### SHORT STORY

Saturday: 16:00-17:40 Room: 124

Winter 2020 ARAKUNIVERSITY ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

### COURSE OBJECTIVES:

To get acquainted with the short story as a modern literary form/genre To study the history of the short story
To practice how to analyze, interpret, and criticize the short story

### COURSE DESCRIPTION:

The course begins with an introduction about the short story. A brief historical sketch about the short story will be presented and the key figures of western writers of the genre will be introduced. Then the elements of the short story will be discussed. The elements are actually discussed via analyses of the short stories listed below. A key point will be the way 'reality' is reproduced/reconstructed in the story as well as how the writer portrays man in various situations and contexts of social and individual life.

### TOPICS:

Introduction
Historical background
Types of short story
Short story theories
Short story elements (character, setting, plot, theme, conflict, etc.)
Analyses of some short stories

## COURSE GRADE:

- 1. Mid-term Exam: ... 35% (Far. 30, 1399; April 19, 2020)
- 2. Final Exam: ...50%
- 3. Paper/Short Story\*: ... 15% ... (Khor. 10, 1399; May 30, 2020)

\*(You are to choose one of the followings as your term assignment:

- A. To write a short story
- B. To write an original paper about one of the short stories on the list
- C. To write a review paper about a short story
- D. To write a report on your reflections about 5 short stories written by a writer
- E. To rewrite a short story (a short story, poem, or play)
- F. To study and discuss 10 short story writers)

### **OFFICE HOURS\*:**

Monday: 08:30-09:30 Tuesday: 11:00-12:00 \*And by appointment

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# **Term Schedule:**

Week 1: Introduction
Week 2: 1. Ernest Hemingway (1899-1961) A Clean Well-Lighted Place; The Killers
2. Leo Tolstoy (1828-1910) God Sees the Truth, but Waits (Translated by Louise & Aylmer Maude)
Week 3: 3. James Joyce (1882-1941) Araby 4. Katherine Mansfield (1888-1923) Psychology
Week 4: 5. Anton Chekhov (1860-1904) The Dependents; Misery; A Nightmare 6. Guy de Maupassant (1850-1893) Boule De Suif
Week 5: 7. Henry James (1843-1916) The Real Thing 8. William Faulkner (1897-1962) A Rose for Emily
Week 6: 9. Gustave Flaubert (1821-1880) A Simple Heart
Week 7: 10. Washington Irving (1783-1859) The Devil and Tom Walker
Week 8: 11. Nathaniel Hawthorne (1804-1864) The Minister's Black Veil
Week 9: Mid-Term Exam
Week 10: 12. Herman Melville (1819-1891) Bartleby, the Scrivener
Week 11: 13. Virginia Woolf (1864-1938) Kew Gardens
Week 12: 14. Franz Kafka (1883-1924)The Metamorphosis (Translated by Willa & Edwin Muir)
Week 13: 15. Nikolay Vasilyevich Gogol (1809-1852) The Overcoat
Week 14: 16. Jorge Luis Borges (1899-1986) The Book of Sand; The Library of Babel; The Zahir; The Aleph
Week 15: 17. Edgar Allan Poe (1809-1849) William Wilson
Week 16: 18. Raymond Carver (1939-1988) One More Thing 19. Alice Munro Runaway

# **Stories for further study:**

- 1. E. T. A. Hoffmann ... The Sandman
- 2. Willa Cather ... Paul's Case
- 3. Raymond Carver ... What We Talk About When We Talk About Love
- 4. Chekhov ... The Bet
- 5. Guy de Maupassant ... The Necklace
- 6. Katherine Mansfield ... Miss Brill
- 7. Katherine Anne Porter ... He
- 8. Edgar Allan Poe ... The Black Cat; The Purloined Letter
- 9. Washington Irving ... Rip Van Winkle; The Legend of Sleepy Hollow
- 10. Nathaniel Hawthorne ... Young Goodman Brown; Dr. Heidegger's Experiment
- 11. Charles Beaumont...The Vanishing American
- 12. Stephen Crane...A Mystery of Heroism; The Bride Comes to Yellow Sky
- 13. D. H. Lawrence...The Rocking-Horse Winner
- 14. Ray Bradbury...The Million Year Picnic
- 15. Anne Tyler...Average Wave in Unprotected Waters
- 16. Wallace Stegner...The Traveller
- 17. Albert Camus...The Guest
- 18. Ernest Hemingway ...In Another Country; Cat in the Rain; Old Man at the Bridge; Hills like White Elephants
- 19. Graham Green ... The Destructors
- 20. Eudora Welty ... A Worn Path
- 21. Shirley Jackson ... The Lottery
- 22. O. Henry ... A Municipal Report
- 23. Susan Glaspell ... A Jury of Her Peers
- 24. Flannery O'Connor ... A Good Man Is Hard to Find

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# <u>Terms</u>

1. Art-tale

2. a character

3. allegory

4. anecdote

5. antagonist

6. anticlimax

7. atmosphere

8. ballad

9. beast fable

10. character

11. character story

12. characteristics

13. climax

14. comedy

15. complications

16. conflict

17. conte

18. conte devot

19. conundrum

20. creation myth

21. crisis

22. dirty realism

23. emotion

24. epic

25. epiphany

26. episode

27. essay

28. event

29. exemplum

30. fable

31. fabliau

32. fairy tale

33. fantasy

34. folktale

35. frame-story

36. genre

37. hoax

38. humor

39. hyperrealism

40. incident

41. informal essay

42. irony

43. lai

44. legend

45. local color

46. Marchen

47. metaphor

48. minimalism

49. mode

50. mood

51. motif

52. myth

53. narrative

54. naturalism

55. novel

56. novelette, novella

57. parable

58. picaresque

59. plot

60. point of view

61. protagonist

62. realism

63. riddle

64. romance

65. romanticism

66. satire

67. setting

68. short story

69. short story cycle

70. short story sequence

71. short story composite

72. sketch

73. story of character

74. story of incident

75. subject

76. suspense

77. symbol

78. tale

79. theme

80. tone

81. tragedy

82. well-made story