

# MCSU Students' Corner 2025 – Program

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All times are in CEST. Each session includes 15-minute presentations and 30 minutes for discussion at the end of each panel. The conference is held online via MS Teams.

**9:00 - 10:45 PANEL 1**

## Literature A

### [Memory, Trauma, and the Politics of Identity](#)

Chair: Bartosz Kołodziejczyk

**Öykü Demir (Bilkent University, Türkiye)**  
Historical Trauma and Collective Memory in Joy Harjo's Poetry

**Gyula Tóth (University of Szeged, Hungary)** Memory, Trauma, and the Importance of Remembering in Kazuo Ishiguro's The Buried Giant and Daniel Kehlmann's *Tyll*

## Literature B

### [Gender, Power, and the Female Perspective](#)

Chair: Patrycja Szczepańska

**Kamila Grzegolec (Jan Kochanowski University of Kielce, Poland)** From Seductress to Victim: The Evolution of Critical Perspectives on Dolores Haze in Vladimir Nabokov's "Lolita"

**Hamdi Emre Kelekçi (Erciyes University, Türkiye)** Wonder Woman: Tempest Tossed How it Diverges from Traditional Superhero Genre

## Language & Didactics

### [Language, Culture, and Identity in EFL Contexts](#)

Chair: Oliwia Jędras

**Yousif Al-Naddaf (University of Warsaw, Poland)** Cultural Transmission and English Learning: The Role of Parents in Arab EFL Contexts

**Nitish Kumar Mishra (UMCS Lublin, Poland)** The Power of Social Communication: Using Social Narrative as a Didactic Tool

## Culture & Media

### [Gender, Power & Representation in Visual Media](#)

Chair: Julia Kołodziejczuk

**Mariusz Wysokiński (UMCS Lublin, Poland)** Depiction of Female Characters in American War Genre Films

**Julia Płaczkiewicz (University of Warsaw, Poland)** Through Her Eyes: Reimagining Rape-Revenge Narratives in the #MeToo Era

## MigrMedia Erasmus+

### [Migration, Identity & Belonging](#)

Chair: Jonah A. Dawidziuk

**Angelika Grelewski (UMCS Lublin, Poland)** Intersectional Immigrant Identity: Rihanna as a Voice for the Marginalized

**Betül Serra Aslankaya (Erciyes University, Türkiye)** Politic of Belonging from Different Aspects: The Movies "Moscow on the Hudson (1984) and "House of Sand and Fog (2003)

**Merve Yavuz (Erciyes University, Türkiye)** When Stars Are Scattered: Analysis of How Migration, Life in Refugee Camps and Adapting To A Life As An Exile Are Pictured Through Adolescent Perspective

**Julia Wajdziak (University of Warsaw, Poland)** From Collectivity to Embodiment: Political Engagement in Eileen Myles's Selected Poetry

**Yofrina Octika Gultom (National Dong Hwa University, Taiwan)** Beyond Words: Exploring Language Exchange and Cultural Connection at Speak Dating 2024 in Zhutian

**Martyna ? (UMCS Lublin, Poland)** From Prey to Protector: The Transformation of Female Roles in Horror Cinema

**Dominik Włodarczyk (UMCS Lublin, Poland)** Migrations to and from Night City, the Nomads and social mobility in the world of Cyberpunk 2077

**Jagoda Ołdak (University of Warsaw, Poland)** Melancholia Goes To Sleep: Reinterpreting Melancholic Imagery in Ottessa Moshfegh's "My Year of Rest and Relaxation"

**Emine Sayer, Betül Ateşçi Koçak (Erciyes University, Türkiye)** Identity Construction through Transnational Feminism in Minaret by Leila Aboulela

**Limuel M. Asuncion (Polytechnic University of the Philippines - Manila)** One Day, Isang Araw: Exploring the Lexical Gaps in Translated Kwentong Pambata

**Ewelina Łowicka (Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań, Poland)** When the Object Looks Back: Performativity and the Queer Gaze in The Fits (2015) and Tomboy (2011)

