

CTCS 464:

SCIENCE FICTION FILM

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WEDNESDAYS, 6-10PM



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CTCS 464: Science Fiction Film

No one nation owns the future, and in this course we will survey sci-fi as a global genre. We will watch one movie a week during the class session, and you will often watch a paired film as homework, in addition to a few connected readings. Likely screenings include Metropolis, Forbidden Planet, THX 1138, Blade Runner, Akira, Stalker, Annihilation, Close Encounters of the Third Kind, Arrival, World on a Wire, Ghost in the Shell (Oshii), The Matrix, Godzilla (Honda), The Host, Attack the Block, The Wandering Earth, Moon, Alphaville, The Aerial, Gattaca, and Another Earth.

Required books:

J.P. Telotte, Science Fiction Film, Cambridge University Press

Arkady and Boris Strugatsky, Roadside Picnic, Chicago Review Press

All other readings will be posted on Blackboard.

Film list included on the following page for reference.

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| 1/12/2021 | Blade Runner: The Final Cut |
| | Metropolis |
| 1/19/2021 | Close Encounters of the Third Kind |
| | Arrival |
| 1/26/2021 | The Matrix |
| | Ghost in the Shell |
| 2/2/2021 | THX 1138 |
| | Electronic Labyrinth: THX 1138 4EB |
| 2/9/2021 | Strange Days |
| 2/16/2021 | World on a Wire |
| 2/23/2021 | Alphaville |
| | The Aerial |
| 3/2/2021 | Forbidden Planet |
| | Moon |
| 3/9/2021 | The Host |
| | Attack the Block |
| 3/23/2021 | Godzilla |
| | Akira |
| 3/30/2021 | Stalker |
| | Annihilation |
| 4/6/2021 | Liquid Sky |
| | Another Earth |
| 4/13/2021 | Gattaca |
| 4/20/2021 | 2001: A Space Odyssey |
| | The Wandering Earth |
| 4/27/2021 | Robocop |
| | Starship Troopers |