On behalf of the Department of English, we are pleased to announce the Sixth Annual Graduate Student Symposium at the University of Miami. This symposium offers an opportunity for graduate students to present and explore their ongoing scholarly projects with their peers and with the Department in a supportive intellectual environment. This forum provides valuable experience in the arena of conference presentation while promoting collegiality among our graduate student community and fostering mentoring relationships with faculty. Students are invited to submit original work from past, current, or upcoming projects.

Paper topics may include, but are not limited to the following:

- Explorations of Philosophy in Literature and Theory
- Visual and Popular Culture
- Form, Representation, and Poetry
- The Reading of Space
- History, Culture, and Literature
- Place and Belonging
- Questions of the Nation in Literature
- Gender, Identity, and Sexuality
- Constructions of the Body

Presentations should not exceed 20 minutes (7-10 pages). Please submit an abstract of 250 words and a brief biography of 50 words no later than **Friday, 6 April 2012** to Kurt Voss-Hoynes (k.vosshoynes@umiami.edu) or Barry Devine (b.devine@umiami.edu).

The symposium will take place on **Friday, 27 April 2012**. The times will depend on the number of presenters.

All students are encouraged to attend the Symposium to support their colleagues, whether or not they apply to present their work.