FILM - FILM STUDIES (FILM)

Overview

FILM 215/INTS 215 Global Cinema
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
History and theory of global cinema; historical, socio-political, national and international contexts of film production and reception; transnational film.

FILM 251/ENGL 251 Introduction to Film Analysis
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Fundamental aspects of film analysis and criticism; ENGL-251 also taught at Galveston campus.
Cross Listing: ENGL 251/FILM 251.

FILM 285 Directed Studies
Credits 0 to 3. 0 to 3 Other Hours.
Selected fields of film studies not covered in depth by other courses. Reports and extensive reading required. May be repeated for credit.
Prerequisite: FILM 251/ENGL 251 or FILM 299, and approval of instructor.

FILM 289 Special Topics in...
Credits 1 to 4. 1 to 4 Lecture Hours.
Special topics in an identified area of film studies.

FILM 291 Research
Credits 0 to 3. 0 to 3 Other Hours.
Research conducted under the direction of faculty member in film.
Prerequisites: FILM 251/ENGL 251 or ENGL 251/FILM 251 or FILM 299 or sophomore classification and approval of instructor.

FILM 299 History of Film
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Historical development of major periods, movements and styles, including several different national cinemas.

FILM 324/ENGL 324 Science Fiction and Film
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
History and trajectory of science fiction film into the 21st century by filmmakers such as Kubrick, Jenkins, Cameron, Coogler and others.
Prerequisites: 3 credits of literature at 200-level or above.
Cross Listing: ENGL 324/FILM 324.

FILM 343/WGST 343 Sex, Gender and Cinema
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Exploration of a significant topic at the intersection of women’s/ gender studies and film, such as cinema and sexuality studies, cinema and women, and cinema and masculinity; may include discussion of production, film content, and/or reception.
Prerequisites: 3 hours in FILM or WGST; junior or senior classification or approval of instructor.
Cross Listing: WGST 343/FILM 343.

FILM 345/COMM 345 Media Industries
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Survey of the business organization, economic structures and processes, and regulations of the media industry.
Prerequisites: Junior or senior classification or approval of instructor.
Cross Listing: COMM 345/FILM 345.

FILM 349 Documentary Cinema
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
History and theory of documentary cinema; examination of documentary film’s ability to both reflect and shape the history of its time. May be taken two times for credit.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior classification, or approval of instructor.

FILM 351/ENGL 351 Advanced Film
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
A different film topic each term; sample topics include major directors, historical periods, fiction into film, film genres. May be repeated for credit.
Prerequisites: ENGL 251/FILM 251 or FILM 251/ENGL 251 or FILM 299 or approval of instructor; junior or senior classification.
Cross Listing: ENGL 351/FILM 351.

FILM 356/ENGL 356 Literature and Film
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Novels and films based on them; writers and filmmakers such as Virginia Woolf, John Steinbeck, John Ford, Sally Potter, John Huston, Charlotte Bronte and Peter Bogdonavich.
Prerequisites: Junior or senior classification or approval of instructor.
Cross Listing: ENGL 356/FILM 356.

FILM 358/ENGL 358 Screenwriting
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Analysis of screenplay structure coupled with writing assignments illustrating principles of form.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior classification.
Cross Listing: ENGL 358/FILM 358.

FILM 376/PHIL 376 Philosophy, Film and Evil
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Application of philosophical methods and analyses to the medium of film; survey of various depictions and treatments of evil within the genre of science fiction; investigation of depictions and treatments of evil arising from consideration of human encounters with alien others.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior classification or approval of instructor.
Cross Listing: PHIL 376/FILM 376.

FILM 394 Studies in Film Genre
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Study of a specific film genre, such as Western, Gangster, Mystery, Science Fiction; genre varies each time course is taught; movies are screened and analyzed along with assigned readings that explore characteristics of the genre and its cultural importance. May be repeated for credit.
Prerequisite: FILM 251/ENGL 251 or ENGL 251/FILM 251 or FILM 299 or sophomore classification and approval of instructor.

FILM 398/AFST 398 Africana Cinema
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Overview of African cinema; historical survey of cinema from Africa and the African Diaspora; introducing films produced in several geographical regions and reflecting different filmmaking traditions. May be taken two times for credit.
Prerequisite: FILM 251/ENGL 251 or ENGL 251/FILM 251 or FILM 299 or sophomore classification and approval of instructor.

FILM 401 National Cinema History
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Cinema History of a given film-producing nation other than the United States, such as Japanese Film, Swedish Film, South African Film. May be taken three times for credit.
Prerequisites: FILM 299; junior or senior classification.
FILM 402 Intermedia Performance
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Study of theory, history, literature and techniques of intermedia
composition and design for film, theatre, dance, interactive media, and
other forms of performance; examination of the collaborative creative
process; projects in interdisciplinary performance.
Prerequisites: Junior or senior classification.
Cross Listing: MUSC 402 and PERF 402.

FILM 405/EURO 405 European Cinema
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Exploration of key movements in European cinema from 1895 to the
present, including both national cinematic traditions, such as Italian
Neorealism or French New Wave, and international trends such as
Realism, Expressionism, or Auteurism.
Prerequisite: FILM 251/ENGL 251 or approval of instructor.
Cross Listing: EURO 405/FILM 405.

FILM 406/EURO 406 Propaganda and Dissidence
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Use of film as a medium to promote political ideology, government
propaganda, political dissidence, and subversion, with focus on Europe.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior classification or approval of instructor.
Cross Listing: EURO 406/FILM 406.

FILM 415/CLAS 415 The Ancient World in Film
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Study of modern films as they relate to ancient literary texts that inspired
them or with which they share common themes; relationship between
Greek epic, tragedy, and comedy and their cinematic adaptations;
treatment of Rome as an idea or ideal in the work of both ancient Romans
and modern filmmakers.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior classification, or approval of instructor.
Cross Listing: CLAS 415/FILM 415.

FILM 417 Film Authorship
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Exploration of a major film author (director, screenwriter or writer/
director) as a vehicle for emphasizing intensive analysis, scholarship,
motion picture and the question of individual authorship with the collective
enterprise of filmmaking.
Prerequisites: 3 credits of Film Studies at the 300 or 400 level or approval
of instructor; junior or senior classification.

FILM 425/FREN 425 French Film
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Overview of French cinema from its origins to the present; interpretation
of French cultural history and politics through film; taught in English.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior classification, or approval of instructor.
Cross Listing: FREN 425/FILM 425.

FILM 435/GERM 435 German Film
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Consideration and analysis of major works and directors of German
Film; interpretation of culture through film; relationship of film to history,
literature, and other arts; taught in English. May be repeated for credit.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior classification, or approval of instructor.
Cross Listing: GERM 435/FILM 435.

FILM 445/COMM 435 Rhetoric of Television and Film
Credits 3. 3 Lecture Hours.
Critical analysis of television and film; close readings of such mediated
texts; special attention to writing television and film criticism.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior classification.
Cross Listing: COMM 435/FILM 445.