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Lower-Division Courses

RTF 301N. Introductory Topics in Radio-Television-Film.
Restricted to non-radio-television-film majors only. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary.

RTF 301R. Topics in Radio-Television-Film.
Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary.

RTF 301S. Social Activism in Film.
Restricted to non-radio-television-film majors. Explores ways filmmakers express ideas about important movements and social issues. Three lecture hours and one two-and-one-half-hour screening each week for one semester. Radio-Television-Film 301N (Topic: Social Activism in Film) and 301S may not both be counted.

RTF 303C. Introduction to Media and Entertainment Industries.
Introduction to Media and Entertainment Industries provides a foundational social science understanding of media and entertainment industries. Drawing on insights from media studies, management, and sociology, uses social science theories, methods, and practices to examine social, political, and economic forces that shape and are shaped by media production, distribution, and monetization. Three lecture hours per week for one semester. Additional hours may be arranged.

RTF 304. Storytelling in Film and Television.
Restricted to non-radio-television-film majors. Study of the way meaning is structured and perceived in film, television, and digital/interactive media; introduction to basic storytelling techniques in multiple media formats. Includes viewing and analysis of movies, television series, video games, and various other media narratives. Three lecture hours and two one-and-one-half hours of film screenings a week for one semester. Radio-Television-Film 304 and 317 may not both be counted.

Survey of the aesthetic, cultural, economic, political, and technological trends impacting motion pictures around the world from their origins in the late nineteenth century through the present. Three lecture hours and one two-and-one-half-hour of film screenings a week for one semester. An additional discussion section may also be required.

RTF 307. Media and Society.
Concentrates on media's role in society, including our contributions as participants and audiences, as well as consequences to our social norms, political engagement, and identities. Considers how media work within local, national, and global contexts, addressing social continuities and disruptions, organizational processes, policies and politics, and economic conditions. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. An additional discussion section may also be required.

RTF 308. Development of Film and Media.
Study of historical development of the film, radio, television, and digital media industries. Overview of the cultural, social, economic, and technological contexts in which media have been produced and circulated. Three lecture hours and two and one-half hours of film screening a week for one semester. A one-hour discussion section may also be required.

Study of the way meaning is structured and perceived in film, television, and digital/interactive media; introduction to basic storytelling techniques in multiple media formats. Includes viewing and analysis of movies, television series, video games, and various other media narratives. Three lecture hours, one hour discussion, and one two-and-one-half hour film screening a week for one semester. Students may not enroll in this course more than twice. Radio-Television-film 304 and 317 may not both be counted. Prerequisite: Three semester hours of lower-division coursework in radio-television-film.

RTF 318. Introduction to Image and Sound.
Exploration of fundamental film and digital production concepts and techniques through lectures, projects, and laboratory work. Three lecture hours and three laboratory hours a week for one semester. Students may not enroll in this course more than twice. Prerequisite: Six semester hours of lower-division coursework in radio-television-film.

This course is used to record credit the student earns while enrolled at another institution in a program administered by the University's Study Abroad Office. Credit is recorded as assigned by the study abroad adviser in the Department of Radio-Television-Film. University credit is awarded for work in an exchange program; it may be counted as coursework taken in residence. Transfer credit is awarded for work in an affiliated studies program. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary.

Upper-Division Courses

Survey of the evolution of United States television programming, aesthetics, production, and policy. Three lecture hours and two and one-half hours of television and other course-related screenings a week for one semester. Radio-Television-Film 316 and 321C may not both be counted. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

RTF 321D. Film History to 1960.
Introductory survey of the history of world cinema to 1960. Explores the development of film as a narrative medium, key filmmakers, films, and of the origins of the main elements of film grammar. Three lecture hours and two and one-half hours of film screenings a week for one semester. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

RTF 322D. Film History 1960 to Present.
Three lecture hours and two and one-half hours of film screenings a week for one semester. Radio-Television-Film 322C and 322D may not both be counted. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

RTF 323C. Screening Race.
Introduction to the study of race and ethnicity in U.S. film, television, and new media. Includes focus on media histories, media criticism, production strategies, and U.S. audiences. Three lecture hours and two and one-half hours of film screenings a week for one semester. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

RTF 324C. Introduction to Global Media.
Introduces the role of global media as a set of texts, technologies, and industries that shape our identities, our social worlds, and our political practices. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Only one of the following may count: Journalism 351G, 359S (Topic: Introduction to...
RTF 324L. Topics in the Entertainment Professions.
Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Contemporary issues, practices, and skills related to communication and the entertainment industries, including studies in the business of entertainment, the entertainment professions, the creative process, and contemporary Hollywood cinema. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing; additional prerequisites vary with the topic.

Topic 5: Careers in Entertainment-Los Angeles. Explores specific career interests with a focus on skills, experience, training, and contacts that are required in Los Angeles. Taught in Los Angeles, California. Only one of the following may be counted: Communication 324 (Topic: Careers in Entertainment), 324 (Topic 5), Radio-Television-Film 324L (Topic: Careers in Entertainment), 324L (Topic 5).

RTF 326C. Tech Culture.
Examines ideas about the relationship between technology and culture, how US culture views technology, and the historically contingent design, development and use of different media and communication technologies. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Only one of the following may be counted: Communication 309, Journalism 351T, 359S (Topic: Tech Culture), Radio-Television-Film 309, 326C. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

RTF 327C. Digital Remix Cultures.
Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Introduction to the study of digital remix cultures. Subjects will include medium specific mash-up cultures and platforms (image, audio, video), authorship and ownership, political remix and culture jamming, and memes. Assignments will merge theory and practice. Three lecture hours and two laboratory hours a week for one semester. Radio-Television-Film 319 and 327C may not both be counted. Offered on the letter-grade basis only. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

RTF 328C. Gender and Media Culture.
Same as Women's and Gender Studies 324C. Critical analysis of media and its interrelation with issues of gender. Three lecture hours and one two-and-one-half hour film screening a week for one semester. Only one of the following may be counted: Radio-Television-Film 325C, 328C, 359 (Topic: Women and Media Culture), 359S (Topic 2), Women's and Gender Studies 324 (Topic: Gender and Media Culture), 324C. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

RTF 329C. Digital Media Production.
Interactive course designed to teach foundational Digital Media Production tools. Apply digital media tools and techniques to a variety of tasks in the pipeline of production from concept, storyboard, layout to compositor, VFX, CG and interactive design. Three lecture hours and three laboratory hours each week for one semester. Radio-Television-Film 329C and 344M (Topic: Digital Media Production) may not both be counted. Prerequisite: Forty-five hours of coursework.

This course is used to record credit the student earns while enrolled at another institution in a program administered by the University's Study Abroad Office. Credit is recorded as assigned by the study abroad adviser in the Department of Radio-Television-Film. University credit is awarded for work in an exchange program; it may be counted as coursework taken in residence. Transfer credit is awarded for work in an affiliated studies program. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary.

Restricted to non-radio-television-film majors admitted to the Semester in Los Angeles Program. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing.

Introduction to applied media research and research criticism; fundamentals of audience analysis, survey design, experimental and field research, content analysis. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

RTF 330L. Internship in Film and Electronic Media.
Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Practical work experience related to the study of film, television, radio, or other media. Students must make their own arrangements to secure relevant internships. The equivalent of ten lecture hours a week for one semester. Radio-Television-Film 330L and 330M may not both be counted. Offered on the pass/fail basis only. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing.

