Minnesota State University Moorhead

FILM 386: Film and Media Arts Genres

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 4

Lecture Hours/Week: 4

Lab Hours/Week: 0

OJT Hours/Week: *.*

Prerequisites:

This course requires the following prerequisite

FILM 275 - Film Appreciation

Corequisites: None MnTC Goals: None

Intensive study of a particular film or media arts genre. Analysis and discussion of specific generic formal and stylistic conventions, historical shifts within the genre, and the genre's theoretical foundations. Potential genres include: Science Fiction, American Screen Comedy, Film Noir, Horror Film, Westerns, Animation, Melodrama, etc. May be repeated when genre studied is different.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 02/02/2019 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

- 1. Historical and contextual emergence of film genres in the American Studio system
- 2. Major film genres
- 3. The semantics and syntax of film genres
- 4. The social contract of film genres
- 5. Film genres internationally

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

- 1. Identify and describe the semantics and syntax of film and media arts genres.
- 2. Identify and describe the historical context for the emergence of a specific genre.
- 3. Apply a variety of theoretical approaches to a specific film genre.
- 4. Initiate and develop an independent research project on a specific film genre.

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted

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