



Fall 2009 ONLINE COURSE



Basque 452: BERNARDO ATXAGA

Course Description: The aim of this course is to study Basque literature, with a focus on Bernardo Atxaga's work. We will follow the evolution of Basque literature, identify its most distinctive features, and discuss contemporary trends. We will then move on to analyze the works of our most international Basque author, Bernardo Atxaga. We will approach the subject from different perspectives, comparing literary texts, contextualizing them in historical and sociological terms, and investigating literature's relationship to other art forms, such as music and cinema. Our goal is to investigate what defines this minority literature. We will also explore the enthusiastic global reception of Atxaga's fiction—in particular, *Obabakoak*, which has been translated into twenty-six languages—and study his short stories, poetry, drama, and writings for children and young people. In particular, we will look at the pre-eminence of the fantastic in Atxaga's works, the experimental style of his hybrid poetic texts, and the utopias and "heterotopias" of his realist novels.

Credits: 3 undergraduate

Instructor: Mari Jose Olaziregi, Ph.D.

Total cost: \$529.00 + texts

(If you are a new UNR student, a graduate application fee of \$60 will apply. Fees are subject to change.)

Enroll and pay fees by August 21, 2009.*

Contact the Independent Learning Office at (775) 784-4652 or 1-800-233-8928 for the required call numbers and information on how to register.

*Late registration until September 2, 2009.
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