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## MODULE DESCRIPTOR

### Module Title

Cinema and Society

Reference	CB4305	Version	1
Created	January 2020	SCQF Level	SCQF 10
Approved	June 2018	SCQF Points	15
Amended	August 2017	ECTS Points	7.5

### Aims of Module

To develop a critical understanding of visual, narrative and ideological structures in cinema.

### Learning Outcomes for Module

On completion of this module, students are expected to be able to:

- 1 Analyse critically the public and ideological functions of cinematic form
- 2 Examine critically key theoretical frameworks relevant to cinema and film
- 3 Evaluate the changing context of audience positioning and reception
- 4 Identify and evaluate critically key filmmakers and movements.

### Indicative Module Content

Key theoretical frameworks, filmmakers and movements; motion picture industry; audience reception and fan culture; cinematic signs and meaning; status of early cinema; developments and departures in film as classic realist text; social cinema; re-imagining history and national identity; representation of class, race, gender and sexuality; censorship and film board classifications.

### Module Delivery

Lectures, tutorials, directed reading and screenings.

### Indicative Student Workload

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	36	36
Non-Contact Hours	114	114
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	150	150
<i>Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body</i>		

**ASSESSMENT PLAN**

If a major/minor model is used and box is ticked, % weightings below are indicative only.

**Component 1**

Type: Coursework Weighting: 100% Outcomes Assessed: 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Description: Individual Written Assessment

**MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR****Explanatory Text**

The calculation of the overall grade for this module is based on 100% weighting of C1. An overall minimum grade D is required to pass the module.

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
<b>A</b>	The student needs to achieve an A in C1.
<b>B</b>	The student needs to achieve a B in C1.
<b>C</b>	The student needs to achieve a C in C1.
<b>D</b>	The student needs to achieve a D in C1.
<b>E</b>	The student needs to achieve an E in C1.
<b>F</b>	The student needs to achieve an F in C1.
<b>NS</b>	Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination

**Module Requirements**

Prerequisites for Module	None.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

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