RTF 330M. Internship in Digital Media.
Restricted to non-radio-television-film majors. Practical work experience in digital media and postproduction media. Students must make their own arrangements to secure relevant internships. The equivalent of ten lecture hours a week for one semester. Radio-Television-Film 330L and 330M may not both be counted. Offered on the pass/fail basis only. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing.

RTF 331K. Film, Video, and Television Theory.
Survey of basic theories that seek to explain the relationships between film, video, television, and their respective audiences. Three lecture hours and one two-and-a-half hour film screening a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

Topic 1: Cult Movies and Gender Issues.
Topic 2: Television and Theories of Gender.
Topic 4: Feminist Media Theory. Survey of basic feminist media theory.
Topic 5: Screen Theory. Survey of basic screen theory.
Topic 7: Stardom and Celebrity Culture. Same as Women's and Gender Studies 324J. Survey of the construction and meanings of stardom in film, television, and new media. Subjects include links with the media industries; stardom and race, class, gender, and sexuality; and new permutations of celebrity culture. Three lecture hours and one two-and-a-half hour film screening a week for one semester. Only one of the following may be counted: Radio-Television-Film 331K (Topic: Critical Studies of Film and Television Stardom), 331K (Topic 6), 331K (Topic 7), Women's and Gender Studies 324 (Topic: Critical Stds Film/TV Stardom), 324J. Additional prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

Topic 8: Transmedia Storytelling. Radio-Television-Film 331K (Topic: Transmedia Storytelling) and 331K (Topic 8) may not both be counted.

RTF 331L. Corporate and Instructional Video.
Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Study, design, production, use, and evaluation of corporate and instructional video materials. Three
RTF 331P. Topics in New Communication Technologies. Applications and potential effects of new telecommunications and information technologies in the home, workplace, and in education, social services, and politics. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

Topic 3: Internet Cultures. Radio-Television-Film 331P (Topic: Internet Cultures) and 331P (Topic 3) may not both be counted.

Topic 4: Video Game Culture and Criticism. Radio-Television-Film 331P (Topic: Video Game Culture & Criticism) and 331P (Topic 4) may not both be counted.

Topic 5: Digital Media Platforms. Radio-Television-Film 331P (Topic: Digital Media Platforms) and 331P (Topic 5) may not both be counted.

Topic 6: Video Game Industry. Radio-Television-Film 331P (Topic: Video Game Industry) and 331P (Topic 6) may not both be counted.

RTF 331Q. Topics in Digital Media. Survey, analyze, and assess current and emergent digital and social media technologies and cultures. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing

RTF 331R. Topics in New Media. Students produce projects in either film, video, computer animation, collage, sculpture, assemblage, soundscape, or performance. Prior experience in one or more media is helpful but not necessary. Three lecture hours and one and one-half studio hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: For radio-television-film majors, twelve semester hours of lower-division coursework in radio-television-film; for others, upper-division standing and consent of instructor.

RTF 333. Introduction to Screenwriting. Restricted to radio-television-film majors. An introduction to screenwriting for features, short films, documentaries, and television. Lectures explore the basic theory of story, character, and structure. Students write original screenplays during workshop hours. Three lecture hours and two workshop hours each a week for one semester. Creative Writing 325S and Radio-Television-Film 333 may not both be counted. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing and twelve semester hours of lower-division coursework in radio-television-film.

RTF 335. Television Analysis and Criticism. Analysis of critical methods, selected television programs, and selected critics. Three lecture hours a week for one semester, with two-and-one-half-hours of film screening a week. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

Topic 1: Television in the Post-Network Era. Examination of contemporary television’s formal-aesthetic traits as well as its shifting position as a cultural, social, political and industrial force. Exploration of how television is being transformed as it converges with other digital technologies. Only one of the following may be counted: Radio-Television-Film 335 (Topic: Contemporary TV Criticism), 335 (Topic: TV Analysis and Criticism), 335 (Topic 1), and 335 (Topic 3).

Topic 2: Race, Class, and Gender in American Television. Same as Women’s and Gender Studies 324D. Surveys history and contemporary debates regarding the construction of race, class, gender and sexual orientation in U.S. television from the late 1940s through the present day and related issues of television aesthetics, production practices, audiences, and advocacy. Three lecture hours a week for one semester, with two-and-one-half-hours of film screening a week. Only one of the following may be counted: American Studies 321 (Topic: Race/Class/Gender in Amer TV), Mexican American Studies 374 (Topic: Race/Class/Gender in Amer TV), Radio-Television-Film 335 (Topic 2), 335 (Topic: Race/Class/Gender in Amer TV), Women’s and Gender Studies 324 (Topic: Race, Class and Gender in American Television), 324D. Additional prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

Topic 3: Contemporary Television Criticism. Only one of the following may be counted: Radio-Television-Film 335 (Topic: Contemporary TV Criticism), 335 (Topic: TV Analysis and Criticism), 335 (Topic 1), and 335 (Topic 3).

Topic 4: Queer Television. Same as Women’s and Gender Studies 335D. Three lecture hours a week for one semester, with two-and-one-half-hours of film screening a week. Only one of the following may be counted: Radio-Television-Film 335 (Topic: Queer Television), 335 (Topic 4), Women’s and Gender’s Studies 335 (Topic: Queer Television), 335D. Additional prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

RTF 336. Special Projects in Radio-Television-Film. Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Comprehensive research or creative projects in areas of special interest developed and executed by the student under faculty supervision. Individual instruction. May be taken twice for credit. May be repeated for credit. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing and consent of the department.

RTF 337. Radio Fundamentals. Fundamentals of audio program production. Students create either brief or long audio programs. Three lecture and three laboratory hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing; Radio-Television-Film 317 and 318 with a grade of at least B-, and six additional hours of lower division coursework in Radio-Television-Film.

Topic 1: Audio Visions. Radio-Television-Film 337 (Topic: Audio Visions) and 337 (Topic 1) may not both be counted.

Topic 2: Ears Only: Audio Storytelling. Audio production and post for storytelling using voice, actuality, music, ambiances and sound effects. Structuring stories for audio only, plus microphone and recorder techniques, mono, stereo, and binaural recording, field mixers, basic Pro Tools, signal processing, and noise reduction; applicable to sound for picture as well.

RTF 337P. Multitrack Audio Production. Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Principles and practice of multitrack audio production. Three lecture hours a week for one semester, with studio hours to be arranged. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing; Radio-Television-Film 317 and 318 with a grade of at least B- in each; and six semester hours of lower-division coursework in radio-television-film with a grade of at least C in each course.

RTF 340. Studio Production. Introduction to production of television programs, including the multicamera format. Three lecture hours and three laboratory hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing, Radio-Television-Film 317 and 318 with a grade of at least B- in each, and six additional semester hours of lower-division coursework in radio-television-film.

Topic 1: Drama/Music Production. Topic 2: Public Affairs Production. Topic 4: Multi-Camera Television Directing. Radio-Television-Film 340 (Topic: Multi-Cam Television Directing) and 340 (Topic 4) may not both be counted.
RTF 340D. Topics in Design.
Explore the role of design and how the creation and selection of sets, locations, and environments contribute to the visual language of film. Analyze fundamental elements of story, production, critical analysis, and the collaborative process of film making from the design perspective. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing.

RTF 340M. Music Video and Film Production.
Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Three lecture hours and three laboratory hours a week for one semester. Only one of the following may be counted: Radio-Television-Film 340M, 343 (Topic 6), 366K (Topic: Music Film Production), 366K (Topic 5). Prerequisite: Upper-division standing; and Radio-Television-Film 366K (Topic 2), 366K (Topic 3), 366K (Topic 4), or 366K (Topic 6).

