

Department:	Department of General Education
Course Name	Western Cinema Appreciation
Hours per week	2
Number of Credits	2
Course Description	<p>Film art is an important tool through which individuals (e.g. directors and script writers) express their feelings, understanding, and opinions of the world around them in the form of a narrative. Audience, sitting in front of the screen, watches the story unfold, and forms an opinion or a response about the content of the film.</p> <p>This course will introduce the student different film genres from different countries, such as, animation films, action films, thrillers, science fiction movies, film noir, etc. It also examines selected films to find out how this art form represents the world we are in, how it conveys messages, and how it directly and indirectly shapes the way we see our world. Moreover, students will be acquainted with knowledge of “how to appreciate a film” (from the aspects of theme, narrative elements, cinematography, editing, etc.).</p> <p>It is hoped that in the process of discussing these films, students will come to learn varied ways of storytelling and become more actively involved watching a film. It is expected that students’ creativity, critical thinking, and appreciation of film art will be enhanced through this learning experience.</p>