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General information			
Name of the course	Creative Writing		
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 (summer semester)		
Language	English		
ECTS credits and	ECTS credits	2	
manner of instruction	Number of class hours	0+0+30	
	(Lectures + Exercises + Seminars)		

1. COURSE DESCRIPTION

1.1. Course objectives

Primary objectives are: 1. To explore generic and technical features of short prose, 2. To explore ways of creating settings and characters for short prose, 3. To explore ways to develop plots in short prose, and, 4. To enable students improve their creation of short prose.

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 more skilful writers of short stories.

1.4. Course content

We will first try to determine possible definitions and literary forms of 'short story'. Then we will analyze creative motivation and preferences of the students involved in the course. We will proceed with exploring various writing techniques, with special focus on the development of the storyline and the characters, on the construction of literary conflict and its resolution. After this short introductory part, we will start writing short stories both in class and independently. Created short stories will be read and analyzed in class. We will constantly work on improving these short stories technically, stylistically and thematically.

1.5. Manner of instruction

- ✓ Seminars
- ✓ Individual assignments
- ✓ Multimedia and network
- ✓ Mentorship