

# A HISTORY OF SUPERHEROES

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**THIS COURSE ACTS AS AN INTRODUCTION TO MEDIA STUDIES, SPECIFICALLY TO COMICS AND GRAPHIC NOVELS. THE INDUSTRY OF COMICS HAS BEEN DOMINATED BY SUPERHERO COMICS SINCE THEIR INCEPTION IN THE EARLY 1940S. WE WILL READ MANY SUPERHERO AND ACTION COMICS AS WELL AS THEORETICAL WORKS THAT HELP US TO QUESTION COMICS AS A FORM OF LITERATURE. WE WILL ALSO SCREEN A FILM ADAPTATION OF ONE OF THE WORKS EVERY WEEK IN ORDER TO INTERROGATE THE INTERSECTIONS OF THE DIFFERING MEDIA OF FILM, TELEVISION, AND COMICS.**