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Special Topic

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Literature in the World

Deadline for submissions: 3 November 2014

Coordinator: Simon Gikandi (Princeton Univ.)

PMLA invites essays on the nature and role of literature in a diverse and multilingual world. The special issue will seek to provide a critical reflection on the diversity of both dominant and less-taught languages and of their spheres of use, to engage with the vernacular and the indigenous as critical categories, and to consider conceptual or thematic structures that invite literary studies to move outside the rubrics of nation, state, and national language. The goals of the issue are to engage with literary expression in any language, tradition, and historical period outside mainstream movements and critical traditions and to open new avenues for thinking about what work literature does across linguistic and geographic zones. The issue will also address the changing nature of institutions of literary production in diverse traditions, the question of authorship, and the role of authors as subjects and agents of literature. The Editorial Board welcomes essays that move literary criticism, theory, and literary history toward new conversations about literatures in a multilingual world and define or redefine what literature means in the twenty-first century. How are questions of language and power played out in "other empires," such as the Russian, the Chinese, and the Japanese and the dominant African empires of the nineteenth century? What are the possibili-

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ties and limits of studying literature across languages and traditions? What does it mean for English, French, or Spanish to be creolized? What is the role of regional languages and their literatures in globalization? What happens when we change the direction of comparison from North-South to North-North or South-South? How does literature work in multilingual situations? What is the future of minor literatures and less-taught languages? How does literature function in primarily oral cultures? What is the role of translation in the circulation of literary cultures in different periods and places?

Criticism in Translation

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