



**“Desert Planets, Clones, and Hyperspace:  
Seeing Society through the Lens of Science Fiction”**

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From *The Twilight Zone* to *Black Mirror*, the genre of science fiction continues to provide a snapshot of where society is headed. This talk explores the way social science and science fiction have always been intertwined.



This HANK Talk will be in-person in the James F. Veninga Theater in the Center for Civic Engagement on the UW-Stevens Point at Wausau campus and streamed live on the [Lecture & Arts YouTube Live](#) channel.

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