COURSE SPECIFICATION DOCUMENT

Academic School/Department: Communications and The Arts

Programme: Communications: Advertising & PR

Communications: Media Studies

Digital Communication & Social Media

Film & Photography

Film Studies

FHEQ Level: 5

Course Title: Video Production

Course Code: ADM 5200

Total Hours: 120

Timetabled Hours: 45
Guided Learning Hours: 0
Independent Learning Hours: 75

Credits: 12 UK CATS credits

6 ECTS credits
3 US credits

Course Description:

A 'hands-on' video course involving most aspects of production from camera work and sound recording to editing and audio design. The theory and practice of video production are taught through a series of group exercises and out of class individual assignments. There will be multiple screenings of recent and historical videos as a means of understanding the language of the medium.

Prerequisites:

None

Aims and Objectives:

This is a lecture and laboratory course designed to give students aesthetic knowledge and practical experience in video production. Screenings of a broad selection of screen genres and practices will highlight the importance of the moving image as an art form and communication medium. Critical discussion and practical workshops covering preproduction planning, field-production and post-production will enable the students to produce their own videos.

Programme Outcomes:

Communications: Advertising and PR: A5(I), A5(III), A5(IV), C5 (II), C5(III), C5(IV), D5(I), D5(II)

Communications: Media Studies: A5(I), A5(iii), A5(iv), C5(ii), C5(iii), D5(I), D5(ii), D5(iii)

Digital Communications & Social Media: A5(I), A5(v), B5(I), C5(I), C5(II), D5(I)

Film and Photography: A5(I), B5(I), C5(I), C5(II), D5(II) Film Studies: A5(I), A5(v), B5(I), C5(I), C5(II), D5(II)

A detailed list of the programme outcomes is found in the Programme Specification. This is maintained by Registry and located at:

https://www.richmond.ac.uk/programme-and-course-specifications/

Learning Outcomes:

- Understand and apply the technical skills of video production and the aesthetic and artistic principles of different genres under limited supervision and direction
- Interact effectively within a small video production team
- Demonstrate the ability to produce and effectively apply pre-production planning techniques including treatments, shot lists and storyboards as well as post-production editing
- Identify, analyse and communicate a critical review of other artist's video/cinema production in relation to established theories and concepts

Indicative Content:

- Equipment & Editing: the digital video camera, tripod, lighting, sound recording, current editing software – How to operate effectively – technically and aesthetically
- Storyboards and planning
- Writing a treatment
- How to structure a project
- Foley & Sound Design
- The importance of the Set and Lighting
- Discussion and analysis of a range of film/video clips which illustrates and develops filmic principles both technical and conceptual
- Shooting on location/in studio logistics, planning and practice
- The Production Book How to & Importance of

Assessment:

This course conforms to the University Assessment Norms approved at Academic Board and located at: https://www.richmond.ac.uk/university-policies/

Teaching Methodology:

Lectures, screenings, demonstrations, supervised practice, individual tutorials, and group critiques comprise the teaching methods for this course.

Indicative Texts:

Dawkins, Steve. *Video Production: Putting Theory into Practice*, (Red Globe Press, 2009).

Stockman, Steve. How to Shoot Video That Doesn't Suck (Workman, 2011)

See syllabus for complete reading list

Change Log for this CSD:

Major	Nature of Change	Date Approved &	Change
or		Approval Body	Actioned
Minor		(School or LTPC)	by
Change			Academic
?			Registry
	Various updates as part of the UG programme review	AB Jan 2022	
	Revision – Annual Update	May 2023	
	Total Hours Updated	April 2024	