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The Official University Academic Calendar provides relevant holidays, breaks, commencement, and school start/end dates. Please refer to this website for the most up to date University academic calendar at [http://www.nyu.edu/registrar/calendars/university-calendar.html](http://www.nyu.edu/registrar/calendars/university-calendar.html).

## UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC CALENDAR

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### Fall 2020
- **Labor Day Holiday**: Monday, September 7
- **Fall Classes Begin**: Wednesday, September 2
- **Thanksgiving Recess**: Thursday, November 26 - Friday, November 27
- **Last Day of Classes**: Sunday, December 13
- **Reading day**: Monday, December 14
- **Fall Semester Exams**: Tuesday, December 15 - Monday, December 21
- **Winter Recess**: Tuesday, December 22 - Sunday, January 3

### Winter 2021
- **First Day of Classes**: Monday, January 4
- **Holiday: Martin Luther King Day**: Monday, January 18
- **Last day of classes**: Friday, January 22
- **Reading day**: Tuesday, May 11
- **Spring Semester Exams**: Wednesday, May 12 - Tuesday, May 18
- **Commencement**: Wednesday, May 19

### Summer 2021
- **Twelve Week**: Summer Session (2 Six Week Sessions)
- **Session I**: Tuesday, May 24 - Saturday, July 3
- **Holiday: Memorial Day**: Monday, May 31
- **Session II**: Tuesday, July 6 - Sunday, August 15
- **Holiday: Independence Day**: Sunday, July 4
The founding of New York University in 1831 by a group of eminent private citizens marked a historic event in American education. In the early 19th century, the major emphasis in higher education was on the mastery of Greek and Latin, with little attention given to modern subjects. The founders of New York University intended to enlarge the scope of higher education to meet the needs of those aspiring to careers in business, industry, science, and the arts, as well as in law, medicine, and the ministry. The opening of the University of London in 1828 convinced New Yorkers that New York, too, should have a new university that fed off the energy and vibrancy of the city.

The first president of New York University’s governing council was Albert Gallatin, former adviser to Thomas Jefferson and secretary of the treasury in Jefferson’s cabinet. Gallatin and his cofounders envisioned a “national university” that would provide a “rational and practical education for all.”

The result of the founders’ foresight is today a university that is recognized both nationally and internationally as a leader in scholarship. NYU is one of only 26 private universities in the nation to have membership in the distinguished Association of American Universities. Students come to NYU from all 50 states and more than 140 foreign countries.

New York University includes three degree-granting campuses: New York City, United States; Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates; and Shanghai, China. In addition, the University has 11 global academic centers: Accra, Ghana; Berlin, Germany; Buenos Aires, Argentina; Florence, Italy; London, England; Madrid, Spain; Paris, France; Prague, Czech Republic; Sydney, Australia; Tel Aviv, Israel; and Washington, DC, United States. Although overall the University is large, the divisions are small- to moderate-size units—each with its own traditions, programs, and faculty.

Enrollment in the undergraduate divisions at NYU ranges between 129 and 7,330, and the University offers nearly 11,000 courses and grants more than 25 different degrees. Classes vary in size, but the University strives to create a sense of community among students within and among the different disciplines.
### New York University Libraries

The Elmer Holmes Bobst Library, designed by Philip Johnson and Richard Foster, is the flagship of an 11-library system that provides access to the world’s scholarship. Bobst Library serves as a center for the NYU community’s intellectual life. With more than 4.5 million print volumes, 235,000 serial titles, 120,000 electronic journals, 1 million eBooks, 163,000 audio and video recordings, and over 41,000 linear feet of special collections archival materials, the collections are uniquely strong in the performing arts, radical and labor history, and the history of New York and its avant-garde culture. The library’s website, library.nyu.edu, received 2.5 million visits in 2012–2013.

Bobst Library offers approximately 2,500 seats for student study. The Avery Fisher Center for Music and Media, one of the world’s largest academic media centers, has 134 carrels for audio listening and video viewing and three multimedia classrooms. The Digital Studio offers a constantly evolving, leading-edge resource for faculty and student projects and promotes and supports access to digital resources for teaching, learning, research, and arts events. The Data Service Studio provides expert staff and access to software, statistical computing, geographical information systems analysis, data collection resources, and data management services in support of quantitative research at NYU.

The Fales Library, a special collection within Bobst Library, is home to the unparalleled Fales Collection of English and American literature; the Marion Nestle Food Studies Collection, the country’s largest trove of cookbooks, food writing, pamphlets, paper, and archives, dating from the 1790s; and the Downtown Collection, an extraordinary multimedia archive documenting the avant-garde New York art world since 1975. Bobst Library also houses the Tamiment Library, the country’s leading repository of research materials in the history of left politics and labor. Two fellowship programs bring scholars from around the world to Tamiment to explore the history of the Cold War and its wide-ranging impact on American institutions and to research academic freedom and promote public discussion of its history and role in our society. Tamiment’s Robert F. Wagner Labor Archives contain, among other resources, the archives of the Jewish Labor Committee and of more than 200 New York City labor organizations.

Beyond Bobst, the library of the renowned Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences focuses on research-level material in mathematics, computer science, and related fields. The Stephen Chan Library of Fine Arts at the Institute of Fine Arts (IFA) houses the rich collections that support the research and curricular needs of the institute’s graduate programs in art history and archaeology. The Jack B. and Wilhelmina A. Bern Dibner Library at SPS Midtown, the most comprehensive facility of its kind, serves the information needs of every sector of the real estate community. The Library of the Institute for the Study of the Ancient World (ISAW) is a resource for advanced research and graduate education in ancient civilizations from the western Mediterranean to China. The Bern Dibner Library serves the NYU Polytechnic School of Engineering. The libraries of NYU Abu Dhabi and NYU Shanghai provide access to all the resources in BobCat and are building their own collection of books and other print materials in support of the schools’ developing curricula. Complementing the collections of the Division of Libraries are those of the libraries of NYU’s School of Medicine, College of Dentistry, and School of Law.

The NYU Division of Libraries continually enhances its student and faculty services and expands its research collections, responding to the extraordinary growth of the University’s academic programs in recent years and to the rapid expansion of electronic information resources. Bobst Library’s professional staff includes more than 53 subject specialists who select materials and work...
with faculty and graduate students in every field of study at NYU. The staff also includes specialists in undergraduate outreach, instructional services, preservation, geospatial information, digital information, and more.

**THE LARGER CAMPUS**

New York University is an integral part of the metropolitan community of New York City—the business, cultural, artistic, and financial center of the nation and the home of the United Nations. The city’s extraordinary resources enrich both the academic programs and the experience of living at New York University.

Professors whose extracurricular activities include service as editors for publishing houses and magazines; as advisers to city government, banks, school systems, and social agencies; and as consultants for museums and industrial corporations bring to teaching an experience of the world and a professional sophistication that are difficult to match.

Students also, either through course work or in outside activities, tend to be involved in the vigorous and varied life of the city. Research for term papers in the humanities and social sciences may take them to such diverse places as the American Museum of Natural History, the Museum of Modern Art, a garment factory, a deteriorating neighborhood, or a foreign consulate.

Students in science work with their professors on such problems of immediate importance for urban society as the pollution of waterways and the congestion of city streets. Business majors attend seminars in corporation board-rooms and intern as executive assistants in business and financial houses. The schools, courts, hospitals, settlement houses, theatres, playgrounds, and prisons of the greatest city in the world form a regular part of the educational scene for students of medicine, dentistry, education, social work, law, business and public administration, and the creative and performing arts.

The chief center for undergraduate and graduate study is at Washington Square in Greenwich Village, long famous for its contributions to the fine arts, literature, and drama and its personalized, smaller-scale, European style of living. NYU itself makes a significant contribution to the creative activity of the Village through the high concentration of faculty and students who reside within a few blocks of the University.

NYU’s Polytechnic School of Engineering, located in Downtown Brooklyn, connects academics with creative research and technology in the burgeoning Tech Triangle and is just a short subway ride away from Washington Square.

University apartment buildings provide housing for over 2,100 members of the faculty and administration, and University student residence halls accommodate over 11,000 men and women. Many more faculty and students reside in private housing in the area.

**A PRIVATE UNIVERSITY**

Since its founding, New York University has been a private university. It operates under a board of trustees and derives its income from tuition, endowment, grants from private foundations and government, and gifts from friends, alumni, corporations, and other private philanthropic sources.

The University is committed to a policy of equal treatment and opportunity in every aspect of its relations with its faculty, students, and staff members, without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender and/or gender identity or expression, marital or parental status, national origin, ethnicity, citizenship status, veteran or military status, age, disability, and any other legally protected basis.

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Our faculty members and directors are teaching artists active in New York City’s theatre, film, and television industry. Studying with them as well as developing mentoring contacts with our alumni in New York and Los Angeles helps our students to establish themselves in their professional life.

In addition, our students develop working relationships with their Tisch School of the Arts peers through collaboration classes with students from the graduate playwriting and screenwriting, film and television, and design programs.

At the end of three years, our students are settled in New York City and one step ahead in their professional life. We won’t teach you how to act. But we will help you to develop, to expand what you know you already have and, crucially, what you don’t know you already have.

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**Program Standards and Regulations**

Students in the training program must be in full-time attendance. The evaluation of student’s development is the result of extended conversations, meetings, and reviews by the faculty. Continuance in the program is dependent on the faculty’s assessment of the individual’s demonstrated skills and ability to follow the protocols of the program, but the intention is that all students who are accepted will graduate. All students participate in production and crew work.

**Training Program**

All acting students take the same intensive three-year program, which allows for varying kinds of previous training among serious students of compatible talent and experience. Work proceeds organically through related “studio” courses that concentrate on developing performance skills and through careful casting of increasing complexity in workshops, projects, and productions. Our essential belief is that depth and range of imaginative performance ability are learned both through production and through continuing and challenging class work.

In the first year, what we are primarily concerned with is an invigorating mix of large playful release and minutely and rigorously observed behaviors. Students spend time getting to know...
The arc of production at the Graduate Acting Program is organized over three years in a variety of projects and productions that build and evolve students’ ability to master different texts, different dialects, and different collaborators on an evolutionary route towards entering the professional arena as an actor prepared—and open to—any eventuality and experience. Faculty members support these productions with their involvement at rehearsals; they both work directly on these productions and/or support the professional who come to work at Grad Acting.

The first year concentrates on a variety of projects performed in the classroom; sometimes presented for the school, sometimes not. The cohort is immediately thrown headfirst into a world that mixes African dance, Xhosa dialect, and English or translated tales in an exciting event called “The Agrarian Project.” Over the course of the first year, students begin the first part of an ongoing three-year Chekhov Project and play several roles in the Shakespeare project at the close of the year, usually directed by a faculty member or a guest artist well-versed, as it were, in the Bard.

The second year enlarges these ideas into our smaller performance spaces and focuses on bringing elements of classwork to bear on the demands of a role in production. The class is usually split into two separate, concurrent productions, which helps provide an equity of roles for everyone in the ensemble. There will be an American Naturalism, slot then a cabaret in our lounge space; this allows students to communicate thoughts and feelings via song. Everyone then works together on an ambitious yearly project that splits the ensemble into two separate productions played concurrently in two connected spaces. Then an outside movie director comes in and directs a segment of the Chekhov started in the first year. Finally, the company splits into two separate productions that focus on language, class, society, and structure. For all of these productions (except the Cabaret), there is shared casting, where students will be often asked to share a major role or play several different parts.

The third year productions move towards a focus on a professional career. The season itself reflects a varied repertory: classical plays (often including Shakespeare), contemporary plays, recent successes from Broadway or Off-Broadway (which offer an opportunity to delve into the world of a playwright whom you might audition for in the “real world”), and the culmination of the new play project developed at the end of the second year. All of these productions are directed by artists who are working professionals, with a wide range of experience and expertise. An important aspect of the final year is “Freeplay” which allows each student to conceive, produce, write and/or act in his/her own performance piece; we have had up to a dozen such projects for each Freeplay season. The production year culminates in the showcase presentations, which gives our incipient graduates the opportunity to present their talents in both Los Angeles and New York to professional agents, casting directors and producers.
Admission

Admission is limited to full-time students beginning in September only. A student matriculating in the Tisch School of the Arts must be admitted at two levels: (1) as a student within a department of specialization or major and (2) as a student of New York University. Admission standards that pertain to the University in general are found beginning on page 240 and should be read in conjunction with the department’s standards.

All candidates must submit the online application, provided by the Office of Graduate Admissions, 726 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10003-6807; 212-998-1918, available at www.tisch.nyu.edu. See page 246 for details of the graduate application.

Final decisions of acceptance depend on completing both departmental audition requirements and New York University admissions requirements.

THE ACTING AUDITION

An audition is required for consideration of any applicant to the program. Acting auditions are conducted from the middle of January through the beginning of February in New York and during early February in Chicago and San Francisco, all by appointment. Applicants are asked to prepare four two-minute monologues. The monologues should demonstrate the range and variety of the actor’s talent. Two should be classical and two contemporary. Applicants must bring a headshot, a résumé, and a personal essay to the audition that we can retain for our files. Approximately 50 actors from the first round will be asked to come to New York for two weekend days in March for the final callback round. The entering class of 16 students will be selected from the callback sessions. For full audition details, please refer to the Tisch School of the Arts Application for Graduate Admissions provided by the Tisch School of the Arts Office of Graduate Admissions or visit the Graduate Acting website at www.tisch.nyu.edu.

If you are an applicant who lives outside the United States, you may submit a YouTube or Vimeo video in lieu of auditioning in person. After submitting your online application by the January 1 deadline, email to the Graduate Acting Program: a link of the video with your introduction, four monologues and song a cappella, as well as a copy of your headshot, resume and personal statement by no later than January 31. You will receive the email address and instructions on where to send this material, once you have submitted your application and paid your application fee. Note: International applicants need to be able to speak English fluently and comprehend it thoroughly.

SCHEDULE OF ADMISSIONS, INFORMATION, AND AUDITIONS

Application deadline: December 31
International Students submission of audition materials: January 31
Notification of admissions action: by April 15
Candidates’ Common Reply Date: by May 1

Please note that this schedule (including deadlines) may be changed according to each school year’s calendar. One or two candidates may be placed on an alternate acceptance list for admission. Those whose admission decisions may be delayed will be notified of the date when they may expect those decisions to be made. For further information, write or telephone the office well before your audition date; telephone 212-998-1960.

The goal of the Graduate Acting Program is to produce professional competence, which is the ultimate standard of all work in the School.

M.F.A. DEGREE

You must have a bachelor’s degree or be in the process of completing one in order to apply to the Graduate Acting Program. The requirements for the M.F.A. degree in acting take three years to complete. The degree will be awarded when the candidate has fulfilled all training requirements, which total 108 units of graduate work.

Faculty

A listing of faculty for the Graduate Acting Program is below. For full biographies on departmental faculty, visit www.tisch.nyu.edu.

FULL-TIME FACULTY

Mark Wing-Davey
Chair; Arts Professor
M.A. Cambridge

Laurence Maslon
Associate Chair; Arts Professor
M.A. Stanford’s Ph.D. Program in Directing and Dramatic Criticism

James Calder
Head of Movement; Associate Arts Professor
M.F.A École Jacques Lecoq

Deborah Lapidus
Head of Voice and Speech; Associate Arts Professor
B.A. University of Maryland

Janet Zarish
Head of Acting; Associate Arts Professor
B.F.A. The Juilliard School

Jane Guyer Fujiita
Voice and Speech; Assistant Arts Professor
M.F.A. Harvard University

Scott Illingworth
Acting; Assistant Arts Professor
M.F.A. DePaul University

Scott Miller
Voice; Associate Arts Professor
J.D. George Washington Law School

Fay Simpson
Movement; Associate Arts Professor
M.A. NYU Gallatin

Shane-Ann Younts
Voice & Speech
B.F.A. Southern Methodist University

ADJUNCT FACULTY

Vincent Agustinovich
Alexander Technique
M.A. NYU

Richard Feldman
Acting
B.A. Yale; A.C.T Training Program

Kevin Isola
Chau Technique
M.F.A. NYU Grad Acting

Kim Jessor
Alexander Technique
B.A. Sarah Lawrence College; Certificate, American Center for the Alexander Technique (ACAT)

Liam Joynt
Voice & Speech
M.F.A. Rutgers University
### Courses

#### YEAR ONE

- **ACTING**
- **ACTOR'S WORLD**
- **AGRARIAN PROJECT**
- **ALEXANDER TECHNIQUE**
- **APPROACHING THE PLAY**
- **CHEKHOV PROJECT**
- **COMBAT**
- **GAMES PROJECT**
- **DANCE**
- **MOVEMENT/MASK**
- **THE NOW OF THEN**
- **PHYSICAL ACTIONING**
- **PRODUCTION CREW**
- **PSYCHOLOGICAL GESTURE**
- **SCENE STUDY**
- **SHAKESPEARE'S CLOWN**
- **SHAKESPEARE'S TEXT**
- **SHAKESPEARE PROJECT**
- **SINGING**
- **SPEECH**
- **TEXT**
- **TOOLBOX 1**
- **VOICE**

- **YOGA**
- **YEAR TWO**
- **ALEXANDER TECHNIQUE**
- **CLOWNING**
- **COMBAT**
- **CHEKHOV FILM PROJECT**
- **DANCE**
- **DOCUMENTARY FILM WORKSHOP**
- **FUNDAMENTALS OF FILM WORKSHOP**
- **MOVEMENT/MASK**
- **THE NOW OF THEN**
- **PLAY DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP**
- **SCENE STUDY**
- **SINGING**
- **SPEECH**
- **TEXT**
- **TECHNIQUES OF VOICE**
- **TOOLBOX 2**
- **VOICE**
- **YOGA**

#### YEAR THREE

- **AUDITION TECHNIQUE**
- **CAMERA AUDITION**
- **CAREER**
- **COMBAT**
- **DIALECTS**
- **FILM WORKSHOP (IN COLLABORATION WITH GRADUATE FILM)**
- **MUSICAL THEATER**
- **PUBLIC THEATER WORKSHOP (IN COLLABORATION WITH DRAMATIC WRITING PROGRAM)**
- **SCENE STUDY**
- **TECHNIQUES OF VOICE**
- **TOOLBOX 3**
- **VOICE**
- **YOGA**

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**Instructors**

- **Joanna Merlin**
  - Career Class and Acting Workshop
  - UCLA
- **Annie Piper**
  - Yoga
  - M.F.A. University of Minnesota
- **Michael Raine**
  - Dance
  - B.F.A. NYU Tisch School of the Arts
- **T. Oliver Reid**
  - Musical Theater
- **Miriam Silverman**
  - Voice & Speech
  - M.F.A. Brown
- **Michele Shay**
  - Adjunct Professor
  - Carnegie Mellon
- **Danielle Skraastad**
  - Games
  - M.F.A. NYU Graduate Acting
- **Steven Skybell**
  - Shakespeare's Text
  - M.F.A. Yale School of Drama
- **Rosemarie Tichler**
  - Acting and Audition Preparation
  - B.A. Barnard College
- **J. Steven White**
  - Stage Combat
  - B.F.A. Southern Methodist University
- **Miriam Silverman**
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The Department of Art & Public Policy offers an intimate, intensive one-year M.A. in Arts Politics, an undergraduate minor, and administers the Art in the World/World Through Art—Writing the Essay course that all first-year students at Tisch experience. Ours is a space of transition, action and reflection, a pivot point for people and practices that cannot be contained by a single discipline, methodology or motivation. Courses examine histories of political frameworks in the arts, as well as contemporary strategies for activism and advocacy. We rigorously evolve the interplay between theory and practice, together asking, “How do we make the world anew?” Our M.A. graduates go on to work as artists and scholars, curators and community organizers, arts administrators, educators and cultural innovators—ever connected to the pulse of social justice.

Master of Arts in Arts Politics

This Master of Arts (M.A.) degree in Arts Politics combines an administrative home within Tisch with key partnerships across schools to offer a spectrum of interdisciplinary courses. The curriculum examines, in an activist key, the relation between art and society and the role of the artist in civic life. Art is treated as providing a particular lens through which the social world can be understood and as a medium of cultural intervention in political processes. The M.A. combines a suite of core courses with relevant electives drawn from across the University. Students within the program attend classes with those who have related arts interests in other University programs. The program provides students with the opportunity to come together to critically reflect on the discourses and practical strategies that issue from the ability of art to intervene in and transform the social world. Arts politics considers art as both a way of knowing and as a kind of action, as an invitation to claim artistic citizenship, and as a means to democratize the public sphere.

Arts politics attends to both formal and informal political processes that bear on the production, dissemination, and reception of the arts. It integrates approaches from the humanities, social sciences, and the arts themselves. It studies governmental and policy processes, the institutional ecology, and political economy of the arts. It employs perspectives that understand how to decode cultural meanings, how social movements are formed, and how to read the esthetic dimension of contemporary politics. Through official patronage and censorship, celebration and loathing, and affirmation and critique of prevailing values, art has long been imbricated and implicated in the political. Yet arts politics is never fixed; its historical and cross-cultural variation helps to understand what possibilities exist for civically engaged artists working in the present.

In the United States, cultural policy is typically seen as being weakly developed, and the skills artists use to get their work into the world often frequently rest on tacit knowledge. Art is rarely bestowed with official status or sanction, which can make its social or political impact all the more challenging to discern. Given the often subtle ways in which art interacts with and acts upon the social world, its political value and efficacy can be difficult to assess. Alternatively, when art itself is grasped epistemologically, as a way of knowing the world, a distinctive array of art’s social effects become legible. The M.A. in arts politics program provides a critical and analytic setting in which artists and others with a social commitment to the arts can develop the means for an appraisal of the political implications and social significance of their work.

M.A. ARTS POLITICS CURRICULUM

Arts Politics students take five core courses inside the Department of Art & Public Policy plus multiple electives across the university. Our flexible curriculum inspires M.A. students to develop highly individualized paths of creativity, research and professional development, while also allowing for collaborative exploration. The core curriculum has a dual focus: Theory, and Methods and Criticism. The Theory courses give students a strong background in key concepts in Arts Politics. The Methods and Criticism courses encourage students to develop critical frameworks in relationship to their own work and the creative and professional transitions they seek to make after school.

A Graduate Colloquium in the fall, and numerous electives throughout the year allow students to further locate and shape their particular modes of inquiry. Students select one elective from the Departmental elective offerings, with three other electives to be selected from the Department or any other open graduate level courses in departments across the university.

Five classes are taken in the fall for a total of 18 units. The course load then lightens to four classes for 16 units during spring to allow students to focus more of their energy on specific projects of their choice, as well as collaborations and post-graduation planning.
TSOA Core Curriculum

The Core Curriculum is a yearlong writing course, required of all freshmen, that is a collaboration between the Expository Writing Program of the College of Arts and Science and senior Tisch faculty. The Core Curriculum consists of two courses: Art in the World, offered in the fall semester, and The World Through Art, offered in the spring semester. All incoming freshmen must take both semesters. The first semester fulfills the University Expository Writing requirement, and the second fulfills the Tisch Expository Writing requirement. Both semesters credit toward general education. During each semester, students take a Writing the Essay course that meets twice a week and attend a series of plenary events. The courses mix different artistic media to integrate students’ various professional interests and combine diverse practical and theoretical approaches to achieve a comprehensive grasp of the work that art can do in the world. Lectures and writing workshops focus on how to read complex texts for an understanding of their arguments and how to write elegantly crafted, well-reasoned papers supported by evidence. Each course is designed to foster an appreciation of how the arts relate to each other and to society in a changing world. The courses allow students to reflect on a range of social and ethical issues as they pertain to their own creativity.

Minor in Art and Public Policy

All undergraduate students at Tisch will be exposed to the department in the freshmen year through the two-course sequence Art in the World and The World Through Art. For students who elect further study, Art and Public Policy courses are available to them as humanities, social science or elective courses, as per course allocations determined by Tisch Academic Services. The minor allows students to customize a suite of four courses (beyond the two taken through the core curriculum) that deepens their understanding of the worldly dimensions of art. Students can include one thematically linked course from outside the department with permission of the chair.

Students will be able to exercise considerable flexibility in crafting a course of study that best reflects their own pursuit of how art links to the world and what social knowledge is embodied in the arts.

To apply for the minor, students should complete a Declaration of Second Major/Minor form via Albert for non-Tisch students or on the Tisch website for students enrolled at the school.

Graduate Admission

Admission is based on an evaluation of previous creative and academic achievements, a clear sense of critical direction, and compatibility with the aims and ideas of the program. Successful applicants come from various backgrounds, including practicing artists, those working within the arts, community organizers and those with many years professional experience or more recently out of an undergraduate program. M.A. students begin their full-time enrollment in September. Applicants to this program should apply online no later than January 15.

Applicants must submit a full application, transcripts, and two letters of recommendation. In addition to the materials required by the Tisch Office of Graduate Admissions, the applicant should include the following materials:

1. Professional Resume—listing creative and academic background, work experience, creative work, critical writing, civic, activist, and community-based engagements, performances, installations, published work, etc

2. Statement of Purpose—500-1,000 words, double-spaced pages, addressing the following questions:
   (a) What has prepared you to come to the Arts Politics M.A. Program? Why now?
   (b) Describe your work, and the relationship between Art and Politics that has arisen in your practice. What questions are you currently exploring?
   (c) What do you want to learn from your time in the Arts Politics M.A. Program? Is there a project or intervention that you want to engage?

3. Writing Sample—1,500-3,000 words, double-spaced pages. We are eager to know how your thinking and analysis are reflected in your writing. Please share a sample of your writing that conveys your ability to carry out sustained academic research and critical writing. A substantive essay from your previous scholarly, creative or activist work is recommended.

4. Two Letters of Recommendation—submitted using the online letter of recommendation system.

5. Copies of Academic Transcripts—from any schools in which you received a college degree or attended for two or more years.

International students must also complete the requirements as outlined in the International Application Requirements page. Applicants may be asked to interview via Skype after an initial application review.
Most courses are designed to fulfill general education requirements for TSOA undergraduates in all disciplines. Certain courses in the department are offered on a rotating basis and may be open to graduate students as well as undergraduate students. Students should check Albert for current semester course listings.

ANATOMY OF DIFFERENCE
ASPP-UT 1020/ASPP-GT 2020
Antonio. Fall. 4 units.
Prerequisite: One introductory film history/ criticism class.
This course looks at how difference is constructed in film through reading assignments, in-class screenings, and critical analysis of full-length features, including mainstream Hollywood, independent, and international films. This inquiry takes note that while some of these films may be conventional in form, in content they challenge accepted notions of differences or stereotypes. Our goal is to catalog films that resist accepted notions of the “other.” To accomplish our goals, we deal primarily with textual analysis that focuses on story and character, as well as cinematic space and time. With the help of the required texts, we examine socially accepted notions of the “other” and see how they are derived and/or challenged in and by films, thus looking at how an art form can interact with socially accepted forms of “othering.” The objective of the course is to train emerging artists and scholars to engage in critical analysis that can make profound contributions to the individual's unique creative or analytical process. Another intention of the course is to delineate and occupy the space left for debate between authorship as expressed from a directorial perspective from authorship from the spectator's point of view.

CREATIVE RESPONSE: PERFORMANCE MATTERS, BETWEEN IMAGINATION AND EXPERIENCE
ASPP–UT 1028/ASPP–GT 2028
Finley. 4 units.
Performance Matters will consider what influences private and public performance, to consider what is performing, what we perform and how we perform. This class will look deeper into varying aspects of staging such as everyday experience, lists, menus, rituals, timing, gathering and collecting. Performing and communicating the body: gender, race and identification. Awareness of work in progress, process, such as text, script, online and improvisation will be utilized. The visual aspect of performing: such as accessories, design and costume. Listening, finding voice and giving and taking commands, and deviation from dominant norms of entertainment and product. Hopefully with deeper understanding, we will seek to challenge and stimulate our own creative content to produce original, thought provoking performance. Students will present their own work either individually or in groups, write about the theory and content of their production and have assigned readings to supplement their areas of concentration.

CONTEMPORARY ACTIVIST ART AND THE PUBLIC SPHERE: WOMEN, ART & ACTIVISM IN THE 21ST CENTURY
ASPP–UT 1051/ASPP–GT 2051
Ali. 4 units.
This course explores the dynamic role of women artists and cultural workers globally, whose art tackles pressing gender, racial, economic justice and civil and human rights issues of our time. The global artists we will delve into via Case Studies demonstrate how women harness the power of the arts to inspire change and transformation. Examining key contemporary artistic and cultural movements across the globe, the course explores the ways in which women's voices have gained newfound power and an emancipatory vision through the arts and through arts activism. The course will pay special attention to the impact of women's work in the 21st century, examining how women's arts activism in particular geographic regions has thrived in the midst of political, racial and economic turmoil and has encouraged greater civic participation by women and girls.
GRADUATE INTERNSHIP FIELDWORK SEMINAR
ASPP-GT 2004
Engel. Spring. 2-3 units. (Open to M.A. Arts Politics students only.)
This is an opportunity to identify a specific site or series of places/institutions/practices for study that you admire or would like to learn from. While the Fall colloquium afforded students the opportunity to engage with varieties of arts activists, the Spring seminar is based upon students going out into the world to glean what they can for their own aspirations and ambitions in creating new idioms of arts politics. The seminar itself is a place to reflect on this experience and to develop the means to clearly articulate an interventionist project to oneself and others.

