Stephen King writes, “A person’s memory is everything, really. Memory is identity. It's you.” Is this true? What, then, about forgetting? When you forget, do you lose parts of who you are? Are our memories accurate records of the past? Is forgetting the same as deleting memories? Is remembering the past the same as carrying the past into the present? In this course, through literature, philosophy, science, film, and art we will be explorers into a wide variety of experiences with remembering and forgetting. In particular, we will try to understand more about the moment when something passes quietly from memory into forgetfulness.

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Students taking this course can apply 3 credits towards any one of the following options:

- **Learning from the Past** (Gen Ed, John Jay College Option)
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