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## "WILL THERE BE SPACE FOR LITERATURE STUDIES IN THE NEAR FUTURE"

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For some time now there have been clear danger signs. Literature seems to have been shunted aside in university curricula. Literary Studies are having trouble keeping afloat in some major universities. Literary titles are being edged out of the shelves of the country's main bookstore chain. Commercial publishers are accepting only literary titles that have a clearly identified market. Even academic publishers are experiencing

some problems justifying the publication of literary titles, which tend to be slowmoving. Will there be any space in the near future for the practice and study of literature?

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