

BA IN FILM (FILM STUDIES)

Total units required for Major: 47

Total units required for BA: 120

Program Description

The Film Program offers interdisciplinary coursework in the areas of film production, history, theory, criticism, and writing. The Film major aims at developing a deeper understanding of the art and practice of film, its complex components, and the artists whose vision have inspired generations of filmmakers. All students are required to take a common core that provides a foundation for film criticism and production. After completing the core, students select a concentration in Film Production or Cinema Studies. Students are supervised by the Film Coordinator.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Units
Lower Division Core Courses (10 Units)		
FILM 20A	Audio Production	2
FILM 20B	Audio Production Lab	1
FILM 27A	Digital Film/Video Production	2
FILM 27B	Digital Film/Video Production Lab	1
ENGL 98	Introduction to Film Discourse and Analysis	4
or ENGL 97	Introduction to Film Studies	
Upper Division Core Courses (19 Units)		
FILM/COMS 121	Media Aesthetics	3
FILM 128	Intermediate Production	3
COMS 133	The Documentary Film	3
THEA/FILM 155	Contemporary World Cinema	3
HIST/HRS 169	Hollywood and America ¹	3
ENGL/FILM 105	Film Theory and Criticism	4
Option Requirements (18 Units)		
Select one of the options below:		18
Option A: Film Production		
Option B: Cinema Studies		
Total Units		47

Option B: Cinema Studies (18 units)

Code	Title	Units
Concentration Requirements (18 Units)		
COMS 142	Film As Communication	3
Select two of the following:		6
COMS 114	Communication and American Culture	
COMS/JOUR 120	History of the Media	
COMS 127	Producing and Directing for Television	
COMS 157/ART 147	Video Art	
COMS 169	Television Criticism	
<i>Capstone Course</i>		
FILM/COMS 192	Senior Seminar in Film	3
<i>Electives</i>		

Select 6 units in consultation with major advisor	6
Total Units	18

General Education Requirements ¹

Code	Title	Units
Area A: Basic Subjects (9 Units)		
A1 - Oral Communication		3
A2 - Written Communication		3
A3 - Critical Thinking		3
Area B: Physical Universe and Its Life Forms (13 Units)		
B1 - Physical Science		3
B2 - Life Forms		3
B3 - Lab (Note: Lab experience to be taken with one of the following: B1, B2 or B5)		1
B4 - Math Concepts		3
B5 - Additional Course (Any B to reach 12 units) - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements.		3
Area C: Arts and Humanities (9 Units)		
C1 - Arts		3
C2 - Humanities		3
C1/C2 - Area C Course		3
C1/C2 - Area C Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements. ²		0
Area D: The Individual and Society (9 Units)		
Area D Course		3
Area D Course		3
Area D Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements.		3
Area E: Understanding Personal Development (3 Units)		
Area E Course		3
Area F: Ethnic Studies (3 Units)		
Area F Course		3
Total Units		46

¹ To help you complete your degree in a timely manner and not take more units than absolutely necessary, there are ways to use single courses to meet more than one requirement (overlap). For further information, please visit the General Education page (<http://catalog.csus.edu/colleges/academic-affairs/general-education/>).
Note: There is no way to list all possible overlaps so please consult with a professional advisor. The Academic Advising Center can be visited online (<http://www.csus.edu/acad/>), by phone (916) 278-1000, or email (advising@csus.edu).

² Required in Major; also satisfies GE.

Graduation Requirements ¹

Code	Title	Units
Graduation Requirements (required by CSU) (9 Units)		
American Institutions: U.S. History		3
American Institutions: U.S. Constitution & CA Government		3
Writing Intensive (WI)		3
Graduation Requirements (required by Sacramento State) (12 Units)		
English Composition II		3

Race and Ethnicity in American Society (RE)	3
Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement ²	6

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² If not satisfied before entering Sacramento State, it may be satisfied in General Education Area C2 (Humanities). "C- or better required." The alternative methods for satisfying the Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement are described here: <https://www.csus.edu/college/arts-letters/world-languages-literatures/foreign-language-requirement.html> (<https://www.csus.edu/college/arts-letters/world-languages-literatures/foreign-language-requirement.html>)