VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS B.A.

Film Studies Option

University of Colorado Colorado Springs

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GENERAL ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Minimum Graduation Requirements
1. 120 credit hours
2. 45 upper-division credit hours (3000-4999 level)
3. 2.0 CU cumulative GPA
4. 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:
1. All academic policies set forth by the University, College, and academic department in the UCCS Catalog: catalog.uccs.edu
2. 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.

MAJOR INFORMATION

Through studio arts, performance, theory, scholarship, and creative uses of media and technology, students will engage in an investigative approach to the arts, where the local and global converge, where cross-fertilization inspires critical thinking, dialogue, improvisation, and where diversity of thought is intrinsic to artistic process and practice. Film Studies enriches many academic subjects and majors with its critical and multicultural exploration of cinematic expression.

Major Requirements

VAPA – Film Studies Major
(54 hours)

- 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.

Course/Area	Course Title	Credit Hours
VAPA 1000-level Core course	*Complete one 1000-level VAPA Core course from the following:* VAPA 1005, 1020, 1050, 1100, 1500	3
VAPA 3000-level Core courses	*Complete 6 hours of 3000-level VAPA Core courses from the following:* VAPA 3900, 3910, 3920, 3950, 3960, 3970, 3980, 3990	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	FILM 4030 - Internship in Film Studies FILM 9400 - Independent Study in Film Studies (Nonproduction settings are recommended)	3
National Cinema	*Complete 6 hours from the following list*: FILM 3400, 3450, 3550, 3690, 3850, 4000, 4110	6
Director or Thematic Genre	*Complete one of the following courses*: FILM 2800, 3330, 3700, 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, or VA.	6

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General Education and Elective Requirements

Composition (6 hours)	1. ENGL 1310 2. ENGL 1410 3. PORT 3000 (0 Credits) – Writing Portfolio
Reasoning Skills (3 hours)	See the degree audit for course options.
Area Requirements (27 hours) • Maximum 2 courses from any one discipline may be applied to the area requirements • Courses may not be taken pass/fail	1. Humanities – 9 credit hours of which 3 credits must be HUM 3990. 2. Social Sciences – 9 credit hours 3. Natural Sciences – 9 credits hours, of which at least 1 credit must be from a lab course **NOTE:** Cannot select courses from primary major courses for area requirements.
Oral Communication, Cultural Diversity, and Global Awareness Requirements	One course from each list (see degree audit). *All courses that fulfill these requirements may also count towards other general education or major requirements.*

Compass Curriculum (12 hours) • 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) *Two courses with one upper-division (3000+ level)*	1. HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements) 2. See Degree Audit
	Inclusiveness	See Degree Audit
	Sustainability	See Degree Audit

General Electives (21-24 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.**

	√	**FALL**	*Hours*	√	**SPRING**	*Hours*
Year One		ENGL 1310	3		ENGL 1410	3
		FILM 1000	3		FILM 2000	3
		VAPA 1000-Level Course	3		Humanities Elective	3
		GPS 1010	3		INDS 1050	3
		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course	3		Explore – Society, Behavior & Health Course	3
		TOTAL	15		**TOTAL**	15

	√	**FALL**	*Hours*	√	**SPRING**	*Hours*
Year Two		National Cinema Course	3		Humanities Elective	3
		Social Science Elective	3		Oral Communication	3
		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3		Social Science Elective	3
		Cross Disciplinary Course	3		Natural Science Elective w/ Lab	4
		General Elective	3		Cross Disciplinary Course	3
		TOTAL	15		**TOTAL**	16

	√	**FALL**	*Hours*	√	**SPRING**	*Hours*
Year Three		VAPA 3000-Level Course	3		National Cinema Course	3
		Director or Thematic/Genre Course	3		UD FILM Elective	3
		Upper-Division (UD) FILM Elective	3		VAPA 3000-Level Course	3
		Natural Science Elective	3		Social Science Elective	3
		General Elective	3		General Elective	3
		TOTAL	15		**TOTAL**	15

	√	**FALL**	*Hours*	√	**SPRING**	*Hours*
Year Four		FILM 4500	3		FILM 4980	3
		FILM 4030 or FILM 9400	3		UD FILM Elective	3
		UD FILM Elective	3		UD FILM Elective	3
		HUM 3990	3		Natural Science Elective	2
		UD General Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		TOTAL	15		**TOTAL**	14