COMPARATIVE LITERATURE (CLT) - COURSES

CLL

Classics of Literature

CLL 215 - I: Classical Mythology
An introduction to ancient Greek religion, literature, and art. Special emphasis will be given to the presentation of myth in Classical Greek literature as well as to the influence of classical mythology on later literature, art, and philosophy. Not for credit in addition to CLL 215.

Advisory Prerequisite: One course in literature
3 credits

CLL 315 - I: Gender and Sexuality in Ancient Greek Literature
This course offers a comparative overview of the ways in which the roles of men and women were depicted in the literature and thought of ancient Greece. Major issues will include: the shift from matriarchal to patriarchal pantheons, sanctioned and unsanctioned homoeroticism, the sorceress and the hysteric as dominant tropes in the mythology of the period, and the role of women in the polis, among others. This course is offered as both CLL 315 and WST 315.

Prerequisite: Completion of DEC G
3 credits

CLT

Comparative Literature

CLT 220 - J: Literature Beyond European Traditions
A survey of the major themes and forms of non-Western literature, such as Asian, Indian, and African. May be repeated as topic changes.

Advisory Prerequisite: Completion of D.E.C. category A
3 credits

CLT 235 - K: American Pluralism in Film and Literature
A thorough examination of issues central to American history for nearly two centuries. How "others"—the Irish, Italians, African Americans, Latinos, and people from cultures outside Western Europe—have been portrayed in American literature and film. Readings include slave narratives from the 17th and 18th centuries and literary texts from the 19th and 20th centuries; films from the last 100 years are included. Particular emphasis on the historical period from the Civil War to the present.

Advisory Prerequisites: Completion of D.E.C. categories I and J
3 credits

CLT 266 - G: The 20th-Century Novel
Major works and developments in the modern and contemporary novel. This course is offered as both CLT 266 and EGL 266.
3 credits

CLT 301 - G: Theory of Literature
An introduction to the different modes of analyzing literature by periods, ideas, traditions, genres, and aesthetic theories.
3 credits

CLT 361 - G: Literature and Society
An inquiry, interdisciplinary in nature, into the relationship between the events and materials of political and social history and their effect on the form and content of the literature of a period. Also subsumed under the rubric Literature and Society is the topic Literature and Psychology. May be repeated as the topic changes.

Prerequisite: Completion of D.E.C. category B and one course from the following: CCS 101, CCS 201, CCS 204, CLL 215, CLT 235, HUF 211, HUG 221, HUI 231, HUM 201, HUM 202, HUR 241, THR 117
3 credits

CLT 362 - G: Literature and Ideas
An inquiry into the primary writings and significant documents in the history of ideas and their effect on the form and content of the
literature of a period. May be repeated as the topic changes.

**Prerequisite:** U3 or U4 standing

**Advisory Prerequisites:** Two courses in literature

3 credits

**CLT 363 - G: Literature and the Arts**

An inquiry into the aesthetic milieu (including the plastic arts, theatre, and music) and its relationship to the form and content of the literature of a period. Semester Supplements to this Bulletin contain description when course is offered. May be repeated as the topic changes.

**Prerequisite:** U3 or U4 standing

**Advisory Prerequisites:** Two courses in literature

3 credits

**CLT 371 - G: Literature and Justice (III)**

This course focuses on the theme of justice in literature and investigates the relation of literature to the law and to philosophical accounts of justice. Readings include literary texts centered on questions of justice, fairness, and moral agency, as well as theoretical works that analyze the role of literature in legal education and judicial decision-making. This course is offered as both CLT 371 and PHI 371.

**Prerequisite:** Completion of DEC B; U3 or U4 status

3 credits

**CLT 391 - J: African Comparative Literature**

Intensive study of multiple African traditions through their history, culture, and literature. The course will insist particularly on novels that address the shifting boundaries of the African continent, both in terms of ideology and of geo-political reality. As such, Ancient Egyptian texts will be confronted with literary productions from Classical Romance culture, and with slave narratives, to address the way through which literature is influenced by the general politics of mobility.

**Prerequisite:** Completion of D.E.C. B and one lower-division course from one of the following subject designators: CLT, CCS, EGL, or HUM

3 credits

**CLT 392 - K: Multicultural Comparative Literature**

This course will examine the various strategies deployed by U.S. writers to incorporate languages and dialects other than English and non-W.A.S.P. cultural experience into their literary work. In their different ways, these authors celebrate the intellectual diversity of the U.S. and resist the temptations of monolingual culture.

**Prerequisite:** Completion of D.E.C. B and one lower-division course from one of the following subject designators: CLT, CCS, EGL, or HUM

3 credits

**CLT 393 - I: European Comparative Literature**

European literature developed through constant interaction across frontiers rather than through discrete national histories. Poetry, fiction, and drama in every nation were heavily influenced by those of other nations, which they helped shape in their turn. The course examines this reciprocal impact on different genres in different countries across the centuries.

**Prerequisite:** Completion of D.E.C. B and one lower-division course from one of the following subject designators: CLT, CCS, EGL, or HUM

3 credits

**CLT 394 - J: Asian Comparative Literature**

This course is an overview of the development of Asian literature and thoughts, spanning across the early 20th century to the present. By covering short stories, novels, and poems from Asian traditions, such as China, Taiwan, Japan, and Korea, the course will examine how modernity, coloniality, and war contribute to the shaping of national, and cultural identities. A comparative study of narratives from the various traditions will be engaged to explore the influence and implications of social categories such as gender, class, race, and ethnicity.

**Prerequisite:** Completion of D.E.C. B and one lower-division course from one of the following subject designators: CLT, CCS, EGL, or HUM

3 credits

**CLT 375: Undergraduate Teaching Practicum I**

Work with a faculty member as an assistant in one of the faculty member's regularly scheduled classes. Students assume greater responsibility in such areas as leading discussions and analyzing results of tests that have already been graded. Students may not serve as teaching assistants in the same course twice.

**Prerequisites:** CLT 475; permission of instructor and chairperson

3 credits, S/U grading

**CLT 487: Independent Reading and Research**

Intensive reading and research on a special topic undertaken with close faculty supervision. May be repeated.

**Prerequisites:** Permission of instructor and department

0-6 credits, S/U grading

**CLT 495: Comparative Literature Honors Project**

A one-semester project for comparative literature majors who are candidates for the degree with departmental honors. The project involves independent study under close supervision of an appropriate faculty member, and the written and oral presentation to the department faculty colloquium of an honors thesis.

**Prerequisites:** Permission of instructor and department

3 credits

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