LANGUAGE AS ACTION: THE WRITING, TEACHING AND ACTIVISM OF JUNE JORDAN
ASPP-UT 1070/ASPP-GT 2070
Engel. 4 Units.
"The creative spirit is nothing less than love made manifest." — June Jordan
In this class we will read from poet/writer, scholar, activist, educator June Jordan’s works, including her extraordinary novel “His Own Where”, a selection of poems and essays, her children’s book “Kimako Story”, and the book created about and from the teaching project she founded, “Poetry For The People.” We will read her work closely, engaging artist and intellectual. We’ll discuss the question of risk, ramifications of political actions and choices, and the aesthetics of a life. We will engage Jordan’s question “Where’s the love?” She also talked about rage and resisted categorization of any kind, forcing a kind of boundary breaking. We will look at embodiment, desire, and joy as components of her work and expression. Students will write extensively in relation to the reading. Professor Engel will also share her experiences working with Ms. Jordan over a number of years in cultural/political projects.

MEMOIR AND CULTURAL MEMORY: REPRESENTING POSTCOLONIAL DISPLACEMENTS
ASPP-UT 1049/ASPP-GT 2049
Shobat. 4 units.
With the growing numbers of immigrants/refugees in cities such as London, Paris, Berlin, Barcelona, New York, Los Angeles, Montreal, belonging no longer corresponds to one geography, simplistically imagined as “over there.” This seminar will study questions of displacement as represented, mediated and narrated in a wide variety of texts. It will focus especially on memoirs, whether in written or audiovisual form, which confront essentialist and essentialist discourses with a rich cultural production that foregrounds a complex understanding of such issues as “home,” “homeland,” “exile,” “hybridity” and “minorities.” How are identity and history performed in these colonial, post-colonial and diasporic contexts? What is the status and significance of the oral, the visual and the performed within the context of memory? We will examine different narrative forms of memory-making, analyzing how post/colonial authors and media-makers perform “home,” “homeland,” “diaspora,” and “exile.” How does memory become a filter for constructing contemporary discourses of belonging, especially in the context of post-independence and transnational dislocations? We will also address questions of genre, and the socio-political ramifications of certain modes of writing and performances of memory that create new hybrid genres such as the poetic documentary and experimental autobiography. We will analyze works where a fractured temporality is reassembled to form a usable past where the body serves as an icon of migratory meanings. We will also examine contemporary cyber diasporic practices, problematizing such issues as “nostalgia” and “return” in the context of new communication technologies.

OUT OF THE BOX/OUT OF THE FRAME: A CONCEPTUAL STUDIO
ASPP-UT 1029/ASPP-GT 2029
Finley. 4 units.
This class is to consider artists, historical recording and the methods of art making that work outside of traditional norms; being time based, breaking expectations of the medium, the audience and or the placement and transaction in spectatorship. Other cultural mainstays such as interruptions, scrap books, outtakes, overheard conversation, the scandal, the accident will also be material for study. While examining and researching artifacts, footage, imagery, found objects that exist and resonate outside of the proposed point of focus we will look at the underlying meanings and the interruptions into our expectation of perception. After looking and studying examples students will create and design their own projects that can be performance, installation, new media or text based. Accompanying paper is also required.

SEMINAR IN CULTURAL ACTIVISM
ASPP-GT 2002
Finley. 4 units. Fall (Open to M.A. Arts Politics students only.)
This seminar will focus on developing our work, theory, and art into a realized production. Each student will start with presenting their ideas and goals of creating a public project. This may take the form of public art, exhibition, performance, narrative but bringing it to a goal of actualizing the work out of the school student world. But the class is more than just bringing the art into the public light. We will scrutinize and examine intent and where to bring a production. Media, reviews, current events, intent, audience, controversy, economics, politics and other issues and challenges that is vital to a successful professional life. These connections and awareness of the outside world out of school will be a reality check of all the responsibilities of participating in culture.

The class is interested in original and dynamic thought, provoking associative thinking and awareness. The class is designed to transform and consider challenging your process and opinion. You are encouraged to bring awareness of different approaches to create new and borrowed strategies in cultural activism. The class is considered process oriented and the professor is encouraging conceptual principles. Process is encouraging original thought over guaranteed knowns.

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The Open Arts Program is dedicated to creative exploration, discovery, and collaboration. It supports interdisciplinary arts practice and research at Tisch, and for nearly twenty years, Open Arts has been a home to a wide range of courses in the performing, cinematic and emerging media and digital arts open to all students at NYU. Open Arts is the crossroads learning space at Tisch, where NYU students from all majors come to apply their training, challenge their viewpoints, and expand their practice. The strength of the Open Arts classroom experience is derived from this creative exchange of different academic backgrounds, artistic disciplines and scholarly pursuits.

Most Open Arts courses are specially designed to give NYU students introductory exposure, foundational and/or intermediate knowledge, and hands-on experience in various artistic fields. In these courses, every student has the opportunity to integrate and apply arts practice and process to their own field of study, and to engage in creative interaction with a wide range of students across the university.

The BFA in Collaborative Arts is a course of study designed for a diverse group of motivated, versatile, curious, and entrepreneurial producers. Ideal students are passionate about working in the arts across disciplines and are socially conscious researcher/collaborators and entrepreneurs.

For general University guidelines, refer to the Admissions section beginning on page 253. Admission to the Tisch School of the Arts is highly selective. Admission is based on a careful evaluation of secondary school records; personal essay; recommendations from guidance counselors and teachers; and a creative review in the form of a portfolio. Submission of standardized tests scores is optional. The Collaborative Arts BFA is ideal for students with a rich diversity of talents who crave a wide variety of experiences. The Program is looking for independent minded students, who are motivated to challenge themselves and work with other artists to generate interdisciplinary projects. Ideal students are curious, willing to take risks, and interested in exploring the wonderful possibilities of working between disciplines. A student applying to the Tisch School of the Arts must submit an application to New York University and indicate the particular department that they wish to enter and may only apply to one program.

Prospective students wanting more information about undergraduate admission should refer to the Undergraduate Admissions website at www.admissions.nyu.edu. Prospective students wanting more information about the artistic portfolio or audition requirements should visit the program’s website at https://tisch.nyu.edu/collaborative-arts/apply-to-collaborative-arts.
### Degree Requirements
For information on the Collaborative Arts program, please visit [http://tisch.nyu.edu/collaborative-arts/about-collaborative-arts](http://tisch.nyu.edu/collaborative-arts/about-collaborative-arts). The program is a four-year program of full-time study leading to the Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) degree. The degree requires completion of 128 undergraduate units. Those 128 credits are comprised of 56 credits in major training, 18 credits in arts studies courses across the arts disciplines, 32 general education credits, and 22 open elective credits across New York University.

### Departmental Standards
Students must earn a grade of C or better in departmental courses in order to receive credit in the major.

### Transfer of Credits
Credit is granted for academic work completed at another institution and for Advanced Placement tests in accordance with University regulations as stated on page 240. A maximum of 64 units may be transferred into the program. Performing arts courses taken at other universities can only count towards major studio training or arts studies credit with approval from the faculty.

### Ownership Policy
The creative works produced by students at the Tisch School of the Arts in fulfillment of class assignments, or as individual study projects, whether made on Tisch School of the Arts premises or elsewhere, with or without Tisch School of the Arts equipment, and with or without extra funds, are subject to certain restrictions until the educational experience associated with such works has been completed. These restrictions are spelled out in the Ownership Policy section on page 261.

### Faculty
Open Arts is home to a robust faculty of nearly 50 artists from across the arts disciplines. A list of full-time faculty for the Open Arts Program is below. For a full listing and biographies on all departmental faculty, visit [http://tisch.nyu.edu/open-arts/faculty](http://tisch.nyu.edu/open-arts/faculty).

#### Mary Bitel
Chairperson; Associate Arts Professor  
B.F.A. Wayne State University (Theatre)  
M.S.W. Hunter College  
Ph.D. City University of New York (Social Welfare)

#### Steven Drukman
Associate Chair; Associate Arts Professor  
B.A. Oberlin College  
M.A. University of Wisconsin  
Ph.D. New York University (Performance Studies)

#### Gustavo Aguilar
Assistant Arts Professor  
B.A. Corpus Christi State University (Percussion Performance)  
M.S.W. California Institute of the Arts (Fine arts, Multi-Focus Performance)  
Ph.D. University of California, San Diego (Musical Arts in Contemporary Performance)

#### Robert Benevides
Distinguished Teacher  
B.F.A., Film and Television, Tisch School of the Arts (New York University)

#### Itai Benjamin
Assistant Arts Professor  
B.F.A. in Music & Audio Technology, Sonic Arts Center, CUNY, 2005  
M.P.S. New York University (Interactive Telecommunications, ITP)

#### Rebecca Haimowitz
Assistant Arts Professor  
B.A. Columbia University (Cinema Studies and Women's Studies)  
M.F.A. Columbia University (Film)

#### Patricia Hoffbauer
Assistant Arts Professor  
B.F.A. Dance, Tisch School of the Arts (New York University)  
M.A., Women's Studies, City University of New York

#### Angela Pietropinto
Distinguished Teacher  
B.A. New York University (Literature)  
M.F.A., Acting, Tisch School of the Arts (New York University)

#### Peter Terezakis
Associate Arts Professor  
M.P.S., Interactive Telecommunications Program, Tisch School of the Arts (New York University)

#### William Tunnicliffe
Associate Arts Professor  
B.A. University of Rochester (Biology, Film Studies, Philosophy)  
M.F.A., Film and Television, Tisch School of the Arts (New York University)

### Curriculum
Unit Requirement: 56  
Students must complete the first year curriculum before moving on to the remainder of the curriculum. Collaborative Arts Workshops, Research Matters, and Art Matters must be completed prior to entering into the Thesis classes. Due to previous studies or work experience, some students may consider themselves already proficient in a field covered by a foundation course or Tier I elective course. In such cases, they may apply to the faculty for permission to waive it. In deciding whether to grant the application, the faculty may require that an oral or written examination be taken. Waiver of a foundation course may not in itself reduce the 56-unit requirement for graduation; rather, it means that a student will increase the number of electives. The required foundation courses are as follows:
Courses

COLLABORATIVE ARTS WORKSHOPS I
OART-UT 100, 6 Credits, Fall Only

Collaborative Workshops provide creative spaces for BFA students to dialogue and create work utilizing all areas of interdisciplinary arts training. This series of three intensive lecture/seminar and studio classes engages students to work together in groups to explore different topics or themes generated by students and instructors from across the arts disciplines/mediums. Through weekly written submissions, class dialogues, workshop exercises and group productions/presentations, students learn to navigate their different discipline specific interests as well as personal artistic perspectives to develop and produce co-created, cohesive work.

DIGITAL LANGUAGE & STORYTELLING
OART-UT 296, 3 Credits, Spring Only

This course provides an overview of digital and interactive storytelling, integrating a fast-track introduction to basic practical hardware and software security with an introduction to the concepts of visual design and text/image relationships. Early forms of interactive media are explained in relation to the development of computer based digital art and media formats. The essential nature of digital language and storytelling is examined by analyzing how the digital artist targets a particular type of audience, posts their digital language/art/story and then responds to audience replies and audience data. This response can then, in turn, become a continuation and enhancement of their digital storytelling.

FUNDAMENTALS OF MOVEMENT
OART-UT 292, 2 Credits, Fall Only

The course uses a somatic approach, focusing on the experienced body rather than the objectified body, utilizing sensing and feeling as the basis for movement expression. Physical technique is based on experiencing the body as it is, utilizing somatic tools of conscious breath.

FIRST YEAR CURRICULUM:

Collaborative Arts Workshop I
OART-UT 100, 6 Credits, Fall Only

Digital Language & Storytelling
OART-UT 296, 2 Credits, Spring Only

Fundamentals of Movement
OART-UT 292, 2 Credits, Fall Only

Performatice Language & Storytelling
OART-UT 294, 2 Credits, Fall Only

Research Matters
OART-UT 298, 4 Credits, Fall Only

Visual Language & Storytelling
OART-UT 290, 3 Credits, Spring Only

Written Language & Storytelling
OART-UT 288, 4 Credits, Spring Only

REQUIRED COURSES:

Art Matters: From Artist to Action
OART-UT 300, 2 Credits, Spring Only

Collaborative Arts Workshop II
OART-UT 101, 6 Credits, Fall Only

Collaborative Arts Workshop III
OART-UT 102, 6 Credits, Spring Only

Producing Essentials
OART-UT 1006, 4 Credits, Fall and Spring

Thesis I
OART 104, 4 Credit, Fall Only

Thesis II
OART 105, 4 Credits, Spring Only

REQUIRED ELECTIVES—OPEN ARTS STUDIES COURSES

Unit Requirement: 8

The purpose of elective studies courses is to enable a student to study further in areas related to the disciplines in the program. Studies electives consist of non-foundation lecture (non-studio) courses available in the Open Arts Program. Undergraduate courses available elsewhere within the Tisch School of the Arts or undergraduate courses in other schools within the University count with permission of the Department. (It is the responsibility of the student to confirm that they can be admitted to a course offered outside the program; i.e., that any prerequisites have been met and appropriate approvals have been obtained.) Students can take up to 4 credits outside the Open Arts curriculum. Elective studies should comprise a coherent program of work and must be approved by the student’s adviser. Not all courses are offered every semester.

REQUIRED ELECTIVES—OPEN ARTS PRACTICE COURSES—TIER ONE

Unit Requirement: 12

The purpose of elective practice courses is to enable a student to study further in areas related to the disciplines in the program. Studio electives consist of non-foundation studio (non-lecture) courses available in the Open Arts Program. Undergraduate courses available elsewhere within the Tisch School of the Arts or undergraduate courses in other schools within the University count with permission of the Department. (It is the responsibility of the student to confirm that they can be admitted to a course offered outside the program; i.e., that any prerequisites have been met and appropriate approvals have been obtained.) Students can take up to 4 credits outside the Open Arts curriculum. Chosen courses to fulfill the Tier I and Tier II elective requirement must be in at least two artistic disciplines. Elective studies should comprise a coherent program of work and must be approved by the student’s adviser. Not all courses are offered every semester.
sound/vibration, visualization and moving through space based on sensing and feeling. Specific vocabularies of experiential anatomy and developmental movement will be offered as forms for self exploration and creating shared movement vocabularies.

PERFORMATIVE LANGUAGE & STORYTELLING
OART-UT 294
2 Credits, Fall Only
This class introduces students to the fundamental elements of acting through improvisation, theater games, applied viewpoints and basic scene study. The class will always begin with a simple physical and vocal warm-up. For example, one that combines basic yoga forms and rudimentary Linklater based voice work. As the class moves into working with scripted material the class structure would still include various theater games.

RESEARCH MATTERS
OART-UT 298
4 Credits, Fall Only
This course provides a foundation in creative research methods by examining the range of concepts, theories and praxis of artists and other knowledge producers. Beginning with an overview of the research landscape, including traditional academic research models followed by a series of creative (or artistic) research case studies, this course will address key questions such as, What is creative research in the context of contemporary art practice and why is it important? How do artists define their research, and what social, cultural and political ideas influence them? What roles do collaboration, inter disciplinarity and audience play in how artists formulate their research strategies? How do artists gauge their results and what are the markers or processes for verification? How do the findings of creative research contribute to new knowledge applicable to a variety of disciplines?

VISUAL LANGUAGE & STORYTELLING
OART-UT 290
3 Credits, Spring Only
An overview of the development of visual storytelling throughout history. From the first creation of early hand drawn cave paintings to modern film production, all the essential elements of visual representation, visual imagery, visual grammar, and visual storytelling are explored. The course examines how the basic tools of traditional narrative storytelling are also used in purely visual storytelling - to create a secondary world and to maintain a suspension of disbelief in order to inform, entertain, and affect the audience.

WRITTEN LANGUAGE & STORYTELLING
OART-UT 288
3 Credits, Spring Only
This class is designed to help students analyze mediums of dramatic writing including plays, screenplays and television scripts. Plot and character development, dialogue, action, conflict, events and overall story will be examined. It highlights how meaning is made in an active mimetic form rather than as an integrated experience of script, performance, direction, designing, editing and other elements of the medium.

REQUIRED COURSES:
ART MATTERS: FROM ARTIST TO ACTION
OART-UT 300
2 Credits, Spring Only
This course invites Tisch Artists in Residence and guest instructors/visiting artists from across the arts disciplines into the classroom to share insights about their work, including their methods, successes, and challenges, as well as their relationship with their community, workspace, collaborators, and audiences. The visiting artists are prompted to address what matters to them as artists and scholars and global citizens; questions are posed, including: what are the ways artists respond to the matters that affect their communities? What role do they play in raising issues of resonance/urgency and what are the challenges to affecting change through artistic research and practice? Each week the visiting artist engages with a series of questions pertaining to the “matters” of making work and the significance of why their work “matters”.

COLLABORATIVE ARTS WORKSHOP II
OART-UT 101
6 Credit, Fall Only
Collaborative Workshops provide creative spaces for BFA students to dialogue and create work utilizing all areas of interdisciplinary arts training. This series of three intensive lecture/seminar and studio classes engages students to work together in groups to explore different topics or themes generated by students and instructors from across the arts disciplines/mediums. Through weekly written submissions, class dialogues, workshop exercises and group presentations, students learn to understand the craft of producing within different mediums.

THESIS I & THESIS II
OART 104 & 105
8 Credits
The final year of the degree program is a capstone project comprised of Thesis I and II, in which students pursue research questions in a year-long group project of their choice. In this capstone year, students form working groups to research and investigate an issue of local and/or global resonance. Working as a collaborative team, students then apply their research towards an artistic response to that issue. Each working group is assigned a faculty project advisor who will support their collaborative capstone. Students present their final creative projects and research to the Collaborative Arts community and, as a group, defend their creative projects to a panel of faculty at the conclusion of the capstone year.
REQUIRED ELECTIVES – OPEN ARTS STUDIES COURSES

ART & TECHNOLOGY: CONCEPTS, HISTORY, PRINCIPLES
OART-UT 1059
4 Credits
Peter Terezakis
Thesis: All art uses technology. Technology is not art. Whether a work of art is created to bridge the supernatural, convey experience, thought, or a worldview, or something more, art is a three letter verb representing the result of an individual’s desire to create difference. This course is an exploration in technological literacy for all NYU students. Students will create a website, capture, edit, and publish digital media to their sites, use software to create objects through subtractive (laser cutting) and additive (3D printing) machining processes, build circuits, learn to program a microcomputer, and build a functioning computer-controlled object.

ASIAN & ARAB DIASPORA IN LITERATURE AND FILM
OART-UT 1503
4 Credits
Nathalie Handal
Does the Turkish German filmmaker Fatih Akin, the Lebanese Brazilian novelist Milton Hatoum, the Japanese Peruvian poet José Watanabe, the Singaporean Australian writer Kim Cheng Boey, and the Tunisian Swedish novelist Jonas Hassen Khemiri have anything in common? In an increasingly multicultural, multilingual, transnational yet increasingly divided world, what insights do the works of these architects of the imagination offer to narrowly defined strata of Eastern culture? How do they add to the ongoing dialogue between East and West—on cultural translation, migration, the refugee crisis, conflict and love? How do they help us pose fundamental questions? This course is a laboratory for the exploration of major cinematic and literary oeuvres by the Asian and Arab diaspora living in cosmopolitan cities worldwide: Berlin, Paris, London, Rome, the Scandinavian capitals (Europe and the United Kingdom); Buenos Aires, Brazil, Chile, Mexico (Latin America); Montreal, New York, Los Angeles (North America). Each week we explore a global urban space and those creating there. As a starting historical point, the course examines their migration or exile, and the current cultural context they are creating in. Central to this class is exploring the diversity and complexity of their aesthetics and stylistics, the unique artistic voyage they take us on, the ways their creative productions address social issues, and the richness and intricacies of these societies. In our cross-disciplinary and cross-border conversations, we also examine how urban life and the cityscape create imaginative spaces, and the unique language these artists are originating on the page and screen.

BODIES IN CULTURAL LANDSCAPES
OART-UT 706
4 Credits
Patricia Hoffbauer
This course examines the Western fascination with the moving body in different cultural environments and throughout colonial and postcolonial historical periods until the present time. It will begin by investigating early images and artistic representation of the body in motion captured by European ethnographers at the turn of the 19th century, and continue tracing it to current trends of contemporary culture. The goal of this course is to develop a critical understanding of the body built around the body as subject as well as a marker of otherness. This course will offer students an opportunity to study and articulate, intellectually and physically, the legibility of bodies in motion within different cultural landscapes. Bodies in Cultural Landscapes will provide an open forum in which to investigate human movement within the specific aesthetic system and cultural practice of early ethnographic representation to contemporary culture’s engagement with the moving body. It will offer insight into personal and cultural identity, stimulating an expanded recognition and appreciation of difference. This course offers students the opportunity to explore simultaneously their intellect (in class viewing, readings and discussions), as well as in the presentation of their own version of ethnographic research and representation based on a topic of their choice discussed with instructor. Students will engage weekly with exercises and assignments based on course material.

CASTING AND AUDITIONING
OART-UT 1926
4 Credits
Todd Thaler
Casting is the most recently recognized profession in film and theater. In this course, students learn how to cast a film and learn the skills casting directors employ to become indispensable members of any production, including script and character analysis, scheduling, and negotiation. Students develop protocols for evaluating resumes and auditions, and learn strategies for communicating with directors and producers to ensure the talent pool has been effectively identified. Techniques for delivering convincing and fruitful casting sessions before learning to close deals between producers, actors and agents also are presented. This class will also make students ‘audition ready’ — equipping them with tools and techniques to better understand and get through the audition process. The course will cover the various disciplines of the artist, films, commercials and voiceovers. Through lectures, character exercises and workshops students will learn strategies for preparing for an audition, developing characters, and working with professionals in the industry.

CREATIVE FUNDRAISING
OART-UT 1093
4 Credits
Sofia Sondervan-Bild
This course will cover both traditional and non-traditional financing and fundraising in the worlds of entertainment and the arts. Although our focus will be on the film world (with an emphasis on feature films), we will take occasional forays into the worlds of television, theatre, and music. We will also look at product financing. The goal of the course is to provide students with a framework for understanding the dynamics (as well as the specific routes) to raising funds for artistic endeavors. Many entertainment projects require significant capital before they can be realized. The negotiation and structuring of these deals may be a humbling experience, fraught with compromises that affect creative control over the final product. Producers need knowledge of financing tools and structures, an understanding of current economics driving the business, and skills in understanding new technologies and trends in funding. At its core, the course will help students develop a general understanding of fundraising and financing in the world of entertainment and refine the skills necessary to develop proposals that allow them to one day realize a creative vision.

GREEN WORLD
OART-UT 1057
4 Credits
Peter Terezakis
According to the World Health Organization, 6.5 million people will die prematurely this year due to air pollution.
tion. That’s more deaths due to breathing bad air than from AIDS, auto accidents, cholera, malaria, and war combined. Climate change, fossil fuels, lack of drinking water, over-population, GMOs, pollution, and the wholesale corporate campaign to discredit science are among the most critical problems of our time. Living in denial of these issues has become the West’s de facto cultural standard with only a fraction of the public taking action. How can artists, citizen-scientists, and storytellers intervene in existing narratives regarding some of humanity’s most life-threatening issues? How will you further important conversations and seize the potential to activate change? Green World explores contemporary environmental issues while guiding artists to create informed, responsible works of positive social change using technology as a force multiplier. This course is open to all NYU students interested in developing an activist’s artistic, social, and/or scientific leverage point to help save the world. This course features an optional research trip to Black Rock Forest Consortium.

GREENWORLD II
OART-UT
4 Credits
Peter Terezakis
This course includes a required three day, two evening weekend field trip to Black Rock Forest Consortium between the fourth and fifth weeks of class. Students are required to attend this field trip. The grade for this course will include participation in field trip. Students should not take this class if they are not willing and able to attend the field trip. Green World II is intended to follow Green World I and designed for students who are serious about continuing research into a particular project developed in Green World I. Students will produce their own video projects 3 - 10 minutes in length as a final project. All completed video projects will be available for viewing on stream.nyu.edu. Pre-requisites for Green World II are Green World I or permission from the instructor. A working knowledge of any personal computer video editing system is required. Detailed information regarding resources for video editing will be provided during class time and well in advance of video assignment due dates. Students in Green World II will investigate climate and/or environmental issues through field trips, research, and presentations by NYU and external faculty. Completed video projects will be screened by outside professionals and members of the NYU community. This class will include one required weekend field trip to Black Rock Forest Consortium to observe and participate in the activities of an ecological field research station. The University Bursar will assess a lab fee for this course to cover the cost of the research field trip to Black Rock Forest Consortium. Students will develop an awareness of both the scale and scope of the coming climate change and will be better equipped to share facts and possible solutions with their communities through public speaking and video projects. NOTE: There is a lab fee of $130 associated with this course. There will also be an overnight trip in either September or early-to-mid October.

FILM: A TRANSFORMATIVE PROCESS, A VISION BEYOND TECHNOLOGY
OART-UT 140
4 Credits
Chitra Neogy
This course emphasizes the content, the aesthetics, and the purpose of cinema as a truly distinctive and dynamic art form uncovering the inner vision of the filmmaker, and the organic and transformational process where filmmakers project their original truth, not compromising or borrowing ideas and themes from other films. Students explore the use of technology as a valuable tool that enhances the vision of the filmmaker without diminishing the organic texture of the work by its overwhelming presence. The course brings to light the stagnant and repetitious formulae of commercial cinema, resulting in diluted mainstream films. The works of iconic filmmakers who embrace and use film as an original, vibrant and reflective art form are reviewed throughout the course. Extracts and readings from relevant filmmakers are given throughout the course.

FILM DEVELOPMENT: THE TOOLS OF CREATIVE MOVIE PRODUCING
OART-UT 1010
2 Credits
Hardy Justice
This course de-mystifies the film development process and teaches students the key tools necessary for a successful career as a film executive or producer. This course will chart the key stages of finding and preparing a good script for production. These steps include how to find, evaluate and shape material from the producer’s perspective. Students will learn the practical art of writing script coverage and notes, as well as how to establish a tracking group and develop tracking reports for new material. Other topics include the role of key players in the process, such as agents and studio executives, and how to avoid “development hell.”

HISTORY OF AMERICAN MUSICAL THEATRE
OART-UT 1922
4 Credits
Stephen Nelson
A survey of American musical theatre, with an emphasis on its significant and unique contribution to US popular culture. Through audio and video recordings, slides, demonstrations, and visits to live performances, the course traces the musical’s relation to 19th century popular entertainments such as minstrelsy, vaudeville, and burlesque, as well as its relation to popular song and dance forms throughout the 20th century to the present day. Dramatic Literature students should register for DRLIT-UA 296.

HISTORY OF DANCE
OART-UT 701
4 Credits
Danielle Russo; Patricia Beaman
This course will explore why and how dance is a vital participant in cultural practices around the world. Looking back through the perspective of present research, we will examine how dance is inherently a reflection of the culture it represents. A wide overview of dance will be covered, beginning with temple devotion in India, to its inclusion in the rituals of Bali, the Noh and Kabuki theatrical traditions of Japan, the rites of passage and ancestor worship in the Ashanti, Yoruba, and Dogon tribes of Africa, in Aboriginal Australian ceremonies, and in the rituals of Native American tribes. The presentation of dance at Court as a symbol of power in Catherine de Medicis Renaissance pageants will be examined, and continued in viewing the Baroque spectacles of Louis XIV’s Versailles and the Paris Opera. The inevitable impact of politics on dance will be studied in the propagandist works of China’s Cultural Revolution, the French Revolution’s influence upon Romantic ballets such as La Sylphide and Giselle, and how the repression of a Gypsy culture led to the emergence of Flamenco in Spain. In addition to written texts and video documentation, we will review examples of related art forms such as visual arts, music, and drama.
HISTORY OF DOCUMENTARY FILM
OART-UT 1701
4 Credits
Joseph Dorman
The course traces the documentary film from its origins to the present day. Pioneer documentarians like Dziga Vertov and Robert Flaherty saw in documentary film the ability to portray life with a kind of truthfulness never before possible. Early Polish filmmaker Boleslaw Matuszewski wrote that while “the cinematograph does not give the whole truth at least what it gives is unquestionable and of an absolute truth.” Since those heady days, it has become all too clear that documentaries have no special access to the truth. Nevertheless, as this still-young art evolved, documentarians of different schools constantly sought new means to tell the human story. Documentary filmmaking has always been a blend of artistry and technical means and we will also explore this critical relationship.

