

<b>Course Title</b>	:	Special Topics in Comparative Literature 比較文學專題
<b>Course Code</b>	:	CHI 4335
<b>Year of Study</b>	:	Second to Fourth
<b>No. of Credits</b>	:	3
<b>Teaching Hours</b>	:	2 hours lecture per week 1 hour tutorial per week
<b>Category in Major Programme</b>	:	Elective
<b>Prerequisite</b>	:	Nil

**Brief Course Description:**

This course introduces students to the theories and practices in the comparative study of Chinese literature.

**Aims:**

The course aims at introducing comparative literature to students. In addition, it also includes trans-national as well as multi-disciplinary approaches to the study of Chinese literature.

**Learning Outcomes:**

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to achieve the followings:

1. Demonstrate knowledge on theories of comparative literature and the way to apply them on Chinese literary texts;
2. Describe different styles of western literature and arts;
3. Use analytical skills to compare literary texts between different cultures.

**Indicative Content:**

Selected readings of the topics chosen.

**Teaching Method:**

2 hours of lecture and 1 hour of tutorial per week. Lectures will highlight comparative approaches to literature in Chinese, putting emphasis on comparative poetics, thematic or generic studies, studies of literature and the arts, or studies of literature and other bodies of knowledge. In tutorial presentations students are required to elaborate on individual writers, genres or literary movements within these frameworks.

**Measurement of Learning Outcomes:**

1. Grading is by continuous assessment (40%, including tutorial performance and written reports) and examination (60%).
2. Examination (60%): Students are required to show their abilities of integration, critical and analytical thinking in answering essay type of questions (LO1, LO2, LO3).
3. Tutorial presentation (10%): Students should facilitate fruitful discussions and debates in tutorial groups (LO1, LO2, LO3).
4. Tutorial reports or essays (30%): Students are expected to incorporate comments and feedbacks of teachers and group-mates for the revision of their written reports. Students need to submit written reports or essays (LO1, LO2, LO3).

**Assessment:**

Examination: 60%

Continuous assessment: 40%

**References:**

Readings related with the topics selected.

Important Notes:

- (1) Students are expected to spend a total of 9 hours (i.e. 3 hours of class contact and 6 hours of personal study) per week to achieve the course learning outcomes.
- (2) Students shall be aware of the University regulations about dishonest practice in course work, tests and examinations, and the possible consequences as stipulated in the Regulations Governing University Examinations. In particular, plagiarism, being a kind of dishonest practice, is “the presentation of another person’s work without proper acknowledgement of the source, including exact phrases, or summarised ideas, or even footnotes/citations, whether protected by copyright or not, as the student’s own work”. Students are required to strictly follow university regulations governing academic integrity and honesty.
- (3) Students are required to submit writing assignment(s) using Turnitin.
- (4) To enhance students’ understanding of plagiarism, a mini-course “Online Tutorial on Plagiarism Awareness” is available on <https://pla.ln.edu.hk/>.