MINOR IN SCIENCE FICTION STUDIES

LMC provides minors in Film and Media Studies, Performance Studies, Science Fiction Studies, and Technical Communication. The School also co-sponsors minors in East Asian Studies; Health, Medicine, and Society; Science, Technology, and Society; and, Women, Science, and Technology.

Students wishing to pursue any of these minors should consult LMC director or associate director of undergraduate studies for detailed information concerning requirements. Courses for all minors are selected from "Courses of Instruction."

LMC also sponsors a series of certificate programs in American Literature and Culture, Film Studies, and Literary and Cultural Studies. Students should consult the LMC director or associate director of undergraduate studies for detailed information on requirements. The courses for these certificates are among those listed in "Courses of Instruction," and all fulfill humanities requirements.

LMC and the School of History and Sociology also cooperate in providing a certificate in African American Studies. Students should consult either school for detailed information concerning requirements. Courses for this certificate are selected from among those listed in "Courses of Instruction."

The minor in Science Fiction Studies (SFS) is for students who are interested in learning how people communicate the experience of science and technology across centuries, continents, and cultures. The two core LMC classes required for this minor teach students the history of science fiction across media. The three electives required to complete this minor enable students to connect their study of science fiction to issues of social justice, ethics, artistic practice, and the historic relations of science, technology, and culture. Students who pursue this minor will develop the analytic skills and creative mindsets that are crucial for graduate school and for advancements in careers ranging from education to engineering.

Please note: This minor is not allowed for BSLMC or BSCM students. LMC and CM students interested in science fiction studies should consult with their advisors about selecting an equivalent degree thread or creating a science fiction studies concentration.

Program of Study

The Science Fiction Studies minor is comprised of least 15 credit hours, of which at least 9 credit hours are upper-division coursework (numbered 3000 or above).

Required Courses

- LMC 3214 Science Fiction 3
- LMC 3215 Science Fiction Film and Television 3

Electives

Select three of the following: 9

- LMC 28XX: Special Topics 1
- LMC 3112 Evolution and the Industrial Age
- LMC 3118 Science, Technology, and the American Empire
- LMC 3219 Literature and Medicine
- LMC 3234 Creative Writing
- LMC 3302 Science, Technology, and Ideology

Total Credit Hours 15

1 with approval of the Director of Undergraduate Studies

• All courses counting toward this minor must be taken on a letter-grade basis and courses used to satisfy the course requirements for a minor must be completed with a grade of C (2.00) or better.
• A maximum of 6 credit hours of Special Topics courses may be included in a minor program or the student may complete 3 credit hours of Special Topics and 3 credit hours of either Special Problems or Undergraduate Research. Students may not use 6 credit hours of either Special Problems or Undergraduate Research for a minor.
• A maximum of 3 credit hours of transfer credit may be used to satisfy the course requirements for a minor. This includes courses taken at another institution or credit earned through the AP or IB program, assuming the scores meet Georgia Tech minimum standards.
• It is the major advisor’s responsibility to verify that students are using only courses from the designated block(s) from the student’s major field of study that are allowed to satisfy a minor program, that they are not using any Core Area A-E courses (including humanities and social sciences), and that they are not using any courses for more than one minor or certificate. Any free elective course used to satisfy the course requirements of the student’s major degree program may also be used to satisfy the course requirements for a minor.

Minor Program of Study & Guidelines (http://www.catalog.gatech.edu/academics/minors)