

## **LIST OF MOVIES FOR LAX2003 SEMESTER 2 2025/2026**

Go through the list below. Select three genres and **ONE** movie from each genre for your group discussion sessions.

### **Comedy**

Comedy is a story that tells about a series of funny, or comical events, intended to make the audience laugh.

1. Paddington (2014)
2. True Memoirs of an International Assassin (2016)
3. We Can Be Heroes (2020)
4. Yes Day (2021)
5. The Curse of Bridge Hollow (2022)

### **Adventure**

An adventure story is about a protagonist who journeys to epic or distant places to accomplish something. The protagonist has a mission and faces obstacles to get to their destination. Also, adventure stories usually include unknown settings and characters with prized properties or features.

1. Everest (2015)
2. Skyscraper (2018)
3. The Call of the Wild (2020)
4. Finding 'Ohana (2021)
5. Against the Ice (2022)

### **Thriller**

A thriller is a story that is usually a mix of fear and excitement. It has traits from the suspense genre and often from the action, adventure or mystery genres, but the level of terror makes it borderline horror fiction at times as well. It generally has a dark or serious theme, which also makes it similar to drama.

1. The Glass House (2001)
2. Secret Window (2004)
3. The Silence (2019)
4. The Good Nurse (2022)
5. The Woman in Cabin 10 (2025)

### **Science Fiction**

Science fiction is similar to fantasy, except stories in this genre use scientific understanding to explain the universe that it takes place in. It generally includes or is centered on the presumed effects or ramifications of computers or machines; travel through space, time or alternate universes; alien life-forms; genetic engineering; or other such things.

1. The Core (2003)
2. The Maze Runner (2014)
3. Skylines (2020)
4. The Kitchen (2024)
5. Frankenstein (2025)

### **Crime**

A crime story is about a crime that is being committed or was committed. It can also be an account of a criminal's life.

1. The Hard Way (2019)
2. The Highwaymen (2019)
3. The Irishman (2019)
4. Woman of the Hour (2024)
5. The Thursday Murder Club (2025)

### **Animation**

A genre of animation includes animating a cartoon on a computer modeling programme or traditional animations using drawings and paintings.

1. Kung Fu Panda (2008)
2. Puss in Boots (2011)
3. The Boss Baby (2017)
4. The Sea Beast (2022)
5. Leo (2023)

### **Horror**

A horror story is told to deliberately scare or frighten the audience, through suspense, violence or shock.

1. The Possession of Hannah Grace (2018)
2. His House (2020)
3. The Grudge (2020)
4. Night Swim (2024)
5. Until Dawn (2025)

### **War**

War film is a film genre concerned with warfare, typically about naval, air, or land battles, with combat scenes central to the drama.

1. Fury (2014)
2. 13 Hours: The Secret Soldiers of Benghazi (2016)
3. Sand Castle (2017)
4. Midway (2019)
5. Devotion (2022)

### **Romance**

The term "romance" has multiple meanings, but most often a romance is understood to be "love stories", emotion-driven stories that are primarily focused on the relationship between the main characters of the story.

1. Our Souls at Night (2017)
2. The Princess Switch (2018)
3. A Merry Christmas Wish (2022)
4. Fall Into Winter (2023)
5. A Tourist's Guide to Love (2023)

### **Action**

A motion picture whose storyline involves fast-paced activity and conflict, usually including such elements as heroic protagonist, violent fights, acrobatic stunts, chase scenes and gunplay.

1. The Negotiator (1998)
2. Hellboy (2004)
3. Vantage Point (2008)
4. Transformers (2007)
5. War Machine (2026)

### **Philosophical**

Philosophical fiction is fiction in which a significant proportion of the work is devoted to a discussion of the sort of questions normally addressed in discursive philosophy. These might include the function and role of society, the purpose of life, ethics or morals, the role of art in human lives, and the role of experience or reason in the development of knowledge.

1. Black Swan (2010)
2. Inception (2010)
3. Sunset Limited (2011)
4. The Tree of Life (2011)
5. The Life of Pi (2012)

### **Historical**

A story about a real person or event. Often, they are written in a text book format, which may or may not focus on solely that.

1. The Aviator (2004)
2. The Imitation Game (2014)
3. Operation Finale (2018)
4. The King (2019)
5. The Trial of The Chicago 7 (2020)

### **Biographical**

A biographical film, or biopic, is a film that dramatises the life of a non-fictional or historically-based person or people. Such films show the life of a historical person and the central character's real name is used.

1. Sergio (2009)
2. Harriet (2019)
3. The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind (2019)
4. Tick, Tick...Boom! (2021)
5. The Swimmers (2022)

### **Mystery**

A mystery story follows an investigator as he/she attempts to solve a puzzle (often a crime).

1. Inferno (2016)
2. Knives Out (2019)
3. Enola Holmes (2020)
4. I Am All Girls (2021)
5. The Pale Blue Eye (2022)

### **Fantasy**

A fantasy story is about magic or supernatural forces, rather than technology (as science fiction) if it happens to take place in a modern or future era.

1. A Babysitter's Guide to Monster Hunting (2020)
2. Nightbooks (2021)
3. The School for Good and Evil (2022)
4. Chupa (2023)
5. Damsel (2024)

### **Drama**

Drama is a genre of narrative fiction (or semi-fiction) intended to be more serious than humorous in tone, focusing on in-depth development of realistic characters who must deal with realistic emotional struggles.

1. Coach Carter (2005)
2. Gridiron Gang (2006)
3. Hillbilly Elegy (2020)
4. News of the World (2021)
5. Hustle (2022)