neering presented by graduate students, staff, faculty, and invited speakers. Students who present a seminar receive a letter grade; other students receive a Satisfactory (S) or No Credit (NC) grade. Course is repeatable.

ME 261. Theory of Elasticity (4) Lecture, 4 hours. Prerequisite(s): ME 110 or consent of instructor. Introduction to tensors, strain, equations of motion, and constitutive equations. Topics include typical boundary value problems of classical elasticity, problems of plane strain and plane stress, and variational principles.

ME 266. Mechanics and Physics of Materials (4) Lecture, 4 hours. Prerequisite(s): graduate standing or consent of instructor. Introduction to the structure and properties of materials; the characterization and modeling of mechanical, thermal, electric, and magnetic properties of materials; and coupling properties. Topics include phase transformations and brittle-to-ductile transitions.

ME 267. Finite Element Methods in Solid Mechanics (4) Lecture, 4 hours. Prerequisite(s): ME 261 or consent of instructor. Covers the formulation and implementation of finite element methods, including the Galerkin and energy methods. Topics include the static and dynamic analysis of mechanical and multiphysical systems and techniques of automatic mesh generation.

ME 270. Introduction to Microelectromechanical Systems (4) Lecture, 4 hours. Prerequisite(s): ME 110, ME 114, or equivalents. An introduction to the design and fabrication of microelectromechanical systems (MEMS). Topics include bulk and surface micromachining processes; material properties; mechanisms of transduction; applications in mechanical, thermal, optical, radiation, and biological sensors and actuators; fabrication of microfluidic devices; MEMS and applications; packaging and reliability concepts; and metrology techniques for MEMS. Also discusses directions for future research.

ME 272. Nanoscale Science and Engineering (4) Lecture, 3 hours; laboratory, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): ME 01H or consent of instructor. An overview of the machinery and science of the nanometer scale. Topics include patterning of materials via scanning probe lithography; electron beam lithography; nanomolding; self-assembly; mechanical, electrical, magnetic, and chemical properties of nanoparticles, nanotubes, nanowires, and biomolecules (DNA, protein); self-assembled monolayers; and nanocomposites and synthetic macromolecules.

ME 278. Imperfections in Solids (4) Lecture, 3 hours; discussion, 1 hour. Prerequisite(s): graduate standing in Chemical and Environmental Engineering or Computer Science or Electrical Engineering or Mechanical Engineering. Covers fundamentals of crystal structures and crystal defects, including the generation of point defects; nucleation and propagation of dislocations; perfect and partial dislocations; twins, stacking faults, and transformations; mechanics of semiconductor and metallic thin films and multilayered structures.

ME 290. Directed Studies (1-6) Individual study, 3-18 hours. Prerequisite(s): graduate standing; consent of instructor and graduate advisor. Individual study, directed by a faculty member, of selected topics in mechanical engineering. Graded Satisfactory (S) or No Credit (NC). Course is repeatable to a maximum of 9 units.

ME 297. Directed Research (1-4) Outside research, 3-18 hours. Prerequisite(s): graduate standing; consent of instructor. Research conducted under the supervision of a faculty member on selected problems in mechanical engineering. Graded Satisfactory (S) or No Credit (NC). Course is repeatable to a maximum of 9 units.

ME 299. Research for the Thesis or Dissertation (1-12) Outside research, 3-36 hours. Prerequisite(s): graduate standing; consent of instructor. Research in mechanical engineering for the M.S. thesis or Ph.D. dissertation. Graded satisfactory (S) or No Credit (NC). Course is repeatable.

Professional Course

ME 302. Apprentice Teaching (1-4) Seminar, 1-4 hours. Prerequisite(s): appointment as a teaching assistant or an associate in Mechanical Engineering. Topics include effective teaching methods, such as those involved in leading discussion sections and preparing and grading examinations, and student-instructor relations in lower- and upper-division Mechanical Engineering courses. Required each quarter of teaching assistants and associates in Mechanical Engineering. Graded satisfactory (S) or No Credit (NC). Course is repeatable to a maximum of 12 units.

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Major

The Department of Media and Cultural Studies offers the B.A. in Media and Cultural Studies, an interdisciplinary examination of film, video, television, multimedia, and visual culture with a primary emphasis on history and theory and a secondary focus on production. The major consists of three curricular tracks, in one of which students may concentrate:

1. Film and Visual Media
2. Film, Literature, and Culture
3. Ethnography, Documentary, and Visual Culture

The Media and Cultural Studies major combines the breadth of an interdisciplinary major with a precise focus on visual media. Its interdisciplinary structure brings together approaches to visual media that would usually be separated by discipline. Students have a unique opportunity to acquire critical skills in the reading and analysis of media texts together with those involved in various modes of media production. This applied experience includes training in creative, documentary, and ethnographic video; photography; multimedia production;
and screenwriting. Familiarity with media, either for its academic or industrial applications, enhances one's understanding of any field in the humanities or social sciences today.

**University Requirements**

See Undergraduate Studies section.

**College Requirements**

See College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences, Colleges and Programs section.

