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RESEARCH AREA

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ABOUT US

This research group approaches the study of the relationship between humans and the environment from the perspective of the humanities. In this sense, it should be noted that the theoretical starting point for our project, ecocriticism, was born as another branch of literary criticism which, together with philosophy, aimed at analysing the values, representations and ethical behavior with respect to nature and the environment in these cultural expressions. This discipline, which encompasses numerous related theories, has gradually developed, and is currently included in the wider field of Environmental Humanities.

The group consists of professors and researchers from various philologies and disciplines in the humanities from various universities, who have been working together since 2006. Their research is based on the study and analysis of the values, representations, and ethical behaviors with respect to nature in Western Language literatures as well as in cinema, art, or other means of cultural expression.

RESEARCH LINES

- Ecocriticism: theories, methods, and debates
- Environmental humanities: development and debates.
- Philosophy and critical theories and their application to textual analysis (ecofeminism, zocriticism, material ecocriticism, eco-postcolonialism, post-humanism).
- Thought, identity and cultural diversity in the perception of nature.
- Representations of nature in literature and other artistic discourses and media, among them, popular or youth literature, cinema, music, etc.
- Nature as otherness: the relationship of nature with other marginalized groups (indigenous, post-colonial and ethnic groups, animals, etc).
- Environmental ethics. Environmental awareness, activism, and justice in the humanities, particularly its reflection in cultural manifestations.
- Eco-translation, ecolinguistics and ethno-linguistics

OFFERED SERVICES

- Organization of conferences and seminars.
- Participation in the international peer reviewed journal Ecozon@ (editorial board, submission of manuscripts for consideration, etc.)
- Research stays.
- Supervision and consultation for final degree papers, final master's theses dissertations, and doctoral dissertations.

MARKETABLE RESULTS

