“Only Connect”: The Novels of E M Forster
Sarah Anthony MA
Study Morning: Saturday 10 November 10am – 1pm
Location: University of Kent Medway, Chatham Maritime
Course fee: £17.50

This 3 hour lecture looks at the works of Tonbridge-educated author E.M.Forster through the leitmotif of “connecting”, exploring the theme in emotional, temporal, spatial and spiritual terms. Texts studied will include A Passage to India, Maurice and Howard’s End.

“Only connect!” is Margaret Schlegel’s mantra in Howard’s End: “Live in fragments no longer.” This course explores the different means of connecting in the novels: spiritually in A Passage to India; emotionally in Maurice; with the past and with Nature in Howard’s End, and spatially in the sense of removing physical distance and crossing boundaries. Forster’s novels explore complex issues surrounding the difficulties of reconciling class, gender and cultural differences, presenting a social critique which is both sensitive and revealing. This lecture will include a combination of contextual, theoretical and critical approaches. Students are encouraged to read the three main texts beforehand, but this is not essential as we will be working largely through short extracts from the novels and from the celebrated film adaptations. Handouts of additional material will be provided on the day.

About the tutor
Sarah Anthony studied for her Masters degree with the Open University, specialising in postcolonial nineteenth century literature. For the last 12 years she has taught undergraduate students and adult learners in courses ranging from Shakespeare to the postmodern. She currently teaches for the University of Kent and the WEA.
General information, terms & conditions

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Medway Campus, Chatham
- The course will be taught in the Medway building at the Medway campus in Chatham
- Refreshments are not provided; study mornings will have a short comfort break.
- Parking. For directions to the Medway campus please visit: www.kent.ac.uk/locations/medway/directions.html We recommend you use the Drill Hall car park for courses on Saturdays.

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