RTF 341. Audio Production: Sound for Picture.
Theory and practice of producing quality audio for television, film, and other picture media. Includes basic editing on a digital audio workstation. Three lecture hours and three laboratory hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing. Radio-Television-Film 317 and 318 with a grade of at least B- in each, and six additional semester hours of lower-division coursework in radio-television-film.

Topic 1: Audio Production Into Post. Designed to help students understand high quality audio production and the tools and techniques to get it, finishing with sound editing for picture and basic mixing. Radio-Television-Film 341 (Topic: Audio Production) and 341 (Topic 1) may not both be counted.

RTF 341C. Advanced Audio: Sound Design and Postproduction.
Sound design and editing, and fundamentals of postproduction audio mixing. Three lecture hours and three laboratory hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing. Radio-Television-Film 317 and 318 with a grade of at least B- in each, and six additional semester hours of lower-division coursework in Radio-Television-Film.

Topic 1: Sound Design and Mixing. Sound design and editing, and post-production sound process for film, television, and immersive media. Radio-Television-Film 341C (Topic: Sound Design and Mixing) and 341C (Topic 1) may not both be counted.

Topic 2: Sound for Picture: Editing and Mixing.

RTF 341D. Advanced Topics in Design.
Develop designs that will contribute to effective storytelling, from conceptualization to execution based on the needs of a script. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing.

RTF 342. Topics in Global Media.
Study of political, social, cultural, and economic factors affecting the use and impact of communication systems in an international context. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

Topic 2: Comparative Media Systems.
Topic 4: Participatory Media.
Topic 6: Development Communication. Same as Middle Eastern Studies 341 (Topic 4). Middle Eastern Studies 341 (Topic 4) and Radio-Television-Film 342 (Topic 6) may not both be counted.
Topic 7: Global Media Systems.

Topic 8: Development Communication and Social Change. Examines the strategic use of communication technologies and processes to engage in social change in a global context. Only one of the following may be counted: Latin American Studies 322 (Topic: Dev Comm and Social Change), Middle Eastern Studies 342 (Topic: Dev Comm and Social Change), Radio-Television-Film 342 (Topic: Dev Comm and Social Change), 342 (Topic 8).

Topic 9: Media and Empire. Radio-Television-Film 342 (Topic: Media and Empire) and 342 (Topic 9) may not both be counted.

Topic 10: Digital Mainland China and Taiwan. Only one of the following may be counted: Radio-Television-Film 342 (Topic 10). Radio-Television-Film 342 (Topic: Digital Mainland China & Taiwan), Journalism 356C, 359S (Topic: Digital Mainland China & Taiwan), Asian Studies 361 (Topic: Digital Mainland China & Taiwan).

RTF 342S. Topics in Global Media.
Study of political, social, cultural, and economic factors affecting the use and impact of communication systems in an international context. Three lecture hours and one two-and-one half-hour screening a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

Topic 1: Global Hollywood. Radio-Television-Film 342 (Topic: Global Hollywood) and 342S (Topic 1) may not both be counted.

Topic 2: Indian Cinema. Radio-Television-Film 342 (Topic: Indian Cinema) and 342S (Topic 2) may not both be counted.

RTF 343. Advanced Video Production.
Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Advanced study in film, television, and media production. Three lecture hours and three laboratory hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing; Radio-Television-Film 340 or 366K.


Topic 4: Creating Cross-Platform Fundraising Media. Small group production of client-commissioned fundraising media and an exploration of the realm of independent production contracting. Radio-Television-Film 343 (Topic 4) and 344M (Topic: Cross-Platform Content Creation) may not both be counted. Additional prerequisite: Upper-division standing, and Radio-Television-Film 346, 366D, 366K, or 368 with a grade of at least B.

Topic 5: Developing Independent Feature Films. Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Group research and lectures about producing an independent feature film. Three lecture hours and three laboratory hours a week for one semester. Radio-Television-Film 343 (Topic: Developing Indie Feature Films) and 343 (Topic 5) may not both be counted. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing and Radio-Television-Film 340 or 366K.

Topic 8: Cinema Laboratory. Explores the cinematic form on an elemental level through the making of several short films. Utilizes cinema-making skills through attention to process and experimentation in order to move to a higher level of precision. Radio-Television-Film 343 (Topic: Cinema Laboratory) and 343 (Topic 8) may not both be counted.
RTF 343C. Acting for Filmmakers.
Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Explores core elements of acting technique through scene study, improvisation, and other exercises. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Radio-Television-Film 343 (Topic: Acting for Filmmakers) and 343C may not both be counted. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing; and Radio-Television-Film 367D (or 366D) or 366K.

RTF 343D. Cinematography.
Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Visual storytelling and the art of cinematography through practice in a workshop environment. Three lecture and three laboratory hours a week for one semester. Radio-Television-Film 343D and 368 (Topic 2) may not both be counted. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing; Radio-Television-Film 366K.

RTF 343M. Master Class.
Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Incorporates a guest speaker series, focused on a particular topic for the semester. Students conduct research, coordinate and attend the speaker series, and pursue creative projects related to the semester's topic. Three lecture hours and three laboratory hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing, Radio-Television-Film 317 and 318 with a grade of at least B- in each, and six additional semester hours of lower-division coursework in radio-television-film.

RTF 343N. Advanced Three-Dimensional Production.
Carries the principles developed in Radio-Television-Film 366M into a variety of hands-on production settings and projects, including large-crowd productions at Austin City Limits Live at the Moody Theater, as well as smaller shoots in a variety of other studios and locations. Three lecture hours and three laboratory hours a week for one semester, with additional hours to be arranged. Offered on the letter-grade basis only. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing; Radio-Television-Film 366M.

RTF 344M. Special Applications of Digital Media Production.
Special topics in digital media theory, design, or development. May include visual effects and motion graphics or digital media and digital art. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: For Radio-Television-Film majors, upper-division standing, Radio-Television-Film 317 and 318 with a grade of at least B-, and six additional hours of coursework in Radio-Television-Film; for non-majors, upper-division standing.

Topic 1: Interactive Digital Storytelling. Use of digital tools to create original web-based audiovisual productions and the study of impact of digital media and technology on traditional film and video production.
Topic 3: Introduction to Visual Effects and Motion Graphics. Designed to introduce students to the core concepts and techniques used in visual effects and motion graphics. Subjects include, but are not limited to, compositing, animation, particles, and greenscreen. Radio-Television-Film 344M (Topic: Visual Effects) and 344M (Topic 3) may not both be counted.

Topic 4: Interactive Media and Game Development. Radio-Television-Film 344M (Topic: Interactive Media and Game Development) and 344M (Topic 4) may not both be counted.
Topic 5: Writing for Interactive Games and Media. Explores storytelling possibilities of interactive mediums. Develops the skills and knowledge necessary to create characters, storylines, and dialogue for digital mediums. Only one of the following may be counted: Radio-Television-Film 344M (Topic: Writing for Interactive Games). Additional prerequisite: Radio-Television-Film 333.

RTF 344N, Advanced Applications of Digital Media Production.
Advanced topics in digital media theory, design, and development. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Offered on the letter-grade basis only. Prerequisite: Radio-Television-Film 344M.


Topic 2: Advanced Effects: Modeling. Offered on the letter-grade basis only. Additional prerequisite: Radio-Television-Film 344M (Topic 6) (or Radio-Television-Film 344M (Topic 2: Computer Graphics for Film and Games)).

