COMPARATIVE LITERATURE (CPL)

CPL 210 | GREAT IDEAS, THE INDIVIDUAL AND SOCIETY I | 4 quarter hours
(Undergraduate)
Classical Antiquity and the Middle Ages Representative works from the Bible, ancient Greek and Roman literature, and European literature of the Middle Ages. Emphasis on close reading of particular texts in different genres; all readings in English. Authors treated in this sequence may include: Homer, Sappho, Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides, Hippocrates, Aristophanes, Plato, Aristotle, Cicero, Lucretius, Ovid, Seneca, Plutarch, Augustine, Maimonides, Dante. Formerly ISP 210.

CPL 211 | GREAT IDEAS, THE INDIVIDUAL AND SOCIETY II | 4 quarter hours
(Undergraduate)
This course entails close reading and discussion of significant texts in Western culture from the Renaissance to the Enlightenment. Readings will reflect different genres and perspectives. Potential authors may include, for example, Machiavelli, Erasmus, Pisan, Luther, Teresa of Avila, Cervantes, Montaigne, Descartes, Locke, Voltaire, Wollstonecraft, Swift, Equiano, and Rousseau. Cross-listed with HST 234.

CPL 212 | GREAT IDEAS, THE INDIVIDUAL AND SOCIETY III | 4 quarter hours
(Undergraduate)
The Modern Era Representative works of European literature from the French Revolution to the modern period. Emphasis on close reading of particular texts in different genres; all readings in English. Authors treated in this sequence may include: Hegel, Kierkegaard, Marx, Melville, Flaubert, Nietzsche, Freud. Formerly ISP 212.

CPL 240 | VOICES OF WAR AND PEACE; ART, LITERATURE AND FILM | 4 quarter hours
(Undergraduate)
This course is an overview of the ways in which the arts, including literature and film, portray warfare and the attempts to end violence and build reconciliation and peace. Cross-listed with PAX 240.

CPL 242 | PICTURES OF INJUSTICE: NARRATIVE ARTS IN SOCIAL JUSTICE MOVEMENTS | 4 quarter hours
(Undergraduate)
This course will critically examine social justice themes in documentary and feature films in order to consider the role film and filmmaking can play in social justice movements. Together, we will carefully analyze a wide variety of films with the goal of critically examining their representations of race, gender, class and their depiction of agency of their subjects. We will also examine the storytelling and technical techniques used by filmmakers and how those techniques support the goals of filmmakers. Finally, we will examine case studies of activists who are using film and film-making as a part of movements for social justice. Students will leave this course with a better understanding of the ethics of filmmaking and the use of film in social movements. They will be more critical consumers of media and more familiar with a variety of social justice issues. Cross-listed with PAX 242.

CPL 301 | EPIC AND ROMANCE | 4 quarter hours
(Undergraduate)
Study of examples of heroic literature from a variety of cultures, including Western and non-Western civilizations.