

SAMPLE Four-Year Plan

B.A. Film Studies

FALL 2024 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. Courses in bold indicate major-based coursework.

First Year

Fall Semester	Units
English 101 Intro to College Writing and Reading	3
Film 266 Gender and Film	3
BA World Language course	3
Gened CORE 120 Historical or 140 Global Perspectives	4
Intrauniversity 104 New Student Seminar	1
PEGNRL 192 Personal Health and Fitness for Life	1
Total Credits	15

Spring Semester	Units
English 102 Intro College Writing, Reading, Research	3
Film 272 Critical Writing Multimedia	3
BA World Language course	3
Gened CORE 130 Individual and Society	4
Math 139 Quantitative Reasoning	3
Total Credits	16

Notes: The math and English courses you will take during your first year will depend on exam scores. This four-year plan reflects the math and English courses most common for students in this major. All students are encouraged to provide test scores prior to attending Warhawks SOAR (Student Orientation, Advising, and Registration). For the Bachelor of Arts degree requirements, students must complete two semesters of a world language or demonstrate proficiency in a world language through the second level on the UW System placement test in Spanish, French, or German. Students who are native speakers of a language other than English are eligible to waive the language requirement.

Opportunities: Film Studies students have the opportunity to acquire video and audio production skills by signing up for either a certificate in Video Production or a minor or second major in Communication-Electronic Media. Refer to the Film Studies website for more information on video production learning opportunities as well as film-related clubs and activities: www.uww.edu/cls/film-studies.

Second Year

Fall Semester	Units
Film 258 Documentary Films	3
Film 300-level course	3
Gened CORE 110 World of the Arts	3
University Requirement Lab Science (GL) course	4
Minor course	3
Total Credits	16

Spring Semester	Units
Film 300-level course	3
Film 300-level course	3
Comm 110 Intro to Human Communication	3
University Requirement GN/GQ course	3
Minor course	3
Total Credits	15

Notes: Some Film Studies courses can be repeated for credit. Consult your Film Studies advisor to choose the courses that work best for you and your goals.

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
Film elective	3
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BA 300/400 Breadth Requirement course	3
Gened CORE 390 World of Ideas	3
Minor course	3
Total Credits	15

Spring Semester	Units
Film elective	3
BA 300/400 Breadth Requirement course	3
U.S. Racial/Ethnic Diversity course	3
Minor course	3
Minor course	3
Total Credits	15

Notes: Film Studies majors enjoy a broad selection of electives, including production-based courses such as Screenwriting (FILM 376), Documentary Project Development (FILM 360), and Documentary Production (FILM 362). You are encouraged to work with the Film Studies advisor to personalize your degree path according to your 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 17 certificates to include Diversity Leadership, Interdisciplinary Ethics, Professional Writing and Publishing, Web Site Development and Administration, and LGBTQ Studies. Completion of a certificate enables you to acquire additional skills that will complement your degree program and deepen your knowledge in areas desirable to future employers.

Fourth Year

Fall Semester	Units
Film 483 Cinema Auteurs	3
Minor course	3
Minor course	3
Elective	3
Elective	3
Total Credits	15

Spring Semester	Units
Film 485 Film Theory	3
Minor course	3
LSINDP 399: Career Information	1
Elective	3
Elective	3
Total Credits	13

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 and the application for graduation are on the Registrar's Office website (<http://www.uww.edu/registrar/graduation>).

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