

## **COURSE UNIT DESCRIPTION**

| Course unit title | Code |
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| James Joyce       |      |
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Annotation

| Lecturer(s)                    | Department, Faculty                                      |
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| Coordinating:                  | A. J. Greimas Centre for Semiotics and Literary Theory   |
| Assoc. prof. dr. Jūratė Levina | Institute for Literary, Cultural and Translation Studies |
| Other:                         | Faculty of Philology                                     |

| Study cycle          | Type of the course unit |
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| 2 <sup>nd</sup> (MA) | Optional                |
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| Mode of delivery                | Semester or period<br>when it is delivered | Language of instruction |
|---------------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| Classroom and independent study | Autumn                                     | English                 |

| Requisites  |                              |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 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<br>allocated | Student's workload<br>(total) | Contact hours | Individual work |  |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|--|
| 5                                   | 150                           | 32            | 118             |  |

| Purpose of the course  | Purpose of the course unit: programme competences to be developed   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 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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|   | methods                   |                                   |
| 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<br>critical terms and in relevant contexts, both<br>orally and in writing;  | seminar discussions and assignments.  |  |  |  |  |
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| skills of focusing and carrying out guided<br>and independent research: methods of<br>information retrieval in a variety of media,<br>techniques of identifying different kinds of<br>sources, their selection, and targeted use in<br>constructing a focused and substantiated<br>original interpretation | Preparation for seminar discussions and assignments.  | Class performance, assigned<br>presentations and research tasks,<br>colloquium, examination essay. |  |  |  |
| motivation and means to pursue a better<br>grasp of issues of concern independently and<br>in collaboration with others and share the<br>acquired knowledge with peers;  | Interactive lectures and<br>seminars; reading of set<br>material; preparation for<br>seminar discussions and<br>assignments |  |  |  |  |
| an ability to contribute to and benefit from<br>intellectual exchange with peers and tutor;  | Interactive lectures and<br>seminars; preparation for<br>seminar discussions and<br>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 |  |  |
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|  |   | Tutorials | Seminars | Worlehone | Laboratory work | Internchin/work | Contact hours,<br>total | idual work                            | Assignments  |  |
| Introduction to the module and the subject.<br>Joyce's chronology. Joyce studies today.  | 2 |           |          |           |                 |                 | 2                       | 12                                    | Attridge, <i>How to Read</i><br><i>Joyce</i> , and other<br>introductory reading                                 |  |
| Joyce's workshop. Epiphany: the notion, its<br>significance in Modernism; Joyce's dramatic<br>and narrative epiphanies, their transformation.  | 2 |           | 2        |           |                 |                 | 4                       | 12                                    | Joyce, "Epiphanies" ( <i>The</i><br><i>Workshop of Daedalus &amp;</i><br>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"<br>"The Dead"  |  |
| The formation of the "stream of consciousness"<br>and experience: from <i>Stephen Hero</i> to <i>The</i><br><i>Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man</i>   | 2 |           | 2        |           |                 |                 | 4                       | 12                                    | Stephen Hero (selection),<br>A Portrait  |  |
| Introduction to <i>Ulysses</i> : Production and<br>reception. Spatiotemporal, biographical,<br>intertextual, and intratextual frames of its<br>architecture. Strategies of macro- and micro-<br>reading and navigation of the text.                                      | 2 |           | 2        |           |                 |                 | 4                       | 12                                    | <i>Ulysses</i> , set and further<br>introductions to the novel;<br>"Wandering Rocks"                             |  |
| Subjectivities of <i>Ulysses</i> and their interactions.<br>Linguistic figuration on the page of<br>sociocultural and individual identities, a self-<br>enclosed and poly-centric perspective, the<br>intertwining of the sensuous acting body and the<br>thinking mind. | 2 |           | 2        |           |                 |                 | 4                       | 12                                    | "Proteus," "Calypso," and<br>"Penelope;"<br>"Lotus Eaters" and<br>"Lestrygonians;"<br>"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<br>Charybdis;"<br>"Aeolus," "Sirens" and<br>"Oxen of the Sun;"<br>"Eumaeus" and "Ithaca" |  |
| The drama and the language of the unconscious.<br>The limits of linguistic play on the page.<br>Literary writing alongside and after Joyce.  | 2 |           | 2        |           |                 |                 | 4                       | 12                                    | "Circe"<br>Finnegans Wake (selection)  |  |

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

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

| Author  | Public<br>ation<br>date | Title  | Volume /<br>issue,<br>pages | Publisher or link                       |  |  |
|---|-------------------------|--|-----------------------------|---|--|--|
| Set primary sources (recommended editions)                            |                         |  |                             |   |  |  |
| Joyce, James.<br>Ed. Margot Norris.<br>Text ed. Hans<br>Walter Gabler | 2006                    | <i>Dubliners</i> . Authoritative Text, Contexts, Criticism |                             | New York, London: W. W.<br>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    |   |         |                           |
| <b>x x</b>           | Г    | Further primary sources                     |         |                           |
| 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<br>Epiphanies" | Joyce<br>Studies<br>Annual | Fordham UP                     |
|---|------|--|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Mahaffey, Vicki<br>(ed.)                | 2012 | Collaborative Dubliners: Joyce in Dialogue           |                            | Syracuse: Syracuse UP          |
| Milesi, Laurent<br>(ed.)                | 2009 | James Joyce and the Difference in Language           |                            | Cambridge: CUP                 |
| Mitchell, Andrew,<br>& 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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