Name of the course: Introduction to Drama
Lecturer name: Prof. Eitan Bar-Yosef
Course number: 132-1-337
Office hours: Mondays 14-15

Short course description:
This course will introduce students to the study of drama by surveying a range of plays, from Greek times to the twentieth century. We will consider the various genres of drama, explore its elements and structures, and examine some of the material practices of theater production and theater-going.
A close reading of the plays will be accompanied by short theoretical writings and by excerpts from filmed versions of the texts.
Keywords: Drama; Theater; Tragedy; Sophocles; Shakespeare; Ibsen

Course requirements:
Quiz I 15%
Quiz II 15%
Short response (1-2 pages) 20%
Final exam 50%

Attendance is mandatory. This means not only coming to class but coming on time and prepared, having completed the reading and ready to participate in the discussion. According to Faculty Guidelines, students are not allowed to miss more than three meetings per course. Students failing to attend the classes might not be allowed to take the final exam.

Primary texts:
Susan Glaspell, Trifles
Sophocles, Oedipus Rex
William Shakespeare, Hamlet
Henrik Ibsen, A Doll’s House

Schedule:
Weeks 1-2 Introduction + Trifles
Weeks 3-5 Oedipus Rex
Weeks 6-11 Hamlet
Weeks 12-13 A Doll’s House