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Series 3 2009

THE NOVELS OF JOSEPH CONRAD

Dates: Wednesday, 23 September - Wednesday, 28 October 2009

Time: 2.15 pm - 4.15 pm

Venue: Salmond College, Knox Street, North East Valley

Enrolments for this course will be limited to 50

Course Fee: \$30.00

Tea and Coffee provided

Course Organiser: Sue Harvey (471 0546)

Course Assistant: Bill Wilson (477 2282)

You may apply to enrol in more than one course in each series (subject to numbers). If you wish to do so, you must indicate your choice preference on the application form, and include payment of the appropriate fee(s).

All applications must be received by noon on Wednesday, 12 August 2009, and you may expect to receive a response to your application on or about 21 August.

Any questions about courses after 21 August should be made to the Secretary, U3A Dunedin, telephone 471 9913 or on email at <graysinn@clear.net.nz>

Please keep this brochure as a reminder of venue, dates, and times for the courses for which you apply.

The Novels of Joseph Conrad

When Conrad first had the chance to command a ship it was called the "Otago" and had been built for Captain Angus Cameron of Port Chalmers (whose papers are in the Hocken Library). Conrad's fictionalised account of his involvement is in the story 'The Shadow Line', with which the course will begin, using part of a film of it made with Polish co-operation. The story is characteristic in its concern with a test which must be faced alone. The course will have time for only some of the most vivid of the works in which Conrad returns again and again to such a subject in a variety of environments, not only at sea but in Central Africa, South America or London and amongst unusual people from exiled revolutionaries to large-scale miners for silver, and all with a startling but curiously attractive combination of disenchantment and veiled compassion.

The course will be presented by Emeritus Professor Alan Horsman, formerly of the. Department of English, University of Otago

23 September The Shadow Line, the Nigger of the 'Narcissus'

30 September Heart of Darkness

7 October Lord Jim

14 October Nostromo

21 October The Secret Agent

28 October Under Western Eyes