

CHS304 Modern Chinese Literature of Malaysia (马来西亚现代华文文学)

Level: 3

Credit Units: 5 Credit Units

Language: CHINESE

Presentation Pattern: EVERY JULY

Synopsis:

CHS304 systematically introduces the 100-year history of Chinese literature in Malaysia from 1919 to 2019, providing a general overview and important works of writers, covering literary trends, literary movements and literary creation. Students will have a deeper understanding of the development of Chinese literature in Malaysia. They will also be able to examine and appreciate the works of important writers in various periods from the perspective of history and aesthetics. We will also evaluate the ideological and artistic characteristics of important works.

Topics:

- The origin, definition and characteristics of Malaysia Chinese literature 马华文学的起源、定义和特征
- Developmental characteristics of pre-war Malaysia Chinese literature 战前马华文学的发展特征
- The period of strong diaspora awareness 侨民意识浓厚期 (1919-1924)
- The germination and promotion period of Nanyang characteristics 南洋色彩萌芽与提倡期 (1925-1932)
- Malayan locality advocacy period 马来亚地方性提倡期 (1932-1936)
- The period of rising diaspora awareness 侨民意识腾涨期 (1937-1942)
- The Advocacy Period of the Uniqueness of Malaya Chinese literature 马华文学独特性提倡期 (1945-1948)
- The setback period of local consciousness 本地意识受挫期 (1948-1953)
- The expansion period of local consciousness 本地意识拓展期 (1953-1965)
- The quiescence period of Malaysia Chinese literature 马华文学沉寂期 (1965-1979)
- The flourishing period of Malaysia Chinese literature 马华文学繁盛期 (1979-2000)
- Trans-century Malaysian Chinese Literature: Humanistic Care and Nation Building 跨世纪的马华文学：人文关怀与国族建构
- Trans-century Malaysian Chinese Literature: Ecological and Social Theory in Malaysia Chinese poetry 跨世纪的马华文学：马华诗歌中的生态与社会理论

Learning Outcome:

- Examine the literary phenomenon of modern Chinese literature in Malaysia
- Distinguish the historical significance of various literary trends and schools of thought of modern Chinese literature in Malaysia
- Illustrate the formation process of the literary characteristics and styles of modern Chinese literature in Malaysia
- Analyze the characteristics of the development of modern Chinese literature in Malaysia
- Appraise the literary works of selected writers and their status in literary history
- Apply knowledge learnt to evaluate the ideological and artistic characteristics of selected works

Assessment Strategies - Regular Semester (Evening Class):

Components	Description	Weightage Allocation (%)
Overall Continuous Assessment	TUTOR-MARKED ASSIGNMENT 1	25
	TUTOR-MARKED ASSIGNMENT 2	25
Overall Examinable Components	ECA	50
Total		100

*The information listed is subject to review and change.