COURSE DETAIL

THE LITERARY CANON OF HUMAN RIGHTS
Country Netherlands
Host Institution Utrecht University – University College Utrecht
Program(s) University College Utrecht
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) English Comparative Literature
UCEAP Course Number 104
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title THE LITERARY CANON OF HUMAN RIGHTS
UCEAP Transcript Title LITERARY CANON
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description

Human Rights has been an object of literary studies since the 1980s-2000s. Tapping into the knowledge produced in this new field, this course reframes the history of modern literature as part of a broader development: the invention and history of human rights. This course explores several 'classics' in the history of Human Rights literature as well as a broad range of literary texts that discuss human rights from various perspectives but are not considered part of the literary canon. This course studies these forms as they have evolved since the late eighteenth century and across the globe in oral and written modes (songs, poems, novels, (auto-)biographies, graphic novels/comics, and so forth). There will be two seminar-style classes per week with assigned reading in advance of each session. There is a particular focus on partner/small-group work and interactive discussions, presentations, and discussions on the literature for an assigned session. An introduction to literature course is required for entry.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
UCHUMLIT26

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Host Institution Course Details
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Host Institution Campus
University College Utrecht

Host Institution Faculty
Humanities

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Literature

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