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GENERAL ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Minimum Graduation Requirements

- 120 credit hours
- 45 upper-division credit hours (3000-4999 level)
- 2.0 CU cumulative GPA
- Residency: Last 30 credit hours of degree must be completed while registered in the College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences at UCCS

Student Responsibilities

Students are required to know and follow:

- All academic policies set forth by the University, College, and academic department in the UCCS Catalog: catalog.uccs.edu
- All course prerequisites designated by the University. Failure to meet course prerequisites may result in an administrative drop of the course from a student's schedule. See degree audit for course prerequisites within the academic major.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Explore VAPA – Film Studies: [Film Studies | Visual & Performing Arts \(uccs.edu\)](https://www.uccs.edu/film-studies)

Major Requirements			
VAPA – Film Studies Major (54 hours)	Course/Area	Course Title	Credit Hours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires a minimum of 39 credit hours of FILM course work and an additional 15 credit hours of VAPA course work. • Requires a minimum of 36 credit hours of upper-division (3000+ level) VAPA course work. • All VAPA course work must have a grade of "C" or better. 	VAPA 1000-level Core course	Complete any one 1000-level VAPA Core course. See Degree Audit for the complete list of courses.	3
	VAPA 3000-level Core courses	Complete any two 3000-level VAPA Core courses. See Degree Audit for the complete list of courses.	6
	FILM 1000	Introduction to Film Studies	3
	FILM 2000	Narrative Film	3
	FILM 4500	Film Theory	3
	FILM 4980	Film Capstone: Film Studies Practice	3
	Practical Coursework	Complete one of the following courses: FILM 4030, 9400, 9499 VA 3200	3
	National Cinema	Complete 6 hours from the following list: FILM 3400, 3450, 3500, 3550, 3690, 3850, 4000, 4110	6
	Director or Thematic Genre	Complete one of the following courses: FILM 2800, 3330, 3350, 3510, 3520, 3530, 3540, 3700, 3750, 3760, 3900, 3950, 3990, 4250, 4251, 4252, 4253, 4254	3
	Upper-Division FILM Electives	Complete an additional 15 hours of upper-division (3000+ level) FILM course work.	15
	Cross-Disciplinary Electives	Complete 6 hours of 2000-level or higher course work from other VAPA areas: AH, DNCE, MSGP, MUS, THTR, VA	6

General Education and Elective Requirements

Core Writing Requirement (6 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ENGL 1310, 1308, or 1305 (<i>Students choosing ENGL 1305 must complete ENGL 1300 first.</i>) ENGL 1410 PORT 3000 (0 Credits) – Writing Portfolio 	
Reasoning Skills (3 hours)	See the degree audit for course options.	
Area Requirements (27 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum 2 courses from any one discipline may be applied to the area requirements Courses may not be taken pass/fail 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Humanities – 9 credit hours of which 3 credits must be HUM 3990. Social Sciences – 9 credit hours Natural Sciences – 9 credits hours of which at least 1 credit must be from a lab course. <p>NOTE: Cannot select courses from primary major courses for area requirements.</p>	
Oral Communication, Cultural Diversity, and Global Awareness Requirements	One course from each list (see degree audit). <i>All courses that fulfill these requirements may also count towards other general education or major requirements.</i>	
Compass Curriculum (12 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore and Navigate courses must be outside major and area requirements Writing Intensive, Inclusiveness, and Sustainability courses can count towards other requirements within degree 	Component	Course
	Gateway	GPS 1010
	Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures	See Degree Audit
	Explore – Society, Behavior and Health	See Degree Audit
	Explore – Physical and Natural World	See Degree Audit
	Navigate	HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements)
	Summit	FILM 4980 (included in major requirements)
	Writing Intensive Courses (WIC) <i>Two courses with one upper-division (3000+ level)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements) See Degree Audit
	Inclusiveness	See Degree Audit
	Sustainability	See Degree Audit
General Electives (18 hours)	Complete additional courses to meet total and upper-division requirements for your degree program.	

FOUR-YEAR DEGREE PLAN

Please note that this is an *example* degree program and your program may vary. **Students are responsible for completing all course prerequisites.**

Year One	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		ENGL 1310	3		ENGL 1410	3
		FILM 1000	3		Cross-Disciplinary 2000+ level Elective	3
		GPS 1010	3		Reasoning Skills Course (<i>INDS 1050</i>)	3
		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course	3		Explore – Society, Behavior & Health Course	3
		General Elective	3		VAPA 1000-Level Core Course	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	15
Year Two	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		FILM 2000	3		Upper-Division (UD) FILM Elective	3
		Social Science Elective (<i>Global Awareness</i>)	3		Cross-Disciplinary 2000+ level Elective	3
		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3		Natural Science Elective w/ Lab	4
		Humanities Elective	3		Social Science Elective (<i>Inclusiveness/Cultural Diversity</i>)	3
		General Elective	3		General Elective (<i>Oral Communication</i>)	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	16
Year Three	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		FILM National Cinema Course	3		FILM National Cinema Course	3
		FILM Director or Thematic/Genre Course	3		UD FILM Elective	3
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		VAPA 3000-Level Core Course	3		VAPA 3000-Level Core Course	3
		Natural Science Elective	3		Natural Science Elective	2
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	14
Year Four	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		FILM 4500	3		FILM 4980	3
		FILM Practical Coursework	3		UD FILM Elective	3
		HUM 3990	3		Humanities Elective	3
		Social Science Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		General Elective	3		UD General Elective (<i>Sustainability</i>)	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	15