**Major Requirements**

The B.A. in Media and Cultural Studies involves three possible tracks of courses, each with different emphases in curriculum. The requirements are as follows:

For all three tracks:

- Lower-division units: 16 units
- Upper-division units: 40 units

**Track 1: Film and Visual Media**

This track offers the student comprehensive coverage in film and media studies, covering history, theory, non-Hollywood cinema and media forms, and production. Undergraduate studies prepare the student for graduate work in film studies, cultural studies with an emphasis on visual media, or in film production.

1. Lower-division requirements (4 lower-division courses [at least 16 units]):
   - a) Introduction to Film Studies: MCS 020
   - b) Media Production: 1 course chosen from ART 100 or ART 142 or ART 145, ART 146 (E-Z), ART 155, ART 167, ART 168, ART 169 (E-Z), ART 175, CS 133, CS 143/EE 143, MCS 131/ART 131, MCS 150/ART 150, MCS 161/DNCE 161, MCS 162/DNCE 162, MCS 166A/CRWT 166A/THEA 166A, MCS 166B/CRWT 166B/THEA 166B, MCS 166C/CRWT 166C/THEA 166C, MCS 175/ART 170, MUS 139, MUS 145, MUS 173, THEA 101, THEA 102, THEA 109, THEA 132, THEA 135, THEA 141, THEA 144
   - c) Media Production (1 course) chosen from ART 140, ART 142, ART 145, ART 146 (E-Z), ART 155, ART 167, ART 168, ART 169 (E-Z), ART 175, CS 133, CS 143/EE 143, MCS 131/ART 131, MCS 150/ART 150, MCS 161/DNCE 161, MCS 162/DNCE 162, MCS 166A/CRWT 166A/THEA 166A, MCS 166B/CRWT 166B/THEA 166B, MCS 166C/CRWT 166C/THEA 166C, MCS 175/ART 170, MUS 139, MUS 145, MUS 173, THEA 101, THEA 102, THEA 109, THEA 132, THEA 135, THEA 141, THEA 144

2. Upper-division requirements (10 upper-division courses [at least 40 units]):
   - a) Film, Photography, and Media History (2 courses) chosen from MCS 185/LNST 105, MCS 187/GER 135, MCS 176/AHS 176, AHS 186/MCS 186

Track 2: Film, Literature, and Culture

While this track also offers a disciplinary foundation in film and visual media studies, its focus is on the interrelationships among film and visual media, literature, and culture in international cinemas and literatures. The methodologies stressed here are less formally and more thematically and/or culturally based.

1. Lower-division requirements (4 lower-division courses [at least 16 units]):
   - a) Introduction to Film Studies: MCS 020
   - b) Comparative Film, Media, and Literature Studies (1 course), chosen from MCS 021/CPLT 021, MCS 025/ENGL 021/THEA 021, MCS 033/ENGL 033, MCS 036/CPLT 027, MCS 038/CLA 045, MCS 039/CRWT 040, HASS 022B, HASS 022C
   - c) Non-Hollywood Cinema and Alternative Media (1 course) chosen from AST 048/CHN 048, MCS 015, MCS 022/AST 022/JPN 022, MCS 024/CPLT 024, MCS 026/CPLT 026/EUR 026, MCS 042/GER 045, MCS 043/RUSN 045, MCS 044/ITAL 045, MCS 045/FREN 045, MCS 049/AST 064/VNM 064
   - d) Additional 1 course chosen from 1.b) or 1.c) above, or from the following Media Production courses:
     - ART 003, ART 070 (E-Z), CS 008, CS 010, DNCE 014, MCS 004/ART 004, MCS 006/ART 006, MCS 007/ART 007, MCS 008/AHS 008, MCS 009/MUS 007, MCS 023/AHS 020, MCS 028/THEA 038, MCS 065/CRWT 065, THEA 010
   - e) Two additional courses chosen from 1.b) or 1.c) above, or from the following:
     - ART 100, ART 142, ART 145, ART 146 (E-Z), ART 155, ART 167, ART 168, ART 169 (E-Z), ART 175, CS 133, CS 143/EE 143, MCS 131/ART 131, MCS 150/ART 150, MCS 161/DNCE 161, MCS 162/DNCE 162, MCS 166A/CRWT 166A/THEA 166A, MCS 166B/CRWT 166B/THEA 166B, MCS 166C/CRWT 166C/THEA 166C, MCS 175/ART 170, MUS 139, MUS 145, MUS 173, THEA 101, THEA 102, THEA 109, THEA 132, THEA 135, THEA 141, THEA 144
   - f) Film and Media Theory (4 courses) chosen from MCS 182, AHS 121/CPLT 138/EUR 138, MCS 183 (E-Z)/FREN 185 (E-Z), MCS 184/AST 184/JPN 184, MCS 185/LNST 105/SPAN 185

Track 2: Film, Literature, and Culture

While this track also offers a disciplinary foundation in film and visual media studies, its focus is on the interrelationships among film and visual media, literature, and culture in international cinemas and literatures. The methodologies stressed here are less formally and more thematically and/or culturally based.
Studies in Film, Literature, and Culture

Track 3: Ethnography, Documentary, and Visual Culture

This cluster provides a basic knowledge of film and visual media studies as well as in-depth coverage of the theories and methods that guide production of ethnographic and documentary films, and visual media. Students receive both critical and applied training in ethnographic methods and ethnographic and documentary film and video practices.

