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General information		
Name of the course	Introduction to Anglophone Canadian Literature	
Course instructor	Dr Nikola Tutek, Postdoc.	
Study programme	Undergraduate study programme in English Language and Literature	
Status of the course	Elective	
Academic year	2022-2023 (winter semester)	
Language	English	
ECTS credits and manner of instruction	ECTS credits	2
	Number of class hours (Lectures + Exercises + Seminars)	15+0+15

1. COURSE DESCRIPTION

1.1. Course objectives

Primary objectives are: 1. To explore social and cultural backgrounds of Canadian Literature, 2. To explore basic thematic and theoretical features of Canadian Literature, 3. To read, analyze and discuss a number of texts from Canadian Literature.

1.2. Course enrolment requirements and entry competences required for the course

Excellent command of written and spoken English is required

1.3. Expected course learning outcomes

By the end of the course, students will be able to recognize the main artistic features of Canadian writing. Furthermore, students will be acquainted with the most prominent Canadian Literature authors and their work.

1.4. Course content

We will first explore the historical and social background of Canadian literature and try to provide a possible periodization of Canadian Literature from the beginning to modern times. We will then focus on generic and thematic features of Canadian Literature, as well as the construction of 'typical' literary characters and settings. We will also discuss various philosophical thoughts/movements (such as activism, feminism, construction of identity, etc.) and various generic features (such as generic hybridity, multimodality, etc.) that had a significant impact on Canadian Literature. A crucial part of the teaching process is reading (mostly short) Canadian literary texts. We will read the texts ranging from the end of the 19th century to the texts published in 2021. We will analyze and discuss the read texts in classes.

1.5. Manner of instruction

✓ Lectures

- ✓ Individual assignments
- ✓ Multimedia and network