COURSE DETAIL

WOMEN'S TRAVEL LITERATURE

Country

Italy

Host Institution

University of Bologna

Program(s)

University of Bologna

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

English Comparative Literature

UCEAP Course Number

185

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

WOMEN'S TRAVEL LITERATURE

UCEAP Transcript Title

WOMENS TRAVEL LIT

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course is part of the Laurea Magistrale degree program and is intended for advanced level students. Enrolment is by permission of the instructor. The student acquires historical and literary knowledge of women's popular culture with specific reference to travel literature and critical utopias, within a gender perspective. The course analyzes the strategies of representation of female identity, women's social role and agency in women's travel accounts such as letters, diaries and novels, from the 18th century to the present. It also investigates the double diversity of women travelers as different both from male travelers and from more socially conformist women. The course also explores to what extent these texts subvert or reinforce the position of women within the patriarchal social order and in the domestic sphere. For this reason, the texts chosen for the course are examined within their original cultural and social contexts, and in their interconnection with class, race, and gender discrimination.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

26028

Host Institution Course Title

WOMEN'S TRAVEL LITERATURE

Host Institution Campus

BOLOGNA

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

LM in MODERN, POST-COLONIAL AND COMPARATIVE LITERATURES

Host Institution Department

Modern Languages, Literatures, and Cultures

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