Faculty Profile: Dr. Coby Dowdell

An Associate Professor in the Department of English, French, and Writing, Dr. Dowdell teaches eighteenth-century British literature, narrative theory, the history of the novel, and the psychology of literature. His research focuses on the intersection of religious and civic identity, with a particular stress on religious and political extremism during the eighteenth century.

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