1. Lower-division requirements (4 lower-division courses [at least 16 units]):
   a) Introduction to Film Studies: MCS 020
   b) Media Production (1 course) chosen from ART 003, ART 070 (E-Z) CS 008, CS 010, DNCE 014, MCS 004/ART 004, MCS 007/ART 007, MCS 028/ARTH 028/ THEA 038, MCS 039/CRTW 040, MCS 066/CRTW 066/THEA 066, THEA 010
   c) Cultural Anthropology (1 course) chosen from ANTH 001, ANTH 001H
   d) One (1 additional course chosen from 1.b.) above or from AHS 007, AST 049/CHN 049, HASS 022A, HASS 022C, MCS 006/ART 006, MCS 008/ART 008, MCS 009/MUS 007, MCS 015, MCS 021/CPLT 021, MCS 022/ART 022/JP N 022, MCS 023/ART 030, MCS 024/CPLT 024, MCS 025/ENG 025/THEA 021, MCS 026/CPLT 026/EUR 026, MCS 033/ENG 033, MCS 036/CPLT 027, MCS 038/CLA 045, MCS 042/GER 045, MCS 043/RUSN 045, MCS 044/ITAL 045, MCS 045/FREN 045, MCS 046/SPN 046, MCS 049/AST 064/VNM 064, MCS 066/ANTH 066, SOC 001, WMST 010

2. Upper-division requirements (10 upper-division courses [at least 40 units]):
   d) Ethnography and Documentary: Production, Theories, and Texts (4 courses)

(1) Production (at least 2 courses) chosen from ART 140, ART 142, ART 145, ART 146 (E-Z), ART 155, ART 167, ART 169, ART 169 (E-Z), ART 175, CS 133, CS 134/ENGLISH 134
Minor

The Media and Cultural Studies minor provides an interdisciplinary examination of film, television, digital multimedia, and visual culture, with an emphasis on history and theory, rather than production, in order to develop media literacy.

A minimum of 24 units (one lower-division course and five upper-division courses) are required. No course can be used to satisfy more than one requirement.

1. Lower-division requirements (1 course (at least 4 units)) chosen from the following:
   - MCS 004/ART 004, MCS 015, MCS 020, MCS 021/CPLT 021, MCS 033/ENGL 033

2. Upper-division requirements (a minimum of 5 courses (at least 20 units))
   a) One course from each of the following three groups:
      (1) Film, Photography, and Media History:
      - Lecture, 3 hours; discussion, 1 hour.
   b) Two (2) additional courses chosen from:
      - ART 168, ART 169 (E-Z) (4 units), ART 175, CS 133, CS 143/EE 143, MCS 103/ANTH 103, MCS 131/ART 131, MCS 133/SOC 138, MCS 139/SOC 139, MCS 150/ART 150, MCS 161/DNCE 161, MCS 162/DNCE 162
      - MCS 166A/CRTW 166A/THEA 166A, MCS 166B/CRTW 166B/THEA 166B, MCS 166C/CRTW 166C/THEA 166C, MCS 174 (E-Z)/CPLT 174 (E-Z), MCS 175/ART 170, MUS 139, MUS 145, MUS 173, THEA 101, THEA 102, THEA 109, THEA 132, THEA 135, THEA 141, THEA 144
   See Minors under the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences in the Colleges and Programs section of this catalog for additional information on minors.

Lower-Division Courses

MCS 004. Introduction to Video Art (5) Lecture, 3 hours; studio, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): none. An introduction to video as an art form based in production and contemporary media theory. Covers basic production techniques, operation of the camcorder, and the fundamentals of live-action production and editing. Examines documentary, experimental, and other applications of the media arts in relation to contemporary art practice, installation, and performance. Cross-listed with ART 004.

MCS 005. Introduction to Film, Literature, and the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 006. Introduction to Contemporary Critical Issues in Film (4) Lecture, 3 hours; discussion, 1 hour. Examines basic principles and methodologies of theory as applied to the interpretation and creation of works of art. Includes screenings. Cross-listed with ART 006.

MCS 007. Introduction to Japanese Film (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): none. An introduction to Japanese major directors and to watching and writing about Japanese film. Works studied range from the samurai epics of Kurosawa to recent anime. All films have subtitles. No previous knowledge of Japanese language or culture is required.

MCS 008. Modern Western Visual Culture (4) Lecture, 3 hours; discussion, 1 hour. Prerequisite(s): none. Focus is on broadly defined cultural practices, including painting, photography, video, architecture, and film. Introduces major historical, aesthetic, and theoretical issues in twentieth-century visual culture with an eye toward political and social themes relevant to contemporary life. Cross-listed with AHS 008. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 009. Music in Movies and TV (4) Lecture, 3 hours; discussion, 1 hour. Prerequisite(s): none. An exploration of popular film and TV soundtrack music, emphasizing dramatic and musical style. Scene study features such films as The Matrix, Casablanca, The X-Files, and Altered States. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 010. Introduction to Television Studies (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): none. An introduction to the study of television, including its stylistic conventions, primary genres, modes of production, economics, and important critical methodologies. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 011. Introduction to Film Studies (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): none. An introduction to the formal and narrative principles of film construction and to various critical approaches to the cinema, such as auteur and genre theory. Provides an overview of world cinemas. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 012. Introduction to Japanese Film (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): none. An introduction to Japanese major directors and to watching and writing about Japanese film. Works studied range from the samurai epics of Kurosawa to recent anime. All films have subtitles. No previous knowledge of Japanese language or culture is required.