The course explores the development of the documentary and the shifting intentions of documentary filmmakers through the evolution of narrative approach and structure paying special attention to the documentary tradition’s relationship to journalism. Students examine how different filmmakers have gone about trying to convey “reality” on screen both through the use and avoidance of narration, through interviews, editing and dramatizations. Throughout the semester, students investigate how image-driven medium attempts to report stories and the ways an emotion-driven art can be problematic for journalistic objectivity. Finally, the ethical and journalistic responsibilities the documentary filmmaker are discussed.

Special attention is given to dramatic recreations, the filmmaker’s relationship to his/her subjects and the construction of narrative through editing.

IMPACT PRODUCING
OART-UT 1004
4 Credits
Eric Jabeda
Impact Producing is an emerging field in the film industry that uses issue-driven films as catalysts to create social, political, or cultural change through advocacy and engagement. Just as films have producers to manage the creative and financial process from script to screen, they also increasingly need Impact Producers to take the film campaign from production to impact. This hands-on class will guide participants through the essentials for becoming an Impact Producer by identifying key skills and goals. Participants will learn the scope of work necessary for building alliances and partnerships, creating and measuring successful campaigns, and transforming passion for social change into a viable career path. Each semester the class will work in groups to create an actual impact strategy for a film in current release as a final project. As part of the course, students will be expected to attend one screening at DOC.NYC.

IRAN ARTS ACTIVISM
OART-UT 1500
4 Credits
Hadi Gharabaghi
Iran Arts Activism is an introductory critical assessment of the rich moving-image media archives from 1950 to present in and about Iran. We analyze various films and videos, comic book scripts, and memos of government regulation in the context of the Cold War, the large scale involvement of American government and non-government institutions in social and economic modernization, political turmoil and cultural policies of Iran. Furthermore, we investigate how the breaking of formal diplomatic relations and exchange between the two countries since the Islamic Revolution of 1979 has contributed to a voluminous archives of often hyperbolic and partisan geopolitical debates, national arthouse cinema, lively diasporic art and documentary media, and cultural diplomacy of state-citizen video-journalism. As we study digital videos, we also pay attention to digital platforms such as YouTube which has often facilitated and conditioned our access to foreign archives. Overall, this course trains students to develop “activist” relation with Iran through reflecting critically on their mediated access. Iran Arts Activism is structured around group projects, online assignments, journal reports, and short papers. No prior knowledge of Iran and/or Persian languages are required for a successful completion of this course.

MASTER CLASS IN DOCUMENTARY
OART-UT 1702
4 Credits
Aviva Slesin
This course, while not a production class, is designed to give students the opportunity to learn each stage of the documentary filmmaking process from the best working professionals in their field. Each week we will watch a documentary and meet someone who had a pivotal role in the making of that documentary. Our guests will include producers, directors, cinematographers, sound engineers, editors, writers, film composers and sound mixers. These professionals will share their experience and expertise with the class and answer questions about their work thereby providing a foundation of insight into the decisions, tools and skills that go into the making of good documentaries. Class discussions will explore the creative and technical decisions involved in the making the film.

MEDIA MOGULS IN THE 20TH CENTURY
OART-UT 562
4 Credits
Lea Fald; Hardy Justice
This course attempts to track the American entertainment industry from its plebian origins through its rise to becoming the predominant mass entertainment culture in the world. Students discover the origins of the production practices that are employed in the entertainment industry today by following the legendary characters, movie moguls, and media titans of the early 20th century and the companies they built. The emphasis is on the way the visionaries of the time impacted seemingly risk-averse systems to invigorate and sometimes completely revolutionize them. These innovative men and women include, but are not limited, to Louis B. Mayer, George Lucas, Maya Deren, Shirley Clark, Nam Jun Paik, Lucille Ball, Russell Simmons, Clive Davis, Julie Taymor, and Steve Jobs.

POETICS OF WITNESSING
OART-UT 829
4 Credits
Peter Lucas
Today, many documentarians consider themselves working within a well-defined human rights framework where images and film are used to raise awareness about social injustice. On the far edge of this movement, however, there are writers, photographers and filmmakers whose work calls attention to the traditional documentary ethics of bearing witness but whose modes of representation blur the lines between fact and fiction. This body of work is more open-ended to interpretation and multiple readings, which also include more personal themes such as loss and melancholy, the ephemeral nature of time and memory, nostalgia and change. We will study several different kinds of visual poetics such as combining documentary
photos with literature, artists working with archives and found images, the personal essay film, ethnographic poetics, photo reportage and new media visual storytelling, mixed media and public projections. Some of the writers and artists we will study include Alfredo Jaar, W.G. Sebald, Chris Marker, Christian Boltanski, Forough Farrokhzad, Susan Sontag, Marcelo Brooks, Roland Barthes, Miguel Rio Branco, Alexander Sokurov, Lorna Simpson, Jean Rouch, Susan Meiselas, Jonas Mekas.

**POLITICS OF PORTRAITURE**
OART-UT 826
4 Credits
Donna Cameron

This course explores the pictorial articulation of individual human likeness and its fiction in the public forum. The art of portraiture has survived its own origins in myth making and archetype building. The human image, or icon, forever links the voices, textures, physicality, spirituality, symbols, politics, aesthetic concerns and military contexts, religious rituals, government, calendar ceremonies, daily functions, heroic acts and social disorders of diverse cultures throughout recorded history. It is the history of creation, the story of romance, the mark of progress, the record of royalty and the profile of democracy. It is the revolution of fine art and a catalyst of discipline. Imaging the individual in the public eye is the story of humankind. This course bridges the worlds of the oral and written mythologies which inhabit and empower us and the creative manifestation-conscious and unconscious-of these ancient archetypes into contemporary art, media and design. Students will critically re-think the implied and material presence of portraiture in everyday life. Students will gain practical knowledge and insight into the origins and potential power of the archetypes which permeate our collective unconscious.

**PRODUCING OFF-BROADWAY**
OART-UT 1923
4 Credits
Beth Emelson

A comprehensive introduction to producing for New York's professional Off-Broadway theaters. The goal of this course is to equip students with the skills to enable them to manage the responsibilities inherent in a professional production. Following a review of the Off-Broadway theater movement, traditions and current trends, the class will take a practical approach to preparing a play for the stage. Students will complete a semester-long project which will have them guide a play from "option to opening." Course study will include: play and venue selection; comprehending agreements; fundraising; budgeting; assembling a creative team; marketing and audience development; pre-production, performances and the closing.

**PORTRAIT OF AN ARTIST:**
WALTER MURCH
OART-UT 901
4 Credits
Brani Zirkovic

This course examines the artistic career and creative work of Walter Murch, Oscar-winning film editor and sound designer, and the first and only artist to win Academy Awards for both film editing and sound mixing on a single film (The English Patient, 1997). The class will provide an unprecedented inside look into Mr. Murch’s processes of sound designing, editing, mixing, writing, and directing on such acclaimed and memorable films as THX 1138, American Graffiti, The Conversation, Apocalypse Now, The Godfather, Return to Oz, The English Patient, Touch of Evil, and Cold Mountain. Through interviews, articles, and materials from his private archives never before publicly available, students learn about the creative world of an artist who has brought the importance of sound and editing to a new level. In addition to his work in film and his inventions used in the filmmaking process, two additional areas of interest of Mr. Murch will be examined: translations of Curzio Malaparte’s writings and his passion for astronomy. Mr. Murch will participate on several occasions in the course as a guest lecturer by visiting the class and/or via video conferencing.

**THE ART OF THE INTERVIEW**
OART-UT 1930
4 Credits
Patricia Kaplan

The interview is at the heart of the documentary film and many forms of media programming, print journalism and theatrical performance. It is a basic tool in programming, print journalism and theatrical film and many forms of media. Whether with a stranger, a family member or a well-known personality, students will develop the ability to conduct meaningful interviews during the course of the semester.

**THE CITY & THE WRITER:**
NEW YORK CITY
OART-UT 1505
4 Credits
Nathalie Handal

The City and the Writer: New York City is a laboratory for studying New York City, works written about it, as well as creating new works inspired by it. New works—poems, short stories, short plays, visual essays, or films—that will serve as a map for possible journeys as they reinvent and talk back to centuries of debates on immigration and space, culture and literature. A cross-disciplinary and cross-border conversation that examines how urban life and the cityscape create imaginative spaces, and the way words create cities. NYC as a global space will be explored in the works of American writers with backgrounds from Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, the Middle East, Latin America, and the Caribbean. How does the city shape the form of writing and language? How has literature challenged certain theories on space, and narratives constructed around urban identities? We will explore different neighborhoods and its history and meet different inventors. Students get the unique opportunity to meet numerous residents from theater makers, designers, architets, artists, filmmakers, feminists, actors, comedians, chefs and bodega owners. Discussions will revolve around private and public spaces, ruins and constructions, traditions and modernity, memory and hyphenated identities, literature and society. The class will integrate film, photography, painting among other medias, to enrich the visual study of NYC. The city is the stage that will inspire the students’ new works. Every block in NYC is a different film set; this class offers students the opportunity to be part of the magic and to create their own story here.

**UNDERSTANDING STORY**
OART-UT 568
Rosanne Limoncelli

Understanding Story is a class composed of lectures, discussions, screenings, readings, critical and creative writing, group critiques and presentations. The course is designed to expose the student to the fundamental principles of storytelling across a spectrum of mediums, including the written story, playwriting, film,
poetry, dance, games, photography, fine art and music. How do all these different art forms tell stories? How can the student apply what is learned to their own creative work? History and theory of story will be studied and used to inspire personal and creative work in order to better understand how story can most successfully be expressed in different mediums and reach its audience.

WORKING WITH GROUPS IN COMMUNITY SETTINGS
OART-UT 1017
4 Credits
Mary Bitel
This course provides students interested in exploring their artistic field of study in community settings or providing community service through the arts, with a foundation for working with small and large group structures in community settings. Students will gain an understanding of group theory and stages of group development as they impact the visiting artist’s work with community groups. Overview of social, political and cultural contexts for creating community-based work will be discussed in relation to entering into and engaging community groups in the creative process. Students will work in small groups to practice concepts and skills of working with groups in community settings and will prepare and present an individual project design for a visiting artist’s work with a community group, drawing on specific fields of artistic study and taking into consideration material covered in class lectures and discussions.

WHY DANCE MATTERS
OART-UT 703
4 Credits
Danielle Russo, Patricia Beaman
Traversing Europe, the Americas, and Asia, this course investigates the various social, political, and historical contexts that have contributed to the evolution of dance, and conversely, explores the ways that performers and choreographers have utilized the medium of dance to reflect their personal concerns back to society in powerful ways. Artistic movements, choreographers, and dancers examined will include Vaudevillean troupes; the impact of the Industrial Revolution on ballet; sexual manipulation in the roles of Nijinsky; the political work of early modern dancers; WW I and II and its aftermath in the German Ausdruckstanz of Mary Wigman, Kurt Jooss, and in Japanese Butoh; the propagandist ballets of Mary Wigman, Kurt Jooss, and in aftermath in the German Ausdruckstanz modern dancers; WW I and II and its Nijinsky; the political work of early sexual manipulation in the roles of the Industrial Revolution on ballet; reographers, and dancers examined will their personal concerns back to society in that performers and choreographers have dance, and conversely, explores the ways that have contributed to the evolution of Asia, this course investigates the various Traversing Europe, the Americas, and

REQUIRED ELECTIVE—OPEN ARTS PRACTICE COURSES—TIER ONE

ACTING I: INTRODUCTION TO THE ACTOR’S CRAFT
OART-UT 1906
2 Credits
Angela Patropano, Judy Del Giudice
This course provides a foundation for understanding and practicing the craft of the actor. Beginning with theater games and improvisations, class participants will be challenged to explore and stretch their physical and emotional ways of expression and the scope of their imaginations. Students will begin to work with scripted material in the second half of the course and will learn basic script analysis to support their work with text as they integrate earlier exercises into presentation of scripted material.

ACTING FOR THE CAMERA
OART-UT 1908
3 Credits
John Wills, Martin; Kate Beagott
This course is for actors who want to explore and cultivate their filmic talents and for directors who want to create performances that exploit the potential of the camera. Part one of the course reviews the fundamentals of the acting process. Through exercises, improvisations and scene work, techniques and criteria for performances are established. In part two, students work before the camera. The minimalism of film acting is the primary thrust, illustrating the camera’s ability to capture nuances of behavior, and requiring from the actor less physicalization, greater concentration and maximal inner-life. In the third part of the course, scenes are rehearsed, lit, framed, and taped in a series of camera set-ups. Each student in the course receives a tape of their major project suitable, after basic editing, as a work sample or audition piece.
movement. Discussions will examine how this informs personal interactions in everyday life. Students are encouraged to study the different styles of ballet and ballet performers around the world. For the final group project, students will choreograph a short ballet that incorporates ballet vocabulary, dance or pedestrian movements and an idea that’s related to today’s society. (There is a lab fee for this course.)

**CELL PHONE CINEMA**

OART-UT 566

4 Credits

Karl Bardosh

Hollywood in your palm. That is what this combination of lectures, screenings, demonstrations and practical production workshop will offer to the students in this course. There will be several professional guests making presentations and Q&A sessions from the mobile phone filmmaking industry. In addition to the historical and critical overview of the emergence and exponential growth of global cell phone cinema, students will shoot all footage on cell phones and download them for computerized editing. The final project will be under three minute shorts. Projects will include all genres of film and television: news, mini-documentaries, animation, music videos and narrative shorts. Completed student projects will be suitable to be posted on the Internet and entered into domestic and international mobile phone film festivals. For example, two minutes long improvisations of Bollywood Style Music Videos shot on Cell Phones by the students have been projected at the Tribeca Cinemas as part of the New York Indian Film Festival. It is suggested but not compulsory that students bring to the class a cell phone capable of recording video.

**CHOREOGRAPHY**

OART-UT 805

2 Credits

Patricia Hofstauer

The purpose of this course is to enable the student to gain a heightened awareness, appreciation, and knowledge of dance through movement and performance. We focus on the foundations of dance such as control, aesthetics, alignment, dynamics, athleticism, musicality, use of space, development of learning strategies within a group context, and personal, artistic expression. The students exploration of their creativity, expression and concepts, as well as their work on other dancer’s bodies is part of the work of this course. Through individual and collective kinesthetic participation in unfamiliar patterns, the student is physically and conceptually challenged and informed. Students will be asked to problem solve as homework assignment and in-class composition exercises. Dance experience is recommended, but formal dance training is not required. (There is a lab fee for this course.)

**COMIC RELIEF**

OART-UT 1910

2 Credits

Angela Pietropinto

This class explores the acting of comedy through theater games that focus on comedic techniques such as quick change, neurosis, obsession, shift of status, body part out of control, etc. as well as through analysis and performance of comedic text. If drama holds a mirror up to life, comedy holds up a magnifying glass. The boldness of choice and degree of commitment demanded by comedy are what make it so difficult to perform, especially because bold choices must be supported by psychological truth. Characters’ objectives, obsessions, needs and phobias are what compel them to act in comical ways; if actors don’t find the pain and truth of these catalysts, their behavior becomes silly, and the comedy, stilted. The exercises employed in this course (many of which have their roots in commedia dell’arte) help participants to free their bodies and voices, allowing them to commit both boldly and truthfully, and will be used to analyze and bring to life comedic text from television, to movies and theater.

**CROWDFUNDING VIDEO PRODUCTION**

OART-UT 570

4 Credits

Bill Tannenblatt

One video can be worth a thousand backer in the digital age. Successful videos have raised millions of dollars for projects on crowdfunding sites like Kickstarter and Indiegogo. This type of online fundraising is a whole new way for individuals to raise money. It is venture capital with no strings attached – direct donations not just to a philanthropic cause, but to business ventures as well. By donating online, people are sharing in the creation of marketable ideas and projects. Online crowdfunding is changing the shape of business innovation - and this class will explore all the techniques used to create a successful crowdfunding video that can capture interest and generate financial backers. Crowdfunding Video Production is an intensive course combining lectures and creative workshops to explore online fundraising for inventions, business ideas, artistic projects, social activism, scientific research, and community projects. Lectures provide students with an overview of the Crowdfunding industry and basic filmmaking, while practical workshops help the students conceive and create their own Crowdfunding Video. Students with existing personal projects can choose to post their videos on an actual crowdfunding campaign website - like Kickstarter. Students who do not have an existing project will create a mock campaign on a practice site, in order to produce a practice Crowdfunding Video. Students learn filmmaking techniques in class and then go on to shoot outside class, designing a simple attainable production. As the students produce their Crowdfunding Video, they learn by doing. The goal is to provide practical knowledge of the art, craft, and commerce of Crowdfunding Video—concentrating on how their media presentations hook the audience and sell the project. Students will learn the business vocabulary of advertising and marketing—while they also conceive, create, produce, and direct their own Crowdfunding Video (or practice Crowdfunding Video). NOTE: Students will be asked to purchase personal property insurance ($155) and an SD card (approximately $35) for this course. (There is a lab fee for this course.)

**DEVISING & DOCUMENTARY**

OART-UT 144

1 Credit

Ryan Cunarro

In Devising & Documentary, students engage in an in-depth exploration of methods and materials for generating new, original works of theater and artistic performance from interviews and other documentary sources. Participants will experience practical approaches for conducting interviews and facilitating story circles; engage with questions of ethics and representation in interview-based art-making; and will activate strategies for creating performances. This is a collaborative workshop; participants are invited to craft shared definitions of “devising” and “documentary,” and to contribute their own experiences and approaches to this work. Participants will explore and critique the existing and past work of a range of theater artists whose practices operate at the intersections of devising and documentary, including: Cornerstone Theater, Sojourn Theater, Ping Chong + Company,
Theater Mitu, Tectonic Theatre Project, Life Jacket Theater Company, Anna Deveare Smith, Sarah Jones, Jerry Stropnicky, and Nilaja Sun. As they engage in these studies and explorations, participants will devise their own short documentary theater performance pieces, to examine and embody their discoveries about these unique forms in practice within a peer community of support and experimentation. Devising & Documentary offers exposure to fundamental skills and knowledge at the intersections of theater practice, journalism, anthropology, and community-based work. There are no prerequisites and students of all schools and backgrounds are welcome.

**DOWNTOWN THEATRE**

**OART-UT 1921**

4 Credits

Paul Lazar; Tina Satter

This course explores the ecology of artistic creation in the “downtown” New York scene. New venues, performance forms and modes of expression and distribution are attracting audiences to unconventional experiences in “the cracks of the city.” Three themes are explored. First, geography and location; where the non-traditional performance activity is taking place; then hierarchy, or how the venues and institutions of “downtown” relate to each other and finally, networking, or how and why audiences connect with artists and performances within in contemporary performance. Dramatic Literature students should register for DRLIT-UA 301.

**EMBODYED PERFORMANCE: COLLABORATIVE CREATIONS**

**OART-UT 145**

2 Credits

Elizabeth Hess

Embodied Performance: Collaborative Creations is a 2-credit studio course that explores the instructor’s original performance methodology, a fusion of physical theater modalities culled from Western practices (Psycho-physical actions, Viewpoints), Eastern practices (Butoh, Kundalini yoga) and related performance disciplines (Mask, Puppetry). This course provides foundational training for students who are interested in investigating the field of performative and collaborative arts and will serve as an entry point for NYU students interested in movement and physically based acting.

**FUNDAMENTALS OF DEVELOPING THE SCREENPLAY**

**OART-UT 35**

4 Credits

Jeff Stanley; Sheldon Woodbury

The course combines lectures on the basics of feature length screenwriting with the development of the student’s own writing work. Students are required to complete 25-50 pages of a full length screenplay with an outline of the rest. The students study story structure, conflict, and character, in conjunction with the screening and study of several classic films and screenplays. The writing process starts in the first month with a focus on exercises to help students develop five story ideas with the complexity and depth to sustain a full-length screenplay. One of these ideas will serve as the basis for the required work. Each idea can be described in one or two paragraphs. Special instructions: All students must come to the first class with three ideas for full-length screenplays.

**FUNDAMENTALS OF FILMMAKING I: THE ART OF VISUAL STORYTELLING**

**OART-UT 560**

4 Credits

Eric Jablons; Lauren Fritz; Diane Hudson

This practical workshop is designed to introduce students to the techniques and theory of developing and producing short film ideas that are shot on digital video and edited digitally on computer using Adobe Premiere Pro software. The course centers on learning elements of visual storytelling through a spectrum of aesthetic approaches. Working in crews of four, students learn directing, shooting, and editing skills as they each direct three short videos (three to five minutes in length). NOTE: Students will be asked to purchase an external hard drive. Students are required to purchase personal property insurance ($155) for this course. (There is a lab fee for this course.)

**INTRO TO DIGITAL TOOLS**

**OART-UT 823**

4 Credits

Catherine Fallon

This course will explore the basic tools of digital imaging. During the semester we will cover the 3 main adobe products for creative imaging - Photoshop, Illustrator and InDesign. Through a series of short weekly assignments we will look at various graphic design and layout ideas using Illustrator and InDesign. We will also touch on the wealth of image enhancement and manipulation techniques afforded by photoshop. Several small assignments will introduce the basics of scanning, printing and composing images drawing on the strengths of the individual pieces of software. Students will have the opportunity to complete a small project of their own for the end of the term. Class time will be divided between lectures, critiques, and work in progress sessions. This course is not intended to completely cover the software listed, but will give students a fundamental understanding of the possibilities of digital imaging.

**LIVE VIDEO PERFORMANCE ART**

**OART-UT 567**

4 Credits

Max Nova

This course will combine a history of video art and experimental film with practical training in the use of live video performance art technology. Students will explore new ways to create and edit films and videos using VJ software, projections, and multi-channel video surfaces. Workshops will demonstrate concepts and software that can be integrated into the creative process of video performance art and video art installations. COURSE OBJECTIVES At the completion of this course, the student will be able to: 1) Draw inspiration from the recent history of incredible video and multi-media artists. 2) Develop an understanding of audio and visual hard-
ware used by VJs. 3) Use Modul8, live VJ software to manipulate digital media in real time to create Video Performance Art. 4) Use Projection Mapping techniques to project video art onto 3D surfaces. 5) Create original video performance art, video installations, and other performance pieces. 6) Utilize skills to make video art in the professional sector. NOTE: There is a lab fee associated with this course. In this course, students will be experimenting with different techniques of live video mixing and editing; therefore it will be necessary to have a basic understanding of editing software, such as Adobe Premiere or Final Cut Pro.

MAKING WEBISODES
OART-UT 569
4 Credits
Bill Tunnicliffe

Making Webisodes is an intensive 14 week course which combines lectures and workshops in which students create unique and compelling content for the web and then learn how to post that content on the web. Students will explore the basics of film production and online webisode distribution, working with—concept creation - writing - directing - acting—production design—camera—sound—editing—online tracking tools and social media—web monetization and advertising. The webisode is an exploding new art form. Web series, embedded ads, 3 second hooks, snapshots, vines and viral videos all present a variety of new media approaches within the entertainment industry, business, lifestyle, and politics. Webisodes are short visual presentations that either entertain us, directly sell us product, indirectly sell us product, or shock and engage our perspective, as in shock and engage our perspective, as in

- Shakespeare
- Street theatre
- Beckett
- Contemporary queer/protest art
- Rammellzee
- Commercial work
- Online advertising
- YouTube videos
- Music videos
- TV
- Film

The goal is to use the resources at hand and create instant media – webisodes. As the students produce their webisodes, they will learn by doing and they will be provided with practical knowledge of the art, craft, and commerce of webisodes. NOTE: There is a $602 lab fee associated with this course.

Students will be asked to purchase an external hard drive. Students are required to purchase personal property insurance ($135) for this course. (This fee was from 2018-19, 2019-20 fees subject to change.)

MODERN DANCE: MIND-BODY KNOWLEDGE AND EXPRESSION
OART-UT 804
2 Credits
Joy Kellman

This course is an introduction to the fundamental concepts of Modern Dance that focuses on the dynamic rapport between body-mind knowledge and expression. In movement, students will become more aware and organized in their bodies. They will explore certain aesthetic characteristics that help to define dance material as “Modern” or contemporary. Through structured improvisation and teamwork approaches students will learn to dance from the inside out, exercise choice with imagination and work together as an ensemble. Ultimately, students will gain an appreciation for the expressive capacity of the body, recognizing shared, unifying attributes and those that are unique and intrinsic to each individual. The thorough warm up places an emphasis on breath and proper placement for safe practices and well being. It includes floor work, stretching and strength exercises and patterns that incorporate elements of Bartenieff Fundamentals. Short dances / sequences will be learned to sharpen knowledge of the Modern Dance lexicon and increase facility for translation of weight, space, time and energy ideas. All levels are welcome. No previous dance experience is required.

MUSICAL THEATRE WRITING WORKSHOP
OART-UT 1050
4 Credits
Kristen Childs; Joel Derfuer

A team-taught workshop that encourages composers, lyricists, and book writers to find their own voices and learn to merge their unique artistic visions with those of other collaborative artists to create exciting new songs in a theatrical context. Rotating teams write and present a series of projects culminating in a short musical theatre work to be presented at the end of the semester by Broadway actors. Theatre songwriting craft, issues of communication between artists of different disciplines, and storytelling through music and text are emphasized. Great musical theatre works of the 20th century are read and discussed to support the students’ examination of their own creative process. Poets, playwrights, and writers from other genres, and composers from a wide variety of stylistic background ranging from pop to classical-country, hip-hop, rap, and jazz to fusion, are welcome to participate.

OPEN ARTS ACTOR’S WORKSHOP
OART-UT 1916
8 Credits
Angela Pietropinto; Michelle Uranowitz Co Directors

Acting for Stage and Screen is the Open Arts Studio at NYU’s Tisch School of the Arts. It is designed for a select, diverse student body, ready to challenge and stretch the physical and emotional instrument of the actor. The studio is dedicated to developing the actor’s entire instrument: the body, the voice, and the imagination. Training frees the actor, so that he/she is able to go with his instincts and impulses; out of the head and into the viscera. In scene study classes the student discovers the importance of text analysis and staying in the moment, and the need for selecting strong objectives, formidable obstacles, varied actions, and meaningful personalizations. The Alexander technique and teachings of Linklater is used in voice production. The movement component includes yoga, circus, and the teachings of Laban.

The Open Arts Acting Studio is a six component acting conservatory that focuses on the entire actor’s instrument body, voice and imagination. If you have enrolled in any college-level acting class or you have equivalent experience, be in touch with the Director of the Acting Studio, Angela Pietropinto (ap13@nyu.edu). to receive a permission code to register for the 8pt studio. In some cases, a meeting/audition may be required.

PHOTOGRAPHY I
OART-UT 11
4 Credits
Nichole Frohauer; Terry Buddie; Bayaté Ross-Snith

A basic black-and-white photography course designed for those with little or no experience in photography. Emphasis is placed on the application of technique in terms of personal expression through the selection and composition of subject matter. Class size is limited, providing for a greater degree of individual critique and class participation. The course comprises technical lectures, dark demonstrations, slide lectures on historical and contemporary work as well as class critiques. Each
student must have a camera with manually adjustable aperture and shutter speeds. The program reserves the right to drop any student from a course who does not attend the first class. Please note there is a lab fee for this class. NOTE: There is a $414 lab fee associated with this course. (This fee was from 2018-19, 2019-20 fees subject to change.)

PLAYWRITING PRACTICUM
OART-UT 1040
4 Credits
Rogelio Martinez; Charlie Schulman; Elizabeth Glaser; Steven Druskman
An introductory course on the basic techniques employed in writing a play. Class includes discussion of samples of the students’ work in addition to discussion of theory and various theatrical exercises. Students read selected plays to enhance discussions of structuring a dramatic piece of writing. The course addresses actors writing material for themselves and focuses on character and dialogue as well as examining scene work, outlining, and the completion of a first draft of a one-act play. This course counts towards Theatre Studies requirements for Drama students and as elective credits for other TSOA students.

PROFESSIONAL LIGHTING & CAMERA TECHNIQUES
OART-UT 571
2 Credits
Bill Tunnicliffe
Students will learn how to shoot professional-looking shots on prosumer cameras with minimal lighting — by applying the lessons of professional cinematography to prosumer video cameras, DSLR’s, and cellphone videography. A wide variety of Camera Exercises are assigned to train the students to shoot movies with natural light and limited prosumer camera gear. 3-4 person crews are selected to work together on all the Camera Exercises, and the Final Project as well. Students can shoot with their own prosumer cameras or choose from a selection of prosumer videocameras and DSLR’s provided by the course (SONY EX-1’s, SONY RX-1K DSLR’s, and iPhones — pending availability). All camera exercises are then screened and reviewed in class. Students analyze and discuss their own work and are assigned reshoots and pick-up shooting assignments to reinforce their in-class learning.

