

FILM PRODUCTION, B.A.

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: University Park

Spring 2024 Curricular Update: *The program description, entrance requirements, and program requirements detailed on this page are effective beginning Spring 2024. To learn more about what approved curricular changes take effect in Spring 2024, please visit the Changes to the UG Bulletin page (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/using-this-bulletin/#changestotheugbulletintext>). To view the requirements in effect for Fall 2023, please visit the 2023-24 Undergraduate Bulletin PDF (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/pdf/undergraduate.pdf>).*

Program Description

The Film Production major is designed to serve students whose primary interest is the art of creative storytelling through film and video production. It offers an integrated curriculum in which historical, critical, and theoretical studies parallel the teaching of production and aesthetics. The major includes a broad liberal arts background with introductory courses in the areas of film history, theory, and practice. The course sequence provides students with a foundation in production techniques and professional practice for narrative, documentary and alternative production. Students then have the flexibility to pursue an area of emphasis at the advanced level. The major prepares students for careers in film, television, and media-related industries or to pursue a graduate degree in a specific area of film and television production.

What is Film Production?

Film production helps students develop an understanding of all aspects of the film and video production process while exploring narrative, documentary and alternative forms. Utilizing state-of-the-art equipment, students gain hands-on experience as writers, producers, directors, cinematographers and editors. The program emphasizes personal expression and collaboration along with the technical and creative skills needed to succeed in a career in media production. Faculty members in the film-video major are working professionals who emphasize critical thinking and the development of ideas while offering students in-depth study of writing and production. Students graduate with a skill set that prepares them for a dynamic work environment in a highly competitive industry.

You Might Like This Program If...

- You're creative, curious, inquisitive and enjoy telling stories.
- You're able to visualize a story and interpret it using technology.
- You're an active learner who likes to apply knowledge in a practical setting.
- You're able to work in a team environment, no matter what your role.
- You have an appreciation and understanding of popular culture and want to contribute its evolution.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT FILM PRODUCTION (<https://www.bellisario.psu.edu/departments/film-production-media-studies/>)