Subject: LITERATURA NORD-AMERICANA DEL SEGLE XIX

Code: 21799

Credits: 5
Semester: 1
Groups: 1

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT

The aim of this course is to introduce students to XIXth century North American literature. Students will be asked to read a number of texts corresponding to the period belonging to different genres.

OBJECTIVES

To enlarge students scope and expertise in literature, culture and language by introducing them to nineteenth century American literature.

ASSESSMENT

Oral class participation, presentation and midterm exam: 60%

Final exam: 40%

SYLLABUS

Benjamin Franklin: Autobiography (fragments), De Crevecoeur: Letters from an American Farmer, Thomas Jefferson: « Declaration of Independence », W. Irving: short stories, J.F. Cooper: The Last of the Mohicans (fragments), E.A. Poe: short stories and poems, Emerson, Harriet Beecher Stowe: Uncle Tom's Cabin, Harriet Jacobs: Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl (fragments), Alcott: short stories, N. Hawthorne: The Scarlet Letter, H. Melville: Billy Budd, Bartleby, the Scrivner, Walt Whitmon: Leaves of Grass, Emily Dickinson: poetry.

BIBLIOGRAPHY / MATERIALS

Students will be able to purchase a reading pack containing most of the texts to be discussed in class. They will be expected to find the longer texts on their own. The Heath and Norton anthologies of American Literature are recommended for further reading and information. They can be found in the library.