

LIT 4804 LITERATURE AS CULTURAL STUDY: LOVE, SEX, AND DESIRE FALL 2017

Time/Place	T & R 2:00-3:15pm/ Cooper 349
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**Course Topic: “Love, Sex, and Desire”**

This course will explore love, romance, sexuality, and desire, as they are represented in the historical and modern world. Students will read representative literary, essayistic, and filmic texts from selective cultures. The class will analyze how texts construct and deconstruct love, sex, friendship, and marriage, and comment on transgressive and “virtuous” practices. The course will trace the cultural history of modern sexuality as it moves from gender-based repression to sexual freedom, romantic marriage, the nuclear family, and progressive concepts of relationships and pansexuality.

This course has no language and is taught in English: readings in translation, films with subtitles, and discussions in English.

Required course for the BA in World Languages and Cultures (all languages, Classics, Applied Linguistics)