

Andromeda Strain
2001: A Space Odyssey
Slaughterhouse-Five

Week 2: America Undressed

Hair
Portnoy's Complaint
Midnight Cowboy

Week 3: Families and Cowboys

Bob & Carol & Ted & Alice
Good-bye, Columbus
The Valachi Papers
The Godfather
Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid
The Wild Bunch
Once Upon a Time in the West
True Grit (John Wayne version)

Week 6: Shaking the Cage

Alice's Restaurant

Week 7: Shaking the Cage Continued

Easy Rider (We will view in entirety in class.)