

SAMPLE Four-Year Plan

B.S. Film Studies

FALL 2020 Requirements

The curriculum in the Film Studies major is flexible and allows students to move through the coursework in many ways. This four-year plan illustrates one possible path a student could take to complete a degree in four years. This is not an official document and is not the only way that a Film Studies degree can be completed in four years. Current students should refer to their individual Academic Advising Report for specific graduation requirements. Please refer to the Film Studies website for more information: <http://www.uww.edu/cls/film-studies>.

First Year

Fall Semester	Units
English 101 Intro to College Writing and Reading	3
Math 139 Quantitative Reasoning	3
Gened CORE 120 Historical or 140 Global Perspectives	3
General Education elective	3
Intrauniversity 104 New Student Seminar	1
PEGNRL 192 Personal Health and Fitness for Life	1
Total Credits	14

Spring Semester	Units
English 102 Intro to College Writing, Reading, Research	3
Film 110 Visual Culture in America	3
Film Intro course: Communication 236 or 249	3
Gened CORE 130 Individual and Society	3
University Requirement GN/GQ course	3
Total Credits	15

Notes: The math and English courses you will take during your first year will depend on UW System placement exam scores. This four-year plan reflects the math and English courses most common for students in this major. All students are encouraged to complete placement testing prior to attending Warhawks SOAR (Student Orientation, Advising, and Registration).

Opportunities: Joining a university-sponsored club and actively participating is strongly encouraged. Involvement in a club or activity will help you develop interpersonal skills, give you the opportunity to learn and practice leadership skills, and adds to your resume. Refer to the Film Studies website for more information on film-related clubs and activities: <http://www.uww.edu/cls/film-studies>.

Second Year

Fall Semester	Units
English 272 Critical Writing in Multimedia Contexts	3
Film 266 Gender and Film	3
Gened CORE 110 World of the Arts	3
University Requirement Lab Science (GL) course	4-5
U.S. Racial/Ethnic Diversity course	3
Total Credits	16-17

Spring Semester	Units
Film Genre and Culture course: Film 350, 352, 354, or 374	3
Film Electives course	3
Communication 110 Intro to Human Communication	3
BS Requirement Math/Stats/CompSci course	3
Minor course	3
Total Credits	15

Notes: Film Studies majors choose three Genre & Culture courses from the following: FILM 266 Gender and Film, FILM 350 Film Genre, FILM/ENGLISH 352 Literature on Film, FILM/ENGLISH 354 Stage Plays on Film, FILM 374 Queer Cinema, SOCIOLOGY 344 Race, Ethnicity, and Film. Some courses in this major can be repeated for credit with a change of instructor, such as FILM 350, 352, and 483.

Opportunities: Many students plan a study abroad experience during their sophomore year. Travel opportunities can be found through the Center for Global Education (<http://www.uww.edu/international>). In addition, faculty routinely organize and lead travel study courses that involve in-class learning during the semester followed by a short-term travel experience either in the US or abroad.



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Third Year

Fall Semester	Units	Spring Semester	Units
Film Genre and Culture course	3	Film Electives course	3
Film Electives course	3	Film Electives course	3
BS Requirement Math/Stats/CompSci course	3	BS Requirement Lab Science course	4-5
Minor course	3	Minor course	3
Minor course	3	Minor course	3
Total Credits	15	Total Credits	16-17

Notes: Film Studies majors enjoy a broad selection of electives. Students are encouraged to work with the Film Studies advisor to personalize their degree path according to their particular interests and career goals.

Opportunities: Students who move efficiently through the coursework in this major could add a certificate without extending time to degree. The College of Letters and Sciences offers 14 certificates to include Diversity Leadership, Professional Writing and Publishing, Web Site Development and Administration, and Women's and Gender Studies. Completion of a certificate enables you to acquire additional tools for your toolbox by focusing on a specific skill that will complement your degree program and deepen knowledge in an area that is desirable to future employers.

Fourth Year

Fall Semester	Units	Spring Semester	Units
Film 483 Cinema Auteurs or 485 Film Theory	3	Film Electives course (if needed)	3
Film Electives course	3	Minor course	3
Gened CORE 390 World of Ideas	3	Minor course	3
Minor course	3	Elective course	3
Elective course	3	Elective course	3
Total Credits	15	Total Credits	15

Notes: All students must earn 120 credits to earn a bachelor's degree and all requirements in this program can be completed in fewer than 120 credits. Most students have the opportunity to choose additional courses in the fourth year to expand skills, explore interests, or try something new.

Opportunities: LSINDP 399: Career Information in Letters and Sciences is a 1-credit course that focuses on career and graduate school opportunities; identifying skills, strengths, and work values; creating effective job search materials; developing a networking strategy; and planning for a successful post-graduation transition.

Planning for Graduation: Students are encouraged to apply for graduation one full semester prior to their intended graduation date. Information about commencement is on the Registrar's Office website (<http://www.uww.edu/registrar/graduation>) and the application for graduation is available to students in the WINS Student Information System.



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