**Hatice Özge Gice (Erciyes University, Türkiye)** Culture and Border Themes Through the Short Stories That Evening Sun Go Down and The Boundary

**Xiang Junru (Xiangtan University, China)** Self-Loss, Seeking and Restoration –Jack Burns' Quest for His True Self in Until I Find You

**Anna Harasim (UMCS Lublin, Poland)** Migration Narratives in the Superhero Media

## 11:00 - 12:45 PANEL 2

Literature A	Literature B	Language & Didactics	Culture & Media	MigraMedia Erasmus+
<a href="#"><u>MIGRAMEDIA: Migration, Exile, and Transnational Identities</u></a> Chair: Dominik Włodarczyk	<a href="#"><u>Music, Performance, Perfection</u></a> Chair: Angelika Grelewsko	<a href="#"><u>The Political and the Metaphorical</u></a> Chair: Julia Jaśkowska	<a href="#"><u>Symbols, Aesthetics &amp; Cultural Commentary</u></a> Chair: Anna Harasim	<a href="#"><u>Representation, Humor &amp; Trauma</u></a> Chair: Zbigniew Mazur
Yasser Khazne (Erciyes University, Türkiye) Beyond Words and Borders: Representing Migration in Graphic Narratives	Diana Kameckova (Prešov University, Slovakia) Literature and Rap Music: Selected fictions	Natalia Talavira (Kyiv National Linguistic University, Ukraine) Four Years Apart: Constructional Perspective on President Trump's Inaugurals	Jakub and Katarzyna Czarnota (UMCS Lublin, Poland) The Secrets Hidden in Paintings: The Symbolism of "The Arnolfini Portrait" by Jan van Eyck	Patrycja Szczepańska (UMCS Lublin, Poland) Canadian Migrants VS The not-Donald Trump - South Park's Humorous Portrayal of the 2016 Migration Issues in Season 19
Sneha Pan (University of Münster, Germany) Beyond Words: Post-Human Perspectives on Trauma and Communication in Shaun Tan's 'The Arrival' through the Portrayal of Animals and Companions in a Silent World	Zhe Xiong (Xiangtan University, China) On the Dual-Perspective Metaphor of Roads in Bob Dylan's "Rough and Rowdy Ways"	Helena Żegnałek (University of Warsaw, Poland) Heroism and Victimhood in Trump's and Tarrant's Narratives: A Comparative Analysis of Far-Right and Populist Right-Wing Discourses	Liu Xinyue (Xiangtan University, China) The Communication and Evolution of the Chinese Allusion of "Carps Leaping over Dragon Gate" in Vietnam	Aynur Uzun and Ferhat Ceylan (Erciyes University, Türkiye) Analysis of Acculturation and Ethnic Identity Through Ramy Series
Hatice Hande Koçer (Erciyes University, Türkiye) An Analysis of the Refugee Discourse in Barış Uygur's "Aliens in Istanbul," Published in Turkish Humorous Weekly Magazine Uykusuz	Mozdeh Sameti Dialogism in Diegetic Drama	Balázs Horváth (Corvinus University of Budapest) Whose Fault? Agency in Hungarian Political Crisis Communication	Natalia Derlukiewicz (UMCS Lublin, Poland) Intertextuality in Wes Anderson's Asteroid City	Bartosz Kołodziejczyk (UMCS Lublin, Poland) Creating an Impassive Community - Othering and Indoctrination in Bioshock's Rapture