MCS 013. World Cinema (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): none. Introduction to world cinema as a fusion of national and international, culturally specific, and globally universal characteristics. Topics include realism, Hollywood’s global reach, alternative aesthetics of third-world cinemas, cross-fertilization between Europe and Asia, and the function of international film festivals and the international film market.

MCS 015. Culture Clash: Studies in Latino Theatrical and Film (4) Lecture, 3 hours; discussion, 1 hour. Prerequisite(s): none. An introduction to the impact of media technology on the visual arts, from photography to the Internet.

Addresses mechanical reproduction, perception, gender, sexuality, identity, interactivity, cybernetics, and popular culture. Cross-listed with AHS 022 and JPN 022.

MCS 023. World Cinema (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): none. An introduction to the impact of media technology on the visual arts, from photography to the Internet.

Addresses mechanical reproduction, perception, gender, sexuality, identity, interactivity, cybernetics, and popular culture. Cross-listed with AHS 022 and JPN 022.

MCS 024. World Cinema (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): none. An introduction to world cinema as a fusion of national and international, culturally specific, and globally universal characteristics. Topics include realism, Hollywood’s global reach, alternative aesthetics of third-world cinemas, cross-fertilization between Europe and Asia, and the function of international film festivals and the international film market. Cross-listed with CPTL 024.

MCS 025. Culture Clash: Studies in Latino Theatrical and Film (4) Lecture, 3 hours; discussion, 1 hour.
Prerequisite(s): none. An introduction to Latino theatre and film from 1965 to the present. Examines the major works of playwrights and important films and videos. Cross-listed with ENGL 021 and THEA 021. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 026. New European Cinemas: Experiment and Innovation (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): none. An introduction to a succession of New Waves in European Cinema: Neorealism in Italy, New Wave in France, and New Cinema in Germany, Russia, and Britain. Study of political engagements and technical innovations. Topics include the concept of the auteur, key manifestos, and attempts to systematize cinema in film theory. Cross-listed with CPLT 026 and EUR 026. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 028. From Hamlet to Babylon 5: Introduction to Design in Film, Television, and Theatre (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): none. An introduction to the design process for film, television, and theatre. Addresses the influence design has on the viewer, as well as how looks are achieved in different media. Cross-listed with ART 028 and THEA 038. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 033. Introduction to Comparative Media Studies (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): none. Comparative introduction to the study of two or more media, such as film and television or digital media, and to various critical approaches to the media (formalism, feminism, Marxism, etc.). Special attention is paid to the "historic" of media, media similarities and differences, and cross-media borrowing. Cross-listed with ENGL 033. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 036. Food in Film (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): none. Explores the representation of food, cooking, and restaurants in films from different national traditions. Includes gender roles; sensuality and sexuality, social class and the economics of food; excess and lack. Cross-listed with CPLT 027. Fulfills either the Humanities or Social Sciences requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences, but not both.

MCS 038. The Ancient World in Film and Television (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): none. A study of representations of Greece and Rome in film, television, and other modern media. Introduces these "visual texts" both as popular art forms on their own and in relation to their ancient and modern literary sources. Cross-listed with CLA 045. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 039. Fiction and Film (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours; practice writing, 1 hour. Prerequisite(s): none. A study of twentieth-century fiction and film from a writer's point of view, emphasizing narrative elements and literary techniques found in both. Explores how novels are translated into film. Cross-listed with CRWT 040. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 042. Introduction to German Cinema (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): none. Introduction to the history of German cinema from the advent of the studio system to the present. Covers film in Germany, Switzerland, and Austria. Attention is paid to the work of German-speaking filmmakers living in other parts of the world. Instruction is in English; all films have subtitles. Cross-listed with GER 045. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 043. Soviet Cinema (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): none. A survey of the Soviet cinema, beginning with the film innovations of the 1920s and continuing with representative films from each of the ensuing periods of Soviet culture. All work done in English. Cross-listed with RUS 045. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 044. Italian Cinema (4) Lecture, 1.5 hours; discussion, 1.5 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): none. Covers major works of the Italian cinema from Neo-Realism to the present, with emphasis on their historical evolution and representation of major elements of Italian culture. Knowledge of Italian not required. Cross-listed with ITAL 045. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 045. French Cinema (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): none. Covers masterpieces of French cinema. Examines the historical evolution of French cinema as an art form, with emphasis on major themes and directors. Cross-listed with FREN 045. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 046. Introduction to Latin American Film (5) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours; discussion, 1 hour. Provides an historical overview of Latin American film production. Introduces students to film industries, revolutionary cinema, the role of television, and recent international co-productions. Cross-listed with SPN 046. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 049. Introduction to Vietnamese and Diasporic Film Culture (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): none. Explores the revival of film production in Vietnam following the Vietnam War, with a focus on the means of production, state control, and international distribution. Readings are in translation; classes are conducted in English. Cross-listed with AST 064 and VNM 064. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 066. Screenwriting: How Movies Work (4) Lecture, 3 hours; discussion, 1 hour; screening, 2 hours. Prerequisite(s): none. An introduction to the craft of screenwriting. Discusses how screenwriting differs from other styles of writing. Examines the various techniques that writers use to create their "blueprints" for movies in a variety of genres. Cross-listed with CRWT 066 and THEA 066. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

