Module title: Literature and Philosophy
Module code: COM501
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Level: 5

Content Description
This module offers an introduction to the relationship between literature and philosophy in European thought. Students will begin by exploring debates in classical thought concerning the respective functions of literature and philosophy, with a particular emphasis on Plato and Aristotle. We will then examine the renewed interactions between literature and philosophy in early twentieth-century European literature, through reading examples of philosophically-influenced short fiction by Thomas Mann, Virginia Woolf and Albert Camus. No prior knowledge of philosophy will be assumed.