

## **COURSE UNIT DESCRIPTION**

Course unit title	Code
James Joyce	

Annotation

Lecturer(s)	Department, Faculty
Coordinating:	A. J. Greimas Centre for Semiotics and Literary Theory
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Other:	Faculty of Philology

Study cycle	Type of the course unit
2 <sup>nd</sup> (MA)	Optional

Mode of delivery	Semester or period when it is delivered	Language of instruction
Classroom and independent study	Autumn	English

Requisites							
Prerequisites:	Co-requisites (if relevant):						
Students are advised to do the first reading of Joyce's major works (listed	_						
as set primary sources), if unfamiliar with them, before starting the							
module.							

Number of ECTS credits allocated	Student's workload (total)	Contact hours	Individual work	
5	150	32	118	

Purpose of the course	Purpose of the course unit: programme competences to be developed							
The module explores the work of James Joyce, including its contexts, reception, and major lines of interpretation in the								
current fields of Joyce studies. Central at	tention is given to Joyce's fiction	on read from contemporary post-						
deconstructionist perspectives with the prima	ry focus on the workings of langu	age and the text and the necessary						
exploration of both the political and cultural se	ttings that inform Joyce's writing al	ong with the fundamentals of literary						
discourse, such as narrative, the performativity	y of language, its metaphorical princ	ciple, or textual production. Practical						
seminars and assignments are designed to giv	e students opportunities to test thei	r grasp of the discussed notions and						
working mechanisms of literature by close-re	working mechanisms of literature by close-reading Joyce's fiction, independently and under the lecturer's guidance,							
building skills of active interpretative analysis of literature in relevant socio-cultural contexts. Students, especially non-								
native speakers of English, will also improve their knowledge and mastery of the language.								
To complete the module, students will be expe	cted to demonstrate that they have a	acquired:						
Learning outcomes of the course unit	Teaching and learning	Assessment methods						

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a familiarity with the range and chronology		Class performance, assigned
of Joyce's work in its contexts and major	Interactive lectures and	presentations and research tasks,
trends of its critical reception;	seminars; reading of set	colloquium, examination essay.
an informed understanding of Joyce's	material; preparation for	
fiction, developed on the basis of its	seminar discussions and	Assigned presentations,
interpretative close-reading and response to	assignments.	colloquium, exam essay.
the linguistic form in relevant contexts;		
an ability to articulate their understanding in	Interactive lectures and	
well-structured discourse, proposing an	seminars; preparation for	

informed original insight in appropriate critical terms and in relevant contexts, both orally and in writing;	seminar discussions and assignments.				
skills of focusing and carrying out guided and independent research: methods of information retrieval in a variety of media, techniques of identifying different kinds of sources, their selection, and targeted use in constructing a focused and substantiated original interpretation	Preparation for seminar discussions and assignments.	Class performance, assigned presentations and research tasks, colloquium, examination essay.			
motivation and means to pursue a better grasp of issues of concern independently and in collaboration with others and share the acquired knowledge with peers;	Interactive lectures and seminars; reading of set material; preparation for seminar discussions and assignments				
an ability to contribute to and benefit from intellectual exchange with peers and tutor;	Interactive lectures and seminars; preparation for seminar discussions and assignments.	Class performance, colloquium, examination essays.			
proficiency in delivering work of good standard to set deadlines.	Preparation for seminar discussions and assignments.	All assignments.			

