

Nuclear War

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Texts: John Hersey, *Hiroshima* (1946, numerous reprints) ISBN-10: 1684116880

Eric G. Swedin, *When Angels Wept: A What-If History of the Cuban Missile Crisis* (Potomac, 2010) ISBN-10: 1597975176

Class Description and Objectives: This course will examine current and historical writings of science fiction in the context of the history of scientific and technological developments.

Class participation and discussion is expected.

Grading Policies: Grades will be determined on the following basis:

Quizzes	60%
Term Paper	30%
Class Participation	10%

Grades: A: 90 - 100% B: 80 - 89% C: 70 - 79% D: 60 - 69% E: 0 - 59%
 (Grades at the high or low ends of these ranges will earn plus and minus grades.)

Readings: The readings for each day are available on Canvas or listed on the Schedule in this syllabus.

Quizzes: There will a short quiz every day at the beginning of class. Each quiz will be based on the readings that you were given for that day, or will be given on the content of the previous class's presentations. There may also be a couple of questions from previous quizzes' content.

Term Paper: A twelve page paper on any topic covered in the course is required. You may turn in an early draft for the instructors to critique and we will return the critiqued draft one week later. The final draft is due on April 11. The content can be a personal essay, a research paper with citations, or a short story.

Book Presentation: Each student will read an additional book from a list to be distributed by the instructors. The student should research book reviews and academic papers on the book, if they exist. Each student will give a ten-minute presentation on their book. The presentation will explain who wrote the book, a very brief description of the topics covered, and why this is an important book.

Cheating Policy: Cheating and deceit are not accepted at Weber State University. Cheating on an quiz or assignment, or turning in someone else's work as your own, will result in an E for the class. You may work together on your assignments and papers, but you must turn in your own work. If you quote from a book, article, or web site, you must properly quote and cite your work. Avoid even the appearance of cheating or plagiarism.

Recording Classes: Video or audio recording of any portion of lectures is only permitted in this class upon my authorization. If you would like to request authorization to record, please contact me. Unauthorized recording is a violation of the Student Code of Conduct, for which a student may be subjected to disciplinary action under PPM 6-22, Student Code. Students who seek to record for purposes of accommodating a disability should contact the Disability Services Office at (801) 626-6413 or dsc@weber.edu. See more info at <https://www.weber.edu/disabilityservices>.

Cell Phones, Texting, and Laptops: Put your cell phones on vibrate. Try to avoid leaving class to take a call, but an occasional emergency is understandable. There will be NO texting in this class. Laptops or other personal digital tools may be used to take notes or look up material relevant to class discussions. No other uses of laptops will be tolerated.

Students with Disabilities: Any student requiring accommodations or services due to a disability must contact Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) in Room 181 of the Student Service Center. SSD can also arrange to provide materials (including this syllabus) in alternative formats if necessary.

Campus Closure: In the event of an extended campus closure, please look at your Weber State email in order for instructions on how we will continue the class via email and the Canvas online course system.

WSU Recycling Policy: Weber State University is dedicated to being a leader in sustainability to ensure present needs are met without compromising the ability for future generations to inherit a healthy planet, society, and economy. Part of this commitment includes sustainable waste management practices with the ultimate goal of becoming a zero-waste campus. In order to achieve this goal, it is up to the WSU community to be informed about the various recycling policies on campus. For more information on recycling at WSU, please reference Energy & Sustainability Office website.

Schedule: Look on Canvas for the daily reading and viewing assignments.