Upper-Division Courses

MCS 103. Introduction to Visual Anthropology (4) Seminar, 3 hours; outside research and projects, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): ANTH 001 or ANTH 001H or consent of instructor. An introduction to the field of visual anthropology. Examines the similarities and differences between ethnographic film, critical studies, and written ethnographies. Explores the politics of representing other cultures visually. Cross-listed with ANTH 103. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 104. Film and Media Theory (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Covers different types of film and media theory. Address formalist, psychoanalytic, Marxist, feminist, and other approaches to the cinema and/or other media. Cross-listed with ENGL 104. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 110 (E-Z). Topics in Film and Media History (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Explores topics in the history of film and media with attention to their aesthetic, socio-political, and economic contexts. E. Film and Media History through World War II. F. World War II. G. World War II. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 114. Cinematic War Memory (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 2 hours; extra reading, 1 hour. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Filmic representations of different wars throughout the 20th century, with an emphasis on the ways wars are remembered, commemorated, and transcended in film. Cross-listed with CPLT 134, GER 134, and JPN 134. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 115. Modern German History through Film (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Explores twentieth-century German history through film. Includes World War I and II, inflation and polarization of classes, Nazism, representations of the Holocaust, and a divided and reunited Germany. Cross-listed with CPLT 115, GER 163, and HISE 163. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 118 (E-Z). Topics in German Cinema (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Study of selected films, directors, and movements in German film. Films are in German with English subtitles. All screenings have English subtitles. Cross-listed with GER 118 (E-Z). Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 120. Major Figures in Film and Media (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Intensive analysis of the work of a major figure in film, television, or other media who functions as an "auteur," such as an influential director, star, or producer. Course is repeatable as topics change to a maximum of 8 units. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 121 (E-Z). Auteurs and Auteur Theory (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Critical studies on a director or group of directors that deal with a substantial portion of their works. F. Fassbinder; I. Fellini; T. Truffaut. Cross-listed with CPLT 171 (E-Z). Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 125 (E-Z). Topics in Latin American Film and Media (5) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours; extra reading, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): MCS 020 or upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Intensive formal, historical, and theoretical analysis of a theme or issue in Latin American film and media. E. World Indigenous Video and Latin America. Cross-listed with...
LNST 125 (E-Z) and SPN 125 (E-Z). Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 126. From Novel to Screen: Film Adaptations of German Literature (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 2 hours; individual study, 1 hour. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. An introduction to classic works of German literature and their film adaptations. Explores adaptations by film directors such as Welles, Kubrick, Visconti, and Fassbinder. Studies the nexus between literature, film, and theatre. Course conducted in English. Cross-listed with CPTL 126 and GER 126. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 127. Chicana/o Cultural Studies and Gender Politics (4) Lecture, 3 hours; individual study, 1 hour; extra reading, 1 hour; written work, 1 hour. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Examines the field of Chicana/o cultural studies and investigates the gender politics that attest to its intersectional approach. Considers how power and gender politics have impacted the restructuring of the split subject in Chicana/o cultural studies. Cross-listed with WMST 166. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 131. Intermediate Photography and Digital Technology (4) Lecture, 3 hours; laboratory, 4 hours. Prerequisite(s): ART 003, ART 007/MCS 007. Covers the complete cycle of photographic production from scanning to output. Emphasizes developing skill in creating digital photographic imagery for creative, cultural expression. Software and some digital equipment are provided. Students are required to furnish their own 35mm single lens reflex (SLR) or digital cameras and zip disks. Course is repeatable to a maximum of 8 units. Cross-listed with ART 131. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 133. The Effects of Mass Media (4) Lecture, 3 hours; extra reading, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): SOC 001 or SOC 001H. A sociological approach to “media effects” including the history of effects research, theories, loci of effects studies, and social policy. Cross-listed with SOC 138. Fulfills the Social Sciences requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 135. Intermedia: Art, Media, and Culture (4) Lecture, 2 hours; screening, 6 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. A study of performance, photography, video, film, television, installation, and other related “intermediaries.” Focuses on artworks within and without the mass media: how they are constructed, documented, analyzed, and viewed in the larger context of culture. Cross-listed with ART 135. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 136. Installation and Site-Specific Art (4) Lecture, 3 hours; studio, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): consent of instructor. Focuses on performance, photo installation, computer art, video/film, site-specific installation, sculpture, and/or other media. Concentrates on production and analysis of site-specific art. Course is repeatable to a maximum of 8 units. Cross-listed with ART 136. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 137. History of Video Art (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): AHS 017C or upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Traces the evolution of video art from the invention of the Portapak and early video collectives to the current ubiquity of video installation, single-channel, and multimedia art. Emphasis is on video art in the United States. Cross-listed with AHS 136. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 138. History of Experimental Cinema (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): AHS 017C or upper-division standing or consent of instructor. A survey of cinema outside of the economic, institutional, and aesthetic imperatives of mainstream film production. Covers an array of alternative film movements, including surrealism and dada, Soviet avant-garde, the Cine 16 Group, French new wave, North American avant-garde, and the artist’s film. Cross-listed with AHS 137. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 139. Mass Media and Popular Culture (4) Lecture, 3 hours; discussion, 1 hour. Prerequisite(s): SOC 001 or SOC 001H. A comparative analysis of the television, radio, record, cinema, and journalism industries as social institutions and a discussion of contemporary developments in mass communications theory. A study of the relationship between the social processes of modern society and the content of popular culture. Cross-listed with SOC 139. Fulfills the Social Sciences requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 142. Gender in Southeast Asian Diasporic Literature and Film (5) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours; written work, 1 hour; extra reading, 2 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Looks at former Indochinese refugees who are producing literature and films in the United States and France. Examines how “Indochina” has been constructed, and in particular, has been gendered female in the colonial imaginary. Explores how Southeast Asian immigrants are returning to the Western gaze. Cross-listed with WMST 122. Fulfills either the Humanities or Social Sciences requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences, but not both.

