COURSE DETAIL

CONTEMPORARY CINEMA
Country United Kingdom - Scotland
Host Institution University of Edinburgh
Program(s) University of Edinburgh
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Film & Media Studies
UCEAP Course Number 110
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title CONTEMPORARY CINEMA
UCEAP Transcript Title CONTEMPORARY CINEMA
UCEAP Quarter Units 8.00
UCEAP Semester Units 5.30

Course Description

This course helps students to better appreciate and understand the contemporary cultural and socio-political importance of film through three central routes. Firstly, a series of nine case studies of important international films released in British cinemas over the past five years illustrates and instantiates a diverse range of key aesthetic, ideological, and industrial contexts that 21st century filmmakers both contribute to and challenge through the work they produce. Secondly, the weekly case studies are drawn from a range of cinematic traditions, including animation, live-action fiction, and documentary filmmaking. Thirdly, and despite their diversity, each of the weekly case studies is taught in such a way as to equip students with some of the foundational critical skills and forms of knowledge associated with the academic study of film. These include an understanding of the relationship between authorial intent, audio-visual technique, and audience experience; an ability to locate and critique individual films within appropriate comparative contexts, such as directorial oeuvre and traditions of film genre; and an informed understanding of the varied range of critical traditions and methodologies that scholars past and present have brought to the study of cinema as both social institution and art form. This course is taught exclusively by filmmakers and film critics from Edinburgh College of Art of Art, School of Design.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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