



Course Description

FIL1055 | American Independent film | 3.00 credits

In this introductory course, students will learn about the American independent film movement with an emphasis on American directors and producers.

Course Competencies:

Competency 1: The student will identify and discuss major independent films in the history of the medium by:

1. Developing a vocabulary of basic independent film terminology
2. Identifying independent film techniques and styles
3. Identifying the attributes of selected films

Competency 2: The student will understand independent films within their historical and cultural contexts by:

1. Defining thematic, visual, and aural traits
2. Examining economic, social, and political factors that shaped each film
3. Explaining the historical and cultural attributes of American independent films through written assignments

Competency 3: The student will develop a personal career strategy by:

1. Identifying the career choices made by various independent film directors and producers
2. Examining how the career choices made by various independent film directors and producers and how these choices led to their success

Learning Outcomes:

- Communicate effectively using listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills
- Use quantitative analytical skills to evaluate and process numerical data
- Solve problems using critical and creative thinking and scientific reasoning