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# Film & Television

School of Theatre, Film & Television

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## Film & Television Minor

*including courses in:*

**History/Studies**

**Producing**

**Film & Video Production**

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*This packet includes:*

- *information about the Film & Television minor*
  - *the application process for current UA students (applying during fall 2026 for entry in spring 2027).*
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*Application deadline for the Film & Television minor:*

***December 1, 2026*** (can be submitted sooner)

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## Course Listings for the Film & Television Minor

*From the Film & Television minor website at:  
<http://tftv.arizona.edu/current-students/minor/>*

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The Film & Television minor is a 21-unit minor, including eight 3-unit courses.

### **Five lower-division courses (12 units total):**

FTV 100A Film and Television History, Beginnings to Mid-20th Century

FTV 100B Film and Television History, Mid-20th Century to the Present

FTV 200 Film & Television Aesthetics

\*FTV 210 Introduction to Production Practices (Can be taken for production course access).

FTV 270 Introduction to Film and Television Industries

Courses are not offered every semester. Some core courses are offered in the summer.

### **Three upper-division courses (9 units total):**

Advanced Standing in FTV is required for any student to take upper-division FTV courses.

Advanced Standing requires: (1) completion of all five lower-division courses, and  
(2) a minimum cumulative UA GPA of 2.5.

Choose three courses from this list:

FTV 308 Survey of Film and Television Law and  
Regulation

FTV 309 History of the Documentary

FTV 310 Idea Development

FTV 311A Cinematography

FTV 313 Experimental Production Practices

FTV 314A Documentary Production

FTV 315A Fiction Production

FTV 317A Sound Design for Film and Television  
Production

FTV 318 Fundamentals of Editing

FTV 325 (or GER 325) History of German  
Cinema

FTV 326 Television Aesthetics and Criticism

FTV 335 Topics in Film and Television Studies

FTV 356 World Cinemas

FTV 364 Writing the Short Screenplay

FTV 367 Directing for the Screen

FTV 369 Scene Analysis for Directors

FTV 370 U.S. Film & Television Now

FTV 372 Film Programming & Exhibition

FTV 375 Television and U.S. Culture

FTV 376 Media Market Research

FTV 400 (or ENGL 400) Themes in Literature  
and Film

FTV 404 Topics in Film & TV Production

FTV 422 Visual Effects History

FTV 423 Representation of Gender in the Media

FTV 434 Issues in Film and Television Industries

FTV 453 Screen Artists

FTV 456 Race, Gender & Class in Film and  
Television

FTV 460 Screen Narratives

FTV 465 Film Styles and Genres

FTV 478 Creative Media Advertising

FTV 479 International Film and TV Business

FTV 496B Special Topics

FTV 497G Editing

FTV 497I Film & Television Writing Workshop

Courses are not offered every semester. Many courses have prerequisites. Registration can be competitive. See the Film & Television minor advisor for details.

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# University of Arizona School of Theatre, Film & Television

## Film & Television Minor Application Information Packet - Spring 2027 Admission

If you have any questions AFTER reading the packet, please contact Daniela Tascarella at [danielat1@arizona.edu](mailto:danielat1@arizona.edu) or (520) 621-9303.

This document details the application process for the Film & Television minor, with a deadline of 4:00pm on December 1, 2026, for entry into the minor in spring 2027. This application process is only available to current UA students who meet the following requirements:

1. are registered for classes at UA in fall 2026,
2. have reviewed the online info session on the TFTV website,
3. have a current cumulative UA GPA of at least 2.5. *(First-semester UA students who do not yet have a UA GPA will be allowed to submit an application, but must earn a minimum UA GPA of 2.5 in fall 2026 in order to be eligible for admittance to the Film & Television minor.)*

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### Information about Film & Television Degree Programs

#### What does Film & Television include?

UA Film & Television offers classes in film, video, and television.

#### What does Film & Television NOT include?

Film & Television does not offer programs in radio, audio production, acting, digital animation, web design, television production, photography, broadcast journalism, graphic design, or set design / construction. (Acting and set design/construction are degree programs in Theatre, photography and graphic design are degree programs in the School of Art, and broadcast journalism is a degree program in the School of Journalism. The other areas are not offered as degree programs here at UA.)

