CL Book to Film Western University V. Tumanov 9/30/2019

## DEPARTMENT OF MODERN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

CL 9622A (Fall 2019-20) Intermediality: Book To Film

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Office Location: UC 3308

Class Time/Location: Tuesday 9:30-12:30 in UC3320

## **Course Content**

What happens to a story as it moves from the medium of narrative to that of film? What are the differences, commonalities and problems associated with the (mis)matching of two ways of representing reality? We will explore ways of "seeing" with words and "telling" with images... or vice versa. We will consider what is lost and/or gained through this intermedial process and to what

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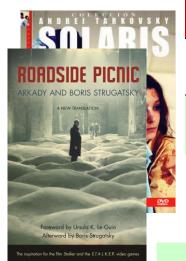
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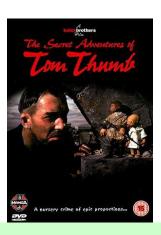
lost and/or gained through this intermedial process and to what extent filmmakers "respect" their literary sources or displace them. Discussion will be contextualized in the exploration of human psychology, cognitive science, anthropology,

philosophy and history of ideas.



Course Requirements: Participation





10%

Oral presentation (book to film transfer of your choice: **not** from

reading list below) 30%

Essays 1 & 2 (30% each; 3-5 thousand words each; due - Nov. 1. & last class 60

## Reading/Viewing List (e-books from Amazon):

1. Novel: <u>Solaris</u> by Stanislaw Lem 2. Film: <u>Solaris</u> by Andrei Tarkovsky

3. Novel: Roadside Picnic by A. & B. Strugatsky

4. Film: Stalker by Andrei Tarkovsky

5. Novel: Jacob the Liar by Jurek Becker

6. Film: Jacob the Liar by Frank Beyer

7. Fairy Tale: Tom Thumb by J. & W. Grimm

8. Film: The Secret Adventures of Tom Thumb by Dave Borthwick

**NB**: The films will be available for viewing in UC 1126 / 1126A

## **Course Schedule**

Lem-Tarkovsky: Sep./Oct.; Strugatsky-Tarkovsky: Oct.: Becker-Beyer: Oct./Nov.; Tom Thumb: Dec.