

## EXAMINATION

Course code: SFE20714	Course: Science Fiction: The Future as History
Date: November 27, 2014	Duration from 09:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Permitted sources: English – English Dictionary	Lecturer: Robert Mikkelsen
The examination:  The examination papers consist of 2 pages inclusive this page. Please check that the examination papers are complete before you start answering the questions.	
Date of announcement of the examination results: December 19, 2014  The examination results will be made available on the Studentweb no later than two workdays after the announcement of the examination results ( <a href="http://www.hiof.no/studentweb">www.hiof.no/studentweb</a> ).	

Essay Question (2/3 of exam grade):

Answer **ONE** of the following two essay questions:

1. Compare how *The Time Machine* and *The Left Hand of Darkness* make use of alternative forms of humanity to comment on social conditions of their day. What were the authors' intentions, do you think?
2. Several of the pieces of Science Fiction we dealt with in this course could be described as dystopian. Make a brief analysis of one of these, employing some of the central concepts introduced in the course.

Short Questions (1/3 of exam grade);

Answer **TWO** of the following four short questions:

1. What is meant by "estrangement" in Science Fiction?
2. What is "cyberpunk"?
3. What was the "Golden Age" of Science Fiction in America?
4. What is meant by "AI" in Science Fiction? Give an illustration.