

WRTG 3020: Writing About Space

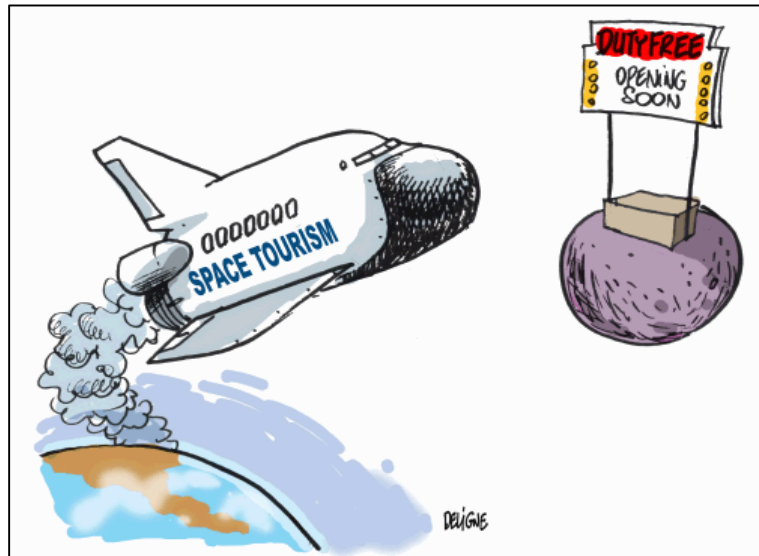
Section 52

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Day and Time: Tuesdays/Thursdays: 9:30 am – 10:45 am

Room: Hum 160



This course will examine the ethics and rhetorics at play in historical and contemporary arguments about space exploration. From survival of the human species to mining for commercial benefit, arguments for space exploration are always motivated by various political, social, and economic interests. This class will examine such motivations from a rhetorical perspective in order to help you develop a critical eye about the space industry's ethical, political, economic, and cultural dimensions. As a writing course, this class also aims to help you use such critical awareness to craft your own well-researched, persuasive arguments about a space exploration topic of interest to you. Whether you choose to write about issues such as terraformation, space waste, contamination, or space tourism, your goal will be to write a compelling argument that confronts the complexities of space exploration in the 21st century.

I hope you will join me. Email Laurie Gries at legries@colorado.edu with questions.