MCS 143 (E-Z). Gender, Sexuality, and Visual Cultures (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Intensive formal, historical, and theoretical analysis of gender and sexuality in film, television, and visual culture. E. Feminist Film Theory and Practice; F. Film and Gender; G. Screening the Lesbian. Cross-listed with ENGL 134 (E-Z). Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 144 (E-Z). Race, Ethnicity, and Visual Culture (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Intensive formal, historical, and theoretical analysis of race and ethnicity in film, television, and visual culture. Weekly screenings and readings. I. Racial Difference and Visual Culture in the Postcolonial World Context; J. Film, Race, and Ideology: The Case of the Vietnam War; K. Decolonizing the Screen. Cross-listed with ENGL 144 (E-Z). Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 145 (E-Z). Special Topics in Film and Visual Culture (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Intensive formal, historical, and theoretical analysis of a theme or issue in film, media, television, and visual culture. E. Hollywood in the 1960s; F. Television and American Culture; G. Film as Writing and Writing as Film; I. Liberal Hollywood and Social "Problem"; J. The Horror Film. Cross-listed with ENGL 145 (E-Z). Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 146 (E-Z). Special Topics in Technoculture and Digital Media (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Advanced topics in contemporary currents in art, theory, and criticism. Examines the critical reception, analysis, and theoretical underpinning of works of art via selected topics from contemporary and historical issues in the visual arts. Course is repeatable to a maximum of 12 units. Cross-listed with ART 161.
Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 166A. Screenwriting: Introduction (4) Lecture, 2 hours; discussion, 2 hours. Prerequisite(s): CRWT 056 or consent of instructor. Explores the fundamentals of screenwriting. Includes story development, plotting, and characterization as they are used in creating a complete script for television or feature film. Cross-listed with CRWT 166A and THEA 166A. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 166B. Screenwriting: Outline to First Draft (4) Lecture, 2 hours; discussion, 2 hours. Prerequisite(s): CRWT 166A/MCS 166A/THEA 166A or consent of instructor. Explores the fundamentals of screenwriting. Includes story development, plotting, and characterization as they are used in creating a complete script for television or feature film. Cross-listed with CRWT 166B and THEA 166B. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 166C. Screenwriting: Rewrites and Writing for Television (4) Lecture, 2 hours; discussion, 2 hours. Prerequisite(s): CRWT 166B/MCS 166B/THEA 166B or consent of instructor. Explores the fundamentals of screenwriting. Includes story development, plotting, and characterization as they are used in creating a complete script for television or feature film. Course is repeatable. Cross-listed with CRWT 166C and THEA 166C. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 167. Vietnamese and Overseas Vietnamese Cinema (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): MCS 020 or upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Explores how Vietnamese people and the Vietnamese diaspora seek to imagine a sense of community in the postwar era through contemporary film and video. Examines the themes of return, longing, and exile. Reviews some of the texts’ bold expressions of gender, sexuality, and identity. Cross-listed with AST 187. Fulfills either the Humanities or Social Sciences requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences, but not both.

MCS 168. Hong Kong Cinema: Gender, Genre, and the “New Wave” (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): MCS 020 or upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Examines contemporary Hong Kong films, specifically the “New Wave” genre. Particular focus is on the sociopolitical conditions of Hong Kong and its relations with Great Britain and China, the linkages of which set the stage for the films and thematic concerns. Cross-listed with AST 186. Fulfills either the Humanities or Social Sciences requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences, but not both.

