

COMPARATIVE LITERATURE (COMPLIT)

Comparative Literature Courses

COMPLIT 133 Contemporary Imagination in Literature and the Arts
3 cr. Undergraduate.

Introduction to comparative literature, focusing on the study of world literatures and their relations to other arts, and to cultural and social currents.

Prerequisites: none.

General Education Requirements: Humanities and Arts

Last Taught: Fall 2025, Spring 2025, Fall 2024, Spring 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 135 Experiencing Literature in the 21st Century:

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Critical study of literary forms (e.g. romance, comedy, short story) and their connections with other arts and media, such as cinema, TV, and music.

Prerequisites: none.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic to 9 cr max.

General Education Requirements: Humanities and Arts

Last Taught: Fall 2024, Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Summer 2023.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 199 Independent Study

1-6 cr. Undergraduate.

For further information, consult dept chair.

Prerequisites: 2.0 GPA and consent of instructor, department chair, and Assistant Dean for Student Academic Services.

Course Rules: May be retaken to 6 cr max.

Last Taught: Summer 2011, Spring 2011, Spring 2010, Fall 2004.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 207 Global Literature from Antiquity to the 1600s:

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Literary analysis through a survey of world literature from antiquity through the 1600s.

Prerequisites: none.

Course Rules: May not be retaken for cr.

Last Taught: Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 208 Global Literature from the 17th Century to the Present:

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Literary analysis through a survey of world literature from the 1600s to the present.

Prerequisites: none.

Course Rules: May not be retaken for cr.

Last Taught: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022, Spring 2021.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 230 Literature and Society:

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Relationships between literature and aspects of society, e.g., philosophical movements; history; gender, race, class, or sexuality.

Prerequisites: none.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic to 9 cr max.

General Education Requirements: Humanities and Arts

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Spring 2020, Spring 2018, Summer 2017.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 231 Literature and Religion:

3 cr. Undergraduate.

A close study of the interrelationship of literature and religion across a wide historical spectrum.

Prerequisites: none.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic to 9 cr max.

General Education Requirements: Civics and Perspectives

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2021.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 232 Literature and Politics:

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Multiple ways literature and politics shape and influence one another, with particular focus on links between literary and political representation.

Prerequisites: none.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic to 9 cr max.

General Education Requirements: Civics and Perspectives

Last Taught: Fall 2024, Fall 2013, Fall 2009, Spring 2008.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 233 Literature and Film:

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Themes, styles, and ideology in cinematic and literary texts.

Prerequisites: none.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic to 9 cr max.

General Education Requirements: Humanities and Arts

Last Taught: Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Spring 2024, Spring 2022.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 289 Internship in Comparative Literature, Lower Division

1-6 cr. Undergraduate.

Application of basic principles of comparative literature in a business, organizational, educational, political, or other appropriate settings.

Prerequisites: COMPLIT 100- or 200-level course; 2.25 GPA, and consent of supervising faculty member.

Course Rules: One cr earned for academic work based on 40 hours in internship. May be retaken to 6 cr max.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 297 Study Abroad:

1-12 cr. Undergraduate.

Designed to enroll students in UWM sponsored program before course work level, content, and credits are determined and/or in specially prepared program course work.

Prerequisites: acceptance for Study Abroad Program.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Fall 2022, Spring 2022, Fall 2019.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 299 Ad Hoc:

1-6 cr. Undergraduate.

Course created expressly for offering in a specified enrollment period.

Requires only dept & assoc dean approval. In exceptional circumstances, can be offered in one add'l sem.

Prerequisites: none; add'l prereqs may be assigned to specific topic.

Course Rules: May be retaken w/chg in topic.

Last Taught: Fall 1999.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 309 Great Works of Modern Literature:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Literature of the twentieth and twenty-first centuries, with emphasis on theme, movement, trend, genre, or mode.

Prerequisites: jr st; CompLit 207(R) or 208(R).

Course Rules: May be retaken w/chg in topic to 9 cr max.

Last Taught: Fall 2023.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 309G Great Works of Modern Literature:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Literature of the twentieth and twenty-first centuries, with emphasis on theme, movement, trend, genre, or mode.

Prerequisites: jr st; CompLit 207(R) or 208(R).

Course Rules: May be retaken w/chg in topic to 9 cr max.

Last Taught: Fall 2023.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 316 World Cinema:

3 cr. Undergraduate.

National cinemas in first, second, and/or third world nations; relationships among representation, narrative, and social forms.

Prerequisites: junior standing or ENGLISH 290(P); and completion of Oral and Written Communication Competency Part A (OWC-A) requirement or ENGLISH 102(P).

Course Rules: Retakable with change in topic to 9 cr max. COMPLIT 316, ENGLISH 316 & FILMSTD 316 are jointly offered; with the same topic, they count as repeats of one another.

Last Taught: Fall 2025, Spring 2025, Fall 2024, Spring 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 340 Studies in Literary Genres and Modes:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Literary genres and modes from at least one international cultural context.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic to 9 cr max.

Last Taught: Spring 2025.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 340G Studies in Literary Genres and Modes:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Literary genres and modes from at least one international cultural context.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic to 9 cr max.

Last Taught: Spring 2025.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 350 Topics in Comparative Literature:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

One or more areas of comparative literature across periods, genres, or regions.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic to 6 cr max.

Last Taught: Spring 2024, Fall 2020.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 350G Topics in Comparative Literature:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

One or more areas of comparative literature across periods, genres, or regions.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic to 6 cr max.

