

WINTER 2015
SLAV 130
SLAVIC CIVILIZATION

MTWTH

10:30-11:20

5 VLPA

Credits

SLN 20898



Alfonse Mucha. *The Slav Epic* (*Slovanská eposy*, 1911-1926) [detail]

Through a selection of readings, art masterpieces and films, this course examines the history and culture of the Slavs, an ethno-linguistic group of peoples living primarily from Central Europe to Central Asia. We investigate the pre-history and origin of the Slavs, touching on their languages; myths; the rise of nationalism and Pan-Slavism; the historic Eastern/Western European split; and the place of the writer in these societies. Among the nations we will consider and discuss: the Czech lands, Russia, Poland, Bosnia, Croatia, Serbia, Ukraine and Bulgaria. All lectures and readings in English.