

# SLAV 1850

# Understanding the Balkans:

# Introduction to Balkan Culture and Literature

# Spring 2021

## Tuesday/Thursday

11:05 a.m. - 12.20 p.m.

This course is an introduction to the Slavic countries of the Balkans (Croatia, Serbia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Northern Macedonia, Bulgaria, Montenegro, and Slovenia) from the 14th century up to their contemporary context.

In this course you will:

- Understand the term “Balkan” as both construct and geography
- Become familiar with some of the major authors of the region and their works
- Have a basic understanding of the cultural specificity of the Balkan countries
- Gain an appreciation for the literature and film of the region

## DSAS General Education Requirements:

- Diversity
- Cross-cultural Awareness
- Specific Geographic Region

## QUESTIONS?

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