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LIT 154: Europe/India: Literatures in Conversation

This course is concerned with the core questions we ask of literature: Why do we read stories? What do they do to us? How do they reflect and probe the human condition? In developing a cross-cultural understanding of the same general problems, the course poses a question that has even greater stakes in our globalizing world: how can we make cultures converse with each other? Topics of particular interest will be conceptualizations of the "world" itself, the reception of tradition, the status of translation, and the aftermaths of imperialism. Authors will include Aristotle, Sappho, Goethe, Rushdie and Bacchan.



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