SITE SPECIFIC TO IMMERSIVE DANCE THEATER: CHOREOGRAPHING FOR UNCONVENTIONAL FORMATS AND SPACES
OART-UT 810
2 Credits
Danielle Russo
In this course, New York City — from its celebrated urban expanse to its lesser-known gems — will be our studio and our stage. There is no better way to experience the city than by immersing your body and your art into its many diverse landscapes. Site-Specific to Immersive Dance Theater: Choreographing for Unconventional Formats and Spaces is a research-to-practice course reconsidering the function, philosophy and reality of an evolving stage, choreographic process, and performing body. Not only is New York a conduit for local to international dance and theater, but it is also a safe space for artists to resist the norm and re-imagine models for making. Students will have the opportunity to create original choreographies on Governors Island, Brooklyn Museum and alongside Third Rail Projects’ “Then She Fell.” Past experience in movement and/or performance training is not required. (There is a lab fee for this course.)

SPECIAL EFFECTS MAKEUP I
OART-UT 14
4 Credits
Rob Benevides
This is an introductory level hands-on workshop designed for students wishing to explore their artistry, experienced makeup artists seeking advanced techniques, non-makeup artists just starting out, and anyone who has ever wondered “how’d they do that?” This course explores the art of special effects makeup. Topics include “out-of-kit” makeup effects including cuts, bruises, black eyes, scabs, scars, wounds, burns, and decayed flesh; skin safe molding procedures; casting and painting silicone; designing and sculpting; molding and applying silicone prosthetics to execute a zombie makeup; and designing and creating a 1:2 scale character maquette. Anatomical reference and safety using materials is also addressed. University Bursar will assess a lab fee for this course. Students receive their own specially designed makeup kit with all materials necessary to complete all in-class assignments. No artistic background required. NOTE: There is a lab fee associated with this course.

STEPS, RHYTHM, MOVEMENT: AFRICAN DANCE
OART-UT 808
2 Credits
Patricia Hall
This is an introduction to the dances and rhythms from Africa and the African Diaspora. Through movement, students will explore certain aesthetic characteristics that help to classify the dances as “African.” Traditional and or cultural dances and rhythms from various regions in Africa and the Caribbean will be taught along with the basic rhythmic patterns that are the foundation for the dances. There will be an emphasis on specific West African movements that have been transported and transplanted to the Americas. Class will consist of an extensive warm-up, including floor work, stretching, and isolation exercises that utilize elements of the Katherine Dunham isolation technique. (There is a lab fee for this course.)

STEPS, RHYTHM, MOVEMENT: HIP HOP DANCE
OART-UT 808
2 Credits
Alan Watson
This is an introduction to the dances and rhythms from different styles that comprise Hip-Hop dance today. The first stage of the course will explore the wide array of styles that comprise and influence Hip-Hop movement. This course will not only introduce steps, but investigate root moves and historical context that shaped contemporary Hip-Hop today. During the course, students will also discuss the current and emerging trends of the genre. As an ever-evolving dance, this class will focus on budding dance styles, such as Flexing, Lite feet and Finger Tuts, comparing and contrasting those to case studies of past styles that emerged, (or re-emerged) to become highly popularized such as Gliding, Krumping and Waacking. Additionally students will explore the globalized nature of Hip-Hop. To see the full evolution, students will see how other cultures have embraced and left their mark street styles, and how international dance battles and competitions have emerged, ultimately changing the landscape of Hip-Hop dance. Over the course of this class students will begin to realize the complexity, the history and the varying opinions focused around Hip-Hop. NOTE: There is a lab fee associated with this course.
THE BARD OUT LOUD: INTRO TO ACTING SHAKESPEARE
OART-UT 1909
4 Credits
Mary Bitel
This course provides a hands-on, performance-based introduction to reading, understanding, and performing Shakespeare's works. Students will begin with text analysis, gaining a broad foundation in Shakespeare's text, including but not limited to: use of language, meter, scansion, alliteration and antithesis in order to approach sonnets, monologues, and scenes from Shakespeare's canon. Students will work as a class group to analyze sonnets as an introduction to working on Shakespeare's plays. Throughout the course of the semester, students will work on a monologue and a scene for action-based acting and character work. Students will be expected to prepare and rehearse material outside of class and will be paired for a final assignment of preparing a Shakespeare scene for rehearsal and presentation in class. Monologue and scene suggestions will be provided from a list handed out by the instructor. This is not a lecture-based seminar on Shakespeare's writing, but rather an introductory approach to analyzing text for clues and insights into performing Shakespeare's works. Open to all students of all levels of experience. Not open to Tisch Drama Majors.

URBAN ARTS WORKSHOP: NEW YORK
OART-UT 1925
4 Credits
Scott Bankert
This course will be composed of lectures, slide shows, screenings, readings, field trips, field assignments, written reactions, discussion and blogs, as well as visits from guest speakers and artists designed to expose students to the key concepts and fundamental theories of urban studies, public art and the urban-inspired works of many great artists and writers based in New York City. Each week another "form" of urban art will be investigated, including discussions about and encounters with street photography, graffiti, sculpture, installation art, dance, performance art, parkour (freestyle street gymnastics), gorilla theater, art vandalism and underground art, urban sound projects, large-scale projections, poetry, essays and short stories with an aim to understand how such art forms came into being and how they express a distinctly urban message to the inhabitants and visitors of New York City. The instructor seeks to combine the critical and theoretical with the experiential and personal in order to lead students to a deeper and more fruitful relationship with their city, the arts and themselves.

WRITING THE TV SITCOM
OART-UT 1045
4 Credits
Don DeMayo
Adapted from the Dramatic Writing Program's popular "Introduction to the Sitcom" course, this intensive scriptwriting class answers the question, "What do I need to break into TV writing?" – the student will be guided through the step-by-step development of an episode for an ongoing TV sitcom, from premise line to one-page outline, to pages and revisions. The course will require the completion of a polished draft while introducing students to the rigors of professional standards through weekly story goals.

WRITING YOUR LIFE
OART-UT 1047
4 Credits
Joel Defner
If autobiography is a retelling of the events of your life from beginning to end, then memoir—from the French for "to remember"—is an examination of some events of your life through a particular frame. We will tell stories drawn from our lives all the time, but we sometimes fail to consider the themes and ideas that connect those stories with themselves and with each other; that failure robs us in turn of the opportunity to understand better both the world and ourselves. Each week of this course you'll both read and write thoughtful memoir; by the end of the semester, you'll be able to write reflectively about your own past, examining not just the stories you tell about your life but also those stories' deeper meanings, their part in shaping your identity, and their echoes in your present and your future.

REQUIRED ELECTIVES—OPEN ARTS PRACTICE COURSES—TIER TWO

ACTING II: ADVANCED SCENE STUDY
OART-UT 1907
2 Credits
Stephen Michals
PRE-REQUISITE: OART-UT 1906
Acting I or OART-UT 1924 Fundamentals of Acting I
Building on Acting I: Introduction to the Actor's Craft, this class provides students with techniques and skills designed to help them make the transition from theater games, improvisation and basic text work to detailed scene study. After beginning with ensemble building exercises to create a safe and supportive environment conducive to bold, creative exploration, the class will focus on methods of script analysis; playing actions; particularizing emotional meanings; ways to make creative choices while respecting the playwright's intent, and how to balance spontaneity with precision and aspects of character development. The goal of the class is to enable students to make the journey from text analysis to a full, immediate and inventive embodiment of the given circumstances, character adjustments and dramatic action. Scenes will be drawn from a wide range of dramatic material.

BALLET II
OART-UT 811
2 Credits
Selina Chau
PRE-REQUISITE: OART-UT 806 Ballet I
This course is a continuation of classical ballet training designed for students who have had previous training or have taken Ballet I and are looking to further develop their technique, learn new steps and expand their vocabulary at the intermediate level. In Ballet II, we traced the basic ballet vocabulary back to the time of its birth at the court of Louis the XIV. Students developed their ballet technique, and experienced the growth of ballet up to the early-1900s avant-garde choreography of the Ballet Russes. The period that followed is considered the most pivotal in ballet history, and it is this era that will be the focus of Ballet II. Students in Ballet II will not only look into the different training styles of ballet technique, but will also learn about some of the 20th century's most famous ballet dancers, as well as notable ballet productions from both the East and the West. (There is a lab fee for this course.)

FUNDAMENTALS OF FILMMAKING II: DIRECTING AND PRODUCING THE SHORT
OART-UT 561
4 Credits
Bill Tunnell; Erzi Jabula
PRE-REQUISITE: OART-UT 560 Fundamentals of Filmmaking I. Tisch Film_TV majors may not enroll.
In this course, students will build upon the visual storytelling skills learned in
Documenting Discovery is an intensive 14 week course combining lectures and creative workshops to fully explore documentary filmmaking production. Working in coordination with other Collaborative Arts & Open Arts courses, each student filmmaker will choose an individual student from the Collaborative Arts BFA program and create a documentary which will profile that student and their own particular process of discovery. Examples will include: the writer discovering their love for film criticism, etc. The Professor will provide a list of Collaborative Arts student subjects for the documentary shoots as well as limited access to film in other Collaborative Arts/Open Arts classrooms pending permissions and releases which will be secured by the students as part of the class. By using the Collaborative Arts community as the subjects for these documentaries, and providing prearranged access to the students and their activity, the "Documenting Discovery" course avoids a multitude of production logistics for the filmmaking student — such as initially finding a subject, determining subject availability, and arranging for locations, insurance, and permits to film the subject. This enables the student filmmakers to focus on the content of the documentary and the creative process of filmmaking. NOTE: Students will be asked to purchase personal property insurance ($155) and an SD card (approximately $35) for this course. (There is a lab fee for this course.)

INTERMEDIATE SCREENWRITING OART-UT 36
3 Credits
Charlie Schalman
PRE-REQUISITE: OART-UT 35 Fundamentals of Developing the Screenplay, FMTV-UT 1100 Developing the Screenplay, or OART-UT 1040 Playwriting Practicum. Open to all undergraduate students. A continuation of the training presented in Fundamentals of Developing the Screenplay. Required work in the class includes extensive scene work. Guided by their screenwriting instructor, students will complete the screenplay begun in Fundamentals of Developing the Screenplay and then do a rewrite or they may begin, complete, and rewrite a new full-length screenplay. The focus in this class will be on story structure and development and the completion of a full-length screenplay. If you plan to do a new work, you must come to the first class with three ideas for full-length screenplays. Each idea can be described in one or two paragraphs.

PLAYWRITING PRACTICUM II OART-UT 1041
4 Credits
Steven Druckman
One hundred years ago, Sir Arthur Quiller-Couch famously advised writers: "Murder your darlings." (The Art of Writing, 1916.) Harsh words, perhaps — but it is in the process of revision that the real writing begins. This course is a continuation of the principles learned in Playwriting Practicum I, with a special focus on the workshop and development process of a new work for the stage. Class discussions and exercises will examine methods for improving dialogue, crafting satisfying reversals, generating material, enriching characters while maintaining consistency, as well as advanced structural considerations of the 3-act form. The semester begins with a revision of the student's already-written play (or, in some cases, extended scene). A sustained analysis of methods of criticizing — both self and others — is an ongoing concern of the course. Students will emerge with a revised one-act or full-length play. Enrollment prerequisite includes Playwriting Practicum I or a submitted writing sample and permission of the instructor.

SPECIAL EFFECTS MAKEUP II OART-UT 16
4 Credits
Rob Benedick
PRE-REQUISITE: OART-UT 14 Special Effects Makeup I.
This course expands upon Special Effects Makeup I and wish to further develop and build upon the skills and techniques learned in the class for their own film productions, photo shoots, or fine art projects. Special Effects Makeup II projects will include designing/sculpting/molding and painting a 1:1 scale silicone mutant creature in a jar prop, application/blending and painting a ready made foam latex prosthetic, designing/sculpting/molding/mounting and painting a 1:1 scale faux-taxidermy mount and much more. The University Bursar will assess a lab fee for this course. Students will receive all materials and tools necessary to complete each in-class assignment. NOTE: This course uses latex. Please contact the instructor if you have latex allergies. There is a lab fee associated with this course.

THE DANCING BODY IN PRACTICE AND THEORY OART-UT 707
3 Credits
Patricia Hoffbauer
Part studio and part seminar, The Dancing Body focuses on the practice and history of movement and choreography in the context of Modern Dance and Performance Art in the second half of the 20th century. Through the exploration of ideas in cultural studies/dance studies essays, reviews, and writings by dance artists, students will engage with a range of physical activities and conceptual performances in practice and theory. This course offers a unique opportunity for students to simultaneously pursue creative/physical practices while exploring the intellectual discourse that informs them. The goal of this class is to generate an artistic environment where students develop collaborative relationships throughout the creative process individually as well as collectively. (There is a lab fee for this course.)
The mission of the department is to prepare young dance artists to enter an increasingly complex and demanding professional dance world.

The Department of Dance offers an intensive program for students committed to entering the profession as dancers and/or choreographers. We seek exceptionally talented students who are physically and imaginatively capable of committing themselves to a training that reflects the standards of professional work. We provide a full range of technical training and a solid base for creative work. Studio training, course work, creativity, and performance are ways we determine each student’s progress.

Technique and compositional skills are taught by working professionals in the New York dance world, from which guest teachers and choreographers are also drawn. Performance opportunities are available throughout the three years in the program; the final year culminates in a professional experience within a resident company setting, the Second Avenue Dance Company. Guest choreographers, faculty, and students develop new pieces, reconstruct masterworks, present dance company repertoires, and perform throughout the year.

All students also take part in concerts that present choreography originally developed through classes, workshops, and guest projects.

Program Standards and Regulations

Students in the training program must be in full-time attendance. Technique placement within the training program is determined by the faculty. The evaluation of work is periodic and is provided through direct consultation and/or written evaluation. All students participate in production and crew work. Classes and performance participation are open only to students in the training program.

Training Program

Emphasis in the Department of Dance is placed on technical training, choreographic work, and performance. All students take technique classes daily, four each of ballet and contemporary dance per week. All students take dance composition courses and experiment with choreographic principles, whether or not they intend to concentrate on choreography. Approximately 13 concert series are given each year by the department, which affords every student the opportunity to choreograph and to perform on an ongoing basis. These courses develop the student’s critical eye when analyzing dance. Course work is enriched technically and creatively by ongoing series of guest artist workshops and enrichment classes.

A typical day for students begins with an 8:00 a.m. Warm-up class that emphasizes stretching and alignment principles, followed by a ballet class and a contemporary technique class. Academic courses may be scheduled between 12:30 p.m. and 3:15 p.m. Other departmental courses (music, acting, dance composition, repertory workshops, etc.) are scheduled between 3:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Evenings are usually reserved for rehearsals and performances.

Faculty members consult weekly about individual student progress, class planning, and student needs. Written evaluations are made at regular intervals for each student, and faculty-student conferences are encouraged. Students who do not meet the standards of the department, either through insufficient participation or failure to fulfill professional promise, will be asked to withdraw.
**Admission and Audition Procedure**

For general university guidelines, refer to the Admission section beginning on page 233. Admission to the Tisch School of the Arts is highly selective. Admission is based on a careful evaluation of secondary school records; personal essays; recommendations from guidance counselors and teachers; and a creative review in the form of an audition or a portfolio. Evidence of character and maturity are regarded as essential in potential students who hope to benefit fully from the unique offerings of the University and its urban environment. Participation in meaningful school and community activities is also an important factor. A student applying to the Tisch School of the Arts must submit an application to New York University and indicate the particular department that they wish to enter and may only apply to one program. Prospective students wanting more information about undergraduate admission should refer to the Undergraduate Admissions Website at [www.admissions.nyu.edu](http://www.admissions.nyu.edu). Prospective students wanting more information about the artistic portfolio or audition requirements should visit the department’s website at [www.tisch.nyu.edu/dance](http://www.tisch.nyu.edu/dance).

Graduate candidates use the online application provided by the Office of Graduate Admissions, Tisch School of the Arts, New York University, 726 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10003-6807; 212-998-1918.

See page 246 for details of the graduate application.

**ADVANCED STANDING FOR UNDERGRADUATES**

Transfer credit for advanced standing may be accepted for a limited number of academic courses in which the final grade was C or better and that have been taken at an accredited college or university. Such credit may be applied toward requirements on a course-for-course basis. Credit in the liberal arts areas (e.g., social sciences, natural sciences, humanities) will be accepted in accordance with University guidelines for acceptable transfer credit.

Transfer credit will usually not be accepted for courses taken elsewhere in the candidate’s field of professional training. The maximum amount of transfer credit normally acceptable is 32 units of general education. Credit is not awarded based on a careful evaluation of secondary records.

**THE DANCE AUDITION**

An audition is required for all dance applicants. Auditions will be held in New York City, Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Miami in January and February.

The first part of the audition consists of ballet and contemporary dance class work. After this technical portion of the audition, those students who have demonstrated a strong technical capability will be invited to present a solo of up to three minutes in length that the applicant has either learned or choreographed. Applicants may use the style and technique of dance they know best or the kind of dance they are most interested in doing (ballet, ethnic, jazz, contemporary, free style).

For further information, please call 212-998-1980, or you may visit our website at [www.tisch.nyu.edu/dance](http://www.tisch.nyu.edu/dance).

**SCHEDULE OF ADMISSIONS, INFORMATION, AND AUDITIONS**

General application deadline: January 1

Notification of admissions action on or about April 1

Candidates’ Common Reply Date: by May 1

Please note that this schedule (including deadlines) may be changed according to each school year's calendar.

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**Degree Programs**

**B.F.A. DEGREE**

The B.F.A. training program offers a comprehensive, organic approach to dance. The B.F.A. degree is earned in an intensive three-year plus two-summer curriculum. Transfer students are expected to complete all department requirements. Technique classes emphasize alignment principles that lead to the most efficient use of the body. Somatics and yoga support these same principles and are part of the weekly technique schedule. Other first-year courses include dance composition, kinesethetics of anatomy, and music theory. The second year further develops these principles and adds courses in dance history, acting, improvisation, music literature, and advanced dance composition, where the skills acquired in music and composition classes in the first year are integrated. The third year, in the Second Avenue Dance Company, continues to integrate the information that has been acquired, with an emphasis on performance and choreography. Optional courses are available to the student who has developed a specific area of interest. In addition to departmental work, students are expected to take required academic courses.

**M.F.A./M.A. DUAL DEGREE, TEACHING DANCE**

Created as a partnership between NYU Steinhardt and NYU Tisch School of the Arts, this highly innovative graduate program combines intensive study in dance technique, theory, and composition in a renowned conservatory setting with performance and choreography opportunities and student teaching placements in New York City schools. You will be prepared to not only launch your career as a professional dancer, but also gain certification to teach dance to students in pre-K to grade 12, as well as the qualification to teach in colleges and universities. For information about admissions and degree requirements, please visit [www.tisch.nyu.edu/dance](http://www.tisch.nyu.edu/dance).
Faculty

A listing of faculty for the Department of Dance is below. For full biographies on departmental faculty, visit www.tisch.nyu.edu.

Selina Chau
Adjunct Faculty: Ballet
B.F.A., Hong Kong Academy for the Performing Arts; M.F.A., NYU Tisch School of the Arts, Dance

Elizabeth Coker
Assistant Arts Professor; Director, Summer High School Program
B.A. Columbia University, M.A., Ed.D., Teacher’s College, Columbia University

Seán Curran
Chair, Department of Dance
Associate Arts Professor
B.F.A., New York University

Giada Ferrone
Teacher: Ballet; Co-Director, Second Avenue Dance Company

Elizabeth Frankel
Adjunct Faculty: Ballet
B.A., Vassar College; M.F.A., New York University

Susan Hamburger
Adjunct Faculty: Lighting Design
B.A., Bard College; M.F.A., Yale School of Drama

Joy Kellman
Adjunct Faculty: Contemporary Dance
B.F.A., M.F.A., California Institute of the Arts

Phyllis Lamhut
Adjunct Faculty: Creative Research, Improvisation

Cheryln Lavagnino
Associate Arts Professor: Ballet
B.A., Southern California; M.F.A., New York University

James Martin
Associate Arts Professor: Ballet
B.F.A., California Institute of the Arts; M.A., Columbia

Jolinda Menendez
Adjunct Faculty: Ballet

Rashaun Mitchell
Associate Chair; Assistant Arts Professor: Contemporary Dance
B.A., Sarah Lawrence College.

Richard Move
Assistant Arts Professor
B.F.A., Virginia Commonwealth University; M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D., New York University

Jeremy Nelson
Associate Arts Professor: Contemporary Dance

TaraMarie Perri
Adjunct Faculty: Yoga
B.A., College of the Holy Cross; M.F.A., New York University

Wendy Perron
Adjunct Faculty: Graduate Seminar

Pamela Pietro
Associate Arts Professor: Contemporary Dance; Director, Summer Residency
B.F.A., Florida State; M.F.A., University of Washington

Cari Ann Shim Sham
Associate Arts Professor: Dance and Technology

Andy Teirstein
Associate Arts Professor: Music Theory and Composition, Writing: Contemporary Performance Practice
B.A., Bennington College; M.F.A., New York University; Ph.D., Graduate Center (CUNY)

Heather Waldon
Adjunct Faculty: Ballet

Andrea Zujko
Adjunct Faculty: Anatomy, in house Physical Therapist

B.F.A.
Curriculum (Model)

First Year
Dance Technique I
Creative Research I
Music I
Kinesthetics of Anatomy
Production Crew in Dance
TSOA Core Curriculum
General education courses
Summer: 6 Weeks

Second Year
Dance Technique II
Creative Research II
Improvisation
Digital Dance Portfolio

Acting
History of Dance
Production Crew in Dance
General education courses
Summer: 6 Weeks (limited opportunities for study abroad)

Third Year
Second Avenue Dance Company
Dance Technique III
Creative Research III
Production Crew in Dance
General education courses
Optional departmental electives

General Education Component Units

TSOA Core Curriculum 8
Social science/natural science 8
Humanities 8
General education balance (non arts) 8
Total 32

Total Units for Completion 128
Courses

DANCE I DANC-UT 5-6

DANCE II DANC-UT 100-101

DANCE III DANC-UT 1000-1001
Open only to students in the Department of Dance. Various. 2-8 units per semester. Daily classes in ballet and contemporary dance techniques. Includes pointe class, big jumps and turns, partnering, pilates, somatics and yoga.

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CREATIVE RESEARCH IN DANCE I
DANC-UT 7-8

CREATIVE RESEARCH IN DANCE II
CREATIVE RESEARCH IN DANCE III
DANC-UT 1004-1005
Open only to students in the Department of Dance. Various. 2-8 units per semester. Choreography is approached through exploration of resources, including improvisation, use of ideas, knowledge of forms, and development of craft. First-year students receive weekly assignments directed toward specific dance elements. Second-year work develops with an emphasis on the relationship between manipulation of musical phrases and choreography as well as the completion of dances. Work begun in all composition classes may be performed in theatre concerts. Other performance opportunities derive from repertory classes, performance workshops, and major dance works choreographed by faculty and guest choreographers and also from student and faculty choreography pursued independently outside of course work.

ACTING
DANC-UT 1007-1008
2-4 units per semester.
Basic techniques of acting. Course work includes theatre games, acting exercises, and improvisations, which are then integrated with scripted material.

MUSIC I
DANC-UT 1005
Fogelsang. 3 units per semester
The basics of music theory through listening, singing, score reading, and moving, including the study of rhythm, melody, harmony, tempos, dynamics, tone color, and musical forms with emphasis on the complete understanding of rhythm both physically and mentally. Percussion and rhythm/movement workshops are a part of this course.

KINESTHETICS OF ANATOMY
DANC-UT 104-105
Zujko. 3 units per semester.
A study of human anatomy and body alignment through physical experience and exercises guided by the use of image and metaphor.

HISTORY OF DANCE
DANC-UT 106-107
3 units per semester.
A study of the function of dance as art and ritual, social activity, spectacle, and entertainment through a survey of ethnic dance forms and the history of European tradition.

GRADUATE KINESTHETICS OF ANATOMY
DANC-GT 2026-2027
Zujko. 3 units per semester.
Graduate-level study of human anatomy and body alignment through physical experience and exercises guided by the use of image and metaphor.

IMPROVISATION
DANC-UT 1042
Open only to students in the Department of Dance. Various. 2 units per semester.
Improvisation in a class that expands the student’s movement vocabulary through a variety of problem-solving exercises. These exercises encourage students to discover new ways of thinking about time, space, dynamics, and sound within themselves and with other artists. By solving the exploration problems, the student spontaneously discovers new approaches to moving.

CHOREOGRAPHERS, COMPOSERS, AND DESIGNERS
DANC-UT 1012-1013, DANC-GT 2040-2041
Open only to students in the Department of Dance. Departmental elective for B.F.A. and MA/M.F.A. students. Carran. 2-4 units per semester.
Choreographers work on individual and collaborative projects that explore the relationship between text and movement. Creative projects, in collaboration with the Department of Design for Stage and Film and the Graduate Musical Theatre Writing Program, are performed in concert at the conclusion of the course.

LIGHTING DESIGN AND PRODUCTION FOR THE DANCER
DANC-UT 1051, DANC-GT 2051
Open only to students in the Department of Dance. Departmental elective for B.F.A. and M.F.A. students. Hamburger. 2 units per semester. Practical and creative aspects of lighting design for dance. Students are encouraged to design lights for concert pieces performed during the semester.

INDEPENDENT STUDY I IN DANCE
DANC-UT 1100-1191,
DANC-GT 2050-2051
Open only to students in the Department of Dance. To register for this course, the student must obtain the written approval of their faculty advisor. 4 units per semester.
Students engage in individual research and specific projects in a selected field under the supervision of a member of the faculty and with the permission of the department chair.

INDEPENDENT STUDY II IN DANCE
DANC-UT 1200-1207,
DANC-GT 2052-2053
Open only to students in the Department of Dance. To register for this course, the student must obtain the written approval of their faculty advisor. 2-8 units per semester.
Advanced students engage in individual research and specific projects in a selected field under the supervision of a member of the faculty and with the permission of their department chair.

GRADUATE SEMINAR
DANC-GT 2024-2025
Open only to graduate students. Perron. 3 units per semester.
Discussion and exploration of dance, as an art, as a career, its role in society, etc. Participants are expected to contribute through research and individual projects.

DIGITAL PERFORMANCE
DANC-UT 1402, DANC-GT 2201
Shim Sham. 1-3 units per semester
This is a digital portfolio professional development course for Tisch Dance students to experience the process of branding and packaging their artistic materials for marketing, social media, web, fundraising, & project based grant submissions and academic positions to support a successful professional engagement with the field of Dance & New Media.
Students will be exposed to the concepts of image based branding through the creation of logos and marketing materials drawn from photos, footage and other types of visual representation of their personal artwork. Students will develop media for the following platforms: personal website, Vimeo & youtube channels, tumblr/blog pages, Soundcloud, Instagram, & Twitter. Workshops in professional grant writing will support the creation of written material and the concept of "grant alignment" so students may research, select and apply to a grant that best aligns with their project. At the end of the semester students will have developed a personal website, blog, Instagram & Twitter handles, video reels, teasers, excerpts and written materials to represent their current work for web alongside supporting project based materials to submit to a grant or job applications. Students will assemble a team of 5 letter writers and create their own website.

**FILMING THE MOVING BODY**  
**DANCT-1702, DANC-2202**  
*Shim Sham. 1-3 units per semester*

Course Description: This course will serve as a practice-based hands on training for the 1st year Undergrad dance & new media students to hone their video production skills by filming the moving body. Practice will be focused on the genre of dance for camera. Students will encounter both concept based and experience based learning, receiving information through class discussion, weekly assignments, studio play, and viewing of each other's work in the form of video material. Students will work on teams and individually based on assignments throughout the semester. Adobe Premiere Software will be used for editing. Classroom SMD has stations with Adobe Premiere and is available for student's use.

A final project will be created for the course and shown at the final class of the semester based on skills acquired in class and inspired by tasks and investigation during the course.

**SCIENCE OF MOVEMENT**  
**DANCT-1604**  
*Open to the students in the Department of Dance and the greater NYU community. Cober. 1 unit per semester*

This course will introduce students to the burgeoning field of dance science. Topics will address the foundations of how we create, control, and learn movement; special topics include mental imagery for dance, and injury prevention/rehabilitation. The main goals of the class are to develop fluency in basic neurophysiology of movement, to challenge assumptions about optimal environments for movement learning, and to create a deeper understanding of how the body and brain interact as a dynamic system. No prior college-level math or science required.

**DANCE FOR CAMERA**  
**DANCT-2020**  
*Shim Sham. 1-3 units per semester*

Dance for the Camera, an advanced projects-based course, where students develop one dance film or new media work, through a semester long workshop based lab with an industry standard workflow that includes the creation of a treatment, timeline, budget, storyboard, shot list, set-up list, with faculty showings, feedback and a finished project to support the student's thesis. This 15 week course will serve as a project-based lab for the Tisch Dance & New Media 2nd year MFA and 3rd year undergrad students to practice their dance and new media skills at a higher level by conceptualizing, visualizing, and actualizing their own creative new media projects. Projects may vary based on student’s expertise and may include dance for camera, video art, video installation, interactive, multi-media or new media work. Students will experience the workflow of production from conception to end product. Information will be dispelled as concept based and experience based guidance that includes class discussion, studio play, viewing and feedback on student’s work, guest artist lectures and the showings of the professor’s current curated dance film program as well as historical dance film and new media work.

