Introduction to Cinema

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**Classroom:** TBA  
**Class Time:** TBA  
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**Course Description:**  
The course will cover fundamental concepts of film language and genre film. It starts with examining how films are made, distributed and exhibited. Then it will study the film language such as film form and film style. The second half of the course will focus on genre film. It concludes how genre films are what characteristics of individual film genres are.

**Lecturing:**  
Lectures and seminars (group presentation)  
Students must attend screenings held right after the class.  
It will take 2 hours and be considered as a part of class.  
Absence will affect grades.

**Course Goals & Objectives:**  
This course offers an overview of film language. It introduces styles and forms of cinema. Students will be trained to discern those elements and to read into their aesthetic meanings as informed viewers.

**Examinations**  
There will be Midterm and Final examinations.

**Homeworks**  
Some home assignments may be given through the semester.

**Course Outline:**

- **Week 1**  
  Orientation Session  
  - a brief outline of the course, ots teaching method and grading policies
- **Week 2**  
  Film Production, Distribution and Exhibition
- **Week 3**  
  Film Form
- **Week 4**  
  Principles of Forming a Narrative.
- **Week 5**  
  Film Style1: Mise-en-Scene
- **Week 6**  
  Film Style2: Cinematography.
- **Week 7**  
  The Relation of Shot to Shot: Editing.
• **Week 8**
  Midterm examination

• **Week 9**
  Analyzing Film Style: Cause Study

• **Week 10**
  The Classical Narrative Cinema and Alternatives

• **Week 11**
  Basic Concepts of Film Genre.

• **Week 12**
  Melodrama

• **Week 13**
  Horror Movies

• **Week 14**
  SF Film.

• **Week 15**
  Action Movies

• **Week 16**
  Final Exam

**Textbook(s)**

- Film Art 9 edition – David Bordwell
- Fil, Genre: Hollywood and Beyond – Barry Langford

**Class Website:** e-Class

**Course Assignments & Grading:**

- **Exams:** 70% (*Mid-term* - 30%, *Final* - 40%)
- **Homework:** 10%
- **Attendance:** 10%
- **Class Attitude:** 10%