<b>Ömer Duran (Erciyes University, Türkiye)</b> Internalized Perceptions of Migrants in Turkish Comics: Maksut's Story in Uykusuz	<b>Hysni Kafazi (University of Szeged, Hungary)</b> Liminality and Existentialism in Tennessee Williams's Clothes for a Summer Hotel	<b>Faith Benitha (UMCS Lublin, Poland)</b> Body Part Metaphor in Swahili Idiomatic Expression and Proverbs	<b>Caroline Boudin (University of Picardy Jules Verne, Amiens, France)</b> The Racial Diversity of Bridgerton: Between Colour-Blindness and Colour-Consciousness	<b>Aikaterini Drimiskianaki (University of Crete, Greece)</b> From Trauma to Asylum: The Representation of Torture Victims in the Documentary Those Who Survived – Stories of Dignity (2016)
<b>Jonah A. Dawidziuk (UMCS Lublin, Poland)</b> Blurring the Line Between Humanity and Monstrosity on the Basis of The Magnus Archives Podcast	<b>Anastasiia Yurchyshyn (UMCS Lublin, Poland)</b> The Instagram of Dorian Gray: the Concept of Perfection in Early 20th-Century Literature and Its Relevance Today	<b>Angelika Źak (UMCS Lublin, Poland)</b> Metaphors Our Brains Work By: On Visual Metaphors in Animated Films "Inside Out" (2015) And "Inside Out 2" (2024)	<b>Martyna Woźny (UMCS Lublin, Poland)</b> American Gothic Conventions: How Do They Manifest Themselves in Contemporary Tim Burton's Film Productions?	<b>Julia Kołodziejczuk (UMCS Lublin, Poland)</b> Taylor Swift: An Agent in the Fight for Equality and Rights of Minorities and Inspiration for Immigrants

### 13:00 - 14:45 PANEL 3

Literature A	Literature B	Language & Didactics	Culture & Media
<b><u>Postcolonialism, National Consciousness, and Political Resistance</u></b> Chair: Martyna Woźny	<b><u>Ethics, Morality, and Narrative Techniques</u></b> Chair: Zuzanna Kosmala	<b><u>Language, Emotion, and Perception</u></b> Chair:	<b><u>Media, Technology &amp; Control</u></b> Chair: Natalia Urawska
<b>Volkan Keklik (Erciyes University, Türkiye)</b> Three Influential Figures in Postcolonial Literary Theory: Frantz Fanon, Edward Said and Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak	<b>Bartosz Jastrzębski (Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń, Poland)</b> Linguistic Alienation and the Limits of Human Communication in "Annihilation"	<b>Suwandi, Ripi Hamdani Purba (National Sun Yat-sen Univ., Kaohsiung City; National Dong Hwa Univ., Hualien City, Taiwan)</b> Teacher Scaffolding in Online Grammar Instruction: Perceptions and Achievement Gains Among Indonesian EFL Learners	<b>Natalia Landek (Jagiellonian University in Kraków, Poland)</b> Redundancy Online: How Excessive Content Generation Influences Social Media?

<b>Hatice Yilmaz (Erciyes University, Türkiye)</b> Reconstruction of Identity through National Consciousness and Counter-Violence: A Fanonian Reading of Sevdalinka and The Country of White Lilies	<b>Evripidis Karavasilis (University of Barcelona, Spain)</b> "Fukú vs. Zafa": Or, Precarity vs. Care in Junot Díaz's "The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao" (2007)	<b>María Agustina Correa (Universit of Debrecen, Hungary)</b> Too Bold to Win? The Double Standards of Trash-Talking in Sports	<b>Julia Jaśkowska (UMCS Lublin, Poland)</b> Sugar, Soft Drinks and Water: Metonymies of American Corporate Greed
<b>Ahmet Karayonca (Erciyes University, Türkiye)</b> Tracing the Transculturality in the Muriel Spark's "Not to Disturb"	<b>Paula Sadkowska (The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, Poland)</b> Deep untrustworthiness or baffling reliability? The analysis of the narrators' honesty about conversational insincerity in You by Caroline Kepnes and Darkly Dreaming Dexter by Jeff Lindsay as a potential unreliability signal	<b>Onasis Silalahi (IGPEHD, Taiwan)</b> Exploring Synaesthesia in Indonesian Children's Poetry	<b>Sonia Rathore (UMCS Lublin, Poland)</b> The Art of Censorship – How Governments Use Culture and Media to Control Public Perception and Global Security
<b>Elena Signore ("G. d'Annunzio" University of Chieti-Pescara, Italy)</b> A new African American identity in the Harlem Renaissance	<b>Jan Kurpiński (University of Warsaw, Poland)</b> Take it an' say "Put us off if you can" – Radical egoism and greed in John Steinbeck's The Grapes of Wrath and Cannery Row	<b>Oliwia Jędras (UMCS Lublin, Poland)</b> The Paradox of Fear and Laughter: Analyzing Horror and Humor in Zombieland (2009)	<b>Osman Yildirim (Lund University, Sweden)</b> Framing the Middle East: American Orientalism, Media Discourse, and Cultural Hegemony
<b>Kamila Rogowska (The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, Poland)</b> Liberation or Alienation? The Influence of Tradition and Community on Stephen Dedalus in "A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man" by James Joyce	<b>Aleksandra Kolek and Aleksandra Kościuczuk (UMCS Lublin, Poland)</b> How the story of Charles Schmid inspired Joyce Carol Oates	<b>Jessica Angelina De Eloisa Tobing (National Dong Hwa University, Taiwan)</b> Communication Challenges of Indonesian Students in Taiwan: The Role of Translanguaging	<b>Liping Wang and Yousif Al-Naddaf (University of Warsaw, Poland)</b> Older and Younger Generations' Views of Western Culture: A Cross-Cultural Study in Poland, Qatar and China

