Calling all readers! Third annual Chat and Chew Book Discussion: Autumn 2013

Columbus State’s Preferred Pathway Program, in conjunction with Ohio State’s First Year Experience’s Buckeye Book Community, will be exploring the book *The Submission* by Amy Waldman. This autumn Columbus State faculty, staff, and students are invited to meet informally during lunch time to discuss the issues explored in this book such as diversity, religion, and loss. We currently have a few books available to those who can commit to attending the book discussion which will be taking place Wednesday September 25th 10am and 11am, 121 Delaware Hall.

These talks will be similar to those that current first year Ohio State students will be attending on their campus. Our hope is that through these informal discussions students will be given the chance to explore learning outside the classroom and connect with the Columbus State community. Columbus State students are also welcome to attend the author visits scheduled at Ohio State.

The following is a short synopsis from the novel’s website: “A jury gathers in Manhattan to select a memorial for the victims of a devastating terrorist attack. Their fraught deliberations complete, the jurors open the envelope containing the anonymous winner’s name and discover he is an American Muslim. Instantly they are cast into rolling debate about the claims of grief, the ambiguities of art, and the meaning of Islam. In this deeply humane novel, the breadth of Amy Waldman’s cast of characters is matched by her startling ability to conjure their perspectives. A striking portrait of a fractured city striving to make itself whole, The Submission is a piercing and resonant novel by an important new talent.” You can find out more about the book at [http://www.thesubmissionnovel.com/](http://www.thesubmissionnovel.com/).

The Preferred Pathway Program’s Chat and Chew discussions are open not only to Preferred Pathway Scholars, but all students regardless of major. If you have any questions or would like to RSVP to join us, please contact Janet McDermott, Academic Advisor, [jmcdermo@cscc.edu](mailto:jmcdermo@cscc.edu). We look forward to seeing you there!