



SPANISH 730
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Literature in Thirteenth-Century Castile: Time and Space in Medieval Iberian Literature

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This course will focus on the concept of space and time in the literary production of thirteenth-century Castile.

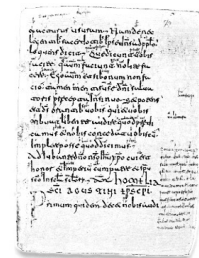
The primary texts to be studied include:

Alfonso X	Selections, <i>General estoria</i> , <i>Libro de los juegos</i>
Anon.	<i>Auto de los Reyes Magos</i>
Anon.	<i>Libro de Apolonio</i>
Anon.	<i>Historia de la donzella Teodor</i>
Gonzalo de Berceo	<i>Vida de Santa Oria</i>



Secondary readings will provide the necessary historical background for the analysis of the primary texts on the reading list. These critical readings texts will include selections from the following:

Bower, *A Companion to Mester de Clerecía Poetry*
 Dangler, *Edging toward Iberia*
 Dworkin, *A Guide to Old Spanish*
 Doubleday, *The Wise King*
 Menocal, *Ornament of the World*
 Pinet, *Task of the Cleric: Cartography, Translation, and Economics in Thirteenth-Century Iberia*



Class sessions will combine lecture with active discussion of the primary texts. Written work will include analytical papers, in-class oral presentations, and final examination.



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