

COURSE DETAIL

SCIENCE FICTION AND SPECULATIVE FICTION

Country

Ireland

Host Institution

University of Galway

Program(s)

University of Galway

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

English

UCEAP Course Number

112

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

SCIENCE FICTION AND SPECULATIVE FICTION

UCEAP Transcript Title

SCIENCE FICTION

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.00

UCEAP Semester Units

2.70

Course Description

This course examines some of the most significant works of science fiction and "speculative fiction." Students explore the genre's literary genealogy from the post-apocalyptic fiction of Mary Shelley's THE LAST MAN through the so-called "golden age" of cold war science fiction to its present day status as mainstream literature in works such as Margaret Atwood's ORYX AND CRAKE. Studying a range of texts, students compare the works and situate them in their historical and social contexts, exploring what it means to be human in a technologically changing world, the politics of science and speculation, imagining humanity, and the forms of the future.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

EN2151

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Host Institution Campus

NUI Galway

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

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