



Sawyer Seminar
on Alternative Futurisms

**Readings and panel discussion
on Caribbean science fiction
and fantasy with:**

***Karen Lord**

***Karin Lowachee**

***Nalo Hopkinson**

***Tobias Buckell**

Moderator: Brian K. Hudson

Date: Thursday, March 3rd

Time: 3:30-5 pm

Place: INTS 1113

Caribbean science fiction and fantasy may or may not do the following things: confront the problematic legacy of colonization in the region, examine the complex issues of identity and belonging, or incorporate Caribbean oral literatures to disrupt colonial semiotic systems. This panel will discuss the expectations of science fiction and fantasy written by Caribbean authors and how those authors and their work are subsequently categorized.

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“Alternative Futurisms” is a year-long John E. Sawyer seminar, sponsored by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, that will bring together scholars, writers, and artists to work on the intersections between ethnic identity and futuristic speculation. It will convene at UCR in Fall 2015 and run through Spring 2016 and the Center for Ideas and Society.

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