Topic 3: Advanced Effects: Rigging. Offered on the letter-grade basis only. Additional prerequisite: Radio-Television-Film 344M (Topic 6) (or Radio-Television-Film 344M (Topic 2: Computer Graphics for Film and Games)).

Topic 4: Undergraduate Animation Thesis. Each student will produce a two- to ten-minute animated short film. Radio-Television-Film 344N (Topic: Undergraduate Animation Thesis) and 344N (Topic 4) may not both be counted. Offered on the letter-grade basis only. Additional prerequisite: One of the following: Radio-Television-Film 343N, 344M (Topic 3), 344N (Topic 1), 351C, 351D, or 366M.

Topic 5: Introduction to 3D Animation. Hands-on approach to learning character animation in Maya. Introduction to the fundamental methods needed to create animated characters, including techniques used to create motion. Only one of the following may be counted: Radio-Television-Film 344N (Topic: Character Animation in 3D), 344N (Topic 5), and 344N (Topic 7). Offered on the letter-grade basis only. Additional prerequisite: Radio-Television-Film 344M (Topic 6: Introduction to 3D Animation) or 344M (Topic 2: Introduction to 3D Animation).

Topic 6: Introduction to 3D Animation. Only one of the following may be counted: Radio-Television-Film 344M (Topic: Computer Animation and 3-D Modeling), 344M (Topic 2), 344M (Topic 6).

Topic 7: Post Production Techniques. Radio-Television-Film 344M (Topic: Post Production Techniques) and 344M (Topic 7) may not both be counted.

Topic 8: CGI for Film and Games. Radio-Television-Film 344M (Topic: CGI for Film and Games) and 344M (Topic 8) may not both be counted.

RTF 344T. Game Development Capstone.
Capstone courses in game development. Three lecture hours and three lab hours per week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing and consent of instructor.

Topic 1: Game Development Capstone: Two Dimensional Games. Only one of the following may be counted: Arts and Entertainment Technologies 376, Computer Science 354S, 376 (Topic: Game Devel Capstone: 2D Games), Music 354S, 376J (Topic: Game Devel Capstone: 2D Games), Theatre and Dance 354T (Topic 17), Radio-Television-Film 344N (Topic 6), 344T (Topic 1).
Topic 1: Third World Cinema: Asia and the Middle East.
Topic 2: Israeli Cinema and Television.
Topic 4: Latin American Cinema.
Topic 5: Third World Cinema: Africa and the Americas.
Topic 6: Experimental Film and Video. Critical assessment of the history and current trends in experimental film and video. Radio-Television-Film 331K (Topic: Experimental Film and Video) and 345 (Topic 6) may not both be counted.

RTF 345. Studies in Film History.

Critical assessment of major genres, periods, movements, and personalities in United States and international film history. Three lecture hours and one two-and-one-half-hour screening a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

Topic 1: Topic 1: Semester in Los Angeles: Telling and Selling the Story. Same as Communication 324 (Topic 1). Restricted to students admitted to the Semester in Los Angeles Program. Explores the commercial challenges that face producers and network and studio executives, and addresses the continual struggle between creativity and the bottom line. Taught in Los Angeles, California. Only one of the following may be counted: Communication 324 (Topic: How Hollywood Works-L.A.), (Topic 1), Radio-Television-Film 347C (Topic: How Hollywood Works-L.A.), (Topic 1).

Topic 2: Introduction to the Music Business. Radio-Television-Film 347C (Topic: Intro to the Music Business) and 347C (Topic 2) may not both be counted.

RTF 347D. Media Industries.

Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

RTF 347E. Advanced Editing.

In-depth look at the principles, techniques, and aesthetics of editing; building a broad background for students’ future professional development. Designed to provide a basic-to-intermediate level of familiarity with Avid editing software, by discussing and working on provided narrative, documentary, and technical exercises; various approaches to editing style in each case. Three lecture hours and one two-and-one-half-hour film screening a week for one semester. Only one of the following may be counted: Radio-Television-Film 344 (Topic: Advanced Editing), 346E (Topic: Advanced Editing), and 347E. Prerequisite: Radio-Television-Film 346 with a grade of at least B.

RTF 347F. Topics in Media Studies.

Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

RTF 347G. Topics in Media Industries with Screening.

Three lecture hours and one two-and-one-half-hour screening or speaker series a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.


Explores contemporary media industries: how media industries operate, and the “big picture” of the contemporary film, television, and digital media landscape. Large-scale issues being faced by those working in the entertainment industry - including the impact of conglomerate ownership, regulation, globalization, and digitization on creative practices and work roles. Three lecture hours and one one-and-a-half-hour speaker series each week for one semester. Radio-Television-Film 347C (Topic: Business of Hollywood) and 347P may not both be counted. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

RTF 347S. Topics in Media Studies with Screening.

Three lecture hours and one two-and-one-half-hour film screening a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

RTF 348. Studies in Media Industries.

Examination of the economics and the production, research, management, and distribution practices of the film and electronic media industries. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing.

Topic 1: Semester in Los Angeles: Telling and Selling the Story. Restricted to students admitted to the Semester in Los Angeles Program.
Program. Explore the development of skills in the process by which literary material makes it from page to screens.

**Topic 2: Semester in Los Angeles: Development Process of Film and Television.** Same as Communication 324 (Topic 2). Restricted to students admitted to the Semester in Los Angeles Program. Examines the development process in both film and television; preparing pitches, coverage, and development notes; identifying strengths and weaknesses of literary material typical of that submitted to studios, networks, and production companies. Taught in Los Angeles, California. Only one of the following may be counted: Communication 324 (Topic: Development Process of Film and Television), 324 (Topic 2), Radio-Television-Film 348 (Topic: Development Process of Film and Television), 348 (Topic 2).

**Topic 3: Semester in Los Angeles: Inside the Music Industry.** Same as Communication 324 (Topic 3). Restricted to students admitted to the Semester in Los Angeles Program. Examine how the music industry really works, how it relates to other divisions of the entertainment industry, and the effects that changing technologies have on it. Only one of the following may be counted: Communication 324 (Topic: Inside the Music Industry), 324 (Topic 3), Radio-Television-Film 348 (Topic: Inside The Music Industry) and 348 (Topic 3).

**Topic 4: Semester in Los Angeles: New Media and Emerging Entertainment.** Same as Communication 324 (Topic 4). Restricted to students admitted to the Semester in Los Angeles Program. Explores burgeoning areas of digital entertainment including broadband, video-on-demand, interactive television, mobile entertainment, and interactive digital gaming. Taught in Los Angeles, California. Only one of the following may be counted: Communication 324 (Topic: New Media and Emerging Entertainment), 324 (Topic 4), Radio-Television-Film 348 (Topic: New Media and Emerging Entertainment), 348 (Topic 4).

**Topic 5: Semester in Los Angeles: Working Hollywood Writer.** Restricted to students admitted to the Semester in Los Angeles Program Radio-Television-Film 348 (Topic: Working Hollywood Writer-LA) and 348 (Topic 5) may not both be counted.

**RTF 348C. Introduction to Digital Production.**

Introduction to fundamental production concepts and techniques through lectures, projects, and lab experiences. Develop a storyteller’s point of view and explore the ability to create works with visual, audio, and narrative structures. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing.

