This course will allow you to experience reading Russian literature in the original, to get acquainted with exciting texts by prominent Soviet and Russian writers and at the same time to work on your language skills, particularly reading and writing. In Spring 2020, we will read and discuss a variety of pieces of short fiction from exemplary 20th and 21st centuries’ Russian literary giants, such as Chekhov, Zoschenko, Ilf and Petrov, Zamyatin, Nabokov, Solzhenitsin, Tokareva, Tolstaya, and others. Through the lens of the characters, their behaviors and experiences, and the settings we will explore historical, social and cultural issues of the country and its people, and enhance our understanding of the Russian culture and society, both presents and past.

Conducted in Russian.
Prerequisites RUSS 3050 or RUSS 3070 or an equivalent.

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