Course content: breakdown of the topics		ntac	t hou	rs				Individual work: time and assignments		
		Tutorials	Seminars	Worlehone	Laboratory work	Internchin/work	Contact hours, total	idual work	Assignments	
Introduction to the module and the subject. Joyce's chronology. Joyce studies today.	2						2	12	Attridge, <i>How to Read</i> <i>Joyce</i> , and other introductory reading	
Joyce's workshop. Epiphany: the notion, its significance in Modernism; Joyce's dramatic and narrative epiphanies, their transformation.	2		2				4	12	Joyce, "Epiphanies" ( <i>The</i> <i>Workshop of Daedalus &amp;</i> other sources, selection)	
Joyce's Modernist realism: <i>Dubliners</i> . Narrative voice and focus, latent reference, and the symbolism of the everyday.	2		2				4	12	"The Sisters" "The Dead"	
The formation of the "stream of consciousness" and experience: from <i>Stephen Hero</i> to <i>The</i> <i>Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man</i>	2		2				4	12	Stephen Hero (selection), A Portrait	
Introduction to <i>Ulysses</i> : Production and reception. Spatiotemporal, biographical, intertextual, and intratextual frames of its architecture. Strategies of macro- and micro- reading and navigation of the text.	2		2				4	12	<i>Ulysses</i> , set and further introductions to the novel; "Wandering Rocks"	
Subjectivities of <i>Ulysses</i> and their interactions. Linguistic figuration on the page of sociocultural and individual identities, a self- enclosed and poly-centric perspective, the intertwining of the sensuous acting body and the thinking mind.	2		2				4	12	"Proteus," "Calypso," and "Penelope;" "Lotus Eaters" and "Lestrygonians;" "Cyclops" and "Nausicaa"	
The world of <i>Ulysses</i> . Political, cultural, and literary history on the page from the early 20 <sup>th</sup> -c. Dublin. Linguistic mimicry of cultural discourse and subordination to narrative.	2		2				4	12	"Hades" and "Scylla and Charybdis;" "Aeolus," "Sirens" and "Oxen of the Sun;" "Eumaeus" and "Ithaca"	
The drama and the language of the unconscious. The limits of linguistic play on the page. Literary writing alongside and after Joyce.	2		2				4	12	"Circe" Finnegans Wake (selection)	

Revision. Colloquium. Essay writing.			2		2	22	Revision. Preparation for and writing of the exam essay.
	Total	16	16		32	118	

Assessment strategy	Weig ht %	Deadline	Assessment criteria
Seminar work	20	Semester	Active and efficient participation in lectures and seminar discussions to build a grasp of basic facts and contexts, adequate understanding of primary texts, relevant and productive engagement in group discussions, including oral presentations of assigned interpretive analysis of set texts. Passive attendance merits up to 10 %.
Oral class presentation and elaboration, in further discussion, of an interpretation of a chosen piece of Joyce's fiction, in an explicitly outlined context of an individually conducted survey of a set and independently expanded corpus of contextual and secondary sources on the chosen topic and text	10	Semester: week 5-14	Demonstrated knowledge of basic facts and contexts; capacity to summarise, juxtapose, critically assess, and interpret them; familiarity with the set reading, ability to find, retrieve, and select relevant material and effectively use it to construct a focused, coherent and adequately complex interpretation of the primary text; a good grasp and mastery of key operative terms in their application to reading of Joyce's prose. Appropriate use of the spoken academic register of English, including the structure of the interpretative argument and vocabulary. Excessive reliance on an overly limited number of secondary sources merits up to 10 %.
Colloquium: a discussion of a given area of Joyce studies and interpretive close- reading of a given piece of fictional prose in a group of 3–5 students in class.	10	Semester: week 12-15	Demonstrated grasp of the major lines of reading Joyce's work; ability to identify and draw on relevant contexts to advance interpretation; mastery of operative key terms and techniques for active interpretive close-reading, covered in the module, to propose, test, and develop original insights into the given prose. Demonstrated ability and motivation to collaborate with peers: capacity to identify, differentiate between, and critically assess one's own and another's view, offer justified and constructive correctives and (or) further development of interpretation. Excessive reliance on lecture, seminar, or reading material merits up to 5 %.
Examination essay: home essay of 2200–2500 words inclusive of bibliography and footnotes on an approved topic.	60	Examination session	Demonstrated knowledge of primary and contextual material covered in the module and operative knowledge of key notions. Precision in raising an essay question and (or) thesis; techniques of finding, retrieving, selecting, and properly using appropriate sources; skills of building a clear and focused original interpretation of Joyce's fiction and relevant criticism by independently performed close reading as practiced in the module; ability to situate it in relevant historical and cultural contexts. Appropriate use of the academic register of written English, including essay and paragraph structure, vocabulary, grammar, spelling, and bibliographical conventions of academic writing. Excessive reliance on lecture, seminar, or set reading material merits up to 35 %.

Author	Public ation date	Title	Volume / issue, pages	Publisher or link		
Set primary sources (recommended editions)						
Joyce, James. Ed. Margot Norris. Text ed. Hans Walter Gabler	2006	<i>Dubliners</i> . Authoritative Text, Contexts, Criticism		New York, London: W. W. Norton & Co.		

