

CRITICAL THEORY: APPROACHES TO THE STUDY OF LITERATURE (LECTURE)

Bachelor in English and American Language, Literature and History Faculty of Liberal Arts

Course information

Bachelor year 3	24 HOURS
Spring Semester	5 ECTS
Lectures (CM)	
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Course description

This class has as its objective to analyse a number of different literary approaches that together form the subject Literary Theory. Students will learn about different influential theories and learn to manipulate the technical language of each of them. Using a number of prose and poetry texts, we will successively study traditional approaches (historical-autobiographical and moral-philosophical) as well as other approaches which have shaped the way we read and understand texts: formalism, structuralism, narratology, psychoanalysis, Marxism, feminism, postcolonialism, ecocriticism and posthumanism. This class is essential for students who want to continue with a MASTER of English. A brochure with texts will be provided at the beginning of the semester.