

# **Syllabus**

Course Code	Course Title	ECTS Credits
LALI-335DL	Childrens Literature	6
Prerequisites	Department	Semester
LALI-135DL, LALI-120DL	Languages & Literature	Spring
Type of Course	Field	Language of Instruction
Elective	Literature	English
Level of Course	Lecturer(s)	Year of Study
1 <sup>st</sup> Cycle	Dr Polina Mackay	2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup>
Mode of Delivery	Work Placement	Corequisites
Distance Learning	N/A	LALI-274DL, 320DL, 491DL

#### **Course Objectives:**

The main objectives of the course are to:

- To explore children's literature as a distinct genre
- To examine the ways in which children's literature feeds into the body of literature in English

#### **Learning Outcomes:**

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

- Understand the traditions of, and innovations in, Children's Literature in English from the early nineteenth century to the present
- Recognize and assess Children's Literature as a genre in its own right
- Situate Children's Literature within a literary, cultural and historical context
- Understand the place of Children's Literature in the literary marketplace
- Formulate interpretations of Children's Literature in coherent essays, assignments and research projects

#### **Course Content:**

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Edward Lear, The Book of Nonsense



- 3. Lewis Carroll, Alice in Wonderland
- 4. Alice in Wonderland continued
- 5. Alice in Wonderland continued
- 6. Robert Louis Stevenson, A Child's Garden of Verses
- 7. L. Frank Baum, The Wonderful Wizard of Oz
- 8. The Wonderful Wizard of Oz continued
- 9. Roald Dahl, Revolting Rhymes
- 10. Roald Dahl, Matilda
- 11. Dahl, Matilda
- 12. Reflection and summary of the course

## **Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:**

Lectures, forums, individual and group work.

#### **Assessment Methods:**

Essay, Course Participation, Final Exam

## Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
The Book of Nonsense	Edward Lear	www.gutenberg.org	1846	n/a
Alice in Wonderland	Lewis Carroll	www.gutenberg.org	1865	n/a
A Child's Garden of Verses	Robert Louis Stevenson	www.gutenberg.org	1885	n/a
The Wonderful Wizard of Oz	L. Frank Baum	www.gutenberg.org	1900	n/a
Revolting Rhymes	Roald Dahl	Jonathan Cape	1982	9780141807812
Matilda	Roald Dahl	Jonathan Cape	1988	9788482240145



# **Recommended Textbooks / Readings:**

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Cambridge Companion To Children's Literature	M. O. Grenby	CUP	2009	978052186898
Children's Literature: ClassicTexts and Contemporary Trends	Heather Montgomery	Palgrave	2009	9780230227149
Children's Literature: A Reader's History from Aesop to Harry Potter	Seth Lerer	University of Chicago Press	2009	9780226473017