

English 22
Fantasy and Science Fiction
Professor Stork
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MW 1200-1315

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Office Hours: M 1030-1130 and W 1500-1600

This class satisfies the C2 lower division GE requirement in Arts and Letters. It is a survey of some important works of 19th and 20th century fantasy and science fiction, as well as a brief look at the Chinese legends of the Monkey King. Your writing will be graded for both content and expression. Please read the assigned works carefully and look up any words you do not know. You will be held responsible for all the vocabulary in these works and be examined on it. Class will be run as an informal lecture and discussion.

Late Policy: Late work can be made up in the case of genuine and compelling emergencies beyond your control, but only up to one week late. A full grade penalty will apply.

Required Texts:

H.G. Wells, *The Time Machine*

Karl Capek, *R.U.R. (Rossum's Universal Robots)*

Philip K. Dick, *Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?*

Bram Stoker, *Dracula's Guest* (short story, NOT the entire novel, available on-line)

ETA Hoffmann, *The Sandman* (available on-line)

Neil Gaiman, *Season of Mists*, Volume 4 of The Sandman graphic novel series

Journey to the West, Chinese epic of the Monkey King, available on-line

Grading:

Two midterm exams 20%

Movie Review 20%

4 in-class essays 40%

Final paper 20%

(your final paper will be revised and researched from one of your original 4 in class essays)

Schedule of Classes:

Aug 23 Introduction to Science Fiction

Aug 28 The Time Machine

Aug 30 The Time Machine

Sep 4 Labor Day – no class
Sep 6 The Time Machine (in-class writing)
Sep 11 R.U.R.
Sep 13 R.U.R.
Sep 18 R.U.R. (in-class writing)
Sep 20 Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?
Sep 25 Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?
Sep 27 Do Androids Dream of Electric Sheep?

Oct 2 MIDTERM READING AND VOCABULARY EXAM
Oct 4 Bladerunner (movie shown in class)

*****OCTOBER 6 – Release of *Bladerunner 2049*. Please see this movie in a theater.)*****

Oct 9 Bladerunner (movie shown in class)
Oct 11 Discussion of Bladerunner and Bladerunner 2049
Oct 16 Write Movie Review in Class
Oct 18 Stoker, Dracula's Guest
Oct 23 ETA Hoffmann, The Sandman
Oct 25 Neil Gaiman, Season of Mists, Volume 4 of the Sandman (graphic novel)
Oct 30 Season of Mists

Nov 1 Season of Mists
Nov 6 Season of Mists (in-class writing)
Nov 8 MIDTERM READING AND VOCABULARY EXAM
Nov 13 Journey to the West, Chapter One
Nov 15 Journey to the West, Chapter Two
Nov 20 Instructor Holiday – no class
Nov 22 Thanksgiving break
Nov 27 Journey to the West, Chapter Three
Nov 29 Journey to the West, Chapter Four (in-class writing)

Dec 4 Writing/Revision Workshop
Dec 6 Writing/Revision Workshop
Dec 11 Writing/Revision Workshop (You will sign up to attend ONE of these workshops)

December 19, 945-1200 -- Brief oral presentation of the core idea of your final paper.
Final revised PAPER DUE.