Administrative Unit: Humanities Department
Course Prefix and Number: ENGL 397
Course Title: Science Fiction

DIGITAL DESCRIPTIONS

STUDENT DESCRIPTION:
# Cr Hrs - # Lec Hrs - # Lab Hrs
3 - 3 - 0

PAY-HOUR DESCRIPTION:
Total # = Lec Hrs + Lab Hrs
3 = 3 + 0 X 2/3

Catalog Description: Readings from a broad spectrum of science fiction and fantasy literature. Prerequisites: ENGL 112; junior standing or instructor’s permission.

Additional information: English 397 is designed to introduce students to the genres of science fiction literature. The course can be organized around thematic principles, topical concerns, chronological development of the genres, etc. Departmental policy requires a minimum of 6000 words of student writing.

Prerequisites/Corequisites: ENGL 112; junior standing or instructor’s permission.

Text: Any number of primary texts, including anthologies of Science Fiction, would be appropriate.

Course Objectives: See additional information above.

Topical Outline:
I. Exposure to numerous works of Science Fiction
II. Consideration of the principles of the genre
III. Consideration of thematic issues
IV. Writing assignments and exams appropriate to the course content

Recommended maximum class size for this course: 30
NOTE: The intention of this master course syllabus is to provide a general outline of the contents of this course, as specified by the faculty of Columbia College, regardless of who teaches the course, when it is taught, or where it is taught. This generic outline is not intended to restrict the way any individual faculty member teaches the course. The master syllabus, therefore, should be general enough to allow for a diversity of individual approaches to teaching the course, while at the same time it provides guidance on what the course should cover.