



# LAURA WATERS



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While at SUNY Binghamton, she taught writing to low-income students of color through an Educational Opportunity Program. She and her husband moved to New Jersey 30 years ago and have four children, the youngest with multiple disabilities.

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