**15:00 - 16:00 Keynote Lecture**

**Prof. Justin Rogers-Cooper:**  
**Mediating the 1877 General Strike: Race, Gender, and the Visual Cultures of Riot**  
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**16:15 - 18:00 PANEL 4**

**Literature A**

[\*\*Literature Meets Medicine: Graphic and Psychological Narratives\*\*](#)  
 Chair: Aleksandra Noińska

**Belma Şahin; Kenan Koçak (Erciyes University, Türkiye)**  
 A Comparative Study of Brian Fies' Mom's Cancer and Marisa Acocella Marchetto's Cancer Vixen as Graphic Medicine

**Emilia Nieradko (The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, Poland)** Ethical Choices Presented Through the Lens of Focalization in the Short Story "The Body Snatcher" by Robert Louis Stevenson

**Literature B**

[\*\*Environment – Real and Imagined\*\*](#)  
 Chair: Anastasiia Yurchyshyn

**Jonatan Sánchez Martínez (Universidad de Castilla-La Mancha, Spain)** Nature's Resistance: Ecocritical Insights into Poe's "Silence: A Fable"

**Aslı Nur Önem (Erciyes University, Türkiye)** Singing the Earth: Reimagining Urban Nature with Whitman and Snyder

**Culture & Media**

[\*\*Music, Identity & Activism\*\*](#)  
 Chair: Natalia Urawska

**Seval Şahin and Aleyna Utar (Erciyes University, Türkiye)** Cartel and Turkish Immigrants in 1990s Germany: Resistance and Identity Formation Through Rap Music

**Martyna Wójcik (The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, Poland)** Commodifying the Struggle: The Influence of Ghetto Activism on the Marketization of Hip-Hop

**Aleksandra Noińska (UMCS Lublin, Poland)** Contemporary Frankenstein and his favourite creation – Jigsaw and Amanda from the Saw franchise

**Eda Hacisagır, Betül Ateşci Koçak (Erciyes University, Türkiye)** Exploring Relational Dynamics in Margaret Atwood's Alias Grace through Relational-Cultural Theory

**Wiktoria Lech (The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, Poland)** Land seen as an opportunity in Natalie Baszile's novel Queen Sugar

**Michalina Pietrzak (University of Warsaw, Poland)** The Fallen, the Fantastic, the Foreign, and the Familiar: Four Londons of V.E.Schwab's A Darker Shade of Magic

**Zuzanna Kosmala (UMCS Lublin, Poland)** The Motif of Animal – Human Transformation in Colleen Houck's Tiger's Curse Fantasy Series

**Agata Zambrzycka (University of Warsaw, Poland)** Manifesting Feminism: Antislavery Activism of Sara and Angelina Grimke

**Natalia Urawska (UMCS Lublin, Poland)** The Many Faces of American Dream in "In the Heights" (2021)