

Students at Europa-Universität Flensburg Publish the First Issue of Literary Journal, *Literasea*

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The Europa-Universität Flensburg Now Has its Own Journal

A semester-long collaboration between students of the *Kultur – Sprache – Medien* (KSM) MA program and Creative Writing students from the BA *Bildungswissenschaft* program at Europa-Universität Flensburg, has produced the inaugural issue of the university's literary journal, *Literasea*. Under the theme Human Behaviour and within the literary genres of short fiction, poetry, and long-form fiction, students writing in both English and German have examined and laid bare what people do in situations both mundane and extraordinary. What's more, original artwork adorns some of the journal's 168 pages.

Celebrating Creativity on Campus: A Real Team Effort

This interdisciplinary project saw students from different degree programs at different stages of their studies come together and create something both original and enduring. The KSM students built everything from the ground up from the open-access website and social media presence and marketing materials to the immaculate hold-it-in-your-hands print issue. The Creative Writing team spent the semester workshopping and revising their submissions, contributing the bulk of the issue's stories and poetry. Submissions from interested students outside the KSM and Creative Writing teams, including artwork, rounded out this inaugural issue.

The Many Facets of Human Behaviour

Love, in all of its infinite facets, blossoms and grows, is lost or doesn't survive. It is unrequited, unlikely, and unexpected. Forbidden. Mothers steal for their children, daughters worry for their mothers. The villain dies and a new world is born. A birthday is not a birthday, a childhood crush cannot survive grief's mania. Wisteria wends and winds, the Atlantic thrashes, restless thoughts keep a writer awake at 3am. A Haiku wonders why we need so many words to say something, when only a few would suffice. The pages of *Literasea's* launch issue are spectacular in their breadth, their humour, and their vulnerability. Make a hot drink, sit somewhere beautiful and enjoy.