#### Areas of Study in Film & Television

Courses in the following three areas in Film & Television are offered to all of our majors and minors:

History/Studies includes film/television criticism, analysis, writing. Courses in this area include the study of history, genres, cultures, screen artists (directors, producers).

Producing includes the business end of film/TV industry, the behind-the-scenes aspects of creating film/TV (not including hands-on production – see “Film & Video Production” below), project development.

Courses in this area include developing ideas for film and TV, producing a script, distribution and promotion, in the U.S. and global film/TV industries.

Film & Video Production includes all aspects of hands-on independent film-making. Courses in this area include directing, shooting, editing, pre- and post-production.

#### Recommended Schedule for Film & Television Core Courses

Spring: FTV 100B and 270

Fall: FTV 100A, 200 and 210

Spring: begin upper-division courses

Summer courses are available and popular with Film & TV minors who need to “catch up” in the minor.

#### Core Course Schedule

Some Film & Television core courses are offered in three segments, for example:

FTV 100A schedule in Fall 2021:

Monday 3:00-5:30pm Screening (100+ students)

Wednesday 3:00-3:50pm Lecture (100+ students)

Wednesday 4:00-4:50pm Discussion (~20 students)

or 5:00-5:50pm

Students must participate in all three segments of the course.

### **Advanced Standing in Film & Television**

You must be granted Advanced Standing in Film & Television to take upper level (300/400 level) FTV courses. The requirements for Advanced Standing are:

1. completion of at least 40 credit hours,
2. completion of the five Film & Television core courses (FTV 100A, 100B, 200, 210, 270), and
3. minimum cumulative GPA [grade point average] of 2.5 at UA, which is halfway between a “B” and “C” average. ALL graded UA courses count toward the UA GPA. (Film & Television is very strict about this GPA requirement!)

### **Upper-Division Film & Television Courses**

3 courses (9 units minimum) upper-division [300/400 level] Film & Television courses are required.

Courses can be in any combination of the three areas:

- History/Studies
- Producing
- Film & Video Production

### **Minor Completion**

Once you have completed the coursework for the Film & Television minor, you may not register for additional upper-division FTV courses (except in Summer).

Advanced Standing will be revoked once the minor requirements have been met. (Necessary due to supply and demand: a large number of Film & TV students vs. a smaller number of FTV courses offered.)

### **Minor Application Process**

COMPETITIVE

Application process will be offered every Fall and Spring semester for entrance in the following semester. If you are denied to the minor, you may reapply in a future semester (if you still meet the eligibility requirements).

## How to Apply to become a Film & Television Minor

A complete application for the Film & Television minor consists of the following items:

1. **Film & Television Minor Application Form** (the last page of this packet)
2. **Statement of Intent** - In 250 to 500 words, write a statement in essay form and describe:
  - a) How the Film & Television minor will fit into your degree program and help prepare you for your career. (Before writing your statement, be sure to look over the course listings for the minor, on page 2 of this packet.)
  - b) Your personal life experiences that have shaped your interests and who you are.
3. **Personal Insight Question** – In 200 to 300 words, answer only ONE of the following questions:
  - a) Describe an example of your leadership experience. How has your leadership helped others or positively influenced your community?
  - b) What do you do to express your creativity? Tell us about an example of your artistic endeavours or innovative thinking.
  - c) Describe a major challenge you have faced, and what steps you took to overcome this challenge.

*All questions have equal value; there is no advantage or disadvantage to choosing one question over others.*
4. **Transcripts** - All applicants must include UA and possibly high school and/or previous college transcripts in their application packet. Unofficial transcripts are acceptable. Specifically:

**UA Unofficial Transcript** - required of ALL applicants, including first-semester UA students. On UAccess Student, (1) click on “My Academics”, (2) click on “View my unofficial transcript”, (3) choose “University of Arizona” and “Unofficial Transcript” and click “view report”, and then (4) print all pages. (Make sure pop-ups are enabled in your browser to view and print the report.)

**High School Transcript** – also required of all first-semester UA freshmen.

**College Transcript(s)** – also required of students who have transferred at least 24 units to UA.

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Submit the application for the Film & Television minor (including all accompanying materials) to Daniela Tascarella at [danielat1@email.arizona.edu](mailto:danielat1@email.arizona.edu).

