HWC 240: Intro to World Literature

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When: Tuesday and Thursday from 1:00-2:15PM
Where: Bailey 301
Class #: 25658

An introduction to the field of world literature as the study of literary works in their global context. Questions this course will explore include: How do we decide what is literature and what isn’t? How do we read works across time or understand those within different cultural traditions from our own? Do texts reflecting global encounters and exchange always present conflict and tension between diverse cultures? How do market forces play upon literary production today? What are the challenges to reading works in translation? Assignments are designed to sharpen a student’s critical reading and writing skills in grasping aspects of human experience in and with the world and its diverse peoples reflected in great works of literature. Especially for students interested in literature and in global and international studies.

Satisfies: Core Goal 2.1 (Written Communication), Humanities (H)