MCS 169. New Chinese Cinema (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. A study of representative films from the People’s Republic of China, with a focus on those made during the last decade. Conducted in English; most films have English subtitles. Cross-listed with AST 185 and CHN 185. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 170. Film Noir and Hollywood’s German Immigrants (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 2 hours; individual study, 1 hour. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Analysis of the role of German immigrants in the emergence of film noir in 1940s Hollywood. Examines the revitalization of Weimar Expressionism in Hollywood cinema. Explores traumatic memory, cultural transfer, exile and displacement in films by German filmmaker refugees including Fritz Lang and Billy Wilder. Cross-listed with CPLT 135 and GER 135. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 171. Reel to Real: Latin American Film and Social Change (4) Seminar, 3 hours; individual study, 1 hour; screening, 1.5 hours; term paper, .5 hours. Prerequisite(s): SPN 110. Introduces Latin American film as it articulates with contemporary history and current events. Cross-listed with SPN 171. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 172. Topics in Film and Media Genres (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Topics may include study of a specific film or media genre such as melodrama; comparative genre studies, including a survey of the history and theory of two or more genres; or analysis of the idea of genre in film and media studies. Each segment is repeatable as its content changes to a maximum of 8 units. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 173 E-Z. International Cinemas (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): MCS 020 or upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Considers non-Hollywood cinemas in the national, historical, political, and cultural contexts which produced them. E. Experimental and Avant-Garde Film; F. French New Wave; G. New German Cinema; I. Italian Neorealism; T. Third World Cinema; V. Global Perspectives on the Vietnam War. Cross-listed with CPLT 173 (E-Z). Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 174 E-Z. Comparative Studies in Film (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Considers film in the context of the other arts. Compares the treatment of various themes or problems in film and other media. E. Film and Literature in the Avant-Garde. Cross-listed with CPLT 174 (E-Z). Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 175. Advanced Digital Imaging (4) Lecture, 3 hours; laboratory, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): ART 007/MCS 007; knowledge of Macintosh interface and Adobe Photoshop. Builds upon techniques initiated in ART 007/MCS 007. Emphasizes the use of computer and electronic technology as a tool for making art. Addressed issues related to making art and the cultural implications of digital technology. Includes lectures by visiting artists, field trips, and critiques of work in progress. Course is repeatable to a maximum of 8 units. Cross-listed with ART 175. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 176. Pictorialism to New Media: A History of Twentieth-Century Photography (4) Lecture, 3 hours; individual study, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): AHS 07C or upper-division standing or consent of instructor. A study of photographic practices from 1900 to the present. Topics include pictorialist “art” photographs created around 1900, the subsequent refinement of styles and content in modernism, and the expansion of photographic practices into the digital realm. Examines technological, aesthetic, economic, and social issues. Cross-listed with AHS 176. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 177. Berlin Metropolis in Literature, Film, Music, and Art (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Introduction to the metropolis Berlin as gateway between the East and West. Explores topography of the city through film, art, music, and literary texts. A study of Berlin’s dramatic transformations as a microcosm of Germany and Europe’s troubled history in the twentieth century. Course is conducted in English. Cross-listed with AHS 120, CPLT 110B, EUR 110B, and GER 110B. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 179. Gender, Media, and Latin America (5) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours; outside research, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): MCS 020 or upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Explores the way Latin Americans have thought of and represented gender across a variety of media, including essays, film, novel or short story, and performance. Compares the histories and limits of representing gender in the Latin American context. Cross-listed with LNST 109, SPN 179, and WMST 179. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 181. Existentialism in Literature, Film, and Culture (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 2 hours; outside research, 5 hours; term paper, 5 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Explores the Existentialist movement in literature, film, and culture. Texts range from essays, plays, and novels to documentary and fiction film. Topics include choice, subjectivity, and alienation. Cross-listed with CPLT 181 and FREN 181. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 182. From Expressionism to Epic Theatre: Benn, Brecht, Kafka, and the Bauhaus (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Introduction of the German avant-garde of the twentieth century. Explores expressionism, New Objectivity, the Bauhaus movement, the manifestation of an anti-art in dadaism, and Epic Theatre. Studies works of Franz Kafka in the context of his implicit criticism of the avant-gardist movements of his time. Course is conducted in English. Cross-listed with MCS 121, CPLT 138, EUR 138, and GER 138. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.


MCS 184. Japanese Film and Visual Culture (4) Lecture, 2 hours; discussion, 1 hour; term paper, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Investigates popular visual culture in Japan primarily through film, from the early masters to contemporary directors. May draw additional material from fields such as theatre, television, visual art, architecture, and illustrated fiction. All materials are read or viewed in English. Course is repeatable to a maximum of 12 units. Cross-listed with AST 184 and JPN 184. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.
MCS 185. Imagining the Nation: Film and Media in Latin America (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): MCS 020 or upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Study of the role of media and film in creating a national imaginary in Latin America. Focus is on one region or nation—such as the Andes, the Caribbean, Mexico, Argentina, or Chile—relating local history to the global context. Course is repeatable as topics change to a maximum of 8 units. Cross-listed with LNST 105 and SPN 185. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 186. Media and Sovereignty: Film, Video, Photography, and the Visual Arts (4) Lecture, 3 hours; screening, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): AHS 017C or upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Focuses on key cultural movements or developments in Europe and the United States over the past century. Provides a thematic history of the avant-grade and experimental arts, including painting, sculpture, photography, video, film, performance, installation, and new media art. Cross-listed with MCS 186. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 187. Visual Culture and Art History (4) Lecture, 3 hours; individual study, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): AHS 017A or AHS 017B or AHS 017C or AHS 021URST 021 or upper-division standing or consent of instructor. Examines the broader concept of visual culture as it relates to the history of the visual arts. Focuses on four conceptual areas: visibility, identity, media culture, and politics/ethics. Cross-listed with AHS 187. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

MCS 190. Special Studies (1-5) Consultation, 1 hour; individual study, 3-12 hours; term paper or project, 1-3 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing; consent of instructor and program chair. Faculty-driven individual study to meet special curricular needs. Requires a final paper or creative project. Course is repeatable to a maximum of 15 units. See the Student Affairs Office in the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences for breadth requirement information.

