



Major in Film
School of Journalism & Broadcasting
Potter College of Arts & Letters
Western Kentucky University

Four-Year Academic Degree Path
Catalog Year 2016-2017

The following four-year plan is an example of how to map your program in consultation with your film faculty advisor. Every student will finish with a unique plan of his/her own depending on the minor area of study and electives selected.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS: Students wishing to enter the major in film initially are admitted as majors “seeking admission” (reference 667P). Prospective majors may take no more than **12 hours** in the major before admission. Students must meet the following requirements before they can be admitted:

1. Completion of a minimum of 24 hours of course work applicable to a baccalaureate degree;
2. A minimum overall grade point average of 2.5
3. Completion of ENG 100 with a grade of 'C' or better and 9 additional hours in general education;
4. Completion of the following courses with a grade of 'C' or better: FILM 101 and FILM 201.

Students not meeting the above admission requirements will not be admitted to the major in film and cannot register for any additional courses in the major.

CURRICULUM: The major in film requires a minimum of 39 semester hours and leads to a Bachelor of Arts degree. Students must earn a grade of "C" or better in all required courses applied to the film major. One-half of the hours in the film major must be at the 300 or 400 level. Students are encouraged to participate in relevant study abroad opportunities. A minor or a second major in another discipline outside of the School of Journalism & Broadcasting is required. No more than 6 hours in the film major may count toward a minor. Refer to the University catalog for more information.
<http://www.wku.edu/undergradcatalog/index.php>.

Success Markers

FIRST YEAR	FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
<i>Join the Film Club!</i>	FILM 155 <i>Film Attendance</i>	0	FILM 155 <i>Film Attendance</i>	0
	FILM 101 <i>Basic Film Production</i>	3	FILM 250 <i>Screenwriting</i> {FILM 101, 201; or BCOM 325}	3
<i>Participate in the 49-Hour Film Challenge!</i>	FILM 201 <i>Introduction to Cinema</i> (Colonnade II, AH)	3	BCOM 366 <i>Video Editing</i> {BCOM 266 or both FILM 101 and FILM 201}	3
	ENG 100 <i>Intro to College Writing</i> (Colonnade I, WC)	3	ENG 200 <i>Intro to Literature</i>	3
<i>Attend the WKU Film Showcases!</i>	<i>Quantitative Reasoning</i> (Colonnade I, QR)	3	<i>Social & Behavioral Science</i> (Colonnade II, SB)	3
	COMM 145 <i>Fundamentals of Public Speaking</i> (Colonnade I, OC)	3	<i>Natural Science</i> (Colonnade II, NS)	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15

SECOND YEAR	FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
<i>Participate in the 49-Hour Film Challenge!</i>	FILM 155 <i>Film Attendance</i>	0	FILM 155 <i>Film Attendance</i>	0
	FILM 282 <i>Film Production Workshop</i> {FILM 101 and 201}	3	FILM 382 <i>Intermediate Film Production Workshop</i> {FILM 250, FILM 282, BCOM 366}	3
<i>Crew on Workshop films!</i>	<i>Film Studies Elective</i>	3	<i>General Elective</i>	3
	<i>HIST 101 or 102</i>	3	<i>General El. or PERF 101</i>	3
<i>Submit work to the WKU Film Showcases!</i>	<i>Natural Science</i> (Colonnade II, NS)	3	<i>Minor</i>	3
	<i>Foreign Language</i>	3	<i>Minor</i>	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15

SUMMER/WINTER TERM <i>Consider a study abroad/away experience!</i>	FILM 399 <i>Sundance</i> (Winter Term)	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	

THIRD YEAR	FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
	<i>Participate in the 49-Hour Film Challenge!</i> <i>Submit work to the WKU Film Showcases!</i> <i>File application for graduation at 90 hours.</i>	FILM 369 <i>Intro to World Cinema</i> {FILM 201}	3	<i>Film Production Elective</i>
<i>Film Studies Elective</i>		3	<i>Social & Cultural (Colonnade III)</i>	3
<i>Writing in the Disciplines (Colonnade I, WC)</i>		3	<i>Minor</i>	3
<i>Systems (Colonnade III)</i>		3	<i>Minor</i>	3
<i>Minor</i>		3	<i>General Elective</i>	3
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15

FOURTH YEAR	FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
	<i>Pitch for a FILM 482 production!</i> <i>Submit work to the WKU Film Showcases!</i>	<i>Film Production Elective</i>	3	FILM 486 <i>Film Studies Capstone</i>
<i>Local to Global (Colonnade III)</i>		3	FILM 482 (<i>or Studies Elective</i>)	3
<i>Minor</i>		3	<i>Minor</i>	3
<i>General Elective</i>		3	<i>General Elective</i>	3
<i>General Elective</i>		3	<i>General Elective</i>	3
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		15	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	15

Total Credit Hours: 120

{ Denotes prerequisite courses before admission

PLEASE NOTE: Prerequisites, Course Numbers, and Course Titles are subject to change. Consult your advisor each semester.

Course Descriptions may be viewed at <http://www.wku.edu/catalog>

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