

# Global Learning Semesters

## Course Syllabus

Course: EDUC-104 Child Literature I

Department: Education

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
EDUC-104	Child Literature I	3
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Fall, Spring	42	None
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
Education	Lower Division	Greek

### Course Description

Children and books. Literature for children. What kind of books children need. How to choose books for children. Main kinds of books: picture books; nursery rhymes and ballads; traditional tales; mythology and fantasy stories; humoristic books; animal stories; realistic stories, novels; adventure and historical stories; biographies; encyclopedias; theatre; poetry. Tales and babbles-origin categories. The scientific "tale". The main tale-tellers (authors): Andersen, Kipling, Wylde, Varalis, George Sarris, Kira Synou, Petronda et al. Children and Poetry. Poetical anthologies for children. How to choose poems for children. Child art and literature. The place of children's books in a technological age.

### Instructor

Mr. Demetrios Dolapsakis

### Course Aims and Objectives

After completing this lesson students will be able to:  
Identify the kinds of children's literature (myths and fairy tales, etc.).  
Understand the history behind the evolution of children's literature  
Develop the skill to narrate stories to children

### Teaching Methods

The course is delivered through a mixture of lectures, practical exercises and assignments

### Course Teaching Hours

42 hours. The course is delivered during the Fall and Spring semesters in 14-weeks (3 hours/week).

### Evaluation and Grading

Homework: 20%  
Mid-Term: 30%  
Final Exam: 40%  
Participation: 10%

## Readings and Resources

### Required Textbook

Kanatsouli, M. (1997). Introduction to theory and criticism of children's literature. Thessaloniki: University Studio Press.

### Recommended Reading

Karkides, I. Greek Mythology. Athens: Ekdotiki Athens, (5 volumes).