Last Taught: Spring 2024, Fall 2020.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 360 Seminar in Literature and Cultural Experience:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

How culture is expressed in literary works with specific emphasis on how dominant and marginalized groups are represented in literature.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic to 6 cr max.

Last Taught: Fall 2022, Fall 2020.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 360G Seminar in Literature and Cultural Experience:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

How culture is expressed in literary works with specific emphasis on how dominant and marginalized groups are represented in literature.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic to 6 cr max.

Last Taught: Fall 2022, Fall 2020.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 362 Transnational Asian Cinemas:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Critical study of the cinemas of Asia, their film masters, avant-garde genres, and movements in relation to world cinema culture.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: May be retaken w/chg in topic to 9 cr max.

Last Taught: Fall 2016, Fall 2014.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 362G Transnational Asian Cinemas:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Critical study of the cinemas of Asia, their film masters, avant-garde genres, and movements in relation to world cinema culture.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: May be retaken w/chg in topic to 9 cr max.

Last Taught: Fall 2016, Fall 2014.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 363 Chinese Literature in the Global Context:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Modern or contemporary Chinese literature; focus on a period, theme, genre, or movement in relation to literary cultures of other countries and regions or world events.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic to 9 cr max.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 363G Chinese Literature in the Global Context:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Modern or contemporary Chinese literature; focus on a period, theme, genre, or movement in relation to literary cultures of other countries and regions or world events.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic to 9 cr max.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 365 Literatures and Cultures of the Americas:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Comparative study of the literatures and cultural expressions of three or more national, ethnic, or linguistic traditions within North and South America and the Caribbean.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic to 9 cr max.

Last Taught: Fall 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 365G Literatures and Cultures of the Americas:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Comparative study of the literatures and cultural expressions of three or more national, ethnic, or linguistic traditions within North and South America and the Caribbean.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic to 9 cr max.

Last Taught: Fall 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 381 Honors Seminar:

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Critical study of a problem in comparative literary relations.

Prerequisites: 200-level HONORS course and consent of Honors College Director.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic to 9 cr max.

General Education Requirements: Humanities and Arts

Last Taught: Fall 2025, Spring 2025, Fall 2024, Spring 2023.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 457 Topics in French and Francophone Studies in Translation:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Critical reading, lectures, and discussion of important works on a topic, genre, or historical period, with particular emphasis on intellectual and cultural context.

Prerequisites: junior standing or consent of instructor.

Course Rules: COMPLIT 457 & FRENCH 457 are jointly offered; they count as repeats of one another. May be retaken with change in topic to 9 cr max.

Last Taught: Summer 2020, Fall 2015.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 457G Topics in French and Francophone Studies in Translation:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Critical reading, lectures, and discussion of important works on a topic, genre, or historical period, with particular emphasis on intellectual and cultural context.

Prerequisites: junior standing or consent of instructor.

Course Rules: COMPLIT 457 & FRENCH 457 are jointly offered; they count as repeats of one another. May be retaken with change in topic to 9 cr max.

Last Taught: Summer 2020, Fall 2015.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 461 Film-Fiction Interaction:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Growth and development of film in conjunction with literary devices (narrative, setting, etc.), novels, plays, biographies, and poetry. Mutual influences of literary and cinematic arts.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic to 9 cr max.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Fall 2021.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 461G Film-Fiction Interaction:

3 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Growth and development of film in conjunction with literary devices (narrative, setting, etc.), novels, plays, biographies, and poetry. Mutual influences of literary and cinematic arts.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic to 9 cr max.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Fall 2021.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 489 Internship in Comparative Literature, Upper Division

1-6 cr. Undergraduate.

Application of advanced principles of comparative literature in a business, organizational, educational, political, or other appropriate setting.

Prerequisites: junior standing; 300-level or above course in comparative literature; 2.25 GPA and consent of supervising faculty member.

Course Rules: One cr earned for academic work based on 40 hours in internship. May be retaken to 6 cr max.

Last Taught: Spring 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2008.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 497 Study Abroad:

1-12 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Designed to enroll students in UWM sponsored program before course work level, content, and credits are determined and/or in specially prepared program course work.

Prerequisites: junior standing and acceptance for Study Abroad Program.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic.

Last Taught: Fall 2023, Fall 2017.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 497G Study Abroad:

1-12 cr. Undergraduate/Graduate.

Designed to enroll students in UWM sponsored program before course work level, content, and credits are determined and/or in specially prepared program course work.

Prerequisites: junior standing and acceptance for Study Abroad Program.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic.

Last Taught: Fall 2023, Fall 2017.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 499 Ad Hoc:

1-6 cr. Undergraduate.

Course created expressly for offering in a specified enrollment period. Requires only dept & assoc dean approval. In exceptional circumstances, can be offered in one additional semester.

Prerequisites: junior standing; additional prerequisites may be assigned to specific topic.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 699 Advanced Independent Reading

1-3 cr. Undergraduate.

Advanced independent work under the supervision of a Complit faculty or instructional academic staff member. For further information, consult Complit prog coord.

Prerequisites: junior standing, 2.0 GPA, and consent of instructor, department chair, and Assistant Dean for Student Academic Services.

Course Rules: May be retaken with change in topic.

Last Taught: Spring 2024, Fall 2017, Spring 2017, Summer 2016.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

COMPLIT 789 Graduate Internship in Comparative Literature

1-31 cr. Graduate.

Application of advanced principles of comparative literature in a business, organizational, educational, political, cultural, or other appropriate setting. Retakable to 6 cr max.

Prerequisites: graduate standing, 3.0 GPA, and consent of supervising faculty member.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>