

General Information			
Course name KSSFaK/TELI/15	Introduction to Literary Studies	ECTS Credits	4
		Semester	winter (2nd BA)
* language of instruction – English/Slovak			
Aims			
<p>Students will get basic information about literary communication and the character of a literary work. Special attention will be paid to basic elements of poetry, fiction and drama. The aim of the course is also to sustain student's abilities of literary analysis and interpretation.</p>			
Contents			
<p>Literary communication. Author – text – reader. Literature and its functions. Semiotic aspects of a literary work. Denotation and connotation. Basic elements of poetry (speaker, tone, figurative language, prosody). Basic elements of fiction (narrator, character, setting, point of view). Narrative genres. Basic elements of drama (monologue, dialogue, character, conflict). Dramatic genres. Axiological aspects of literature. Literary canon.</p>			
Evaluation			
<p>Continuous assessment: interpretation of texts, essay (50%) Final assessment: exam test (50%)</p>			
Bibliography			
<p>Franko, Š.: Theory of Anglophonic Literatures. Prešov: Slovacontact, 1994. Culler, J.: Literary Theory. A Very Short Introduction. Oxford: Oxford UP 2000. Wellek, R., Warren, A.: Theory of Literature (new revised ed.). London: Penguin 1993. Eagleton, T.: Literary Theory.: Introduction. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota, 1996.</p>			

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