



# Mod News

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## Current and Past Events/Guest Lectures

Friday, March 1, 2019, 10:30 am, UC 3220  
**Professor Lauren Beck (Mount Allison University)**, “Gender, Metadata and Identity in Place Names of the Americas”.

Sat., March 9, 9:00-3:00 pm.  
**March Break Open House**  
Please contact [cburucua@uwo.ca](mailto:cburucua@uwo.ca), if you would like to volunteer.

March 14-16, 2019  
**The 21<sup>st</sup> Graduate Student Conference** entitled “Coding, Decoding & Recoding”, For further information contact: [ggomashi@uwo.ca](mailto:ggomashi@uwo.ca).

March 28, 2019, 4:30-6:30 pm in Conron Hall  
**Persian ‘Nowrouz Celebration’**  
Dance, theater and music coordinated by instructors (Saba Mirzaee, Hourasa Taghi Goljahi) and their Persian students.

Tuesdays, 12:30-1:30 pm, UC 3325  
**Comparative Literature Graduate Research Forum** allowing students to showcase their current research, practice a presentation for an upcoming conference, or present preliminary ideas for an upcoming project. All MA and PhD students are welcome, and each presentation should be no more than 20 minutes long. If interested in presenting, please contact [pzhong5@uwo.ca](mailto:pzhong5@uwo.ca).

**ML&L Photo Contest (deadline March 1):**  
[https://www.uwo.ca/modlang/news/photo\\_contest.html](https://www.uwo.ca/modlang/news/photo_contest.html)

**Canadian Spanish TA Dialogues (CASTAD):**  
Feb. 8, 2019, University of Western Ontario.  
Coordinated by A. Garcia-Allen.

## Conversation Groups

**Let's Talk in Arabic ( خلتنا نحكي )**  
Thursdays, 4:30-5:30, UC 1319.  
Contact: [ykharrat@uwo.ca](mailto:ykharrat@uwo.ca) or [adahab@uwo.ca](mailto:adahab@uwo.ca)

**German (Stammtisch)**  
Mondays, 4:30-5:30 pm, UC 3325  
Contact: [Vladimir Tumanov](mailto:Vladimir.Tumanov@uwo.ca)

**Italian (Club Di Conversazione)**  
Wednesdays, 2:30-4:00 pm, UC 3306  
Contact: [Teresa Aconito](mailto:Teresa.Aconito@uwo.ca)

**Japanese**  
Thursdays, 3:30-4:30 pm, UC 1319  
Contact: [Mitsume Fukui](mailto:Mitsume.Fukui@uwo.ca)

**Spanish (La Tertulia)**  
Wednesdays, 5:00-7:00 pm, UC 3306  
[tertuliala@uwo.ca](mailto:tertuliala@uwo.ca).

## Film Series

All films have English subtitles and everyone is welcome!

### German Film Series:

UC 3325 at 6:00 pm

**Jan. 16:** Der blaue Engel (The Blue Angel);  
Dir. Josef von Sternberg, 1930

**Jan. 30:** Die Sehnsucht der Veronika Voss  
(Veronika Voss); Dir. Rainer Werner Fassbinder, 1982

**Feb. 13:** Ali: Angst essen Seele auf (Ali:  
Fear Eats the Soul); Dir. Rainer Werner Fassbinder, 1974

**Feb. 27:** Der Himmel über Berlin (Wings of  
Desire); Dir. Wim Wenders, 1987

**March 13:** Hannah Arendt; Dir. Margarethe  
von Trotta, 2012

**March 27:** Das Fraulein (Fraulein); Dir.  
Andrea Staka, 2006

### **Cineclub Italiano: Italy at War**

UC 1401 at 7:30 pm

**Jan. 31:** *Uomini contro* (Many Wars Ago, dir. F. Rosi, 1970)

**Feb. 28:** *Mediterraneo* (Mediterraneo, dir. G. Salvatores, 1991)

**March 14:** *Il federale* (The Fascist, dir. L. Salce, 1962)

**March 28:** *La vita e bella* (Life is Beautiful, dir. R. Benigni, 1997)

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### **Conference Presentations**

**Adamson, Melitta.** “Feeding Medieval Europe: Food Security in a Changing Climate,” for the Retired Academics Group (RAG) at Western University, The Mount, London, ON, January 18, 2019.

### **Publications**

#### Book Review:

**Copuroglu Bursa** (2019) “A Review of Gloria Fisk’s *Orhan Pamuk and the Good of World Literature* Columbia University Press, New York, 2018. 275 pp.”, *C21 Literature: Journal of 21st-Century Writings*. 7(1). doi: <https://doi.org/10.16995/c21.671>