

THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON  
COLLEGE OF APPLIED SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
Emergency Management and Homeland Security

Course Title: Disasters in Film and Media  
Course Number: (0 + 6 385)  
Course Credits: 3 credit hours  
Prerequisites: None

**Course Description:**

Examines how contemporary culture perpetuates myths of natural and technological disasters. Students deconstruct and analyze reality from the myths in various types of media.

**Program Outcomes:**

Students will gain a better understanding of:

- the scientific process of various hazards in various media
- identifying widely believed disaster myths

- observing various forms of disaster culture
- contrasting roles of individuals and stereotypes in films
- how disaster myths impact emergency management decisions

**Assessment:**

Knowledge of scientific processes of various hazards will be demonstrated through assignments.

Emergency Management fundamentals (response, preparedness, recovery, and mitigation) will be demonstrated through assignments.

Professionalism in Emergency Management will be demonstrated through an oral presentation in the final project.

Course Outline :

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Topic I:

## Grading

A	2	94%
A-		90- 93%
B+		88- 89%
B		83 - 87%
B-		80- 82%
C+		78- 79%
C		73- 77%
C-		70- 72%
D+		68- 69%
D		63- 67%
D-		60- 62%
F		59.9%

## COURSE RATIONALE:

This course will cover the fundamentals of \$'.course