The course is intended as an introductory survey of fundamental issues involving the relationship between science, technology and society. Students are expected to explore the class material in depth, to exercise critical reading, and use argumentative skills in discussion of main issues explored. Primary emphasis will be on the following:

- Awareness of social, political, intellectual, and cultural context in which science/technology are produced
- Ability to relate science and technology to larger cultural/historical processes
- Critical effort to reconnect the "two cultures": the humanities and the technosciences
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**Horas totales de dedicación del estudiantado**

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**Contenidos**

**The meaning of technology: society, culture, power and the idea of progress as related to technological development**

**Descripción:**
The subject of class lectures and discussions will include the following: technology's connotations and diverse interpretations in today's world; technology's interrelation with the concepts of culture, politics or nature; the ambivalences in the relationship between "progress" and technological development.

From weapons of mass destruction to genetically-modified food or cyber surveillance, we live in an age of intense debate about technology's place in our culture. While technologies continue to change, this debate has become vibrant and vital.

**Sistema de calificación**
The following are required for class assessment:
- An essay on a class-related topic (50% of total grade for the course)
- An oral presentation (50% of total grade for the course)

Class attendance is required. Failure to comply with this requirement can seriously affect your final grade

**Bibliografía**

**Básica:**


**Otros recursos:**

Class material will be available from both course website and Atenea.