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## CROSS-EXAMINATIONS OF LAW AND LITERATURE

Edinburgh University Press

Defining Southern Literature delineates several phases in the story of Southern literature. Debate over what makes Southern literature different - or even Southern - goes back many decades, and among the answers has been the debate itself, a uniquely pervasive regional self-consciousness over what makes Southern culture different. Certainly no other American region has been so distinctly

"marked" as the South has. Attempts to delineate the special mission, nature, problems, and virtues of Southern writers can be traced back at least to the 1830s, when editors called - with only slight success - for a sectional literature and more supportive Southern readers.

The Role of Place in Literature Cambridge University Press

Many of America's foremost, and most beloved, authors are also southern and female: Mary Chesnut, Kate Chopin, Ellen Glasgow, Zora Neale Hurston, Eudora Welty, Harper Lee, Maya Angelou, Anne Tyler, Alice Walker, and Lee Smith, to name several. Designating a writer as "southern" if her work reflects the region's grip on her life, Carolyn Perry and Mary

Louise Weaks have produced an invaluable guide to the richly diverse and enduring tradition of southern women's literature. Their comprehensive history—the first of its kind in a relatively young field—extends from the pioneer woman to the career woman, embracing black and white, poor and privileged, urban and Appalachian perspectives and experiences. The History of Southern Women's Literature allows readers both to explore individual authors and to follow the developing arc of various genres across time. Conduct books and slave narratives; Civil War diaries and letters; the antebellum, postbellum, and modern novel; autobiography and memoirs; poetry; magazine and newspaper

writing—these and more receive close attention. Over seventy contributors are represented here, and their essays discuss a wealth of women's issues from four centuries: race, urbanization, and feminism; the myth of southern womanhood; preset images and assigned social roles—from the belle to the mammy—and real life behind the facade of meeting others' expectations; poverty and the labor movement; responses to Uncle Tom's Cabin and the influence of *Gone with the Wind*. The history of southern women's literature tells, ultimately, the story of the search for freedom within an "insidious tradition," to quote Ellen Glasgow. This teeming volume validates the deep contributions and pleasures of an impressive body of writing and marks a major achievement in women's and literary studies.

*A Short History of German Literature*  
Wilfrid Laurier Univ. Press

In Romania at the height of Ceausescu's reign, several young people leave the impoverished provinces for the city in search of better prospects, but they must face betrayal, suicide, and the reality that even the strongest must bend to the oppressors or resist and die.

*The New Land* TCU Press

The phrase literature and environment only achieved popularity in recent decades, yet writers dating back to the explorers of the 1500s—and later such 19th-century Romanticists as Thoreau—have long been addressing environmental issues through literary expression. This volume introduces students and educators to the field by tracing the evolution of environmental writing in the United States. Chapters written by distinguished scholars offer new perspectives on important environmental issues, guiding readers through 11 carefully selected literary works. Each chapter provides brief biographical information on the author, discussions of the work's structural, thematic, and stylistic components, and insights into the historical context that relates the work to relevant environmental issues. Each chapter concludes with information on works cited. The analyzed works cover a wide spectrum of literature and span nearly 100 years. Included are early writings, such as Mary Austin's 1903 *The Land of Little Rain*, and famous groundbreaking works, such as Rachel Carson's *Silent Spring* (1962) and Gary Snyder's *Turtle Island* (1974). Also included are frequently assigned works of special interest to students, such as *The Monkey Wrench Gang* (1975), *The Earthsea Trilogy* (1977), and *Ceremony*

(1977). A list of selected further suggested readings completes the volume. Students of literature, as well as educators looking for new ways to present social issues, will find many ideas and much inspiration in this volume.