**RTF 350L, 650L. Semester in Los Angeles Internship.**

Restricted to students in the Semester in Los Angeles Program. Practical work experience related to the study of film, television, radio, or other media. Students must make their own arrangements to secure relevant internships. For 350L, an average of 10 hours of work a week, for a total of at least 150 hours a semester or summer term; for 650L, an average of 20 hours of work a week, for a total at least 300 hours a semester or summer term. Communication 350L, 650L and Radio-Television-Film 350L, 650L may not both be counted. Offered on the pass/fail basis only. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing.

**RTF 650N. Semester in New York Internship.**

Restricted to students in the Semester in New York Program. Internships to be arranged by student and approved by instructor. An average of 20 hours of work a week, for a total of at least 300 hours a semester or summer term. Offered on the pass/fail basis only. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing.

**RTF 351C. Introduction to Two-Dimensional Animation.**

Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Theory and practice of digital graphics and animation techniques. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Offered on the letter-grade basis only. Prerequisite: For Radio-Television-Film majors, Radio-Television-Film 318, and nine additional semester hours of coursework in radio-television-film; for non-majors, upper-division standing.

**RTF 351D. Advanced Two-Dimensional Animation.**

In-depth study of two-dimensional animation techniques and an introduction to stop-motion animation, green screen techniques, and postproduction effects. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Only one of the following may be counted: Radio-Television-Film 344M (Topic: Advanced Digital Animation), 344M (Topic: Two-Dimensional Animation and Motion Graphics), 351D. Prerequisite: Radio-Television-Film 351C.

**RTF 352. Global Media and Area Studies.**

Study of political, social, cultural, and economic factors affecting the use and impact of communication systems in selected regions, such as South Asia, Latin America, Middle East, Europe, East Asia, and Africa. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Some topics may also require two and one-half film screening hours a week. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

**RTF 352. Global Media and Area Studies.**

**Topic 1: Media and the Middle East.** Same as Middle Eastern Studies 342 (Topic 83). Addresses the role of media in the Middle East, considering communication texts, processes and industries in political, social, economic, and cultural contexts. Only one of the following may be counted: Middle Eastern Studies 341 (Topic: Media and the Middle East), 342 (Topic 83), Radio-Television-Film 342 (Topic: Media and the Middle East), 352 (Topic 1). Additional prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

**RTF 352. Global Media and Area Studies.**

**Topic 2: German Media: Print to Television.** Same as German, Scandinavian, and Dutch Studies 341S. Examine the history of media technology and its cultural and political implication in the German (speaking) context. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Only one of the following may be counted: German, Scandinavian, and Dutch Studies 330 (Topic: German Media: Print to TV), 341S, Radio-Television-Film 352 (Topic: German Media: Print to TV), 352 (Topic 2). Additional prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

**RTF 352. Global Media and Area Studies.**

**Topic 3: Modern Egypt in Film and Fiction.** Same as African and African Diaspora Studies 340I, History 334F, and Middle Eastern Studies 342 (Topic 78). Explore the history and culture of modern Egypt through selected readings in twentieth-century film and fiction. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Only one of the following may be counted: African and African Diaspora Studies 340I, History 334F, Middle Eastern Studies 342 (Topic: Modern Egyptian Film/Fiction), 342 (Topic 78), Radio-Television-Film 352 (Topic: Modern Egyptian Film/Fiction), 352 (Topic 3). Additional prerequisite: Upper-division standing.

**RTF 658. Undergraduate Animation Thesis.**

Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Two-semester course in which each student will produce a two- to ten-minute animated short film as director, animator, and/or sound designer. Three lecture hours a week for two consecutive semesters. Only one of the following may be counted: Radio-Television-Film 344N (Topic: Undergraduate Animation Thesis), 344N (Topic 4), 658. Offered on the letter-grade basis only. Prerequisite: For 658A, upper-division standing; and two of the following: Radio-Television-Film 341, 341C, 344M (Topic 2), 344M (Topic 3), 344N (Topic 1), 344N (Topic 5), 344N (Topic 6), 351C, or 351D; or consent of instructor; for 658B, Radio-Television-Film 658A.

**RTF 359. Studies in Media and Culture.**

Special topics related to the critical analysis of media in cultural contexts. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Radio-Television-
Film 359 and 359S may not both be counted unless the topics vary. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.


**Topic 6: Gender, Race, and Sexuality in Sports Media.** Same as Women's and Gender Studies 324F. Three lecture hours and one two-and-one-half-hour film screening a week for one semester. Only one of the following may be counted: Radio-Television-Film 359 (Topic 6), 365 (Topic: Gender/Race/Sexuality Sport Media), Women's and Gender Studies 324 (Topic: Gender/Race/Sexuality Sport Media), 324F. Additional prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

**Topic 7: Race and Digital Media Culture.** Only one of the following may be counted: Journalism 356R, Radio-Television-Film 359 (Topic: Race/Digital Media Cultures), 359 (Topic 7).

**Topic 8: Women and Sports Media.** Same as Women's and Gender Studies 345N. Only one of the following may be counted: Radio-Television-Film 359 (Topic 8), Women's and Gender Studies 345 (Topic: Women and Sports Media), 345N. Additional prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

**RTF 359C. Media Archaeology.**

Exploration of the media as artifacts as opposed to narratives or texts. Focuses on the materiality of media within specific socio-cultural, economic, and technological time periods each with their own modes of historic and futuristic discourse. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Radio-Television-Film 359S (Topic: Media Archaeology) and 359C may not both be counted. Offered on the letter-grade basis only.

**RTF 359S. Studies in Media and Culture.**

Special topics related to the critical analysis of media in cultural contexts. Three lecture hours and one two-and-one-half-hour film screening a week for one semester. Radio-Television-Film 359 and 359S may not both be counted unless the topics vary. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

**Topic 3: Gender and Rock Culture.** Critical analysis of issues relating to media, gender, and rock culture. Radio-Television-Film 331K (Topic: Gender, Sexuality, and Rock Culture) and 359S (Topic 3) may not both be counted.

**Topic 4: Media, Memory, and History.** Critical analysis of the relationship between historical events and media.

**Topic 5: Queer Media Studies.** Same as Women's and Gender Studies 335C. Critical analysis of queer media. Read key queer (media) theory texts and explore dominant strategies used by the media industries, as well as those utilized by LGBTQ+ independents/subcultures, paying close attention to contested discourses of identity, politics, activism and desire. Explore historical shifts in the representation of LGBTQ+ individuals. Three lecture hours and one two-and-one-half-hour film screening a week for one semester. Only one of the following may be counted: Radio-Television-Film 359S (Topic: Queer Media Studies), 359S (Topic 5), 377H (Topic: Queer Media Studies), 377H (Topic 2), Women's and Gender Studies 324 (Topic: Queer Media Studies), 335 (Topic 16), 355C. Additional prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

**RTF 365. Topics in Media and Society.**

Advanced topics addressing media, communication, and society. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

**Topic 4: History of United States Latino Media.**

**Topic 5: Latin American Media.**

**Topic 7: Narrowcasting.**
Topic 8: Migration and Media. Advanced study of global media issues, including traditional and digital media use, social inclusion, and migration to the United States from Latin America, Asia, and elsewhere. Students conduct research on the relationships between media and migration.

