

CENS 202-101 Great Works of Literature from Central, Eastern and Northern Europe (ONLINE)

Class Participation (includes active participation in home study assignments through self-assessment on Canvas (20%), as well as attendance of Zoom lectures (10%))	30%
Short Reflection for Group Work and Presentation: 21 November 2022	10%
Midterm on CANVAS (Lockdown Browser): 9 November 2023, 11-12:20 PST	30%
Either Final Essay, due on 7 December 2023 at midnight PST	30%
Or Final Exam on CANVAS (Lockdown Browser): 7 December 2023, 11-12:20PST	30%

This course discusses Europe from a decentred point of view. Its goal is to question where Europe begins, ends, and where its centre could be located, culturally and geographically. We critically review hierarchies of power in a short story by Franz Kafka, the colonial context of European identity by reading a fairy tale by Danish author Hans Christian Andersen, discuss how Germany dealt with the Holocaust after 1945 (Bernhard Schlink: *The Reader*), and look at Europe from the East by focusing on post-communist Europe and the 'Balkan' region (Slavenka Drakulić: *Café Europa Revisited*). We will also study journalistic writings and documentaries that deal with the EU extension in 2004.

The course is taught online, with the class meeting on Zoom every Tuesday, 11-12:20 PST.

More information found here: <https://blogs.ubc.ca/markushallensleben/courses-2023-24/>

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