**DANCE & TECHNOLOGY**  
**DANCT-1721, DANCT-2021**  
*Shim Sham. 1-3 units per semester*

This is an introductory theory, philosophical and practice based course for anyone interested in a general overview of the current field and history behind Dance & New Media and the technologies currently at play. Supported by a philosophical introduction to the ideas of Marshall McLuhan applied by the students to understand, explore and discuss the current technologies in the field of Dance and New Media, students will choose a topic in Dance & New Media to present using McLuhan’s principles.

Then students will learn Interactive technology as a form of collaboration and what it means specifically for movement-based practices and dance. What a computer can understand about human movement, what it can’t, based on a demo of sound-related interactivity with guest artist and Teacher, Mimi Yin from ITP. Finally students will learn basic Isadora Software for designing multi projector builds of interactive video and sound art for live performance. The course will be informed by a visit to the Big Screens class at ITP, and guest lectures by Mimi Yin (ITP), & David Rousseve (UCLA).

**GRADUATE HISTORY OF DANCE**  
**DANCT-2102-2103**  
*Open only to graduate students or by special permission. Baumeister 3 units per semester.*

A study of the function of dance as art and ritual, social activity, spectacle, and entertainment through a survey of ethnic dance forms and the history of European tradition.

**PRODUCTION CREW IN DANCE**  
**DANCT-1006, DANCT-2018**  
*Open only to students in the Department of Dance. 1-2 units per semester.*

Offers working knowledge of lighting and sound equipment, stage management, crew work, programming, publicity, house management, wardrobe, and other technical requirements for dance production. All students, whether graduate or undergraduate, are required to participate each semester in production crew.

**WRITING: CONTEMPORARY PERFORMANCE PRACTICE**  
**DANCT-2031**  
*Teirstein. Baumeister 3 units per semester.*

This course focuses on three dance companies currently presenting new work in New York City. Students research each company’s background, working methods, and relationship to other art forms.

**PEDAGOGICAL INQUIRY**  
**DANCT-2515**  
*Pierson. 1-3 units per semester*

Pedagogical Inquiry offers instructional methodologies for teaching in multiple settings (high school, higher education, private studios and community organizations). As the primary focus includes the investigation and discussion of pedagogical material that encompasses both the theoretical and practical aspects of dance education. On Wednesday mornings, we will thoroughly discuss the...
required readings, while on Friday morning time spent in the studio investigating the practical application of teaching. The Doing. The Making. The Practice. Future Dancers and Dancemakers (FDD), a Saturday high school program housed in the Tisch Department of Dance, serves as the vehicle to hone pedagogy skills in conjunction with community outreach. The Future Dancers and Dancemakers program provides a platform and opportunity to synthesize the reading materials into a physical teaching practice.

INTERMEDIATE TO ADVANCED BALLET
DANC-UT 1800, DANC-GT 2800
Chau. 1 unit per semester. Open to all.
Intermediate to advanced ballet technique class with an emphasis on anatomical alignment, musical awareness and movement coordination.
The Department of Design for Stage and Film offers a rigorous, three-year M.F.A. program in which we prepare students to be professional designers of scenery, costumes, and lighting for the stage and production designers for film. A student may choose to specialize in one or more design areas, but all students will gain a strong sense of the totality of the discipline. Studio design courses are the foundation of the program. Taught by a faculty of working professionals at the top of the field, these courses focus on the development of visual solutions based on in-depth text analysis, character study, the use of research to explore historical and sociological aspects of cultures, and the collaborative nature of the theatre. Supporting the design classes is a wide range of courses in the areas of art and technique (e.g., drawing, drafting, model making, cutting, and draping), dramaturgy, and production. Each student receives careful individual advisement by the chair on the courses suited to their design emphasis and appropriate to the student's level of accomplishment. The third year culminates in a thesis project and participation in the annual Design Show, an exhibit that features the work of the graduating class and introduces the students to the professional community.

Throughout their study, designers observe professionals at work in theatres, design studios, shops, and film and television studios. We strive to take full advantage of our New York City location. Class assignments include frequent trips to galleries, museums, technical and dress rehearsals, and professional shops. Visits by guest lecturers are a frequent occurrence.

Each student is unique and the program aims to protect and nurture the individuality of each designer. We encourage applicants from diverse backgrounds united by a passion for theatre or film and the desire to pursue a professional design career.

Students in the program must be in full-time attendance. The professional evaluation of work is periodic and is provided through direct consultation. Continuance in the program is dependent on the faculty's assessment of the individual's artistic growth and demonstrated professional promise, but the intention is that all students who are accepted will graduate. All students participate in production and stagecraft according to the guidelines of the department. Class and production participation is open only to students in the training program.

Standards and regulations that pertain to the University in general are found beginning on page 259 and should be read in conjunction with those of this department.

Program Standards and Regulations

The Program

Through a series of carefully orchestrated studio courses, each student develops individually as a designer over the course of the three-year program. The design classes are the centerpiece of the curriculum, surrounded by classes in theory and techniques as well as production experience.

Design. The first-year design classes are about discovering a process. Where does the designer begin? We cover a number of texts in these weekly critique classes and encourage the student to articulate their ideas visually and in words. The second-year designer spends more time in serious inquiry and moves toward more fully realized designs. The third year is devoted to completely designing at least four texts, including a thesis.

Art and technique. Our art classes explore techniques that support the work of the design classes. First-year designers hone their skills in our drawing and drafting
Admission

Admission is limited to full-time graduate students beginning in September only. Classes and production participation are open only to students in the training program.

A student matriculating in the Tisch School of the Arts must be admitted at two levels: (1) as a student within a department of specialization or major and (2) as a student of New York University.

A graduate candidate in design must submit the application provided by the Office of Graduate Admissions, Tisch School of the Arts, New York University, 726 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10003-6807; 212-998-1918, stating the particular field of interest.

Final decisions of acceptance depend on completing both departmental portfolio requirements and New York University admissions requirements.

Specific portfolio information is given below.

THE DESIGN INTERVIEW

An interview is required for consideration of any applicant in design. Interviews are held in New York City in January and February. Applicants unable to have an in-person interview for exceptional reasons (e.g., an inordinately long distance to travel for such an interview, etc.) may send their portfolios for consideration, although an in-person interview is strongly preferred. Please write to the Administrative Director, Department of Design for Stage and Film, Tisch School of the Arts, New York University, 721 Broadway, 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10003-6807; 212-998-1950.

Scene Design and Production Design Applicants:

We would like to see a small sample of your work prior to confirming an interview date. Upon submission of your application, please send us five 8-1/2” x 11” color photocopied samples of your set and/or production design work. Do not send originals, as the work will not be returned. It is not necessary to put the samples in a binder or portfolio of any kind. You must include at least one photo of a scale model you have designed and built with figures, for one scene of a script. Drawing samples are also required. If you have questions, please contact Barbara Cokorinos at 212-998-1956. Please send samples (do not mail your entire portfolio) to:

Barbara Cokorinos
Dept. of Design for Stage and Film
721 Broadway, 3rd Floor
New York, NY 10003

You will be contacted regarding an in-person portfolio interview after we have received your samples.

Costume and Lighting Design Applicants:

Please do not mail any samples or your portfolio in advance. Upon receipt of your application we will contact you to confirm your interview date.

SCHEDULE OF ADMISSIONS, INFORMATION, AND INTERVIEWS

Application deadline: January 1

Notification of admissions action: by March 15-April 1

Candidates’ Common Reply Date: by May 1

Please note that this schedule (including deadlines) may be changed according to each school year’s calendar.

The applicant may expect to be notified of an appointment approximately two weeks in advance. If applicants wish to request a specific interview time in New York City, they may do so by writing to the Administrative Director, Department of Design for Stage and Film, Tisch School of the Arts, New York University, 721 Broadway, 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10003-6807; 212-998-1950. Any candidate who has an interview in January, February, or March will be notified of admissions action as soon as possible, usually by April 1.

Some candidates may be placed on an alternate acceptance list for admission. Those whose admission decisions may be delayed will be notified of the date they may expect those decisions to be made.

For further information, write or telephone the administrative director of the Department of Design for Stage and Film well before your appointment date; telephone 212-998-1950.

The candidate in design should bring to the interview:

1. A portfolio of your work (outlined below).
2. A personal statement (two pages maximum, typed) outlining your career goals in professional theatre and/or film.
3. A résumé of your educational background and any experience in profes-

Drama. The text is the thread that connects all of our classes, and each year we provide drama classes that cover text and visual history. These classes provide an opportunity for designers of all disciplines to come together and share ideas. Culture, Costume and Decor explores visual history of the world in conjunction with plays. Transitioning into the Profession prepares the designer for entering the profession by meeting theatre professionals who take the student through their processes.
The department’s goal is to produce professional competence, which is the ultimate standard of all work in the program. Admission to the degree program is offered only to students who can meet both the professional and the academic qualifications. Undergraduate candidates who are primarily interested in the study of design within the framework of a traditional liberal arts program should consider application to the Department of Drama, Undergraduate, in the Tisch School of the Arts.

M.F.A. DEGREE
The requirements for the Master of Fine Arts degree in design normally take three years to complete. The degree will normally be awarded in design when the candidate has completed 96–108 units of graduate work with a grade average of B or better in design. Electives may be taken in other departments of the Tisch School of the Arts and in other schools of New York University.

Degree Program
The requirements for the Master of Fine Arts degree in design normally take three years to complete.
M.F.A. Sample Curriculum

SCENIC DESIGN
First Year
- Scene Design I
- Set Studio I
- Drawing Year 1
- CAD Drawing and Visualization
- Culture, Costume and Decor
- Explore
- Playreading
- Choreographers, Composers, and Designers
- Stagecraft

Second Year
- Scene Design II
- Set Studio II
- Drawing Year 2
- Film Collaboration
- Playreading
- Columbia Collaboration
- Aesthetics
- Opera
- Year 2 Production

Third Year
- Scene Design III
- Public Collaboration
- Playreading
- Projection
- Transitioning into the Profession
- Year 3 Production

FILM DESIGN
First Year
- Set Design I
- Set Studio I
- Drawing Year 1
- CAD Drawing and Visualization
- Culture, Costume and Decor
- Explore
- Playreading
- Choreographers, Composers, and Designers
- Stagecraft

Second Year
- Film Design I
- Film Studio I
- Visual Storytelling
- Aesthetics
- Playreading
- Film Collaboration
- Year 2 Production
*Courses in Grad Film Dept. TBD

Third Year
- Film Design II
- Film Studio 2
- Playreading
- Transitioning into the Profession
- Year 3 Production
*Courses in Grad Film Dept. TBD

COSTUME DESIGN
First Year
- Costume Design I
- Drawing Year 1
- Cutting and Draping
- Culture, Costume and Decor
- Explore
- Playreading
- Choreographers, Composers, and Designers
- Stagecraft

Second Year
- Costume Design II
- Drawing Year 2
- Costume Studio
- Columbia Collaboration
- Film Collaboration
- Aesthetics
- Introduction to Set Design
- Opera
- Photoshop
- Year 2 Production
*Courses in Grad Film Dept. TBD

GUEST FACULTY
Artists and speakers join the resident faculty on a regular basis to present students with the broadest possible range of art and ideas in relation to theatre and film. Recent guests include JoAnne Akalaitis, Arin Arbus, Jason Ardizzone-West, Gregg Barnes, Jonathan Collins, Larisa Fasthorne, Doug Fitch, Athol Fugard, Wendall Harrington, James Ingalls, Neil Patel, Theodora Skipitares, Paul Tazewell, Donyale Werle, and Kristi Zea.
Courses

Most Department of Design for Stage and Film courses are sequential two-semester courses spanning the academic year beginning with the fall semester.

**Design**

**SCENIC DESIGN I: FUNDAMENTALS OF DESIGN**
DESG-GT 1054-1055
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Jones. 3-6 units per semester.
This class will work to help make the invisible visible, the picture in your mind’s eye seen. We will do this by experimenting with how to read, examining ways to respond to the text, and exploring different methods to turn a response into a realized design.

**SCENIC DESIGN II**
DESG-GT 1100-1101
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Chalfant, Steinberg. 3-6 units per semester.
To push further as designers, honing observational and dramaturgical skills in order to create rigorous and thoughtful stage design. To strengthen a point of view on stage space and performance, while gaining a deeper understanding of the designer’s role as a collaborative and interpretive artist. To draw upon intuition, intellect, and technique in creating a flexible approach to synthesizing art and craft. To finish all projects in a way that prepares you for the profession.

**CHOREOGRAPHERS, COMPOSERS, AND DESIGNERS**
DESG-GT 1105-1106
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Hoffman, Chalfant, Steinberg. 3-6 units per semester.
This course is designed to provide an overview of the various disciplines that are integral to the production of live performance. The focus is on the collaborative process and the role of each discipline within the design team. Students will explore the techniques and methodologies unique to each discipline, as well as the ways in which they are integrated into the design process. The course will also include practical applications of each discipline through hands-on projects and discussions with professionals in the field.

**Stagecraft**
DESG-GT 1005-1006
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Chalfant, Steinberg. 3-6 units per semester.
This course is designed to provide an overview of the various disciplines that are integral to the production of live performance. The focus is on the collaborative process and the role of each discipline within the design team. Students will explore the techniques and methodologies unique to each discipline, as well as the ways in which they are integrated into the design process. The course will also include practical applications of each discipline through hands-on projects and discussions with professionals in the field.

**Second Year**

**Lighting Design II**
DESG-GT 1101-1102
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Hoffman, Chalfant, Steinberg. 3-6 units per semester.
This course will build on the skills and techniques learned in Set Design I and II. Participation in class depends upon drawing, drafting and model making skills primarily learned in auxiliary classes. While these tools are always discussed as tools in the design process and specific skill problems are addressed in individual criticism, it is assumed that students begin the class with the ability to communicate their ideas clearly. During the Spring semester students will focus on their thesis projects in individual critique meetings with professors and guests.

**Costume Design I**
DESG-GT 1018-1019
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Hilferty, Luigs. 3-6 units per semester.
The goal of Costume 1 is to allow each member of the class to develop for themselves, through a series of projects, an individual “process” of designing. The class will explore dramaturgy, art and technique, designing clothing and most importantly the art of designing for a performer and a text. Dramaturgy includes script analysis and history, both costume history and world history, and the ability to research. Students will explore art and technique through the use of color, proportion, value and volume. Designing clothing introduces the art of a garment: fabric, construction techniques, patterns, and understanding a period and its details. This course will cover character development, conceptual thinking, critical thinking, connecting thoughts to the realized design, and the ability to verbalize ideas.

**Costume Design II**
DESG-GT 1104-1105
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Hoffman. 3-6 units per semester.
Costume II builds on the foundation of a design process established in Costume I. The student will focus in depth on two or three dramatic texts each semester, reinforcing and expanding his/her/their evolving design process to include the execution of a complete costume design for each project. Each week will be a step in discovering, revealing, and refining his/her/their approach to the text, from the formation of an initial response, through research and image gathering, conceiving of an approach to the design articulated both verbally and visually, laying out the whole design in rough sketches, developing refined sketches, detail drawings, and completing fully swatched and painted designs.

**Lighting Design III**
DESG-GT 1108-1109
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Hilferty, Luigs. 3-6 units per semester.
Building on techniques explored in Costume Design I and II, this course requires students to design three com-
plex pieces (chosen by the students from classic texts and the standard repertoire, including works of Shakespeare, musicals, operas, plays, ballets and/or films). The final project is a thesis project, which is presented to professional directors, designers, and choreographers, who are invited (because of their specific expertise) to respond to the work. The overarching goal of Costume 3 is to wrestle with story, myth, and textual structure. As individuals, and as a group, students concentrate on developing a personal process for breaking open a text so that it can be retold visually.

INTRODUCTION TO LIGHTING DESIGN
DESG-GT 1056-1057
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Wierzel.
3-6 units per semester.
This class will deal with the initial process of lighting design, how to give light significance in context. Questions of meaning, structure, process and intent will be investigated. The class will also explore the qualities and functions of light, what light can and cannot communicate. The student will begin to develop a visual and conceptual vocabulary, a first step in the practice of creating ideas with light. Individual creativity will be nurtured within an environment of shared experience. Much emphasis will be placed on process, both intellectual and practical.

LIGHTING DESIGN I
DESG-GT 1150-1151
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Geiger.
3-6 units per semester.
Fundamental principles of lighting design. The course consists of class projects and practical exercises in the light lab and theatre spaces. Topics include a survey of current lighting equipment available to the professional designer; acceptable standards and formats for paperwork; color theory; continuing development of the design idea as it relates to dramatic text; elements of composition; and relationship of music and light.

LIGHTING DESIGN II
DESG-GT 1424-1425
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Hughes.
3-6 units per semester.
This course will allow students to consolidate the various aspects of lighting design including conception, plotting, and cueing into a whole process. We will deepen the resonance of the visual and conceptual vocabulary developed in the first year. This course will champion individual choices in a critical and supportive environment. Lighting II will include learning about the graphic control of design, encompassing bigger and more developed texts, embracing verbal and written articulation, and focusing on the collaborative process. The course should provide students with a core understanding of how ideas, paperwork, and the process in the theater relate to one another and the theatrical event.

LIGHTING STUDIO
DESG-GT 1140-1141
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. McCarthy and Hackenmueller.
3-5 units.
An exploration of lighting design for non-theatrical venues. Exercises in design for television, industrial, corporate presentations, museums, and other architectural forms. Visits to professional television studios to watch tapings of daytime talk shows, as well as visits to major area museums to tour the lighting design and discuss it with the museum designers.

LIGHTING DESIGN III
DESG-GT 1450-1451
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Geiger, Wierzel.
3-6 units per semester.
This class will deal with the complete process of lighting design, how to continue to give light significance in context. Projects and class trajectory will be tailored to each student’s needs and goals. Individual creativity will be encouraged within an environment of shared experience. Questions of meaning, structure, process and intent will be investigated. What light can and cannot communicate will be examined in detail. Much importance will be placed on process and product, both intellectual and practical. Major emphasis will be placed on genuine life procedures and practice; in a real world context. Each student’s individual voice will be nurtured and considered. Individual expression will be our goal.

DESIGN FOR FILM I
DESG-GT 1214-1215
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Luigi, Wirtzel.
3-6 units per semester.
The goal of Film Design I is to gain an understanding of what the elements of film-making are. Students explore all aspects of creating three-dimensional designs for film, including the spatial, textual, and color components, while paying close attention to camera movement, lighting, and directorial intent. Students also wrestle with Story in order to develop a personal process for taking a text-based design from beginning to end. The overarching goal is to discover tools for turning textual images and metaphors into visual images and metaphors, which will assist students in telling a story visually.

DESIGN FOR FILM II
DESG-GT 1216-1217
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Luigi, Maxlik.
3-6 units per semester.
Continuation of Design for Film I on a more advanced level. To prepare the student for future professional work, this course is an in-depth exploration of all components of studio sets and the technical aspects of film design, including storyboarding. Thesis projects are undertaken in the second semester.

COLLABORATION
DESG-GT 1141
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Hoffman, Geiger, Steinberg.
3-4 units per semester.
In conjunction with the Graduate Directing program at Columbia University, led by Anne Bogart, set, costume and lighting students (primarily in the second year) work in teams led by a Columbia directing student. Emphasis is placed on conceptual work conceived through discussion that gives equal weight to all members of the collaboration.

PUBLIC COLLABORATION
DESG-GT 1212
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. 2-4 units per semester.
In conjunction with collaborators from the Public Theatre, five set and costume students work in teams. Emphasis is placed on conceptual work conceived through discussion that gives equal weight to all members of the collaboration.

FILM COLLABORATION
DESG-GT 1213
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. 3-4 units.
Four teams (director, production designer, costume designer, director of photography) collaborate to produce a 10-minute portfolio quality film shot on location with high levels of production values, including locations, props, and costumes. This course underlines the essential aspects of the collaboration.
Visual Storytelling is a course that gives students in the Department of Architecture and Period Design an opportunity to focus on forms in space, revealed by observation and invention. The course emphasizes the importance of the model at the development of their designs, and provides students with an understanding of the artistic language and practical requirements of sequential storytelling as it applies to theater or film.

**SET STUDIO I**
DESG-GT 1008-1009
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Chalfant, Landelber. 2-4 units per semester.

Introduction to the many and varied techniques available to support the scenic design process for theater and film. Coursework focuses on scale model-building techniques, drafting techniques, scenery construction approaches, technical theater standards, photography and rendering techniques, as well as general methodologies for both the process and presentation of scenic designs. Work overlaps with Set Design I coursework as well as weekly class projects providing hands-on experience to hone skills and build proper studio habits.

**SET STUDIO II**
DESG-GT 1102-1103
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Lord-Surratt. 2-4 units per semester.

The advanced course builds on skills and techniques learned in Set Studio I class to refine the use of the scale model as a design tool as well as continued guidance in Vectorworks. The course is designed to support projects for Scenic Design II, with an emphasis on the model at the center of the design process.

**DRAWING YEAR 1**
DESG-GT 1004-1005
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Young (Section 001), Muller (Section 002). 2-4 units per semester.

Section 001: Drawing is observing and perception. This course teaches students how to see. Students learn techniques of observation, perception, and the technical means of placing three-dimensional forms and volume onto a two-dimensional surface accurately and efficiently. Section 002: A drawing class for scenic designers and lighting designers that focuses on forms in space, revealed by light. Equal emphasis on drawing from observation and invention.

**PHOTOSHOP**
DESG-GT 1026
Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Houhen and Muller. 2-3 units per semester.

An introductory course on digital painting and image manipulation, exploring Photoshop as another image-making tool specifically geared to the theater and film artist. Projects focus on renderings, photography, and creating visuals as design concepts as well as final content.
Performance, to begin to think about works, to attend and discuss an opera as a viable medium in which to practice the performance aspects. opera performance in relationship to design, and to participate in a multitude of classroom discussions covering a wide range of topics related to the art, craft, and business of opera, as well as some historical, dramaturgical and contemporary cultural context.

**EXPLORE**

**DESIGN FOR STAGE AND FILM**

**EXPLORE**

**DESIGN-GT 2000-2001**

Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Conklin, Geiger, Helfrich, Hoffman. 2-3 units per semester.

Explore introduces students to a broad range of concepts related to theatrical and cinematic performance and presentation, as well as practical experiences intended to lead students out of their chosen area of study, challenging them to begin to understand design for stage and film as a holistic, interconnected set of disciplines. It includes workshops, individual design projects, group lectures with guest artists and instructors, and field trips which will expose students to some of the vast resources available to artists in New York City.

**TRANSITIONING INTO THE PROFESSION**

**DESIGN-GT 2002-2003**

Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Required course. Cokorinos, Barzd. 3 units per semester.

Weekly guest speakers are brought in to discuss topics relevant to a professional design career such as theatre photography, union membership, taxes and financial planning, the role of the artistic director and production manager, etc. Portfolio reviews with professional directors and designers are scheduled.

**Production**

**STAGECRAFT**

**DESIGN-GT 1012**

Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Allaire, Bye, Fallon, Geiger and Takacs. 2 units per semester.

The primary goal of this course is to supply students with a thorough introductory understanding of the materials, methods, tools, techniques and procedures used in the various shops as we work on realized productions. Working with the student designers as well as professional shop staff and student staff, students work on a variety of productions, in a range of capacities.

**CHOREOGRAPHERS, COMPOSERS & DESIGNERS**

**DANC-GT 2041**

Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film and Dance Department. Bazid, Chalfant and Carran. 2 units per semester.

The class combines first-year design students of all disciplines, along with dance students, and musical composition students into creative teams to create original works of dance, music and design. The teams create a dance piece from the ground up, as advisors evaluate concepts and assist them to move the pieces into production, culminating in executing the scenic, costumes, and lighting designs and technical execution of all the elements as the choreographers, dancers and musicians assemble and refine the performance aspects.

**YEAR 2 PRODUCTION**

**DESIGN-GT 1120-1121**

Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Chalfant, Hughes, Hoffman. 2 units per semester.

Second-year design students work as designers and assistant designers on realized productions in collaboration with the Graduate Acting Program. Faculty serve as advisors and productions are supported by professionally staffed shops.

**YEAR 3 PRODUCTION**

**DESIGN-GT 1500-1501**

Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. 2 units per semester.

Third-year design students work as designers on realized productions in collaboration with the Graduate Acting Program. Faculty serve as advisors and productions are supported by professionally staffed shops.

**PRODUCTION LIGHTING YEAR 3**

**DESIGN-GT 1462-1463**

Open only to students in the Department of Design for Stage and Film. Geiger. 2 units per semester.

Third-year lighting students meet weekly to discuss current school production designs. Light plots are reviewed; discussion centers on the rehearsal process, focus and cueing issues, and other related topics.
The Department of Drama, Undergraduate, offers a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree. The program has been designed to include all of the traditional components of conservatory training and theatre study, while taking full advantage of the liberal arts resources of New York University and the cultural resources unique to our location in New York City, the theatre capital of the world. Our students receive their professional training from renowned and respected New York City studios, that are either housed at or affiliated with NYU. Our theatre studies courses are taught by the department’s resident faculty of theatre scholars, historians, theorists, and professionals.

Through this unique combination of professional training, theatre studies, and liberal arts courses at the University’s College of Arts and Science, we provide our students with the skills and background necessary to enter the profession or continue their education at the graduate level. To that end, we seek artistically talented students who are ready to commit to rigorous professional training and an academically challenging curriculum.

Program Standards and Regulations

Students in the training program must be in full-time attendance. Continuance in the program is dependent on the faculty’s assessment of the individual’s demonstrated professional promise, progression in training, and successful academic performance.

The Program

The curriculum includes four areas: professional training, theatre studies, liberal arts, and electives. Summer courses are offered in all areas.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Students participate in professional training three days a week for a minimum of six semesters (generally, three years). Students are required to spend four of those semesters (generally, the first two years) at their primary studio to develop a firm grounding in the technique most suited to them. Primary studio placement recommendations are made by the faculty, based on the student’s interests and needs as discussed in the artistic review; final assignments are made on receipt of the accepted student’s deposit and are subject to space availability. For their third year of training, students may choose to explore advanced study at their primary studio, move to another to learn a new approach, pursue Tisch Drama specific study abroad training options, or participate in an advanced training program or practicum or internship designed to create a bridge between training and performance.

Primary studios currently include the Stella Adler Studio (acting), the Atlantic Theater Company Acting School (acting), New Studio on Broadway (music theatre), the Experimental Theatre Wing (acting and the creation of new work), the Messner Studio (acting), the Playwrights Horizons Theater School (acting and directing, with courses available in playwriting, dramaturgy, and theatre administration), The Lee Strasberg Theatre and Film Institute (acting) and Production and Design Studio.

Advanced training options vary from semester to semester but generally include the Stonestreet Screen Acting Workshop; the Classical Studio (acting Shakespeare and Jacobean texts); Viewpoints Lab; a variety of internships at arts organizations around the city; practicums at different studios (class work leading to a workshop production); and select study abroad opportunities.

THEATRE STUDIES

Students take a minimum of seven courses from a theatre studies curriculum that reflects the mission of the department, which is to give students the artistic and intellectual foundations necessary for a successful professional life in the theatre and allied disciplines. The intensive and rigorous training received in studio is contextualized within and enriched by a knowledge of the theatre as an art and an institution, with a history, a literature, and a vital role in culture.
Also, because we recognize that even the most talented actors, directors, and designers face formidable challenges in this exceptionally competitive profession, we prepare students to pursue other career choices within the field, including graduate study in fields such as theatre history, dramatic literature, and performance studies. The theatre studies curriculum consists of two required introductory courses, Introduction to Theatre Studies and Introduction to Theatre Production, followed by a minimum of five theatre studies courses, one from each of the four Theatre Studies categories: Histories, Geographies, Topics, and Praxis, and the final from the student's category of choice.

LIBERAL ARTS

Students complement their professional training and theatre studies with liberal arts courses in a variety of traditional disciplines and innovative interdisciplinary programs at New York University. Every student earns a minimum of 32 units of liberal arts credit outside the major, with at least 8 of those units (two courses) in the humanities and 8 (two courses) in the social or natural sciences. Humanities courses are taken in such areas as art history, classics, English, foreign language and literature, history, music, philosophy, and religion. Social science or natural science courses are taken in such areas as anthropology, biology, computer science, economics, geology, journalism, linguistics, mathematics, physics, political science, psychology, and sociology.

Freshmen earn 8 of their liberal arts units by taking a required two-course TSOA Core Curriculum sequence, which fulfills the expository writing requirement during their first year at NYU. International students complete the two-course (8-unit) International Writing Sequence. Transfer students earn at least 4 units of expository writing, either by completing the first semester of the TSOA Core Curriculum or through transfer credit from an approved school.

The Department of Drama supports its students in pursuit of double majors or minors in other departments in the Tisch School of the Arts or in the College of Arts and Science as long as doing so is educationally sound and does not impede their timely progress toward the B.F.A. degree. Many students use electives to take additional courses to complete a major or minor.