Topic 9: Media Industries and Entrepreneurship. Same as Sociology 352E. Examination of the social, political, and economic contexts in which media and culture are produced, distributed, and monetized. Emphasis on new media and communication technologies. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Only one of the following may be counted: Journalism 355M, Radio-Television-Film 365 (Topic: Media Industries and Entrepreneurship), 365 (Topic 9), Sociology 352E, 352M (Topic: Media Industries and Entrepreneurship). Additional prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

Topic 10: Globalization and Social Media. Same as Sociology 352S. Issues surrounding the hype, myth, paradox, and reality of social media in a global context. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Only one of the following may be counted: Asian American Studies 320 (Topic: Globalization and Social Media), Journalism 349T (Topic: Globalization and Social Media), 351S, Radio-Television-Film 331M (Topic: Globalization and Social Media), 365 (Topic 10), Sociology 321K (Topic: Globalization and Social Media), 352S. Additional prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

Topic 12: Mapping Latino Culture in East Austin. Only one of the follow may be counted: Journalism 354L, Radio-Television-Film 365 (Topic: Mapping Latino Culture in East Austin), 365 (Topic 12).

Topic 13: Activist Media.

Topic 14: Activist Media and Activism.

Topic 15: Latinx Media, Arts, and Activism. Same as Mexican American Studies 370D. Investigate the ways in which Latinx activists have used mainstream, alternative, legacy, and new media (as well as other visual and performing arts), to affect social and political change in the United States. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Only one of the following may be counted: Mexican American Studies 370D, 374 (Topic: Latinx Media/Arts/Activism), Radio-Television-Film 365 (Topic: Latinx Media/Arts/Activism), 365 (Topic 15). Additional prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

RTF 365C. Media and Policy.

Advanced topics addressing media and policy in society. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

RTF 366. Introduction to Field and Studio Production.

Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Basic theory and techniques in single-camera video production; individual and collective production assignments, with emphasis on technical proficiency, examination of the entire production process, visualization of ideas, and critical evaluation of the visual text. Three lecture hours and six laboratory hours a week for one semester. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing. Radio-Television-Film 317 and 318 with a grade of at least B- in each; and six semester hours of lower-division coursework in radio-television-film with a grade of at least C in each course.

RTF 366K. Introductory Production.

Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Three lecture hours and three laboratory hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing; Radio-Television-Film 317 and 318 with a grade of at least B- in each; and six semester hours of lower-division coursework in radio-television-film.

RTF 366L. Advanced Narrative: 16-mm.

Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Theory and techniques in 16-mm film synchronous sound production; individual and collective production assignments, with emphasis on technical proficiency, examination of entire production process, visualization of ideas, and critical evaluation of the visual text. Three lecture hours and three laboratory hours a week for one semester. Radio-Television-Film 367L and 367M may not both be counted. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing, and Radio-Television-Film 366K (Topic 2).

RTF 368. Advanced Production Topics.

Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Study production crafts in film, television, and other digital media. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing, Radio-Television-Film 317 and 318 with a grade of at least B- in each; six additional semester hours of lower-division
coursework in radio-television-film; additional prerequisites vary with the topic.

**Topic 3: Advanced Production.** Additional prerequisite: Radio-Television-Film 343 (Topic 1), 343 (Topic 2), 343N, or 367L.

**Topic 5: Projects Course: 3D.** Restricted to Radio-Television-Film majors. Additional prerequisite: Radio-Television-Film 343N.

**Topic 6: Immersive Media Production.** Exploration of the theory and practice of immersive media: stereoscopy, artificial environments, and virtual reality. Additional prerequisite: Radio-Television-Film 344M (Topic 2), or 344M (Topic 3), or 366M; or consent of instructor.

**RTF 368C. Advanced Directing.**

Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Creation of collaborative, performance-based works that emphasize simplicity and ingenuity in image and sound choices. Works will adhere to a production code that is a modified version of the Dogme 95 Vow of Cinematic Chastity. Three lecture hours and three laboratory hours a week for one semester. Radio-Television-Film 368 (Topic 4: Advanced Directing) and 368C may not both be counted. Offered on the letter-grade basis only. Prerequisite: Radio-Television-Film 366D.

**RTF 368D. Advanced Cinematography.**

Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Study of the art of cinematography beyond the basic principles of camera and lighting. Group production of short films to explore the cinematic tools used to create an overall visual approach to storytelling. Examination of film genre, color, texture, lens continuity, aspect ratio, and practical on set strategies and challenges. Three lecture hours and three laboratory hours a week for one semester. Radio-Television-Film 368 (Topic: Advanced Cinematography) and 368D may not both be counted. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing, and either Radio-Television-Film 334D (or Radio-Television-Film 368 (Topic 2: Cinematography)) or Radio-Television-Film 343 (Topic 1: Advanced Narrative Production).

**RTF 368P. Topics in Producing.**

Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Explore various aspects of film and television producing. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing.

**RTF 368S. Undergraduate Thesis.**

Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Advanced film production or media studies research. Three lecture hours a week for one semester, with studio hours to be arranged. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing and consent of instructor; Prerequisites vary with the topic.

**Topic 1: Film Production Thesis.** Intensive production workshop, designed for students who wish to produce a film for a portfolio. Additional prerequisite: Radio-Television-Film 343 or 368.

**Topic 2: Media Studies Thesis.** An independent research project based on primary data, resulting in a written summary of theoretical foundations, methodological approach, results, and a discussion.

**Topic 3: Screenwriting Thesis.** Advanced screenwriting for film or television. Intensive writing workshop, designed for students who wish to produce a polished script suitable for submission to agents and competitions. Radio-Television-Film 368 (Topic: Writing Thesis) and 368S (Topic 3) may not both be counted. Additional prerequisite: Radio-Television-Film 369

**Topic 4: Emergent Cinematic Arts Thesis.** Additional prerequisite: Radio-Television-Film 344M.

**RTF 369. Advanced Screenwriting.**

Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Students develop and write original screenplays. Includes advanced study of screenplay structure, critical analysis of student and professional work, and intensive writing each week toward a completed script. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Students may not enroll in more than two sections of any Radio-Television-Film 369 course in the same semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Radio-Television-Film 333 with a grade of at least B-

**Topic 1: Advanced Screenwriting for Feature Films.** Students may not enroll in more than one section of Radio-Television-Film 369 (Topic 1) in the same semester.

**Topic 2: Advanced Screenwriting for Television.**

**Topic 3: Advanced Screenwriting: Television Pilots.** Radio-Television-Film 369 (Topic: Adv Screenwriting; TV Pilots) and 369 (Topic 3) may not both be counted.

**Topic 4: Advanced Screenwriting: Television Specs.** Radio-Television-Film 369 (Topic: Adv Screenwriting; TV Specs) and 369 (Topic 4) may not both be counted.

**Topic 5: Advanced Screenwriting: Independent Films.** Radio-Television-Film 369 (Topic: Adv Screenwrfg for Film: Indies) and 369 (Topic 5) may not both be counted.

**Topic 6: Advanced Screenwriting: Science Fiction and Horror.** Radio-Television-Film 369 (Topic: Adv Screenwrng: Sci-Fi/Horror) and 369 (Topic 6) may not both be counted.

**RTF 369P. Topics in Advanced Producing.**

Restricted to radio-television-film majors. Examine the behind-the-scenes production of feature films, commercials, and other media including scripts, shot lists, storyboards, shooting schedules, and visual effects. Three lecture hours and one two-and-one-half hour film screening a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing; Radio-Television-Film 333, 367D, or 367K; additional prerequisites vary with the topic.

**Topic 1: Script to Screen: Commercials.** Examine the behind-the-scenes creation and production of commercials for national brands including creative briefs, consumer insights, scripts, shot lists, storyboards, shooting schedules, visual effects, and behind-the-scenes footage.

**Topic 2: Script to Screen: Features.** Only one of the following may be counted: Radio-Television-Film 367P (Topic: Script to Screen), 367P (Topic: Adv Producing: Script to Screen), 369P (Topic 2), 367Q.

