World Literature (WLIT)

Courses

WLIT 1113. World Literature I (ACTS Equivalency = ENGL 2113). 3 Hours.
An introduction to literature from the beginning of civilization to about 1650.

WLIT 1113H, Honors World Literature I. 3 Hours.
Introduction to the study of both western and non-western literature. Prerequisite: Participation in Fulbright College Scholars Program or English ACT score of 28 or above.

This course is equivalent to WLIT 1113.

WLIT 1123, World Literature II (ACTS Equivalency = ENGL 2123). 3 Hours.
An introduction to literature from 1650 to the present.

WLIT 1123H, Honors World Literature II. 3 Hours.
A continuation of the study of literary masterpieces of the world. Prerequisite: Participation in the Fulbright College Scholars Program or English ACT score of 28 or above.

This course is equivalent to WLIT 1123.

WLIT 3713. Literature of Spain. 3 Hours.
Examines the multiple cultural traditions of Spain between 711 and 1615 C.E. Course's integrated approach includes translations of literature originally in Arabic (50%+ of content), Hebrew, Spanish, and French. All readings in English; students with reading abilities in original languages encouraged to read original text.

WLIT 3723. Classical Arabic Literature. 3 Hours.
Arabic literature from the 1) pre-Islamic era; 2) dawn of Islam, 610-661 C.E.; 3) Umayyad era, 661-750; Abbasid era, peaking in the ninth and tenth centuries. May include selected post-classical but pre-modern works. No Arabic required; students with Arabic encouraged to engage original text.

WLIT 3723H, Honors Classical Arabic Literature. 3 Hours.
Arabic literature from the 1) pre-Islamic era; 2) dawn of Islam, 610-661 C.E.; 3) Umayyad era, 661-750; Abbasid era, peaking in the ninth and tenth centuries. May include selected post-classical but pre-modern works. No Arabic required; students with Arabic encouraged to engage original text.

This course is equivalent to WLIT 3723.

WLIT 3983. Special Studies. 3 Hours.
Covers a topic not usually presented in depth in regular courses. Not an independent study. May be repeated for up to 6 hours of degree credit.

WLIT 4123. Survey of Russian Literature from Its Beginning to the 1917 Revolution. 3 Hours.
The instructor will discuss the historical and cultural backgrounds while focusing on major writers and will deal with literature as an outlet for social criticism. There will be textual analysis. It will be taught in English.

This course is cross-listed with RUSS 4123.

WLIT 4133. Survey of Russian Literature Since the 1917 Revolution. 3 Hours.
The instructor will discuss the historical and cultural backgrounds while focusing on major writers and will deal with literature as an outlet for social criticism. There will be textual analysis. It will be taught in English.

This course is cross-listed with RUSS 4133.

WLIT 4993. African Literature. 3 Hours.
A study of modern African fiction, drama, poetry, and film from various parts of Africa in their cultural context. Works are in English or English translation.

WLIT 5123. Survey of Russian Literature from Its Beginning to the 1917 Revolution. 3 Hours.
(Formerly WLIT 4123.) The instructor will discuss the historical and cultural backgrounds while focusing on major writers and will deal with literature as an outlet for social criticism. There will be textual analysis. It will be taught in English. Graduate degree credit will not be given for both WLIT 4123 and WLIT 5123.

WLIT 5133. Survey of Russian Literature Since the 1917 Revolution. 3 Hours.
(Formerly WLIT 4133.) The instructor will discuss the historical and cultural backgrounds while focusing on major writers and will deal with literature as an outlet for social criticism. There will be textual analysis. It will be taught in English with readings in English. Graduate degree credit will not be given for both WLIT 4133 and WLIT 5133.

WLIT 5193. Introduction to Comparative Literature. 3 Hours.
Literary theory, genres, movements, and influences.

WLIT 5523. The Quran as Literature. 3 Hours.
The Quran as literary text: its style and form, historical context, translation issues, communities of interpretation, and comparative perspectives. Course's integrated approach includes translations of literature originally in Arabic. All readings in English; students with reading abilities in Arabic encouraged to read original text.

WLIT 5623. The Bible as Literature. 3 Hours.
The several translations of the Bible; its qualities as great literature; its influence upon literature in English; types of literary forms.

This course is cross-listed with ENGL 5623.

WLIT 5703. Introduction to Comparative Literature. 3 Hours.
Literary theory, genres, movements, and influences.

WLIT 5713. Psychoanalysis and Culture. 3 Hours.
Selections of Psychoanalytic approaches to literature, film and gender and trauma studies.

WLIT 575V. Special Investigations on World Literatures and Cultures. 1-6 Hour.
Independent study of a special topic in world literatures and cultures. Prerequisite: Graduate standing. May be repeated for up to 6 hours of degree credit.

WLIT 5993. African Literature. 3 Hours.
(Formerly WLIT 4993.) A study of modern African fiction, drama, poetry, and film from various parts of Africa in their cultural context. Works are in English or English translation. Graduate credit will not be given for both WLIT 4993 and WLIT 5993.

WLIT 600V. Master's Thesis. 1-6 Hour.
Master's Thesis. May be repeated for degree credit.

WLIT 603V. Special Studies in Comparative Literature. 1-6 Hour.
Special studies in comparative literature. May be repeated for up to 6 hours of degree credit.

WLIT 6703. Psychoanalysis and Culture. 3 Hours.
Readings of key texts in Psychoanalytic thought and cultural criticism including Freud, Lacan, Kristeva, Certeau, Zizek, and others. Selections of Psychoanalytic approaches to literature, film and gender and trauma studies.

WLIT 6713. Literature of Spain, 711-1615 C.E. 3 Hours.
Examines the multiple cultural traditions of Spain between 711-1615 C.E. and train to produce scholarship pertinent to the field. Integrated approach includes translations of literature originally in Arabic (50%+ of content), Hebrew, Spanish, French. Students with reading abilities in original languages encouraged to read original text.

WLIT 6803. Postcolonial Theory and Subaltern Studies. 3 Hours.
Seminar examining the geopolitical (imperial, colonial and national) implications of knowledge and culture. Selected readings of early postcolonial texts by Cesaere, Fanon, and Fernandez Retamar, as well as more recent texts by Said, Spivak, Bhabha, Mignolo, Beverly and Chakrabarty among others. May be repeated for up to 6 hours of degree credit.

WLIT 690V. Seminar. 1-6 Hour.
Seminar. May be repeated for up to 6 hours of degree credit.
WLIT 700V. Doctoral Dissertation. 1-18 Hour.
Doctoral Dissertation. May be repeated for degree credit.