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Joyce, James.		A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man.		
Ed. John Paul	2007	Authoritative Text, Backgrounds and		New York, London: W. W.
Riquelme. Text ed.		Contexts, Criticism		Norton & Co.
Hans Walter Gabler				
Joyce, James.	1005			
Ed. Hans Walter	1986	Ulysses		London: The Bodley Head
Gabler et al.	1			
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Joyce, James.		The Workshop of Daedalus: James Joyce		Evanston: Northwestern
Ed. Robert Scholes	1965	and the Materials for "A Portrait of the		University Press
& Richard Morgan		Artist as a Young Man"		VLE Moodle
Kain				
Joyce, James.	1094	Ultranen A. Critical Summeric Edition	2	New York & London:
Ed. Hans Walter	1984	Ulysses: A Critical Synoptic Edition	3 vols.	Garland Publishing
Gabler et. Al.	1020	Eine er me Wale		London, Eshen end Eshen
Joyce, James	1939	Finnegans Wake		London: Faber and Faber
Joyce, James.		Occasional, Critical, and Political Writing		Oxford: OUP
Ed. Kevin Barry.				
Rainey, Lawrence	2005	Modernism: An Anthology		Oxford, etc.: Blackwell
(ed.)				Publishing. VUL Phil
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Fargnoli,		Louis Louis A to Z. The Free set int		
Nicholas A. &	1995	James Joyce A to Z: The Essential		New York, Oxford: OUP
Michael Patric		Reference to the Life and Work		
Gillespie				
Gifford, Don, with	1988	Ulysses Annotated: Notes for James		Berkeley: U of California
Robert J. Seidman		<i>Joyce's</i> Ulysses. 2 <sup>nd</sup> ed.		Press. VUL Phil
Norburn, Roger	2004	A James Joyce Chronology		Hampshire, New York:
				Palgrave Macmillan
	2011	Biographies		Less less Discont
Bowker, Gordon	2011	James Joyce: A Biography		London: Phoenix
Ellmann, Richard	1983	James Joyce		Oxford: OUP
Joyce, Stanislaus	1969	My Brother's Keeper: James Joyce's Early		New York: The Viking
•		Years		Press
Attridae Densla	2007	Set study guides		Landary Create Dealer
Attridge, Derek	2007	How to Read Joyce		London: Granta Books
Attridge, Derek	2004	The Cambridge Companion to James		Cambridge: CUP
(ed.)		Joyce. 2 <sup>nd</sup> ed.		
Bulson, Eric	2006	The Cambridge Introduction to James		Cambridge: CUP
-		Joyce		
Lewis, Pericles	2011	The Cambridge Companion to European		Cambridge: CUP
(ed.)		Modernism		-
Lewis, Pericles	2007	The Cambridge Introduction to Modernism		Cambridge: CUP
McCourt, John (ed.)	2009	James Joyce in Context		Cambridge: CUP
	1	Further secondary reading	1	1
Attridge, Derek	2000	Joyce Effects: On Language, Theory, and		Cambridge: CUP
		History		
Attridge, Derek, &	1984	Post-structuralist Joyce: Essays from the		Cambridge: CUP
Daniel Ferrer (eds.)	170.	French		
Bornstein, George	2001	Material Modernism: The Politics of the		Cambridge: CUP
		Page		
Eco, Umberto.	100-	The Aesthetics of Chaosmos: The Middle		Cambridge, Mass.:
Transl. Ellen	1982	Ages of James Joyce		Harvard UP
Esrock				
Gabler, Hans	2018	Text Genetics in Literary Modernism and		Cambridge: Open Book
Walter	_010	Other Essays		Publishers
Kiberd, Declan	1996	Inventing Ireland: The Literature of the		London: Vintage Books
intera, Beelan	1770	Modern Nation		
Lawrence, Karen R.	2010	Who's Afraid of James Joyce		Gainesville et al: UP of
				Florida
Lawrence, Karen R.	1981	The Odyssey of Style in Ulysses		Princeton: Princeton UP

Levina, Jūratė	2017	"The Aesthetics of Phenomena: Joyce's Epiphanies"	Joyce Studies Annual	Fordham UP
Mahaffey, Vicki (ed.)	2012	Collaborative Dubliners: Joyce in Dialogue		Syracuse: Syracuse UP
Milesi, Laurent (ed.)	2009	James Joyce and the Difference in Language		Cambridge: CUP
Mitchell, Andrew, & Sam Slote (eds.)	2013	Derrida and Joyce: Texts and Contexts		Albany: SUNY Press
Pierce, David	2008	Reading Joyce		Harlow: Pearson Education Ltd.

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