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Though special student term passes are not available during the summer, monthly adult passes provide unlimited rides for \$20, or a package of five tokens can be purchased for \$2.50. The Totally Transit pass, available for those under 18, costs \$20 and is good through Sept. 10.

On weekdays, bus service is available to Coburg, Junction City, Fern Ridge Reservoir and Dexter Lake. The fare to these areas is 85 cents.



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## Class explores female sleuths

Some may consider solving murders unsuitable work for a lady, but that has never deterred such feminine sleuths as Agatha Christie's Miss Marples or P.D. James' Cordelia Gray.

"Women Detectives in Literature," a two-credit class being offered by the Women's Studies Program this summer, will explore the role of women detectives in the fiction of Christie, James, Dorothy Sayers and other American and British authors.

This literature by and about women offers an opportunity to study the changing role of women in society, says instructor Fran Holand. "We'll be looking for non-stereotype portrayals of strong women," he

Although this women'sstudies class is new to the campus, the English department has offered a class on the "hardboiled" detective novel "American Detective Fiction" for several years.

But genre, as well as gender, separate the two classes, says English Prof. James Boren.

The adventures of Sam Spade and Phillip Marlowe have little to do with the "whodunit" mysteries of the British tradition, where solving the puzzle of a well-plotted crime is the most important aspect. The hero himself is the focus of the story, and adventure and action are the major characteristics, Boren says.

"The two classes complement each other because they show two branches of detective fiction," Holand says.

Although always adept at deduction, the heroines of the earlier fiction are often dependent on masculine help in solving crimes. Contemporary heroines like Cordelia Gray, however, are more independent and self reliant, Holand says.

But other characters, such as Miss Marple, use sexual stereotypes to their advantage, Holand says.

"Miss Marple is a snoopy old maid," she says. "She gets the village gossip, talks to women in tea rooms and gets information unavailable to the police."

The hard-boiled detective is a distinctly American character, a descendant of the heroes of the frontier, Boren says. Dashiell Hammett's character, Sam

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Spade, was the model for the later characters, Phillip Marlowe and Lew Archer, which were created by Raymond Chandler and Ross Mac-Donald. These three detectives are the main focus of Boren's class, he says.

In recent years, these detective stories have begun to be taken seriously as literature, with their combination of good characterization and an ironic outlook on life, Boren says.

Such detective novels also provide a view of America not found in other literature.

"Chandler gives a view of Los Angeles in the '40s and '50s that you can't get anywhere else," Boren says. Boren considers Chandler a "master stylist," whose colorful similes have become synonymous with the genre.

By Paul Ertelt





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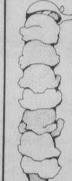


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