**Topic 3: Script to Screen: Production.** Produce film projects developed in Radio-Television-Film 369P (Topic 1) or 369P (Topic 2). Additional prerequisite: Radio-Television-Film 369P (Topic 1) or 369P (Topic 2).

**RTF 370. Film Analysis and Criticism.**

Analysis of critical methods, selected films, and selected critics. Three lecture hours and one two-and-one-half hour film screening a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Fifty-four semester hours of college coursework.

**Topic 1: Comedy in Film and Media.** Additional prerequisite: Radio-Television-Film 370 (Topic: Comedy in Film and Media) and 370 (Topic 1) may not both be counted.

**Topic 2: Animation Studies.** Radio-Television-Film 331K (Topic: Animation Studies) and 370 (Topic 2) may not both be counted.

**Topic 3: Asian Horror Film.** Radio-Television-Film 370 (Topic: Asian Horror Film) and 370 (Topic 4) may not both be counted.

**Topic 4: Film Noir.** Radio-Television-Film 370 (Topic: Film Noir) and 370 (Topic 4) may not both be counted.

**Topic 5: Films of Clint Eastwood.** Radio-Television-Film 370 (Topic: Films of Clint Eastwood) and 370 (Topic 5) may not both be counted.

**Topic 6: Films of Alfred Hitchcock.** Radio-Television-Film 370 (Topic: Film Anly and Crit: Hitchcock) and 370 (Topic 6) may not both be counted.
Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Required of all production.

Introduction to the study and practice of writing for film and television.

RTF 380C. Screenwriting for Directors.

Restricted to students in the Master of Fine Arts screenwriting program in radio-television-film. Offered on the letter-grade basis only. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

RTF 380D. Topics in Media Industries.

Examine history, theory, and methods used in studying the media industries in different national and regional contexts. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor and consent of the graduate advisor.

RTF 380E. Topics in Media History.

Explore the history of telegraphy, radio, and television as cultural forms, communications technologies, and social, political and economic institutions. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor and consent of the graduate advisor.

RTF 380G. Research Practices.

Introduction to research implementation. Designed to help students develop skills in conducting a variety of research approaches. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Offered on the letter-grade basis only. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.


Restricted to students in the Master of Fine Arts screenwriting program in radio-television-film. Introduction to theory and practice in narrative writing for film and electronic media. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Offered on the letter-grade basis only. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.


Restricted to students in the Master of Fine Arts screenwriting program in radio-television-film. Offered on the letter-grade basis only.

RTF 380M. Advanced Screenwriting.

Creation and development of written work for film and television production. Students will develop a major work, such as a full-length screenplay or television pilot. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

RTF 380N. Screenwriting Topics.

Creation and realization of professional materials for film and television. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing. Radio-Television-Film 380M or the equivalent, and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

RTF 380C. Screenwriting for Directors.

Introduction to the study and practice of writing for film and television. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Required of all production

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Introduction to research theory and design. Designed to help students develop skills in understanding and critiquing current research, and in designing and proposing research projects. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

RTF 380C. Screenwriting for Directors.

Introduction to the study and practice of writing for film and television. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Required of all production

Graduate Courses


Introduction to research theory and design. Designed to help students develop skills in understanding and critiquing current research, and in designing and proposing research projects. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

RTF 380C. Screenwriting for Directors.

Introduction to the study and practice of writing for film and television. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Required of all production

**Radio-Television-Film 380P. Production Workshop for Writers.**

Exploration of cinematic storytelling through the production of short digital videos. Three lecture hours and three laboratory hours a week for one semester. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor.

**Radio-Television-Film 380S. Topics in Media History with Screening.**

Explore the history of telegraphy, radio, and television as cultural forms, communications technologies, and social, political and economic institutions. Three lecture hours and one two-and-one-half-hour film screening a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor and consent of the graduate advisor.

**Radio-Television-Film 881K. Principles of Film and Television Production.**

Study of film and video production aesthetics and techniques. Production costs borne by the student. Four lecture hours and four studio hours a week for two semesters, with additional studio hours to be arranged. Prerequisite: For 881KA, graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser; for 881KB, Radio-Television-Film 881KA.

**Radio-Television-Film 384L. Internship in Media Industries.**

The equivalent of ten lecture hours a week for one semester. Offered on the credit/no credit basis only. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and the consent of the graduate advisor.

**Radio-Television-Film 385K. History of Film.**

Survey of the history of the motion picture. Lectures and readings; screenings are required for some topics. Three lecture hours a week for one semester, with one two-hour film screening a week if required by the topic. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

**Radio-Television-Film 385L. Seminar in Film History.**

Advanced study and research in major directors, genres, periods, and movements of film history. Three lecture hours a week for one semester, with one two-hour film screening a week if required by the topic. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

**Radio-Television-Film 386. Analysis and Criticism of Film and Electronic Media.**

Analysis and explication of representative critics, critical systems, genres, and artists. Three lecture hours a week for one semester, with one two-hour film screening a week if required by the topic. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

**Radio-Television-Film 386C. Seminar: Media Theory and Criticism.**

Advanced study in media theory and criticism. Three lecture hours a week for one semester, with one two-hour film screening a week if required by the topic. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

**Radio-Television-Film 387C. Global Media.**

Study of global media systems, theories, and processes. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

**Radio-Television-Film 387D. Communication for Development and Social Change.**

Study of how development institutions use communication strategies for social change, and how development discourse communicates assumptions about social change. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

**Radio-Television-Film 387W. Global Media: Study Abroad.**

Restricted to graduate students in radio-television-film. Research, analysis, and criticism of global media systems and issues. Students study at institutions outside the United States. The equivalent of three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor.

**Radio-Television-Film 288, 388, 488. Research Problems in Specialized Fields of Radio-Television-Film.**

Research project chosen from area of student’s major interests. For each semester hour of credit earned, the equivalent of one class hour a week for one semester. Credit earned depends on the nature of the research project. May be repeated for credit. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of the graduate adviser.


Research and reading in preparation for doctoral examinations. For each semester hour of credit earned, the equivalent of one class hour a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit. Offered on the credit/no credit basis only. Prerequisite: Graduate standing in radio-television-film and consent of the graduate adviser.
RTF 288D, 388D, 488D. Research Problems in Specialty Fields of Radio-Television-Film.

Research project chosen from area of student’s major interests. For each semester hour of credit earned, the equivalent of one class hour a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit. Offered on the letter-grade basis only. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of the graduate adviser.

RTF 288E, 388E, 488E. Research Problems in Specialized Fields of Radio-Television-Film.

Research project chosen from area of student’s major interests. For each semester hour of credit earned, the equivalent of one class hour a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit. Offered on the credit/no credit basis only. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of the graduate adviser.

RTF 388F. Topics in Radio-Television-Film Production.

Restricted to students in the Master of Fine Arts production program in radio-television-film. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing, and consent of instructor and the graduate advisor.

RTF 388M, 488M. Practicum in Film and Television Production.

Production of projects in film and video. Production costs borne by the student. For each semester hour of credit earned, one lecture hour a week for one semester; additional laboratory hours vary with the topic. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Offered on the letter-grade basis only. Prerequisite: Graduate standing, and consent of instructor and the graduate advisor.

Topic 1: Pre-Thesis Production. Restricted to students in the Master of Fine Arts production program in radio-television-film. For each semester hour of credit earned, one lecture hour and one laboratory hour a week for one semester. Radio-Television-Film 388M (Topic: Pre-Thesis Production) and 388M, 488M (Topic 1) may not both be counted. Offered on the letter-grade basis only.