ELECTIVES

In addition to the areas outlined above, each student selects additional courses (equalling 20 units) to reach the 128-unit minimum necessary for graduation. These courses are considered electives and may be earned in any NYU course, including those courses offered to non-majors through the Stern School of Business and the Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development, with the exception of those offered through the School of Professional Studies. The department also offers theatre electives, which cover such areas as stage skills (for example, stage combat and advanced improvisation), workshops, and special topics in theatre and drama. The fourth year of professional training falls into the elective category. For a typical list of departmental elective offerings, see the course descriptions on the following pages.

STUDY ABROAD

Tisch students may study abroad through programs designed specifically for them by the Tisch Special Programs office or through programs offered University-wide by NYU Study Abroad. Tisch Special Programs offers study abroad opportunities in Amsterdam—under the aegis of the Experimental Theatre Wing—Berlin, Florence, Havana, London, Paris, Prague, and Sydney. Additional Professional Training and Theatre Studies credit are available through many of these programs. Visit: www.tisch.nyu.edu for more information.

NYU Study Abroad offers programs around the globe, many of which include courses that count toward the theatre studies requirement. In addition to NYU’s programs abroad, NYU also offers exchange opportunities with select domestic and foreign universities. Through these exchanges, students take classes at other institutions for a semester or year. Visit www.nyu.edu/studyabroad for more information.

Production opportunities in the Department of Drama take many forms: all-department productions, student-initiated productions, studio workshops, advanced practicums and ensembles, and directing projects. In addition, students often participate in independent student productions outside of school and in the projects created by film and television production majors. We strongly encourage students to focus their energies on school and school-related productions; outside professional work detracts from the intensive commitment this program requires.

Students entering as freshmen may not participate in any production (outside of their class work) during their first year in the Department of Drama. Transfer students may audition for productions in their second semester if their primary studio instructors feel it is appropriate.

Admission

For general University guidelines, refer to the Admission section beginning on page 233. Admission to the Tisch School of the Arts is highly selective. Admission is based on a careful evaluation of secondary school records; personal essay; recommendations from guidance counselors and teachers; and a creative review in the form of an audition or a portfolio. Evidence of character and maturity are regarded as essential in potential students who hope to benefit fully from the unique offerings of the University and its urban environment. Participation in meaningful school and community activities is also an important factor. A student applying to the Tisch School of the Arts must submit an application to New York University and indicate the particular department that they wish to enter and may only apply to one program. Prospective students wanting more information about undergraduate admission should refer to the Undergraduate Admissions Website at www.admissions.nyu.edu. Prospective students wanting more information about the artistic portfolio or audition requirements should visit the department's Website at www.tisch.nyu.edu/drama/admissions.

The Department of Drama at the Tisch School of the Arts is committed to a process of artistic review that ensures that your suitability for the drama program is assessed by expert and distinguished professional faculty in a supportive setting. We know in selecting a college you are making a significant
Commitment to your education. Our goal through the review process is to determine if our program is an environment in which you will thrive, grow, and progress toward achieving your goals in the theatre and in the world. The artistic review consists of an audition/portfolio presentation and an interview. Specific guidelines for artistic reviews in acting, directing, musical theatre and technical production and design may be found at: www.tisch.nyu.edu/drama/admissions
Students must meet the admission criteria of both the Department of Drama and New York University in order to be successful in earning an offer of admission. Therefore, both parts of the application must be complete before an admissions decision can be made.

Transfer Credit and Minimum Residency
Credit is granted for academic work completed at another institution and for Advanced Placement tests in accordance with University regulations as stated on page 240.

Professional Training: All students in the Department of Drama are required to complete 48 units of professional training (six full semesters). Transfer students may bring in a maximum of 8 units of comparable professional training credit from recognized college courses earned prior to their acceptance as a drama major. The remaining 40 units of professional training are earned in five semesters, four of which are spent at the student’s primary studio.

Theatre Studies: The Department of Drama accepts up to 8 units of theatre studies transfer credit, provided that the courses are comparable and equivalent to courses offered in the Department of Drama. The limit of 8 units applies to incoming transfer students, as well as those students who choose to study abroad while matriculated at Tisch. Transfer students must take Introduction to Theatre Studies. In lieu of Introduction to Theatre Production, transfer students take an additional advanced theatre studies course.

Liberal Arts and Electives: All other coursework is subject to review by the University admissions office.

A total of 128 units is required for the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in theatre. The required distribution of that credit follows.

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Degree Requirements

Program in Applied Theatre
The program in applied theatre offers students the opportunity to learn how performance has been and can be a vital adjunct to nontheatrical professions and cultural practices. It reflects the growing recognition that theatrical techniques and practices have wide and vital applications outside of the theatre as traditionally conceived, including education, medicine, therapy, political activism, community work, and social services. The program consists of a minimum of four 4-unit courses, three of which must be from a list of designated Department of Drama courses, all of which address theatrical performance in nontheatrical contexts. Additionally, students will fulfill at least 2-points of an Internship.

For a complete listing of Department of Drama faculty and their biographies, visit www.tisch.nyu.edu.
The following are members of the department’s full-time faculty.

Gwendolyn Alker
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ideas embedded in dramatic literature,
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ness of each actor’s heritage as a responsi-
bale participant in a continuing theatrical
tradition. Classes include both classical
and contemporary scene study, voice and
speech, physical acting, improvisation,
character, acting for film and television,
stage combat, preparing for the profes-
sion, and Adler Technique. The third and
fourth years of the NYU program
involve heavy production and an indus-
try showcase.

ATLANTIC THEATER COMPANY
ACTING SCHOOL
The internationally acclaimed Atlantic
Acting School has helped aspiring actors
fulfill their dreams for over 20 years.
Atlantic is the only conservatory pro-
gram in the world that offers in-depth
training in the unique and influential
approach to the acting profession devel-
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Macy: practical aesthetics. Simple, hon-
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etics demystifies the process of acting
and gives students a clear set of analytical
and physical tools. Both an acting tech-
nique and a philosophy of theatre, practi-

cal aesthetics synthesizes the writings and ideas of such diverse sources as Stanislavsky, Freud, Aristotle, William James, Joseph Campbell, and Bruno Bettelheim. The technique emphasizes that through the use of bravery, will, and common sense actors will learn to be truthful under the imaginary circumstances of the play. Atlantic provides a rigorous program of acting training, which includes the core components of practical aesthetics (script analysis, performance technique, and repetition) and incorporates comprehensive instruction in the fundamental physical tools required by the craft (voice, speech, and movement). Other examples of courses in the program are Suzuki/Viewpoints, on-camera techniques, monologues/auditions, Shakespeare, Chekhov, and master classes taught by visiting professionals. The school’s mission is to provide a challenging, engaging, and inspiring experience that ensures each graduate masters the essential physical and analytical disciplines of acting, as well as to empower every student with the skills necessary for a successful career in theatre, film, and television.

EXPERIMENTAL THEATRE WING
The Experimental Theatre Wing (ETW) is dedicated to initiating students into the artistic process through the medium of theatre. Its mission is to provide students with a training program that prepares them technically, conceptually, and personally to create their own work and to meet the far-ranging demands of contemporary and traditional directors, playwrights, choreographers, composers, and filmmakers. ETW’s goal is to facilitate the development of young artists with the skill, vision, courage, and will—as well as the personal and social consciousness—to interpret and create vital new theatre. ETW’s training covers a wide range of approaches to acting, dance, self-scripting, and vocal performance. Rather than imposing a single aesthetic frame, the ETW curriculum provides students with fundamental performance skills, while helping them discover and shape their own unique artistic visions. Based on the work of both Stanislavsky and Jerzy Grotowski, the primary curriculum at ETW includes rigorous training in movement, speech, singing, and realistic acting, combined with physically-based acting, postmodern dance (including Viewpoints, which originated at ETW), extended vocal techniques, and various approaches to improvisation and theatre making. The upper-level curriculum exposes students to a diversity of techniques and aesthetics and to cutting-edge guest artists and offers a broad range of performance opportunities. The faculty of ETW consists of award-winning professionals in the forefront of contemporary theatre, dance, and music. Since its inception at NYU in 1976, ETW has gained an international reputation as a center for the creation of new theatre artists.

THE MEISNER STUDIO
Sanford Meisner coined the definition so often quoted that “acting is living truthfully under imaginary circumstances.” Meisner believed that the foundation of good acting lies in the reality of doing—that the actor never pretends to do or behave as the character but is genuinely caused to do the things his character says and does. Through a progressive building block system, the student actor learns how to genuinely transform. In the first year, the technique addresses the basic issues of acting craft. Through a process of structured improvisations that begin with Meisner’s signature repetition exercise, each element of the acting process is introduced, exercised, and experienced so that the integrity of each is understood before the next element is added. Working always as themselves in the imaginary world, and always with a partner, by the end of the first year the student has deepened their connection both to themselves, to their acting partners, and to his whole relationship to acting. In the second year, the technique acquired is applied to the process of crafting a role. The second-year emphasis is on learning how to decipher the blueprint of a script to serve the playwright’s intent and to create behavior that articulates this objective effectively and with the same spontaneity and authenticity learned during the first year’s work. The Studio’s common goal is to provide actors with the training and technique that allow them to produce deeply human, vibrant, and exciting characters in any medium—theatre, cinema, television. The full curriculum includes a rigorous course of study in all areas: voice and speech, movement, physical character, and clown work in both years. In the advanced work, Alexander Technique, accents and dialects, and script analysis are added. An active group dramaturgy class supports curricular productions in the final semester of the training. This production integrates all the classroom work through the rehearsal process and into performance.

NEW STUDIO ON BROADWAY: MUSIC THEATRE
The New Studio on Broadway integrates foundational acting training in vocal and physical techniques by drawing upon both the repertoire of the American musical and the classical acting canon to hone the actors’ instrument in all aspects of both disciplines. The course of study emphasizes exposure to new work, world music, and contemporary, global, and diverse performance forms. The New Studio stresses unified training in all skill areas essential to the performer’s craft. This will equip young artists to meet the fluid demands of a progressive, diverse and global stage. New Studio focuses on the union of rigorous physical and vocal training connected to the manifestation of character, the clear playing of a dramatic action, and the illumination of ideas within the text, as these are the fundamentals of the actor’s process. Rather than embracing and espousing a single methodology or approach, classes offer practical application of competencies required for an actor to develop a dynamic versatility that will enable them to fluidly move through a range of performance idioms. Our objective is to provide the actor with the requisite skill set necessary to sustain a lifelong career as a professional actor at play with global audiences onstage, in the musical theatre, in the new technologies and in whatever lies beyond. Master artists/teachers working in the field at a national and international level teach all courses.

THE PLAYWRIGHTS HORIZONS THEATER SCHOOL
The Playwrights Horizons Theater School features actor and director training in an intensely rigorous interdisciplinary program designed to create versatile theatre artists. Students select supplementary courses in playwriting, design, dramaturgy, and musical performance to individualize and expand their course of study. The school is part of Playwrights Horizons Theater, one of New York’s most successful off-Broadway, nonprofit theatres and producer of such shows as the Tony-nominated Grey Gardens, as well as the Pulitzer Prize-winning Sunday in the Park with George, Driving Miss Daisy, and I Am My Own Wife. Theatre professionals bring their long-term collaboration into the classroom, teaching a curriculum unified by the school’s commitment to excellence, shared aesthetic goals, and mutual respect.
THE LEE STRASBERG THEATRE AND FILM INSTITUTE

“Work at The Lee Strasberg Theatre Institute will provide you with a craft that is proven to be able to solve the problems that an actor faces.” Spoken years ago by Lee Strasberg, these words resonate even more powerfully today. Strasberg, who helped revolutionize the art of acting with his approach called the Method, stressed the way in which personal experiences (sensory and emotional memory) brought vitality to the actor’s work. It is this personal spark that can turn a skilled technician into a true artist. Strasberg teachers have been selected because of their comprehensive knowledge of Strasberg’s work and their ability to apply it to the problems of the individual actor in today’s uniquely competitive world. They do this through the use of various exercises, training actors to express powerful emotions arising from their affective memories and to use these emotions – along with their physical and mental strengths – in the creation of a character. Three generations of American actors – from Marilyn Monroe and James Dean to Al Pacino and Robert De Niro to Alec Baldwin and Angelina Jolie – have studied the Method and emerged as major talents. Simply stated, The Lee Strasberg Theatre and Film Institute challenges students to leave behind conventional, superficial, and clichéd expressions in order to find their own unique voice and to fulfill their best acting potential.

THE PRODUCTION AND DESIGN STUDIO

The Production and Design Studio is the program for students interested in theatre design, stage management, and technical production. The curriculum has been designed to instill the artistic sensibilities necessary to succeed in the theatre while providing the requisite foundations in all areas of production. The faculty is committed to establishing a strong sense of the art within the craft of theatre. Course work concentrates on graphic skills, research and technology, and collaboration and training in design/production areas such as scenery, costumes, lighting, sound and management. Students participate in the more than 100 productions supported by the department each year.

All primary studios offer advanced training as well.

ADVANCED STUDIOS

In addition to advanced practicums at the primary studios, special ensemble workshops, and a variety of internships at arts organizations, the department generally offers the following advanced studio options.

THE CLASSICAL STUDIO

The Classical Studio seeks to create “thought in action,” the presentation of classical texts, primarily Shakespeare, in an immediate, forceful, and physical present. The Studio focuses on specificity of action, embraces the contradictions inherent in the texts, and believes that character and characterization are rooted in the text and within the actor rather than in external mimetic representation. The Studio has developed the philosophy of positive action: the idea that characters generate a future instead of representing a past. Course work includes acting, voice and speech, Alexander Technique, stage combat and movement. The Studio presents two fully realized Shakespeare texts each year, as well as an annual Word Orgy, a celebration of song and spoken word. The Studio’s production aesthetic focuses on the acting ensemble, employing only the suggestion of scenery, lighting, and costuming.

STONESTREET SCREEN ACTING WORKSHOP

The Stonestreet Screen Acting Workshop was founded by Alyssa Rallo Bennett in 1990 so that Department of Drama students would have a professional environment in which to continue and broaden their training, adapt their theatre skills, and embrace the art of film acting and directing. In this studio, students experience the film and television mediums, from the audition phase through the production and postproduction phases, completing their first or early professional work with their teachers before they graduate. While riveting, innovative, and natural film acting can be quite different from stage acting, Stonestreet’s instructors (all versatile in theatre and film techniques) respect and embrace the many different approaches that students bring to their work. Stonestreet’s workshop is conducted in their state-of-the-art, 10,000-square-foot film and television studios. Stonestreet is also where many professional directors, producers, and casting directors develop and produce films, pilots, television shows, and commercials. Students train and work in the same environment with professional directors, casting directors, and agents. With access to full production and postproduction facilities (including several editing systems and editors), students learn the unique demands of the camera. Stonestreet students experience the real challenges of the film medium by acting in production-level short movies, dramatic series, sit-coms, soaps, and public service announcements under the guidance of professionals. All production-level work is edited material that can be used for actor reels and is a critical component to showcasing students’ work on Stonestreet’s movie Websites. Students work on a variety of material from unproduced film and television material to film classics to adaptations of modern classic and classical material. Stonestreet students learn to become professional auditioners and self-sufficient creative actors who can do both naturalism and character work that are believable and interesting on camera. Courses include Film Acting Technique, Film Production, Character Work for the Big and Small Screen, Soap Opera and Multi-Camera Live from Audition to Tape, Sit-Coms, Dramatic Series, Commercials and the Business, Career Management, the History of Film Acting, Voiceovers and Voice in Film, and Audition and Showcase, which prepare students for the professional world and expose students and their work to industry professionals on a weekly basis.

INTERNSHIPS

Internships offer valuable hands-on work experience while providing a mentored introduction to the professional workplace. Positions may include stage management, theatre administration, and production assistance in such venues as not-for-profit theatres, television, film, arts service organizations, casting/talent agencies, after-school children’s programs, Broadway, off Broadway, and off-off Broadway. These opportunities are available to students who have successfully completed their primary training, and the earned units count toward “additional professional training.” Depending on the number of hours worked, the student can earn from 1 to 12 units. Each unit requires three hours of commitment per week. Being on site for three days a week is typical. Interns are required to meet weekly with the site adviser and write a job description at the outset of the residency as well as a final evaluation paper when the program is completed.
The study of African American dramatic traditions from early minstrelsy to turn-of-the-last-century musical extravaganzas; from the Harlem Renaissance folk plays to realistic drama of the 1950s; from the militant protest drama of the 1960s to the historical and experimental plays to realistic drama of the 1950s; from the Harlem Renaissance folk traditions from early minstrelsy to turn-of-the-last-century musical extravaganzas; from the Harlem Renaissance folk traditions from early minstrelsy to turn-of-the-last-century musical extravaganzas; from the Harlem Renaissance folk traditions from early minstrelsy to turn-of-the-last-century musical extravaganzas; from the Harlem Renaissance folk traditions from early minstrelsy to turn-of-the-last-century musical extravaganzas; from the Harlem Renaissance folk traditions from early minstrelsy to turn-of-the-last-century musical extravaganzas; from the Harlem Renaissance folk traditions from early minstrelsy to turn-of-the-last-century musical extravaganzas; 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Ridiculous. An in-depth study of their writings, theories, and production histories of their plays in relation to biographical, cultural, political, and aesthetic contexts.

**POLITICAL THEATRE**
THEA-UT 622
4 units.
Major forms, plays, and theories of socially engaged theatre, exemplifying performance as a site of resistance, social critique, and utopianism. While the course provides an examination of the historical development of political theatre, focus may vary semester to semester, from activist forms, including agit-prop, pageantry, epic theatre, documentary, street theatre, and women’s performance art; to major theoretical perspectives and their practical translations since Brecht, including Boal and feminist and queer theory; to plays and productions by the Blue Blouse, Clifford Odets, Bertolt Brecht, the Living Theater, Bread and Puppet, El Teatro Campesino, Heiner Müller, Caryl Churchill, Athol Fugard, Ngũgĩ wa Thiong’o, Split Britches, Tony Kushner, Emily Mann, and others.

**FEMINISM AND THEATRE**
THEA-UT 623
4 units.
A study of plays by female playwrights and feminist theatre from the perspective of contemporary feminist theory. Considerations include strategies for asserting new images of women on stage, the dramatic devices employed by female playwrights, lesbian aesthetics, race, class, and the rejection of realism. Possible plays and performance texts treated include those of Maria Irene Fornes, Caryl Churchill, Sarah Daniels, Wendy Wasserstein, Ntozake Shange, Adrienne Kennedy, Susan Glaspell, Aphra Behn, Alice Childress, Tina Howe, Holly Hughes, Karen Finley, Darrah Cloud, and Suzan-Lori Parks.

**GAY AND LESBIAN THEATRE**
THEA-UT 624
4 units.
A survey of contemporary lesbian and gay plays from *The Boys in the Band* to *Angels in America*. The goal of the course is to familiarize students with lesbian and gay plays written since 1968 as discrete body of work within the field of contemporary theatre. The course focuses on plays and playwrights that have had a significant impact in the representation of homosexual life onstage. In addition, students consider the historical, political, and cultural developments from which gay theatre emerged and, through independent research projects, examine the communities that emerged in the process of creating gay theatre.

**COMMUNITY-BASED THEATRE**
THEA-UT 625
4 units.
A study of the contemporary interdisciplinary movement inserting theatre into educational, therapeutic, and activist contexts, as evidenced in practices such as TIE (theatre-in-education), psychodrama, and “theatre of the oppressed.”

**THEATRICAL GENRES**
THEA-UT 632
Staff. 4 units.
The course (different each time) explores one or more distinctive theatrical genres such as tragedy or comedy; melodrama, satire, or farce; or plays of distinctive theatrical types, such as experimental ensembles, theatre of the absurd, solo performance, the documentary play, same-sex plays, or Theatre of Witness. Since theatrical genres and theatrical types come into being because playwrights respond to historical necessity by visualizing specific world views, the course presents a study of the role and function of the theatre within societies, as a response to historical, psychological, and spiritual forces.

**DIGITAL THEATRE**
THEA-UT 637
In the twenty-first century we have seen the invention of smartphones, apps, digital data mining, social media platforms, and online worlds, all of which are now being used to create and disseminate theatre. Enough digital performances now exist that we can look at them as a genre and ask: how does digital performance invite us to rethink what theatre is, how it functions, and where it takes place? How have digital performances introduced new dramaturgical structures, new ways of seeing, new modes of engagement, and new creative processes? How have they introduced new roles for the artist and the audience? How have they impacted the performer-performance-audience relationship? In this course we will place specific case studies (see below) in dialogue with key theories about digital performance to ask how digital performance can expand our ideas about theatre and our ways of making it. We begin with a brief history of digital performance in the twentieth century, proceed with an investigation of multi-media theatre, and then examine app plays, twitter plays, text plays, Instagram plays, pod-plays, VR/AR experiences, digital dance, adaptations of Shakespeare through digital data mining, productions at the Avatar Repertory Theatre in Second Life, and performances of self on social media platforms. These case studies will be framed by readings by Steve Dixon, Susan Broadhurst, Sarah Bay-Cheng, Jennifer Parker-Starbuck, David Saltz, and others.

**DRAMATURGY**
THEA-UT 636
4 units.
Of all the theatre arts, dramaturgy remains one of the most “invisible”—mysterious and misunderstood. When Heinrich Laube, the great 19th-century Viennese director and dramaturge, was asked by his patron, Prince Schwarzenberg, what a dramaturge really was, Laube could only answer hesitantly: “Highness, that is what no one could tell you in a few words.” This course presents an overview of contemporary dramaturgical practice—in theatres large and small, commercial and experimental, across the Americas and around the world. We examine various methodologies for researching, conceptualizing, documenting, and discussing theatrical events, both scripted and “devised.” In addition, over the course of the semester, each student creates and presents a dramaturgical “case-book” for a production of their own invention. This course should prove valuable both for those interested in working as dramaturges, and for directors, writers, designers, and performers wishing to collaborate with professional dramaturges in years to come.

**THEORIES OF THE THEATRE**
THEA-UT 640
4 units.
A study of selected major theories of dramatic representation and theatrical communication, engaging such topics as the nature of mimesis, the history of ethics and aesthetics, and the role of the spectator. Along with seminal Western theoretical texts like Aristotle’s Poetics, non-Western texts like the Sanskrit Natyashastra and modern theories like
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Distribution are attracting audiences to forms and modes of expression and discussions in the New York scene. New venues, performance practices, and the variety of theatrical activity going on in the city. In order to recognize the vast number of theoretical issues and practical questions it raises and to develop serious intellectual and critical vocabulary for responding to it. Once a week, we attend the theatre, having prepared by reading the play or some related theoretical material. We follow each show with an in-depth class discussion of the major issues raised by the performance.

Topics in Performance Studies
THEA-UT 650
4 units.
This course (different each time) uses key theoretical concepts of the field of performance studies to examine a diverse range of performance practices. Topics include ritual, interculturalism, tourist performances, discourses of stardom, theatre anthropology, electronic and computer performance, sports performance, Erotics, the history of American burlesque, masquerade, theatres of silence, Latino/a performance, hip-hop theatre, and animality.

Special Topics in Musical Theatre
THEA-UT 661
4 units.
This course (different each time) extends from the basic history of the musical theatre course currently offered each fall. It covers specific areas of musical theatre practice in greater detail. Focus subjects include lyrics, choreography, the musics of Stephen Sondheim, directors of musical theatre, etc.

Theatre in New York: Practicum
THEA-UT 662
4 units.
This course introduces students to the great variety of theatrical activity going on in the city, in order to recognize the vast number of theoretical issues and practical questions it raises and to develop serious intellectual and critical vocabulary for responding to it. Once a week, we attend the theatre, having prepared by reading the play or some related theoretical material. We follow each show with an in-depth class discussion of the major issues raised by the performance.

Downtown Theatre Practicum
OART-UT 1921
[Formerly THEA-UT 631]
4 units.
This course explores the ecology of artistic creation in the "downtown" New York scene. New venues, performance forms and modes of expression and distribution are attracting audiences to unconventional experiences in "the cracks of the city." Three themes are explored. First, geography and location; where the non-traditional performance activity is taking place; then, hierarchy, or how the venues and institutions of "downtown" relate to each other and finally; networking, or how and why audiences connect with artists and performances within in contemporary performance.

Performance Art Practicum
THEA-UT 663
4 units.
An exploration of the methodology for making the personal presentation. Using storytelling, automatic writing, and the facts and fictions of one's own life each student creates material for a solo performance piece.

Performing Objects: Practicum
THEA-UT 666
4 units.
A study of puppet performance, construction, history, and theory. Lectures and discussions of history, theory, and contemporary puppet practice constitute one-quarter of the class time. Three-quarters of the course is devoted to workshop sessions focusing on the creation and performance of puppet shows based on three different techniques: found objects, Bunraku theatre, and toy theatre. Guest speakers include members of New York's active puppet theatre community, such as Basil Twist, Janie Geiser, and Stephen Kaplin. The course culminates in the public performance of puppet productions created by the class.

Theatre and Therapy
THEA-UT 673
4 units.
This course explores the healing and therapeutic aspects of theatre and drama using drama therapy. Beginning with a study of play in child development, we explore the three types of play—practice play, symbolic play, and games with rules—and examine their purposes in child development. We then examine the four major techniques in drama therapy and their relationships to play and performance. We study the Five-Phase Model (Emunah), Developmental Transformations (Johnson), Role Method (Landy), and Psychodrama (Moreno). The course is theoretical, experiential, and technical. Students have the opportunity to participate in each method of drama therapy, as well as lead drama therapy training sessions.

Re-inventions of Love
THEA-UT 675
4 units.
Engaging Theater as an inherently interdisciplinary art form, this class proposes the investigation of love and art as a means to develop a rich understanding of what it is to be human. The course will explore how the mythology, poetics, imagery, and even emotion associated with romantic love have varied dramatically over time and in different cultures. Spanning several millennia and many continents, our material will challenge us to think about gender, family, biology, identity, and faith as manifestations of an attempt to reconcile the inherent humanity in our needs and desires. We will work with ancient texts like the Ramayana, the Upanishads and the Song of Songs, as well as the poetry of Rumi and Neruda; we will look at theatrical works by Zeami, Euripides, Shakespeare, Lorca, Tennessee Williams, and Sarah Kane; the course will explore the music of PJ Harvey, Bjork, Patti Smith, Antony & The Johnsons/Anohni and Thom Yorke, the photography of Cindy Sherman, the paintings of Frida Kahlo and the films of David Lynch and Lars Von Trier. Responding to artistic distillations of this rich subject with embodied imagination and curiosity, we will move towards creating our own authentic theatrical articulations and inventions, employing a range of artistic forms, including creative writing, physical improvisations, ensemble performance, and photography.

Directing Practicum
THEA-UT 676
4 units.
This course focuses on 20th-century theatre practitioners who have also theorized about the theatre-making process. The students investigate theories of creating theatre pieces and then deepen their relationship to the theory by attempting to put it into practice. Particular emphasis is on discovering the relationship between the director and the context of their work. Students create work from disparate sources including Shakespeare and Odets and Suzan-Lori Parks. A secondary focus is placed on dramatizing material not originally written for the stage or creating performance texts that are not language based. The required reading of theory includes selections from Clurman, Kazan, Artaud, and Peter Brook.
PRODUCING OFF-BROADWAY
OART-UT 1923
[Formerly THEA-UT 677]
4 units.
A comprehensive introduction to producing for New York’s professional Off-Broadway theaters. The goal of this course is to equip students with the skills to enable them to manage the responsibilities inherent in a professional production. Following a review of the Off-Broadway theater movement, traditions and current trends, the class will take a practical approach to preparing a play for the stage. Students will complete a semester long project which will have them guide a play from “option to opening.” Course study will include: play and venue selection; comprehending agreements; fundraising; budgeting; assembling a creative team; marketing and audience development; pre-production, performances and the closing.

PRODUCING PRACTICUM: PRODUCING ARTISTIC ENTREPRENEURSHIP
THEA-UT 678
4 units.
This course outlines a framework through which to make artistic creation a reality. It focuses on the necessary steps to successfully found a company, enter work into a festival, and produce self-created performance in a professional context. Issues explored include articulating a mission; the options for different producing models; choosing collaborators; developing a strategic plan; basic fund-raising; marketing; and managing the legal, financial, and regulatory issues essential for start-up enterprises in a theatrical environment.

THEATRE MANAGEMENT: LEADING AND MANAGING THEATRES IN A GLOBAL CONTEXT
THEA-UT 685
4 units.
This course explores central themes and challenges in the leadership and management of theatre organizations in the 20th and 21st century from a global perspective. The course places a special emphasis on understanding the shifts and changes that are currently transforming the field. Students will address issues of leadership and service in producing and managing theatre and identify the skills and attributes required to facilitate the ongoing vitality of theatre making. In addition to faculty from the Tisch School of the Arts and the Steinhardt program in Performing Arts Administration, the course will feature prominent guest lecturers who helm consequential and path-finding companies here in New York City. Projects will include primary research and presentations based on the examination of global practice models.

