

COURSE DETAIL

COMPARATIVE ENGLISH LITERATURES

Country

Korea, South

Host Institution

Yonsei University

Program(s)

Yonsei University

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

English Comparative Literature

UCEAP Course Number

120

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

COMPARATIVE ENGLISH LITERATURES

UCEAP Transcript Title

ENGLISH LITERATURES

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

We live in times that seem increasingly apocalyptic. From our current pandemic, we look around us and see catastrophic climate change, systemic racism, food insecurity, and youth unemployment. Since the turn of the century, we have experienced 9/11, nuclear meltdowns, and financial crises. We live on a peninsula which is technically still at war, seven decades after a cease-fire armistice. In popular culture, we see these themes reflected in film and other media, ranging from the zombie apocalypse to AI cyborgs to futuristic interstellar journeys. In this course, we will explore the idea of the apocalypse/post-apocalypse in English literature through the ages. Our main reading will be a trio of powerful contemporary novels (Mitchell, Foer, Ozeki) that treat these topics within defining events of our generation. In between, we will take a step back into history, reading eighteenth and nineteenth century selections (Defoe, Malthus, Shelley, and Jefferies).

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

ELL4919

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

English Language & Literature

Course Last Reviewed

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