Topic 3: Thesis Production. Restricted to students in the Master of Fine Arts production program in radio-television-film. For each semester hour of credit earned, one lecture hour and one laboratory hour a week for one semester. Radio-Television-Film 388M (Topic: Thesis Film Production) and 388M, 488M (Topic 3) may not both be counted. Offered on the letter-grade basis only.

Topic 4: Thesis Postproduction. Restricted to students in the Master of Fine Arts production program in radio-television-film. Radio-Television-Film 388M (Topic: Prac Film/TV: Thesis Postproduction), and 388M (Topic 4) may not both be counted. Offered on the letter-grade basis only.

Topic 5: Pre-Thesis Film: Post-Production. Radio-Television-Film 388M (Topic: Pre-Thesis Film: Post Production) and 388M (Topic 5) may not both be counted. Offered on the letter-grade basis only.

RTF 388P. Topics in Film and Video Production.

Restricted to students in the Master of Fine Arts production program in radio-television-film. Production costs borne by the student. Three lecture hours and three laboratory hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing, and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

Topic 1: Cinematography. Radio-Television-Film 388P (Topic: Cinematography) and 388P (Topic 1) may not both be counted.

Topic 2: Acting for Filmmakers. Explore core elements of acting technique through scene study, improvisation, and other exercises. Radio-Television-Film 388P (Topic: Acting for Filmmakers) and 388P (Topic 2) may not both be counted.

Topic 3: Cinema Laboratory. Radio-Television-Film 388P (Topic: Cinema Laboratory) and 388P (Topic 3) may not both be counted.

Topic 4: Advanced Cinematography. Radio-Television-Film 388P (Topic: Advanced Cinematography) and 388P (Topic 4) may not both be counted.

Topic 5: Advanced Directing. Create collaborative, performance-based works that emphasize simplicity and ingenuity in image and sound choices, adhering to a production code that is a modified version of the Dogme 95 Vow of Cinematic Chastity. Radio-Television-Film 388P (Topic: Advanced Directing) and 388P (Topic 5) may not both be counted.


RTF 388R. Project in a Specialized Field of Radio-Television-Film.

Completion of a research or creative project required for the report option of the master’s degree. The equivalent of three class hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit. Offered on the credit/no credit basis only. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of the graduate adviser.

RTF 388S. Research Problems in Specialized Fields of Radio-Television-Film: Production.

The equivalent of at least three class hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit. Offered on the credit/no credit basis only. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of the graduate adviser.

RTF 388T. Producing Film and Television.

Comprehensive consideration of the production process from the standpoint of fiscal and creative management; preproduction and production planning using computer budgeting and scheduling. Software costs borne by the student. Three lecture hours a week for one semester, with studio hours to be arranged. Radio-Television-Film 388P (Topic: Producing Film and Television) and 388T may not both be counted. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

RTF 389. Media and Society.

Study of selected issues related to media and society. Three lecture hours a week for one semester, with one two-hour film screening a week if required by the topic. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

RTF 389K. History of Broadcasting.

Principal eras of broadcast development, audience patterns, legal and industrial precedents of broadcast practices, contemporary industrial and institutional perspectives in radio and television. Three lecture hours a week for one semester, with one two-hour film screening a week if required by the topic. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

RTF 389P. Topics in Producing.

Explore various aspects of film and television producing. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

RTF 390C, 490C. Introduction to Editing Processes.

Introductory editing topics designed to build the foundation for later postproduction practice. Incorporates technical, aesthetic, and practical considerations into an overall view of editing as a process. Three or four
RTF 390E. Advanced Video Postproduction: Audio.
Restricted to first-year Master of Fine Arts production students in radio-television-film. Theory and application of audio for screen image. Three lecture hours a week for one semester, with studio hours to be arranged. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

RTF 390F. Topics in Production Crafts.
Professional-level experiences in various topics in the production crafts. Three lecture hours a week for one semester, with additional laboratory hours to be arranged. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing in radio-television-film and consent of the graduate adviser.

RTF 390G. Introduction to Media Aesthetics and Techniques.
Introduction to physical and aesthetic aspects of sound, light, and image and to the science and technologies that record and reproduce them. Three lecture hours and two studio hours a week for one semester, with additional studio hours to be arranged. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

RTF 390N. Issues in New Media.
Issues in new media theory and practice. Three lecture hours a week for one semester, with one screening or studio session of at least two hours a week to be arranged. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

RTF 393Q. Special Topics in Digital Media.
Applications and impact of digital media technologies. Three lecture hours a week for one semester; additional hours may be required for some topics. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

RTF 395. Theory and Literature.
Advanced seminar surveying the literature of media and communication theories. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit when the topics vary. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of instructor and the graduate adviser.

   Topic 1: Theory and Literature for Doctoral Students: Social Science Approaches. Restricted to doctoral students. Surveys the literature of social science approaches to communication study.

   Topic 2: Theory and Literature: Humanities Approaches. Surveys the literature of humanities approaches to media studies.

   Topic 3: Theory and Literature in Media Studies for Master's Students.

   Topic 4: Theory and Literature I. Restricted to doctoral students in Radio-Television-Film. Radio-Television-Film 395 (Topic: Theory/Literature for PhDs) and 395 (Topic 4) may not both be counted.

   Topic 5: Theory and Literature II. Restricted to doctoral students in Radio-Television-Film. Radio-Television-Film 395 (Topic: Theory/Literature for PhDs II) and 395 (Topic 5) may not both be counted.

RTF 095C. Research Colloquium.
Restricted to students with graduate standing in radio-television-film. Lectures on subjects to be announced. One lecture hour per week. Required for media studies graduate students. May be repeated for credit. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

RTF 196, 296, 396, 496. Portfolio in Media Production.
The equivalent of one, two, three, or four lecture hours a week for one semester. Prerequisite: Graduate standing in radio-television-film and consent of the graduate adviser.

RTF 196P, 296P, 396P, 496P. Portfolio in Media Production.
Restricted to Master’s of Fine Arts in radio-television-film. For each hour of credit earned, one lecture hour a week for one semester. May be repeated for credit. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of graduate adviser.

RTF 698. Thesis.
The equivalent of three lecture hours a week for two semesters. Offered on the credit/no credit basis only. Prerequisite: For 698A, graduate standing in radio-television-film and consent of the graduate adviser; for 698B, Radio-Television-Film 698A.

RTF 198M, 298M, 398M. Master's Research and Writing.
Research and writing to complete masters thesis. For each semester hour of credit earned, the equivalent of one lecture hour a week for one semester. May be taken twice for credit. May be repeated for credit. Offered on the credit/no credit basis only. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of the graduate adviser.

RTF 398R. Master’s Report.
Preparation of a report to fulfill the requirement for the master’s degree under the report option. The equivalent of three lecture hours a week for one semester. Offered on the credit/no credit basis only. Prerequisite: Graduate standing in radio-television-film and consent of the graduate adviser.

RTF 398T. Supervised Teaching in Radio-Television-Film.
Study of the teaching/learning process; practice in classroom presentation. Three lecture hours a week for one semester. Required for appointment as an assistant instructor in radio-television-film; may be taken before or during the first semester of appointment. Offered on the letter-grade basis only. Prerequisite: Graduate standing and consent of the graduate adviser.

May be repeated for credit. Offered on the credit/no credit basis only. Prerequisite: Admission to candidacy for the doctoral degree.

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