

## Brief Course Outline

**Course Title:** Chinese Science Fiction

**Course Number and Section:**

CHINESE

2249G 550

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### Course Description:

Chinese science fiction is now attracting the attention of the world. It has become a great source of literary imagination about China in Western scholarship. This course interrogates the genre of Chinese science fiction associated with other themes in humanities, including modernity, nation-building, gender, technology, and other issues. It further investigates how science fiction provides a lens through which modernity is negotiated between China and the world.

### Learning Outcomes:

1. Identify science fiction as a literary genre and the unique features of Chinese science fiction;
2. Understand the evolution of Chinese science fiction;
3. Appraise the specific ways in which Chinese science fiction criticizes the reality of modern China;
4. Develop analytical skills and critical thinking abilities.

### Textbooks and Course Materials:

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### Methods Of Evaluation:

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Attendance and Participation	06/19/25	15
Midterm Test	06/10/25	35
In-class Short Writing Assignment	06/19/25	20
Three Short Paper or Report	06/09 06/17 06/19	30

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