

Humanities 7 ~ Introduction to the Humanities
MW 10 am - 12 noon in PC 630 with Dr. Terri Frongia
Class begins Jan 28, ends May 8

Pandora's Box is Open! From homo sapiens (wise man) to homo deus (godlike man)



Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein* is the first modern myth. Since its debut over 200 years ago, her creation still lives in popular culture and arts, including film, dance, theater, song, literature, poetry, visual arts, video games, and more.

Her monster has also provided a springboard for profound personal and cultural questioning in times of extreme and complex change. Her 'modern Prometheus' will be the portal for our exploration of the ancient roots of the monstrous and the divine, the struggle for meaning and human identity, and the social and ethical ramifications of creating and destroying, especially in an era of unprecedented and far-reaching power—the technological global framework of the 21st century. We'll encounter many questions and debates on this journey... and even some answers.

Through the process of multimedia explorations, readings, discussions, and individualized creative projects (no term papers!), you'll taste some of the vast richness of human memory and imagination from its earliest beginnings to the present day.

You'll also develop useful skills for "unpacking" complex information in textual, imagistic, and conceptual forms and making insightful connections so that you'll become a better thinker and creator as you pursue your own career, education, and life goals.

When: Mondays and Wednesdays 10am to 12 noon **Where:** Petaluma Campus, PC 630

This is a Late-start/ Early-end "Transfer Track" class: begins Jan 28 / ends May 8

Required Textbook: The New Annotated Frankenstein, ed. Leslie S. Klinger, 2017. ISBN 978-0-87140-949-2

- PAPER version only; you'll be writing on various pages for learning activities in and out of class
- New or used is fine. Can be purchased online for under \$25 at various vendors like Amazon, Jet, etc.

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