*The Land of Green Plums* Minnesota Historical Society Press

In the eighteenth century, literature meant learned writings; by the twentieth century, literature had come to be identified with imaginative, aesthetically significant works, and academic literary studies had developed special protocols for interpreting and valuing literary texts. *Literature in the Making* examines what happened in between: how literature came to be more precisely specified and valued; how it was organized into genres, canons, and national traditions; and how it became the basis for departments of modern languages and literatures in research universities. Modern literature, the version of literature familiar today, was an international invention, but it was forged when literary cultures, traditions, and publishing industries were mainly organized nationally. *Literature in the Making* examines modern literature's coalescence and institutionalization in the United States, considered as an instructive instance of a phenomenon that was going global. Since modern literature initially offered a way to formulate the value of legacy texts by authors such as Homer, Cervantes, and Shakespeare, however, the development of literature and literary culture in the U.S. was fundamentally transnational. *Literature in the Making* argues that Shakespeare studies, one of the richest tracts of nineteenth-century U.S. literary culture, was a key domain in which literature came to be valued both for fuelling modern projects and for safeguarding values and practices that modernity put at risk—a foundational paradox that continues to shape literary studies and literary culture. Bringing together the histories of literature's competing conceptualizations, its print infrastructure, its changing status in higher education, and its life in public culture during the long nineteenth century, *Literature in the Making* offers a robust account of how and why literature mattered then and matters now. By highlighting the lively collaboration between academics and non-academics that prevailed before the ascendancy of the research university starkly divided experts from amateurs, *Literature in the Making* also opens new possibilities for envisioning how academics might partner with the reading public.

**Literature in the Making** UPNE

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## LITERATURE AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Cambridge University Press

Literature not only represents Canada as "our home and native land" but has been used as evidence of the civilization needed to claim and rule that land. Indigenous people have long been represented as roaming "savages" without land title and without literature. *Literary Land Claims: From Pontiac's War to Attawapiskat* analyzes works produced between 1832 and the late 1970s by writers who resisted these dominant notions. Margery Fee examines John Richardson's novels about Pontiac's War and the War of 1812 that document the breaking of British promises to Indigenous nations. She provides a close reading of Louis Riel's addresses to the court at the end of his trial in 1885, showing that his vision for sharing the land derives from the Indigenous value of respect. Fee argues that both Grey Owl and E. Pauline Johnson's visions are obscured by challenges to their authenticity. Finally, she shows how storyteller Harry Robinson uses a contemporary Okanagan framework to explain how white refusal to share the land meant that Coyote himself had to make a deal with the King of England. Fee concludes that despite support in social media for Theresa Spence's hunger strike, *Idle No More*, and the Indian Residential School Truth and Reconciliation Commission, the story about "savage Indians" and "civilized Canadians" and the latter group's superior claim to "develop" the lands and resources of Canada still circulates widely. If the land is to be respected and shared as it should be, literary studies needs a new critical

narrative, one that engages with the ideas of Indigenous writers and intellectuals.

Encyclopedia of the Environment in American Literature University of Georgia Press

This encyclopedia introduces readers to American poetry, fiction and nonfiction with a focus on the environment (broadly defined as humanity's natural surroundings), from the discovery of America through the present. The work includes biographical and literary entries on material from early explorers and colonists such as Columbus, Bartolomé de Las Casas and Thomas Harriot; Native American creation myths; canonical 18th- and 19th-century works of Jefferson, Emerson, Thoreau, Whitman, Hawthorne, Twain, Dickinson and others; to more recent figures such as Jack London, Ernest Hemingway, Norman Mailer, Stanley Cavell, Rachel Carson, Jon Krakauer and Al Gore. It is meant to provide a synoptic appreciation of how the very concept of the environment has changed over the past five centuries, offering both a general introduction to the topic and a valuable resource for high school and university courses focused on environmental issues.

By-ways in Book-land Scarecrow Press

Land/Relations examines colonial, national, historical, and social relations that have given shape to a body of literature in Canada and the politics and possibilities of solidarity across geography and communities, bridging genres and critical methods to propose new directions for cultural accountability and critique.

#### **The Fine Art of Literary Mayhem**

Fairleigh Dickinson Univ Press

NOVEL OF A MAN EMBARKS IN ON ODYSSEY OF SELF-DISCOVERY WHILE DRIVING A LONELY MINNESOTA HIGHWAYS.