STUDIES IN SHAKESPEARE
THEA-UT 700
4 units.
Focused each time by genre (comedies, tragedies, romances, histories), or by theme or topic (theatricality, gender, race, politics, religion, performance, utopia, etc.), this course explores the works of Shakespeare as text and performance. Various critical methodologies, including biographical and cultural analysis, are used to reveal the continuing vitality of these plays and their relevance to the theatre of our time.

REALISM AND NATURALISM
THEA-UT 705
4 units.
A study of the origins and development of the two most influential dramatic movements of the 20th century. After noting such antecedents as 19th-century melodrama and the “well-made play,” we concentrate on the plays and theories of Gerhart Hauptmann, Henrik Ibsen, Anton Chekhov, August Strindberg, Émile Zola, and others. The social and psychological focus of these playwrights is discussed in terms of philosophical influences (Hegel, Kierkegaard, Nietzsche, Darwin) as well as in relation to important theatrical theorists, models, and institutions (André Antoine and the Théâtre Libre, Konstantin Stanislavsky and the Moscow Art Theatre). The continuing vitality of realism—as well as significant mutations of it and modifications to it—are traced throughout the century.

THEATRE IN ANCIENT GREECE
THEA-UT 711
This course will investigate ancient Greek tragedy and comedy in their historical and theatrical contexts. We will cover a broad range of classical drama, paying special attention to current scholarship and debates in the field. Students will develop a comprehensive knowledge of Athenian drama, with an in-depth focus on ancient culture and stagecraft. Through a wide variety of readings, we will address topics such as textual interpretation, postcoloniality, gender, and cultural theory in fifth-century BCE Athens. Since ancient drama has been consistently appropriated by performers in subsequent periods, we will also look at the methodologies and contexts of versions from antiquity to the current season.

MEDIEVAL THEATRE
THEA-UT 712
4 units.
Over more than three centuries, medieval theatre marked the development of a European dramatic practice, incorporating popular performance, classical influences, and the challenge of putting the stories and philosophies of Christianity onstage as compelling, spectacle drama. We examine religious influences as evidenced in liturgical music drama, the vernacular Corpus Christi drama, saint plays, and moralities; the widespread role of dramatic representation in everyday life, from the games and dances of village communities through the war games and festive occasions enjoyed by royalty; and the shift from an amateur to a professional theatre, with a growing emphasis on stage spectacle. Texts may include the Play of Adam, a New Year’s mummers’ play, an account of carnival, a French mystery play, a Spanish autosacramental, an English cycle play, a French comic piece (Pathelin), and a morality play (Everyman).

RUSSIAN THEATRE
THEA-UT 719
4 units.
The course takes a broad historical approach to the study of Russia’s theatrical practices, examining the circulation of local aesthetic trends and movements in dialogue with contemporaneous transformations in the nation’s socio-political landscape. After a brief look at the beginnings of Russian drama and theatre in the 18th century, the course moves to the period between the late 1880s and the early 1930s, covering the heyday of Russia’s innovations in spoken theatre, opera, ballet, film, visual art, and other media and genres. Most of the course readings, including texts by Anton Chekhov, Vsevolod Meyerhold, Nikolai Evreinov, Vladimir Mayakovsky, and Victor Shklovsky, will reflect the explosion of artistic creativity during this historical moment, as the students trace the influence of these and other Russian voices on Western European and North American performance and examine the historical conditions that precipitated the “rise” and “fall” of Russia as a globally significant cultural trend-setter. For this purpose, attention will be paid to the complex interactions between the social and aesthetic contexts of staging and dramaturgical practices in the Russian theatre; its changing systems of administration, funding, patronage, and censorship; and multiple, often contradictory revisions of its historical function as a “school for the people.”
GERMAN THEATRE
THEA-UT 720
4 units.
This course is a survey of German theatre and drama in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, from the first stirrings of the classical tradition in Germany through the beginnings of realism and modern theatre. Through readings primarily composed of plays in English translation as well as supplementary scholarly articles and book chapters, we will trace the complex struggles between competing dramatic forms and traditions of theatrical practice, including the early stirrings of Classicism, the first wave of Romanticism known as the Sturm und Drang, Weimar Classicism, Romanticism, early Expressionism, and experiments in modern directing.

HISTORY OF ACTING
THEA-UT 721
4 units.
An in-depth historical survey of the major actors and theorists who shaped Western acting from the Renaissance to the present. Topics may include the Renaissance actor as orator; the commedia dell’arte as carnivalesque entertainment; the first women stage actors in Restoration England; the “passions” in 18th-century acting; 19th-century acting as the triumph of dramatic character; and 20th-century theorists and practitioners including Stanislavsky, Antoine, Meyerhold, and Brecht. Throughout the course, we attempt to understand the historical context of these different acting forms, relating changes in acting practices to changes in the culture at large. The “truthfulness” of an actor’s performance is a historically specific quality, and the criteria audiences use to determine the “truth” of acting are a revealing index of the obsessions, values, and prejudices of any age. Throughout the course, we consider such issues as changes in approaches to actor training, the permeable borders between “high art” and “low art,” and the consistently equivocal social status of actors in the Western tradition.

HISTORY OF THEATRE ARCHITECTURE
THEA-UT 722
4 units.
An examination of the development of theatre architecture and design from the early formalized drama spaces (the theatre of Dionysus and the theatre of Epidaurus) to the English playhouse (the Globe to Covent Garden). We discuss the significance of the Italians to design, from the first temporary scenic elements to Serlio and Torelli to the Bibiena family. The course continues with the Paris Opera House, Wagner’s Bayreuth theatre, and the American playhouses of the 18th, 19th, and early 20th centuries, and it includes the technological changes that occurred during those periods. The final aspect of the course focuses on contemporary multiple-use and adaptable theatre spaces. Emphasis is placed on how trends in the theatre affect the designs of productions, individuals (whenever possible), and aesthetic and technical innovations.

HISTORY OF U.S. THEATRE
THEA-UT 723
4 units.
A historical examination of American theatre as an important social institution whose complexity has been determined by the nation’s economic and social situation. Five periods are embraced by this study: colonial; the Revolution to the Civil War; the Civil War to World War I; World War I to World War II; and post-World War II. Emphasis is placed on the period commencing with the merger of art and commerce and the emergence of the first world-class American dramatists in the 1920s. The study proceeds through the post-World War II ascent of nonprofit regional theatre that contributed to the decentralization of the American stage.

HISTORY OF DIRECTING
THEA-UT 725
4 units.
An in-depth historical survey of directors and theorists who have helped shape the theatre and its production. While the course considers premodernists, focus is on those directors, both Eastern and Western, who have contributed to the theatre since the mid-19th century. Special topics might include early modern directing (Saxe-Meiningen, Henry Irving, Max Reinhardt, Lugne-Poe); 20th-century East European directors (Stanislavsky, Meyerhold, Valkhtangov, Ljubimov, etc.); American avant-garde directors (Wilson, Mabou Mines, Wooster Group, Bogart, etc.); European directors (Strehler, Stein, Brook, Mnouchkine, etc.); or the new Asian directors (e.g., Tadashi Suzuki). We study the historical and cultural contexts that shaped the development of directing.

BOAL AND BEYOND
THEA-UT 730
4 units.
An introduction to the theory and practice of Augusto Boal, who has developed a body of theatrical techniques that physically activate spectators and facilitate the rehearsal of alternatives to their collective and individual oppressions. Dual emphasis on Boal as a theoretician who has inserted theatre into discourses regarding activism, therapy, participatory legislation, and liberation pedagogy, as much as a practitioner, whose techniques are used and adapted by both professional artists and people in a range of circumstances worldwide.

THE AVANT-GARDE
THEA-UT 731
4 units.
An in-depth study of the origins, characteristics, and practical application of techniques of nonliterary/multimedia theatre, performance, and dance theatre. Emphasis is placed on theatrical forms that have been influenced by the theories of Artaud and the European avant-garde; John Cage and visual aesthetics related to American acting, painting, collage, and environmental and conceptual art. Types of performance studied include Dadaist, surrealist, and futurist plays; multimedia happenings of Karpov, Oldenberg, Whitman; conceptual self-works and solos of performers such as Vito Acconci, Karen Finley, Spalding Gray, and Diamanda Galas; as well as the work of mainline avant-gardists like Richard Foreman, Robert Wilson, Meredith Monk, Ping Chong, Mabou Mines, LeCompte’s Wooster Group, and Pina Bausch. Readings supplemented by slides, videotape, and attendance at suggested performance events.

TEATRAL GENRES
THEA-UT 732
4 units.
Recent topics include reconfiguring the classics, tragi-comedy, theatre and the law, ritual theatre, West African and Caribbean Francophone theatre, theatre of trial, modernism, acting medieval literature, and theatre and performance of Native Americans.

INTERARTISTIC GENRES
THEA-UT 734
4 units.
Recent topics include art history for theatre-makers; history of puppets and performing objects; and opera.
THEATRE OF THE BLACK ATLANTIC
THEA-UT 741
Through a close examination of dramatic texts, theatrical groups and movements, this course will offer a comparative study of drama and theatre produced by African, African-American, Black British and Caribbean practitioners. It will explore how conventions of drama and theatre, as cultural practices, offer sites for performing identity and subjectivity. The course will use the idea of the Black Atlantic as a framing device signifying Africa's historical encounter with Europe, and the connections of Africans and people of African descent in Britain, the USA and the Caribbean. Issues and theories of racial, national, ethnic, gender and sexual identities will be closely studied. The 1960s to the 1990s will be our historical context. Dramatists will include Wole Soyinka, Ngugi wa Thiongo, Arma Ata Aidoo, August Wilson, Ntozake Shange, and Derek Walcott. Groups will include Market Theatre, Kamirithu, Talawa Arts, Negro Ensemble, and Sistren. Drama in films such as Rue Cases Negrès, Dancehall Queen and Do the Right Thing will also be studied.

THEATRE IN ASIA
THEA-UT 744
4 units.
This course (different each time) examines different traditions, innovations, representations, and locations of Asian theatre. The influence of major aesthetic texts such as the Natyashastra and the Kadensho are studied in relationship to specific forms of theatre such as Kagura, Bugaku, Noh, Bunraku, Kabuki, Shingeki, Jingxi, Geju, Zaju, Kathakali, Kathak, Odissi, Chau, Manipuri, Krishnattam, Kuniyartam, Raslila, and Pansori. The dramatization of religious beliefs, myths, and legends is examined in a contemporary context. Different focuses include Middle Eastern performance, Japanese theatre, traditional Asian performances on contemporary stages, religion and drama in Southeast Asia, and traditions of India.

ARAB THEATRE AND FILM
THEA-UT 747
4 units.
Arab theatre is profoundly theatrical, in part because it so regularly conflates historically and geographically distinct spaces as a means of exploring how power is articulated through spatial formations. This course examines recent trends in contemporary Arab theatre and film, contextualizing these within a broader history of Arab performance. Particular attention is given to how experimental practitioners have explored issues of human rights and the control of territories under the modern state. Strategies addressed include the conflation of past and present as a means of exploring the persistence of the colonial power structure in the modern Arab world (Wannus’s Entertainments with Abe Khalil Qabani, Bulbul’s Conscripton, Al-Sahgreer’s Omar al Kees in Paris); the use of parable to speak truth to power (Wannus’s The Elephant, Dyah’s Strangers Don’t Drink the Coffee); the incorporation of populist entertainment forms that directly engage the audience (a-Sadiki’s use of the halqa and Wannus’s inclusion of hekloarae); and the use of familiar tales to explore new political realities (Wannus’s and Farag’s use of the Arabian Nights tales, Al-Hakim’s use of pharaonic myth, Al-Hakim’s and Salim’s use of Greek myth).

THEATRE OF LATIN AMERICA
THEA-UT 748
4 units.
An introduction to the history, theories, and practices of Latin American theatre, focusing on the 20th century. We study the wealth of oppositional theatre in Latin America—exemplified by Augusto Boal’s “theatre of the oppressed”—in relation to the historical use (or abuse) of theatrical spectacle as a political means to control peoples, from the early Spanish conquerors to recent authoritarian state leaders. We pay special attention to the historical reinvention of European-based theatrical forms in cultures where industrial modernity is an insecure social context. We draw on postcolonial Latin American theories of culture and art, such as transculturation and the aesthetics of hunger, and consider magical realism as a social poetics of scarcity.

HONORS PROGRAM IN THEATRE STUDIES
Intended primarily for students contemplating graduate academic work in theatre and allied disciplines, the Honors Program in Theatre Studies, consisting of two 4-unit Honors Seminar courses and one 4-unit Senior Honors Thesis course, gives interested students the opportunity to do pre-graduate academic work in theatre studies and to acquire such requisite skills as close reading of primary and secondary sources, library research, oral presentation, and written argumentation. Completion of two Honors Seminars courses with a grade of B+ or better in both is a prerequisite for admission into the Senior Honors Thesis course.

HONORS SEMINAR IN THEATRE STUDIES
THEA-UT 801
4 units.
Focusing on a different topic in dramatic literature, theatre history, or performance studies each semester, the seminar offers intense and rigorous academic study, with an emphasis on critical thinking and research skills. A substantial amount of critical writing is required, as an oral presentation. Students apply for consideration, and a limited number are accepted.

HONORS THESIS
THEA-UT 802
Prerequisite: completion of two Honors Seminars courses with a grade of B+ or better in both. 4 units.
To complete the Honors Program in Theatre Studies, a student must write a thesis (30–40 pages) under the supervision of a faculty sponsor. This is an individual tutorial course, involving regular meetings with the faculty sponsor, research, and writing according to a schedule established at the outset. If the student receives a B+ or better on the thesis, they are awarded a certificate of Honors recognition by the department.
TOPICS IN DRAMA, THEATRE, AND PERFORMANCE

MASKED DRAMA
THEA-UT 111
2 units.
Through lecture-demonstrations, participatory theatre techniques, and audiovisual aids, students become familiar with various types of masked performances from Africa, Asia, Latin America, and Europe. Selected mask traditions are integrated to generate a contemporary student masked performance piece.

ADVANCED IMPROVISATION
THEA-UT 121
2 units.
Looks at theatre training for the actor through theatre games, Spolin technique, Open Theatre exercises, and other vocal and physical improvisation techniques aimed at unlocking the actor's imagination. Also includes application and analysis of different experimental and traditional improvisational approaches to the actor as collaborator in the process of making theatre.

INTRODUCTION TO PERFORMANCE COMPOSITION
THEA-UT 122
2 units.
This course is an exploration of the different aspects that come together to make a successful musical—performance, movement, composition, theme, story, and character. Students pick a theme (e.g., politics, love, sex, Greek gods, science fiction) and then proceed to fashion a type of musical (cabaret, one-act musical, operetta, concert musical, etc.), which culminates in a performance. Students are encouraged to try all aspects of making a musical whether their specialty is performing, writing, composing, directing, or choreography. At the end of the term, students know how to create their own work and participate in the evolution of the work of others.

ALEXANDER TECHNIQUE
THEA-UT 123
2 units.
Actors enhance their performance by learning to work with greater ease in breathing, vocal production, and movement while learning to recognize the habits that interfere with the natural postural reflexes.

CLOWNING
THEA-UT 124
2 units.
This course is designed to encourage and develop the funniest qualities of each actor through a process of forgetting who you are and rediscovering the person you would be if you were never socialized. By allowing the body to think for itself, the individual clown emerges, and the actor has a new sense of the possibilities of their own comic potential. Beginning with a series of physical and improvisational exercises focusing on balance, impulse, momentum, and rhythm, we explore the actor/audience relationship, making an entrance, performing the Most Amazing Trick in the World, and taking the flop.

STAGE COMBAT I
THEA-UT 141
2 units.
An introduction to stage combat. Students learn the basics of unarmed combat: falls, rolls, throws, and flips, as well as various punches, kicks, and blocks. A hands-on approach with an emphasis placed on actor safety, dramatic requirements of the script, and historical accuracy. Both modern and classical techniques are examined and employed.

STAGE COMBAT II
THEA-UT 142
2 units.
A continuation of Stage Combat I, culminating in a skills proficiency test in unarmed combat with the Society of American Fight Directors.

STAGE COMBAT III
THEA-UT 143
2 units.
The study of Broadsword: basic safety techniques, footwork, and cut-and-thrust drills, culminating in certification.

STAGE COMBAT IV
THEA-UT 144
2 units.
The study of rapier and dagger, culminating in certification.

WORKSHOP IN SHAKESPEAREAN VERSE
THEA-UT 146
2 units.
Concentrates on the text of Shakespeare's plays and how to use the text as a guide for the actor to achieve the character's intentions. Emphasis is placed on analysis of the verse, how to speak it, and how to use it to create character. Students prepare monologues, soliloquies, set speeches, and sonnets for presentation in class.

PRIVATE VOICE LESSONS
THEA-UT 148
2 units.
Individual 30-minute voice lessons each week, designed to strengthen the actor-singer's vocal instrument by providing a technical base on which to build the voice and protect it against misuse.

AUDITION TECHNIQUE IN PRACTICE
THEA-UT 170
2 units.
Offers advanced students the opportunity to sharpen their approach to the business of acting through repeated audition projects. The course begins with a short introduction to the basics of the business of acting (e.g., head shots, résumés, trade magazines, talent agents, casting agents, and unions). For the remainder of the course, students present auditions during class to gain experience in working with rehearsed monologues, un/rehearsed sides for film and television, and un/rehearsed sides for commercials. A class of musical theatre auditions examines students' ability to sing 16 bars of music and repeat a simple dance combination. There are several opportunities for students to present auditions to industry professionals in all of the aforementioned categories. The professionals review the students' work and offer critical analyses. The ultimate goal is for students to present themselves professionally and realistically using clear techniques to meet the demands of any audition situation.

PREPARING FOR THE PROFESSION
THEA-UT 171
2 units.
Designed to teach actors how to manage their careers and lives in order to survive independently and economically as working artists. The underlying focus of the course is demystification of the acting business by approaching it from a political, psychological, and economic point of view. Learning to separate the business and the creative sides of acting, students develop a knowledge of how to get these two aspects to work together. Some of the areas covered are pictures, résumés, postcards, mailings and follow-ups, interviews, auditions, agents, casting directors, managers, answering
services, unions, information publications, regional theatre, and goal setting. Course includes guest lecturers from the profession.

TECHNICAL THEATRE

COSTUME PERIOD STYLE I
THEA-UT 181
2 units.
A cultural history of clothing from Mesopotamia through the Renaissance. Ever wonder what Julius Caesar was wearing on the Ides of March? Or what Cleopatra was wearing when she set out to seduce him? What about that antique actress and exotic dancer Theodora in that Byzantine beauty pageant? What was the prize? The answers to these and other timeless sartorial questions are found as we wend our way through the closets of history. The course focuses on the periods most likely to be encountered in the theatre today. We examine how ancient clothing is adapted to the modern stage and how it often becomes the basis for futuristic costumes. We also look at how the clothing we wear today reflects our own particular civilization. Appropriate (or scandalous) clothing is provided each week to enable students to experience the glories and vagaries of ancient costumes for themselves. Field trips to exhibitions of clothing or other artifacts are included.

COSTUME PERIOD STYLE II
THEA-UT 182
2 units.
Have you ever considered what you would wear to greet an armada? Did Queen Elizabeth I really wear an iron corset? What was Louis XIV hiding under that big wig of his? Why is it rumored that Napoleon Bonaparte had buttons put on the cuffs of his regiment’s uniforms, and what did the forensics department of the NYPD find in the pockets of his last coat when they examined it in 1989? These and other burning questions are answered as we continue wending our way through the closets of history. In class, we discuss the Western European periods most likely to be encountered in the theatre today, including a glimpse of 19th-century Russia. We examine how actual clothing is translated into costume for the modern stage. Finally, we examine the relationship of freedom or restrictiveness in dress to each period discussed. Appropriate clothing is provided each week, so that students can discover the excesses and eccentrics of their ancestors for themselves. Field trips to exhibitions of clothing and artifacts are included.

TECHNICAL DIRECTION
THEA-UT 186
2 units.
This course is intended to familiarize students with the managerial and technical responsibilities normally associated with the position of technical director. Over the semester, students are charged to resolve issues of labor, materials, technique, time, and cost. The course heavily emphasizes the importance of the layout and equipment of the physical plant of the scenery shop as well as safety in the shop and on the stage.

WELDING TECHNOLOGY
THEA-UT 187
2 units.
The process of welding is a commonplace practice in contemporary scenic construction. Steel and aluminum are frequently used for their structural properties as well as for their visual qualities. Those interested in pursuing careers in either theatrical design or technical theatre need to have knowledge and an understanding of the materials and technology used in metal fabrication. This course is intended to familiarize students with the process of welding. This involves hands-on experience as well as classroom lectures. Students learn about the physical properties of metals used in scenic construction along with the tools and techniques used in metal fabrication.

TECHNICAL THEATRE PRACTICUM
THEA-UT 190
Repeatable course. 2 units.
Recognition of work performed on mainstage productions. Specifically for running crew members and stage managers whose participation on productions exceeds normal crew hours.

STAGE MANAGEMENT
THEA-UT 191
2 units.
A primer in stage management, this course introduces students to the procedures and responsibilities of a theatrical stage manager. All the major aspects involved in preproduction, rehearsal period, technical production, and maintaining performances are discussed. Upon completion, the student is able to work successfully at the university or independent production level.

LIGHTING
THEA-UT 192
2 units.
Provides the student with basic knowledge and information about stage lighting to design and execute fundamental lighting designs in the Shop and Studio theatres. Topics include basic lighting design and color theory; types of instruments and how to use them; stage lamps and electricity; hanging, circuiting, and focusing lights; troubleshooting equipment problems; contemporary theatre practice and architecture; and development of lighting design concepts.

SCENERY
THEA-UT 193
2 units.
Provides the student with sufficient knowledge of stage scenery to design and execute fundamental scenic installations in the Shop and Studio theatres. Topics include scenic tools and materials; designing, budgeting, and building scenery; technical direction; ropes, rigging, and knots; metalworking; properties; contemporary theatre practice and architecture.

COSTUMING
THEA-UT 194
2 units.
Covers the basic elements of costume design and construction. Touches briefly on a wide variety of costume-related issues, including character analysis, figure drawing, color theory, costume allocation, patterning, and basic stitching. Students become familiar with the vocabulary of costume design and learn to find their way around a costume shop. We discuss various costume-related resources located both in the NYU drama department and elsewhere in the city. A semester-long project allows students to experience firsthand each phase of the costume design process.
The performance studies curriculum covers a full range of performance, from theatre and dance to ritual and popular entertainment. Courses in methodology and theory are complemented by offerings in specialized areas. A wide spectrum of performance—for example, postmodern performance, capoeira, kathakali, Broadway, festival, ballet—is analyzed using fieldwork, interviews, and archival research. The program is both intercultural and interdisciplinary, drawing on the arts, humanities, social sciences, and critical theory.

Areas of concentration include contemporary performance, dance, movement analysis, folk and popular performance, postcolonial theory, feminist and queer theory, and performance theory. Performance studies training can lead to careers in teaching, research, theatre and performance reviewing and scholarship, writing, editing, arts and nonprofit administration, and management of performing arts collections.

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DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

A total of 128 units are required for the Bachelor of Arts Degree in Performance Studies.

General Education ..................................................44 units
(with distribution requirements)
Performance Studies (major)..........................40 units
Related field (minor).......................16 units
Electives ..................................................28 units
Total units for BA .........................128 units

DISTRIBUTION

Area I: General Education
(44 unit minimum)

General Education
(College Core) ..............................................44 units

A. Language and Literature .......... 8 units
   i. Writing the Essay: Art and the World (EXPO-UA 5, 4 units)
   ii. The Advanced College Essay: The World Through Art (ASPP-U 2, 4 units)

B. Foreign Language ............. (8 units or confirmed intermediate-level proficiency)

C. Foundations of Contemporary Culture .....................16 units
   i. Texts and Ideas (CORE-UA 400, 4 units)
   ii. Cultures and Contexts (CORE-UA 500, 4 units)
   iii. Expressive Cultures (CORE-UA 700, 4 units)
   iv. Societies and Social Sciences (var., 4 units)

D. Foundations of Scientific Inquiry ......................12 units
   i. Quantitative Reasoning (CORE-UA 100, 4 units)
   ii. Physical Science (CORE-UA 200, 4 units)
   iii. Life Science (CORE-UA 300, 4 units)

Area II: Major Requirements 40 units

A. Core Curriculum ...................... 16 units
   1. Introduction to Performance Studies (PERF-UT-101, 4 units) OR Performance Studies: An Introduction (PERF-UT 200, 4 units)
   2. Performance Theory (PERF-UT 102, 4 units)
   3. Performance of the City (PERF-UT 103, 4 units)
   4. Performance and Politics (PERF-UT 104, 4 units)

B. Lower-division Electives......8 units, selected from the following:
   1. Performance Composition Workshop (PERF-UT 201, 4 units)
   2. Performative Writing Workshop (PERF-UT 204, 4 units)
   3. Performance Histories (PERF-UT 205, 4 units)
   4. The Performance of Everyday Life (PERF-UT 206, 4 units)

C. Upper-division Electives....12 units, selected from the following:
   1. Queer Politics & Performance (PERF-UT 302, 4 units)
   2. Theories of Movement (PERF-UT 303, 4 units)
   3. Performance and Technology (PERF-UT 304, 4 units)
   4. Topics in Performance Studies (PERF-UT 305, 4 units)
   5. Critical Approaches to Race and Ethnicity in Performance (PERF-UT 306, 4 units)

D. Capstone Project .............. 4 units (PERF-UT 401, 4 units)

Students in this course will build on a research paper/project that they originated in another PS course, with the goal of extending, refining, and further developing it in order to synthesize what they have learned, as well as further hone their research, analysis, and writing skills.

III. Related Field Minor or Second Major ...............min. 16 units (var.)

IV. Other Electives .............28 var.
   (total combined with minor/second major = 44 units)

DEPARTMENTAL STANDARDS

Students must earn a course grade of C or better in departmental courses (or approved substitutions) in order to receive credit toward the major.

MINOR/DUPLICATE MAJOR

In addition to the Performance Studies course requirements, students must complete a major or minor in another department or program. Given the large number of available elective units (44), interested students should be able to work out a course of study that allows them to complete the requirements for a minor or second major in another department and have the option of spending one semester abroad. Courses applied toward the minor or second major could be taken in Tisch School of the Arts or other departments, schools, and colleges in the University (not including the School of Continuing and Professional Studies). A minimum of four courses (at least 16 units) in the minor, second major, or “Other Electives” category must be liberal arts courses. The minor or second major requires approval by the Director of Undergraduate Studies (DUGS).

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Core Curriculum. These courses are envisioned as serving two purposes: (1) as they may be taken in any order, each may serve as a “gateway” to performance studies, drawing students into the subject matter via different appeals/angles of approach; and (2) taken together (since all four are required for the major) they build a solid foundation for more specialized, advanced courses at the upper-division levels and give students the tools necessary for more in-depth research on performance. Depending on demand and faculty availability, some of these courses may be offered in lecture format, with graduate student teaching assistants leading small discussion sections. (16 units required for BA)

Introduction to Performance Studies
PERF-UT 101, 4 units

This course is an introduction to the field of performance studies. Students are introduced to the concept of “performance” broadly construed to include not just “staged” performances for theater, film, television, dance, and musical performance, but also performance as a practice of self-presentation; in social rituals and daily interactions; in bodily and speech acts; and
Performance and Politics
PERF-UT 104, 4 units
This course focuses specifically on the political aspects of performance—how it reflects, enacts, and shifts political discourse and practices. Beginning with a broad construction of “politics”—that “the personal is political, and vice versa”—the courses encourages students to study events and practices that produce political effects. How can performance and performance theory be applied usefully to understand how, why, and where political dialogue takes place, and where it fails to do so?

Lower-Division Electives. These courses are focused (more narrowly than the “Core Curriculum” courses) on specific subjects and/or practices, though still aimed at lower-division students (i.e., they do not have course prerequisites). Students may, though are not required to, explore various practices-based methods of research and analysis (“Performance Composition” and “Performative Writing”). (8 units required for BA)

Performance Composition Workshop
PERF-UT 201, 4 units
This course focuses on performance as a mode of research/investigation: how can engaging in a performance or practice (rather than simply reading about/observing it) illuminate in ways that may be otherwise inaccessible to the researcher? What knowledges does the dialog of performance produce? Students in this class will be asked to develop a research question (in consultation with the instructor), design and engage in a performance project aimed at answering (or at least investigating) that question, and then produce a final project (written or performed) that illustrates her/his research findings.

Performative Writing Workshop
PERF-UT 204, 4 units
Students in this workshop will study theories of linguistic performativity—how words/writing perform functions in shaping the world (i.e., in law, science, fiction, etc.)—and then explore that functionality in their own writing. How can the performative effects of writing be deployed purposefully, strategically, artistically, etc.? What do particular rhetorical/textual choices do? What is the relationship between the performativity of writing, on the one hand, and performance on the other? Students will be encouraged to experiment with their writing (both in terms of style and subject matter), and then to analyze the results of these experiments in order to hone their abilities to both observe, describe, and enact performance strategies in writing.