Spring 2027 FTV Minor Application  
Applicant: (your name)

### DEADLINE:

**Completed applications must be received in our office by December 1<sup>st</sup>. Late applications will not be accepted. ONLY COMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED. Please submit electronically to [danielat1@email.arizona.edu](mailto:danielat1@email.arizona.edu) or to the front desk of Marshall 220.**

## **Assessment of Application Materials (i.e., What are we looking for?)**

**Applications will be assessed based on clear articulation of interest in pursuing a minor in Film & Television and academic potential.**

A successful Film & Television application will show the faculty reviewers the following three qualities:

- 1) Your interests fit the Film & Television minor program and courses that we can offer you.
- 2) You can express yourself clearly, and with imagination and self-reflection, in written format. Many Film & Television courses are writing intensive and require these skills.
- 3) Your transcript(s) show proven academic success (good grades). Students with a cumulative UA GPA of less than 2.5 will not be considered for acceptance to Film & Television.

Applications will be reviewed by our faculty, and **admission decisions will be made in two weeks from time of submission**. Students will be informed of their admission status (admission/denial) to the Film & Television minor through their UA email address. Admissions decisions are final, though students denied to the minor may reapply in a future semester.

Students **admitted** to Film & Television will receive an additional email with instructions about declaring the Film & Television minor. All new minors **MUST** meet with an FTV advisor to file the paperwork. Also, at this time, you will be advised on which FTV course(s) you should register for in spring 2027. **If you do not meet with an FTV advisor, the Film & Television minor will not be declared for you; nor will you be eligible to enroll in any FTV courses in spring 2027.**

Students **provisionally admitted** to Film & Television (who do not yet have a UA GPA) should follow the instructions in the previous paragraph; however, paperwork to declare the Film & Television minor will not be filed until after Fall 2026 grades have been posted in December. ***Students who do not achieve a minimum 2.5 cumulative UA GPA at this time will NOT be declared in the Film & Television minor.*** Also at this time, ***registration in Film & Television courses will be cancelled*** (i.e., we will drop all FTV classes from your spring 2027 schedule).

Students **denied** to Film & Television may reapply in a future semester, if they still meet eligibility requirements. These students have the option to meet with a member of the faculty review team to discuss the evaluation of their application, with advice on how a potential future application might be improved. Specific information will be sent with the denial email.

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**School of Theatre, Film & Television  
Application Form for the Film & Television Minor**

**Spring 2027 Admission  
Current UA Students**

Name:		Date of Birth:
UA Student ID:	UA Email Address:	
Current Address (at UA):		
City/State/Zip:	Phone:	
Permanent Address:		
City/State/Zip:	Phone:	

Current Major:
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Residency (check one):	<input type="checkbox"/> Arizona Resident	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Resident
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Ethnic Background (optional):	<input type="checkbox"/> Caucasian/White	<input type="checkbox"/> African-American/Black	<input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino
<input type="checkbox"/> Native American	<input type="checkbox"/> Asian/Pacific Rim	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	

How did you hear about Film & Television at UA? (Check all that apply):			
<input type="checkbox"/> Website	<input type="checkbox"/> Word of Mouth from Peers	<input type="checkbox"/> High School Counselor	<input type="checkbox"/> High School Teacher
<input type="checkbox"/> Parent	<input type="checkbox"/> College Advisor	<input type="checkbox"/> Film & Television Faculty/Staff (if so, who?):	
<input type="checkbox"/> Film & Television Student(s)/Alumni (if so, who?):			
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please describe):			

**Application Requirement Checklist**

A complete application packet includes all of the following materials:

- Film & Television Minor Application Form (this form)
- Statement of Intent (250-500 words)
- Personal Insight Question (200-300 words)
- UA Unofficial Transcript (printed from UAccess Student)
- High School Transcript, if you are a freshman and Fall 2021 is your first semester at UA
- Previous College Transcript(s), if you have transferred at least 24 units to UA

**DEADLINE:** Submit your complete application packet by **December 1, 2026.**  
to the Film & Television office (Marshall Building, Room 220) or via email to Daniela Tascarella at  
danielat1@arizona.edu.

***Only complete applications submitted by the deadline will be considered.***