A Companion to American Literature Univ of California Press

For better or worse, representations abound of Native Americans as a people with an innate and special connection to the earth. This study looks at the challenges faced by Native American writers who confront stereotypical representations as they assert their own ethical relationship with the earth. Lee Schwenger considers a range of genres (memoirs, novels, stories, essays) by Native writers from various parts of the United States. Contextualizing these works within the origins, evolution, and perpetuation of the "green" labels imposed on American Indians, Schwenger shows how writers often find themselves denying some land ethic stereotypes while seeming to embrace others. Taken together, the time periods

covered in *Listening to the Land* span more than a hundred years, from Luther Standing Bear's description of his late-nineteenth-century life on the prairie to Linda Hogan's account of a 1999 Makah hunt of a gray whale. Two-thirds of the writers Schwenger considers, however, are well-known voices from the second half of the twentieth century, including N. Scott Momaday, Louise Erdrich, Vine Deloria Jr., Gerald Vizenor, and Louis Owens. Few ecocritical studies have focused on indigenous environmental attitudes, in comparison to related work done by historians and anthropologists. *Listening to the Land* will narrow this gap in the scholarship; moreover, it will add individual Native American perspectives to an understanding of what, to these writers, is a genuine Native American philosophy regarding the land.

Land/Relations Bloomsbury Publishing USA

In this book, editors Karen E. Waldron and Robert Friedman have assembled a collection of essays that study the interconnections between literature and the environment to theorize literary ecology. The disciplinary perspectives in these essays allow readers to comprehend places and environments, and to represent, express, or strive for that comprehension through literature. Contributors to this volume explore the works of several authors, including Gary Snyder, Karen Tei Yamashita, Rachel Carson, Terry Tempest Williams, Chip Ward, and Mary Oliver. Other essays discuss such topics as urban fiction as a model of literary ecology, the geographies of belonging in the work of Native American poets, and the literary ecology of place in "new" nature writing. Investigating texts for the complex interconnections they represent, this book suggests what such texts might teach us about the interconnections of our own world.

The History of Southern Women's

Literature Cambridge University Press

A Brief History of American Literature offers students and general readers a concise and up-to-date history of the full range of American writing from its origins until the present day. Represents the only up-to-date concise history of American literature Covers fiction, poetry, drama and non-fiction, as well as looking at other forms of literature including folktales, spirituals, the detective story, the thriller and science fiction Considers how our understanding of American literature has changed over the past twenty years Offers students an abridged version of *History of American Literature*, a book widely

considered the standard survey text Provides an invaluable introduction to the subject for students of American literature, American studies and all those interested in the literature and culture of the United States

The Literary News Cambridge University Press

Papers originally presented at a workshop held at the University of Calgary on Aug. 1-5, 1977.

A Manual of American Literature University of New Mexico Press

Blake Allmendinger's *A History of California Literature* surveys the paradoxical image of the Golden State as a site of dreams and disenchantment, formidable beginnings and ruinous ends. This history encompasses the prismatic nature of California by exploring a variety of historical periods, literary genres, and cultural movements affecting the state's development, from the colonial era to the twenty-first century. Written by a host of leading historians and literary critics, this book offers readers insight into the tensions and contradictions that have shaped the literary landscape of California and also American literature generally.

The Man who Heard the Land Fourth

Dimension Publishing Company

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#### **Literature in the Digital Age** Wilfrid

Laurier Univ. Press

A Study Guide for Diana Garcia's "The Flat of the Land," excerpted from Gale's acclaimed *Short Stories for Students*. This concise study guide includes plot summary; character analysis; author biography; study questions; historical context; suggestions for further reading; and much more. For any literature project, trust *Short Stories for Students* for all of your research needs.

#### **THE CREATION OF SACRED LITERATURE**

Forgotten Books

This book guides readers through the most salient theoretical and creative possibilities opened up by the shift to digital literary forms.

#### **TOWARD A LITERARY ECOLOGY**

McFarland

The author, writer and critic, proposes that an incursion into literature - land of the imagination - is not unlike travel to foreign lands, and is more egalitarian because it demands fewer outward requirements on

the part of the reader. She sets her mission, or artistic manifesto - 'I believe in the creative ability of people' - into this context and henceforth presents a series of five pieces intending to stimulate the reader's interest in works of Nigerian and foreign writers such as Amadi, Achebe, Baldwin, Wordsworth and Tennyson. These pieces bridge modes of criticism and

creative writing and comprise the author's own poetry, explanations of her methods of writing and the creative process. She reflects upon the relationship between parent and child, lovers and man and God in life and as presented in literature. The middle section includes a short story and some 'literary nonsense'. The remaining two parts are offerings around the

associations of colour and the opposing sentiments of fear and courage, despair and hope, war and peace, and hatred and love.

**Academy and Literature** Oxford University Press

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