MCS 198-I. Individual Internship in Media and Cultural Studies (1-4) Consultation, 1 hour; internship, 2-8 hours; individual study, 1-3 hours; term paper, 1-3 hours. Prerequisite(s): upper-division standing; consent of instructor and the Film and Visual Culture Chair. An internship in a professional organization or with an individual to gain skills and experience for a career in the visual media. Requires a final paper or a creative project. Course is repeatable to a maximum of 12 units. Fulfills the Humanities requirement for the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences.

Graduate Courses

MCS 290. Directed Studies (1-6) Outside research, 3-18 hours. Prerequisite(s): graduate standing; consent of instructor and department chair. A directed studies course designed to address special curricular problems. Normally graded Satisfactory (S) or No Credit (NC), but students may petition the instructor for a letter grade if specialized topics are studied. Course is repeatable.

MCS 292. Concurrent Analytical Studies in Media and Cultural Studies (1-6) Outside research, 3-12 hours. Prerequisite(s): graduate standing; consent of instructor and graduate advisor. To be taken concurrently with a 100-series course, but on an individual basis. Limited to research, criticism, and written work. Normally graded Satisfactory (S) or No Credit (NC), but students may petition the instructor for a letter grade if specialized topics are studied. Course is repeatable.

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The Microbiology program participates in the Biological Sciences major. See Biological Sciences, Microbiology Track.

Upper-Division Courses

MCS 120. Introduction to Plant Pathology (3) F Lecture, 3 hours. Prerequisite(s): BIOL 005A, BIOL 051A, BIOL 051B, BIOL 051C, CHEM 010C or CHEM 011C, CHEM 112C, MATH 009B or MATH 099B, PHYS 002C, PHYS 021C, BCH 100 or BCH 110A, one course in statistics; or consent of instructor. An introduction to the study of plant diseases. Topics include diseases and disease-causing agents, host-pathogen interaction during disease development, and strategies for disease management. An optional, separate laboratory is offered. Cross-listed with BIOL 120 and PLPA 120. Stanghellini

MCS 120L. Introduction to Plant Pathology Laboratory (1) F Laboratory, 4 hours. Prerequisite(s): BIOL 005A, BIOL 051B, concurrent enrollment in MCS 120/MCS 120L/PLPA 120 or consent of instructor; BIOL 121/MCS 121 and BIOL 124/MCS 124 recommended. Covers fundamentals in the use of laboratory instruments and techniques for the detection, isolation, and identification of representative infectious agents that cause disease in plants. Cross-listed with BIOL 120L and PLPA 120L. Stanghellini

MCS 121. Introductory Microbiology (4) F, W Lecture, 3 hours; discussion, 1 hour. Prerequisite(s): BIOL 005A, BIOL 051A, BIOL 051B, BIOL 051C, CHEM 010C or CHEM 011C, CHEM 112C, MATH 009B or MATH 099B, PHYS 002C, PHYS 021C, BCH 100 or BCH 110A (BCH 100 or BCH 110A may be taken concurrently); or consent of instructor. An intensive introduction to the fundamental physiology and molecular biology of bacteria and viruses. Covers evolutionary origins of metabolic diversity, bacterial and viral molecular genetics, and an introduction to microbial pathogenesis. Cross-listed with BIOL 121. Borkovich, Stein

MCS 121L. Microbiology Laboratory (3) W, S Lecture, 1 hour; laboratory, 6 hours. Prerequisite(s): BIOL 121/MCS 121 with a grade of “C-” or better. Laboratory exercises in diagnostic bacteriology, basic virology, and epidemiology. Includes fundamental quantitative and diagnostic microbial procedures, basic mechanisms of microbial genetic exchange, and a project examining bacterial epidemiology. Cross-listed with BIOL 121L. Borneman, Coffey

MCS 122. Food Microbiology (4) S Lecture, 3 hours; discussion, 1 hour. Prerequisite(s): BIOL 121/MCS 121 with a grade of “C-” or better; BIOL 121L/MCS 121L. Covers spoilage and preservation of food; food quality and indicator organisms; the role of microbiorganisms in the production of dairy goods and fermentative beverages; food-borne pathogens and microbiological production of toxins; and classical and modern molecular methods for detection of food microorganisms. Cross-listed with BIOL 122. Focht

MCS 123. Introduction to Comparative Virology (4) Lecture, 3 hours; discussion, 1 hour. Prerequisite(s): BIOL 005A, BIOL 051A, BIOL 051B, BIOL 051C, CHEM 010C or CHEM 011C, CHEM 112C, MATH 009B or MATH 099B, PHYS 002C, PHYS 021C, BCH 100 or BCH 110A, one course in statistics; or consent of instructor. Considers viruses as infectious agents of bacteria, plants, and animals (vertebrates and invertebrates). Compares the major groups of viruses to each other with respect to their biological and biochemical