Teaching French Adolescent Literature: Secondary
LLED 423 (3.0) – Course Outline

Evaluation

Reading, attendance, and participation (15%)

Synopsis of a novel (25%)
Students will write and present a synopsis on a novel (selected from a list) describing the following elements: structure of the text, main characters, time and space, and themes.

Annotated bibliography (25%)
Students will create an annotated bibliography consisting of 5 texts (e.g. novels, picture books, non-fiction, etc.). This bibliography may be created in support of a theme or particular grade depending upon your personal needs and interests.

Lesson Plan - Presentation of the lesson (25%)
Students will choose a short story from the required reading and develop a lesson for the grade level and the program of your choice.

Peer evaluation of colleagues’ presentations (10%)

Description

The course is taught entirely in French. This is not a course for beginners of French.

This course introduces teacher candidates specializing in French immersion, core French and the Francophone Program to an overview of teaching French literature to adolescents. The course focuses on contemporary literature from Québec as well as from France and other francophone countries. It examines several important aspects of this literature—including the different genres written for adolescents, cultural aspects, themes and values embedded in adolescent novels and problems of censorship—and the use of adolescent literature in the classroom.

Objectives

Students will:
- Explore a range of work in young adult literature, and familiarize themselves with the different genres and particularities of the literature.
- Discover a range of Francophone authors and publishers, as well as reference magazines and Websites dedicated to Francophone young adult literature.
- Explore literary elements and theories.
- Study themes, cultures, and values found in literary works for adolescents.
- Appreciate, discuss, understand and evaluate literary works for adolescents.
- Develop ways to create interaction between students and young adult literature
- Create and adapt activities and lessons using young adult literature

Required Course Material

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