Fañomnåkan/FALL 2024

EN 318 WORLD LITERATURE

Section 01: MW 12:30-1:50

Classroom: DEAL CONFERENCE ROOM

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Catalog Description

This course examines significant developments in world literature and intellectual history as they are reflected in literary texts.

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Making Cultural and Literary Distinctions

Our most pressing aim in reading and discussing these texts is to first distinguish their cultural uniqueness before comparing them to texts with which we are familiar. Furthermore, it is imperative we distinguish the elements of writing (rhetorical, erotic, poetic, moralistic, etc.) that have made our readings "literary" to begin with.

Required Readings

Yuko Tsushima, *Woman Running in the Mountains* (NYRB, 2022)

Isaac B. Singer, *The Slave* (Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 1962)

Daniel Halpern, ed. Art of the Tale: An International Anthology (Penguin, 1986); The Art of the tale: an international anthology of short stories 1945-1985: Free Download, Borrow, and Streaming: Internet Archive

Assigned stories are from Art of the Tale: An International Anthology

Wed August 14: Introductions

Mon Aug 19: Death and the Maiden / Michel Tournier

Wed Aug 21: The Bound Man / Ilse Aichinger Mon Aug 26: A Distant Episode / Paul Bowles Wed Aug 28: The Mother / Natalia Ginzburg

Mon Sept 2: LABOR DAY (see Wednesday for readings)

Wed Sept 4: Everything / Ingeborg Bachmann; The Best of Everything / Richard Yates

Mon Sept 9: THE SLAVE: 1-49 Wed Sept. 11: THE SLAVE: 50-75 Mon Sept. 16: THE SLAVE: 75-131 Wed Sept 18: THE SLAVE: 132-178 Mon Sept 23: THE SLAVE: 179-235 Wed Sept 25: THE SLAVE: 236-258 Mon Sept 30: THE SLAVE: 259-311

Wed Oct 2: The Child Screams and Looks Back at You / Russell Banks

Mon Oct 7: FALL BREAK

Wed Oct 9: **FALL BREAK** (see readings below) Mon Oct 14: Two Gentle People / Graham Greene Wed Oct 16: The Tryst / Joyce Carol Oates

Mon Oct 21: MID-TERM EXERCISE

Wed Oct 23: Woman Running in the Mountains: Midsummer; The Wood

Mon Oct 28: Woman Running in the Mountains: Cries

Wed Oct 30: Woman Running in the Mountains: The Road

Mon Nov 4: Woman Running in the Mountains: Winter

Wed Nov 6: Woman Running in the Mountains: Young Leaves

Mon Nov 11: VETERANS DAY Woman Running in the Mountains: The Mountain

Wed Nov 13: Woman Running in the Mountains: Faces

Mon Nov 18: Patriotism / Yukio Mishima

Wed Nov 20: Patriotism FILM

Mon Nov 25: Presentations/Projects

Wed Nov 27: Presentations/Projects

Mon Dec 2: Presentations/Projects

Wed Dec 4: FINAL EXERCISE; CREATIVE PROJECTS DUE

Mon Dec 9: OUR LADY OF CAMARION DAY

Dec. 10-12: OFFICIAL EXAM PERIOD

Attendance Policy

Three absences without official excuse will cost you a letter grade for the semester. Most importantly, keep in touch by email or phone regarding your absences, emergencies, assignments, and so on. Communication is MUCH better than silence when it comes to these official matters.

GRADES

- In-Class Mid-Term Exercise (essay questions) =25%
- In-Class Final Exercise (essay questions) =25%
- Class Participation (includes student introducing story in class, presentation, etc.) =25%
- Creative Project =25% (written or performed...)

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