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Wednesdays 18:00–20:00  
Lecture Series

# WAYS OF WATER

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Water is not only an elemental force and a vital matter for all living beings but it is also a deeply poetic and symbolic substance with an enduring history in the human imagination. This lecture series will examine how water serves as both a

physical backdrop and a symbolic motif in North American literature. Ranging from water's pivotal role in struggles for environmental justice, the imagination of water futures to aesthetic and symbolic dimensions of water in poetic works this lecture series explores the many ways in which water shapes North American literature.

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