Performance Histories
PERF-UT 205, 4 units
Countering the “presentist” critique of performance studies as a field (i.e., that its emphasis on “liveness” limits it to analysis of contemporary practices), this course will examine both the long history of performance (and the specific research methodologies that are required for that examination), and the history of performance studies as a mode of social inquiry. How have performance, and the writing about performance, been deployed historically, and to what ends? How can contemporary researches access the archives that house answers to these questions, and how do archives themselves constitute an historiographic “performativity”? Students will consider the impact of performance in the contexts of (post-)colonial history, aesthetic genealogies, and other historiographic projects.

The Performance of Everyday Life
PERF-UT 206, 4 units
This course focuses in depth on “everyday” versions of performance (as opposed to theatrical or formal performances). Drawing from anthropology, affect studies, social psychology, sociology, architecture studies, etc. the course invites students to study seemingly non-theatrical social interaction as performance, and to consider the significance of the seeming “normal” and inconsequential nature of such performances. What happens when there is “second nature” becomes the focus of our attention? The course will also place particular emphasis on writing as a mode of illuminating and interrogating the “everyday,” as well as considering it as performance practice in and of itself.

Upper-Division Electives. These courses are designed as small, focused, research-based seminars. These courses may have restricted enrollment (pre-requisites or instructor approval) and are aimed at advanced undergraduate students. (12 units required for BA)

Queer Politics & Performance
PERF-UT 302, 4 units
This course takes sexuality as its lens through which to consider performance, and vice versa. Much of the current vitality of the concept of “performance” has come through the study of gender and sexuality—the political impact and social legibility of performances of gender and sexuality in daily life, art practices, and elsewhere—and this course examines and applies these theories of gender/sexuality performance to a wide range of examples. Students will read both new and canonical work in field of gender studies with an eye toward the specific impact of performance in this work, as well as examine performance
examples in order to analyze the ways gender and sexuality are produced within them.

**Theories of Movement**  
PERF-UT 303, 4 units  
This course will explore the rich history of experimental dance and movement-based performance, and the possibility of a movement-based analysis of performativity. While dominant theories of “performativity” (the doing that performance does) emerge from linguistic theories and/or text-based accounts (ethnographic descriptions of ritual, etc.), the direct impact of movement has garnered less scholarly attention (with the exception of dance studies). How does movement (not only in dance, but in performance more generally) enact social/aesthetic theory, and how might movement itself theorize social relations?

**Performance and Technology**  
PERF-UT 304, 4 units  
This course considers the concept of technology as a way of thinking about performance generally, and then focuses specifically on the role of various technologies in performance—historically as well as in contemporary practices. How do technical innovations, new knowledge, etc. make new forms of performance possible? The course will consider both technology in (aesthetic) performance and the performance of technology in extra-theatrical settings.

**Topics in Performance Studies**  
PERF-UT 305, 4 units  
Topics in Performance Studies is an upper-division course that focuses on a specific genre, theme, region, or other framework. Students will research in depth the particular contexts and implications of a given categorization of "performance". Students are expected to participate actively in discussion and undertake research projects related to the course topic.

**Critical Approaches to Race and Ethnicity in Performance**  
PERF-UT 306, 4 units  
In this course students will consider both the ways race and ethnicity have been deployed historically in performances (theatrical and otherwise), as well as how “race” or “ethnicity” might be understood as a performative identity in itself.

**Related Field Minor or Second Major**  
All majors are required to complete a minor or second major in another program or department, satisfying the requirements as specified by that specific program/department. This requirement may be fulfilled in any school/department subject with approval from the Director of Undergraduate Studies.

**FACULTY**  
A listing of faculty for the Department of Performance Studies is below. For full biographies on departmental faculty, visit www.tisch.nyu.edu.

*Barbara Browning*  
Professor of Performance Studies  
B.A., M.A., Ph.D., Yale

*Michele Castañeda*  
Assistant Professor  
B.A. (Political Science), Yale University; M.A. (Dance Theatre), Laban; Ph.D. (Theatre Arts and Performance Studies) Brown University.

*Malik Gaines*  
Associate Professor, Director of Undergraduate Studies  
B.A. (history) California (Los Angeles); M.F.A, California Institute of the Arts, Ph.D. (history), California (Los Angeles)

*Deborah Kapchan*  
Professor of Performance Studies; Affiliated Professor, Anthropology, Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies, Music  
B.A. (English), New York; M.A. (linguistics), Ohio; Ph.D. (folklore and folk-life), Pennsylvania

*André Lepecki*  
Professor of Performance Studies, Chair, Department of Performance Studies  
B.A., New University of Lisbon; Junior Fellow, Portuguese Institute for Scientific Research; M.A., Ph.D., New York

*Fred Moten*  
Professor of Performance Studies  
A.B. (English), Harvard University; Ph.D. (English), University of California, Berkeley

*Ann Pellegrini*  
Professor of Performance Studies and Religious Studies  
B.A. (classics), Radcliffe College; B.A., (literae humaniores), Oxford; M.A. (study of religion), Ph.D. (cultural studies), Harvard

*Karen Shimakawa*  
Associate Professor of Performance Studies, Co-Associate Dean of Faculty and Academic Affairs  
B.A. (English literature), California (Berkeley); J.D., California, Hastings College of the Law; M.A. (English literature), Virginia; Ph.D. (English literature), Washington
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DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY
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All material—application forms, letters of recommendation, transcripts, and essays—should be submitted using the Tisch Graduate Admissions Online Application. Link can be found on the Tisch Office of Graduate Admissions website: http://tisch.nyu.edu/admissions/graduate-admissions.

Applications for the Ph.D. and M.A. program are accepted for fall semester (September) admission only. The deadline for admission to both programs is January 15th, and all application materials should be received by that date.

FINANCIAL AID/HOUSING
The Department of Performance Studies makes every effort to help students finance their graduate education. M.A. students are eligible for University scholarships, which are awarded as partial tuition remission; and a limited number of named scholarships. Students should also see page 255 for information on loans and other sources of aid.

Ph.D. students in the Department of Performance Studies are covered by the Robert F. Corrigan fellowship, which provides five years of funding that includes full tuition remission, registration fees, comprehensive health insurance and a stipend.

Application: Performance studies applicants are required to submit two forms to complete their financial aid application: (1) the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and (2) the Tisch School of the Arts graduate financial aid form. Both incoming and continuing students may request the FAFSA from the Office of Financial Aid, New York University, 383 Lafayette Street, New York, NY 10003-1119; 212-998-4444. Alternatively, they may submit the FAFSA electronically (see the Website at www.nyu.edu/financial.aid for details). For incoming students, form 2 is included in the program application packet.

Continuing students are required to submit a financial aid application, available through the department, each year. New and continuing students should submit these forms by January 8 for consideration for the following academic year.

Resident Assistantships: The Department of Residential Education seeks applicants in January and February of each year to serve as resident assistants for the following academic year. Resident assistants live and work in undergraduate and graduate residence hall facilities and develop programs, provide counseling and referral services, and perform administrative tasks. The remuneration for a resident assistantship is room and board. Interested students should apply directly to the Department of Residential Education for one of these positions. Applications may be requested from the Department of Residential Education, New York University; 33 Washington Square West, New York, NY 10011-9154; 212-998-4311.

Graduate Housing: Housing information is outlined in the Graduate Admissions Application.

INTER-UNIVERSITY DOCTORAL CONSORTIUM (PH.D. ONLY)
New York University is a member of the Inter-University Doctoral Consortium, an association of universities in the metropolitan area whose members also include the City University of New York Graduate Center, Columbia University, Fordham University, the New School, Princeton University, Rutgers University, and Stony Brook University.

As a member of the Inter-University Doctoral Consortium, New York University is able to offer fully matriculated students in its doctoral programs the opportunity to take courses and master sub-disciplinary tracks that might not otherwise be available to them. With the approval of the dean of the Faculty of Arts and Science, the student’s program adviser, and the host institution, students may register for courses at any of the other member institutions that are of significant benefit to them. The course or courses selected for cross-registration should not normally be available at the student’s home institution. Access to such courses is provided on a space-available basis, assuming the approval of the course instructor. Consortia cross-registration is available only to doctoral-level students.

A standardized form has been developed for cross-registration under the Inter-University Doctoral Consortium. It is available in the Graduate School of Arts and Science office at 6 Washington Square North.

For further information, write or call the Office of the Associate Dean, Graduate School of Arts and Science, New York University, 6 Washington Square North, New York, NY 10003-6668; 212-998-8030.

M.A. PROGRAM IN PERFORMANCE STUDIES
Degree Requirements: The Masters in Performance Studies consists of 34 units of coursework to be completed over 3 consecutive semesters (fall, spring, summer); students earn their degree the following September. Students in this program must be in full-time attendance. There are two required courses for master’s students: Introduction to Performance Studies, PERF-GT 1000, taken in the first semester, and Projects in Performance Studies, PERF-GT 2000, taken during the final semester. Master’s students are required to maintain a 3.0 GPA or higher, and successfully complete 66 percent of credits attempted at NYU. The only practical workshop course that is counted toward an M.A. in performance studies is the department’s Performance Composition, PERF-GT 2730, or a course otherwise designated as practical. Up to 4 units of academic course work may be taken outside the department or transferred from another institution with permission of the Director of Graduate Studies. A master’s student may appeal to the chair to register for a second Performance Composition workshop in lieu of taking 4 points outside the department.

Permission to Proceed to the Ph.D. program as an Internal Applicant: M.A. students interested in continuing immediately on to the Ph.D. program should submit an application dossier to the department no later than the first day of the spring semester. An internal application dossier must include the following:

1. A departmental application form
2. A list of all courses taken and grades earned
3. A substantial paper
4. A description of the projected dissertation topic and how specific course work taken will enable clarification and deepening of the topic
5. Names of three faculty members the student proposes to serve as possible dissertation directors

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY PROGRAM IN PERFORMANCE STUDIES
Doctoral students must complete 70 units of coursework and maintain a 3.0 GPA or higher, and successfully complete 66 percent of credits attempted at NYU, pass their comprehensive examinations, and write and successfully defend a scholarly dissertation. Students who have an M.A. (from this department or elsewhere) may transfer up to 34 units from that degree upon approval by the Chair and the TSOA Director of Graduate Admissions. All applications
for credit transfers must be made no later than during the student’s first semester in Performance Studies.

There are three required courses for the Ph.D. for (12 total units) (see below for descriptions) and the remainder 24 units are selected from the department (or other department- and advisor-approved) seminars.

**REQUIRED PH.D. COURSES**

Advanced Readings in Performance Studies
PERF-GT 2201, 4 units

Methods in Performance Studies
PERF-GT 2616, 4 units

Dissertation Proposal Advising
PERF-GT 2301, 0 units

**OTHER REQUIREMENTS**

Foreign Language Requirement
The department requires that all candidates for the doctorate demonstrate proficiency in at least one foreign language integral to their academic research. Proficiency in the department is only fulfilled by one of the following ways: 1) taking and passing a Foreign Language Exam administered by GSAS, or 2) taking a department approved foreign language course and receiving a B or higher on the final exam and course, or 3) showing documentation that they have met the language requirement in another graduate degree program not more than two years prior to matriculation.

International students can submit a Non-English Native Language Waiver to the department during their first year for an exemption to the FLP requirement.

Comprehensive Examinations
Following completion of coursework and prior to enrolling in Dissertation Proposal Advising (PERF-GT 2301) doctoral students must pass 5 comprehensive written examinations with a committee comprised of 3 members of the Performance Studies core faculty.

**Defense of the Dissertation**

The dissertation must be submitted to the faculty readers at least one month ahead of the defense. Please consult the department for specific deadlines. The Graduate School of Arts and Science must approve any reader who is not a member of the New York University GSAS faculty in advance. All five members of the dissertation committee must be present when the student publicly defends the dissertation.

- **Publication of the Doctor’s Dissertation:** Each candidate, prior to the recommendation for the degree, guarantees publication of their dissertation through University Microfilms International, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

- **Instructions for preparing dissertations:** For microfilming are available at the Graduate School of Arts and Science, Office of Student Affairs and Academic Services, One-half Fifth Avenue. The completed dissertation is submitted directly to GSAS Office of Student Affairs and Academic Services, and Ph.D. students are responsible for communicating directly with this office regarding requirements and deadlines. The Department of Performance Studies will schedule the student’s dissertation defense.

- **Admission to Candidacy, Maintenance of Matriculation, Leave of Absence, Probation, and Grades:** Formal candidacy is granted only after a student has been in residence for at least a year, demonstrated foreign language proficiency, passed the area examination, and received approval of the dissertation proposal.

- **A student is required to maintain matriculation continuously, either by registering for at least one 4-unit course each academic year or by paying a matriculation fee each semester after all course requirements are completed. A student cannot maintain matriculation by fee until all course work for a degree is completed.**

- **This maintenance of matriculation fee, due at registration, entitles students to use the libraries and other research facilities, consult members of the faculty, participate in University activities, use the student health services, and, if they have completed all course requirements, audit courses (with the permission of the instructors). Students who have not maintained matriculation continuously may not qualify for a degree until all delinquent matriculation fees are paid. Students must be matriculated during the semester immediately preceding graduation.**

- **A student in good standing who is obliged to withdraw temporarily for national service, serious illness, or compelling personal reasons may request a leave of absence that, if recommended by the department and granted by the dean, maintains matriculation and assures readmission at the expiration of the leave. Such leaves of absence do not ordinarily exceed one year but may be extended under exceptional circumstances. A leave of absence (except for military service, Peace Corps, or other reasons approved by the dean) does not change any time limits fixed by the department or the School for completing the requirements for a degree.**

- **When such a leave involves withdrawal during a term, final grades may be assigned, provided the student (1) has attended classes for at least 12 full weeks, exclusive of holidays, (2) has continued in attendance in all classes up to the 10th calendar day immediately preceding submission of a request for a leave, and (3) has completed work in all courses on the basis of which the student’s instructors can assign grades. To remain in good standing, students must achieve grades of B or better and complete work on time. Grades of less than B, incompletes, and a pattern of withdrawals are grounds for probation or termination. Students on probation must take courses with the resident faculty only.**

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**Conferral of Degrees**

Degrees are conferred in May (at Commencement), September, and January. Performance studies master’s students graduate in September, after full-time course work for three consecutive semesters, unless an exception is approved by the department chair. A candidate for a degree must apply for graduation by visiting the following website: http://www.nyu.edu/registrar/graduation/apply.html. The candidate must apply for graduation within the application deadline period indicated by the registrar. Diplomas are sent to the recipient’s address on file in the Office of the University Registrar. On request, the Office of the University Registrar issues to the student who has satisfactorily completed all the requirements for an advanced degree a statement certifying that they are recommended by the faculty for award of the degree at the next conferral of degrees. No degree is conferred honoris causa or for studies undertaken entirely in absentia.
**Graduate Curriculum**

To make performance the primary concern is to blur radically the boundaries of disciplines, to subvert the hierarchies and exclusions of the canon, and to examine cultures for the diversity of performance modes and concepts. As a discipline of “inclusions,” performance studies provides an integrating, comparative perspective on the entire continuum of human action from “life events,” sports, public ceremonies, and ritual to aesthetic theatre and dance.

Courses in theory and methodology, while developing a distinctive body of concepts and approaches, explore theories of performance indigenous to Asia, Africa, Europe, and Latin America and draw from various disciplines—anthropology, Marxism, psychoanalysis, the study of colonial discourse, history, literary theory, semiotics, feminist and queer theory, movement analysis, aesthetics, and theatrical theory.

Although well established as a discipline, the study of Western theatre has tended to emphasize a historical perspective on the entire continuum of human action from “life events,” sports, public ceremonies, and ritual to aesthetic theatre and dance.

The following list includes courses offered in the recent past by current and former faculty and ones projected for the near future. Approximately 24 courses are offered each year, many of them new. As a result, only a portion of the courses listed in the bulletin can actually be scheduled during any academic year. Courses and rubrics with variable topics offered on a regular basis and required courses are indicated with an asterisk (*).

*INTRODUCTION TO PERFORMANCE STUDIES

**PERF-GT 1000 (Required MA)**

Resident Faculty. 4 units. 2019-20, 2020-2021

This course is designed to introduce students to the field of performance studies via examination of some of the foundational texts, tracing various genealogies of the field and considering its links to various disciplines/modes of inquiry (anthropology, theater studies, dance studies, gender studies, critical race theory, psychoanalysis, etc.).

**QUEER THEORY**

**PERF-GT 1055**

Pelletieri. 4 units. 2019-20

This course examines how queer scholars, artists and activists envision alternative ways of life that offer particular pleasures and rewards that are unimaginable and unintelligible within dominant notions of the good life. Recent queer scholarship on relationality, affect, time, and space will be central to our discussion.

*PROJECTS IN PERFORMANCE STUDIES

**PERF-GT 2000 (Required MA)**

Required for MA students. Resident faculty. 6 units. 2019-20, 2020-21

This course will run primarily as a workshop in which current MA students will begin with a paper or performance piece begun in a previous PS course and develop that project into a fuller research project. The course culminates in a symposium in which graduating MA students present an excerpt or précis of that research to the department.

*BIBLIOGRAPHY AND RESEARCH: ADVANCED READINGS IN PERFORMANCE STUDIES

**PERF-GT 2201 (Required course for Ph.D. students)**

Resident Faculty. 4 units. 2020, 2022

Readings are balanced between foundational texts in the field of performance studies as well as new interventions that propel the discourse forward. Readings explore the performance studies project’s intersections with different lines of thought that include anthropology, philosophy, feminism, critical race theory, legal theory, Marxism, and queer critique. Students are expected to assemble an annotated bibliography on some aspect of the field as well as writing a final research paper.

*METHODS IN PERFORMANCE STUDIES

**PERF-GT 2616 (Required course for Ph.D. students)**

Resident Faculty. 4 units 2019, 2021

The development of performance studies methodologies based on interdisciplinary research paradigms (movement analysis, ethnomusicology, ethnography, history, oral history, orature, visual studies, among others) and the close reading and analysis of exemplary studies. Considers the conceptualization and design of research projects in the context of theoretical and ethical issues and in relation to particular research methods and writing strategies. Develops practical skills related to archival and library research; ethnographic approaches, including participant observation and interviewing; documentation and analysis of live performance; and analysis of documents of various kinds, including visual material.
Assignments include weekly readings, written responses to the readings, and in-class exercises. This course is offered every other year alternating with Advanced Readings in Performance Studies.

SPECIAL TOPICS: PERFORMING FICTION
PERF-GT 2216
Browning. 4 units. 2020-21
This course explores the potentially productive tension between fiction and performance by examining; Performances based on works of narrative fiction—and specifically on works that would appear to be adamantly textual, works that would seem to resist or to defy staging. Works of narrative fiction based on performances, or created in collusion or collaboration with performers or performances.

MEMOIR AND ETHNOGRAPHY: A PS APPROACH
PERF-GT 2218
Kapchan. 4 units. 2020-21
The course explores the role of first-person narrative in performative writing. Drawing upon the memoirs of theorists, as well as the theories implicit in memoir, the class will examine the political potential of this genre, as well as its rhetorical and aesthetic orientations.

*DISSESSATION PROPOSAL ADVISING
PERF-GT 2301 (Required Ph.D. students)
Required for doctoral students. Prerequisite: 70 units of completed course work. Resident faculty. 0 units. 2019-20, 2020-21
Emphasis is on problems and opportunities of research, writing, and editing as they apply to the doctoral dissertation. Each student prepares a dissertation proposal as a class project.

SPECIAL TOPICS: HOW TO WRITE ABOUT PERFORMANCE
PERF-GT 2219
Vázquez. 4 units. 2020-21
The course will lean on these readings (essays, songs, criticism) as guides for involving, and not avoiding, performance in our scholarly work. Performance, often cast as a deferred or secondary support for an argument, carries the lush potential to unsteady any decisive claim. We will explore inventive ways to introduce performances in writing by challenging the dependable (and often limiting) coordinates of “context,” through experimenting with research methods and descriptive play, and most importantly, by discovering the joy and difficulty of revision.

SEMINAR IN DANCE THEORY: DANCE AND THE POLITICAL
PERF-GT 2504
Faculty. 4 units. 2020
This course is dedicated to a careful exploration of dance studies including Randy Martin, Mark Franko, Susan Manning, Gabriele Brandstetter, among others. Reading text from the authors mentioned above, with a specific focus on three political dimensions of dance as a theoretical-practical political assemblage: corporeality and bio-politics; mobilization and activism; dance and labor.

THEORIES OF SPECTATORSHIP
PERF-GT 2746
Taylor. 4 units. 2019-20
This course explores the many ways in which theorists and theatre practitioners have thought about the ways in which staged action (whether in film, theatre, or politics) pacifies, activates, interpola-tes, and manipulates viewers. Concepts such as identification, voyeurism, narcissism, bearing witness, percepticide, spect-actor, and others are explored. Readings include Lacan, Barthes, Merleau-Ponty, Sonntag, Ranciere, and others.
The Graduate Musical Theatre Writing Program is a master's degree program specially designed for the major collaborators in the creation of new musical theatre and opera. Students and faculty include composers, lyricists, and bookwriters—those who put their individual talents together to write works for the musical stage.

The program's overall aim is to give students the skills to be able to wed form to content in original ways that best fulfill their unique artistic visions. Over the course of two years, students participate in ongoing writing workshops that emphasize craft, the art of collaboration, rewriting, developing the student's original voice, storytelling, and content (putting ideas on stage). Guided by a core faculty that is amplified by master teachers who are major artists in the field, students collaborate on an impressive volume of new material to give them experience with a variety of styles, genres, and approaches from the book musical to opera to new alternative forms of music theatre. Themes, issues, and problems dealt with in the writing workshops are supported by integrated craft and history seminars.

Directors and actors are brought in throughout the program to present new material as it is being created, developed, and rewritten. The program culminates in the thesis musical: the creation of a full-length original work.

The Graduate Musical Theatre Writing Program curriculum is designed in a nontraditional format with a major emphasis on collaboration. This involves both team-teaching by the core and adjunct faculty and extensive writing collaborations among the students. At the heart of the program are the writing labs, which are supported by ongoing seminars with a special focus on American musical theatre.

Most class time is devoted to these labs, led by the core faculty and adjuncts. The labs focus heavily on craft; collaboration and communication between artists of different disciplines; storytelling in music, lyrics, and bookwriting; and meaningful content. In the first year, students are divided into frequently rotating teams. Together they conceive, write, and present writing projects for peers and teachers.

Concurrently, in ongoing seminars, students learn how creators of theatre and music theatre in the past century and throughout history have treated the same musical-dramatic issues they are grappling with in the writing labs.

The first part of Year One is devoted to writing “moments”—monologues, dialogues, different types of songs, short active scenes, etc. These moments or exercises develop and illuminate different elements of dramatic and compositional craft.

Then, students explore storytelling, looking at moments as parts of larger contexts to see how the part functions in relation to the whole. They spend the last part of the year outlining and drafting a complete one-act musical.

Year Two is devoted entirely to the creation and development of a full-length musical theatre piece. First, final teams are formed to explore dramatic and musical themes for an original piece. Then they develop a draft of a complete musical. Students are expected to complete a first draft of their original work during the second year and must meet deadlines involving readings with actors scheduled to take place as each work develops.

Seminars during the second year include practical information about the production process, the role of dance and design, and the business and legal aspects of musical theatre.

The program culminates with in-house lab presentations of complete first drafts. Each original work is provided with a professional director, music director, and cast. Besides the opportunity to see and hear what they have written, the collaborative teams experience firsthand the continuous rewriting process that takes place during the rehearsal of a work-in-progress. Principles of constructive criticism are discussed from the outset and used after each presentation in discussions by fellow students and faculty. During the course of the program, students learn both how to give constructive criticism and how to incorporate feedback that is useful to them as individuals and to their collaborative teams in the rewriting of their work.
### Admission Procedures

The major criteria for admission to the program are talent, originality, practical experience as a composer or writer of musical theatre, and an ability to work well in collaboration. However, composers and writers who have written in other genres (playwrights, poets, pop composers, etc.) are also encouraged to apply. Basic skills must be in place. Acceptance into the program is competitive and limited. In addition to the Graduate Musical Theatre Writing Program and the Tisch School of the Arts graduate application forms, the student must meet the requirements of New York University and submit the supporting materials detailed below.

All applicants must submit the Tisch Graduate Admissions application, (see page 246) including all questions regarding the craft area for which you are applying (composer, bookwriter, lyricist). Sample materials are also required, including:

- **Composers and lyricists:** Recordings no more than 20 minutes in length, plus relevant materials such as score, lyric sheets, charts, etc. Excerpts from a musical theatre piece are preferred, but not necessary. Composers may submit instrumental works, and lyricists may submit non-musicalized poetry and prose. The book for the material submitted should be included, if available. Other related work (a specific description of the work should be included). Reviews, if available.

- **Bookwriters and playwrights:** A script for a musical theatre piece and recordings of songs written for it, or a script of a play. Include a synopsis. Reviews, if available.

Applications are due by February 1. Tisch School of the Arts Graduate Application for Admission can be accessed by going to: www.tisch.nyu.edu or by contacting: The Office of Graduate Admissions Tisch School of the Arts New York University 726 Broadway, 2nd Floor New York, NY 10003-6807 telephone 212-998-1918.

Questions about the program may be answered by calling 212-998-1830 or e-mailing musical.theatre@nyu.edu.

*Application materials will not be returned.*

### Program Requirements

All students must complete the course of study outlined above for a total of 64 units, which leads to a Master of Fine Arts degree.

Continual creative work and completion of all writing assignments are required for the writing labs in each phase of the program, culminating in the thesis project, a full-length musical theatre work. Prompt attendance at all labs, tutorials, and seminars is also required. There are listening assignments and suggested readings, but no term papers are assigned.

The Graduate Musical Theatre Writing Program does not believe that traditional grading methods can be used in evaluating the accomplishments of students training in collaborative art forms. Evaluation of the student’s work is constant. Grades are given on a Pass/Fail basis.

### Financial Aid

All students will be considered for financial aid awards. US citizens must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) which is found at FAFSA.gov.

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The Graduate Musical Theatre Writing Program is taught on an ongoing basis by the core faculty, which consists of composers and writers. The core faculty is enriched by adjunct faculty and guest teachers who come into the program to teach special sections of the curriculum.

The core faculty teach and/or facilitate all writing workshops and craft tutorials and provide students with continuity for all seminars, writing workshops, and the thesis projects.

CORE FACULTY
A listing of faculty for the Graduate Musical Theatre Writing Program is below. For full biographies on departmental faculty, visit www.tisch.nyu.edu.

Fred Carl
Associate Arts Professor (Composer)
M.F.A., NYU

Julianne Wick Davis
Assistant Arts Professor (Composer-Lyricist)
M.F.A., NYU

Randall Eng
Assistant Arts Professor (Composer)
B.A., Harvard; M.F.A., NYU; M.Phil, Cambridge

Robert Lee
Associate Arts Professor (Lyricist)
B.A., Princeton; M.F.A., NYU

Mel Marvin
Arts Professor (Composer)
M.F.A., Columbia

Sarah Schlesinger
Arts Professor (Lyricist) Chair, Graduate Musical Theatre Writing Program
M.A., U of Maryland

ADJUNCT FACULTY
Jonathan Bernstein
Adjunct Faculty, Writer, Director
B.A. McGill

Debbie Brevoort
Adjunct Faculty, Bookwriter
M.F.A., NYU

Kirsten Childs
Adjunct Faculty, Composer/Lyricist
M.F.A., NYU

Sarah Cooper
Adjunct Faculty, Lyricist/Bookwriter
M.F.A., NYU

Marie Costanza
Adjunct Faculty, Historian
Ph.D., NYU

Joel Derfner
Adjunct Faculty, Composer
B.A., Harvard; M.F.A., NYU

Mindi Dickstein
Adjunct Faculty, Lyricist/Bookwriter
M.F.A. , NYU

Donna DiNovelli
Adjunct Faculty, Bookwriter/Lyricist
M.F.A., NYU

William Finn
Adjunct Faculty, Composer/Lyricist
B.A., Williams College

Sean Patrick Flahaven
Adjunct Faculty, CEO Concord Theatricals
B.A., Boston College; M.F.A., NYU

Michael John LaChiusa
Adjunct Faculty, Composer

Steven Lutvak
Adjunct Faculty, Composer/Lyricist
M.F.A., NYU

Laurence Maslon
Adjunct Faculty, Lecturer
B.A., Brown; Ph.D. Stanford

Polly Pen
Adjunct Faculty, Composer/Lyricist
B.A., Ithaca College

Rachel Sheinkin
Adjunct Faculty, Bookwriter
B.A., Brown; M.F.A., Yale School of Drama; M.F.A., NYU

GUEST TEACHERS
Major musical theatre creators participate in the program as guest teachers throughout the two years.
“Var” denotes courses given for a “variable” number of units. These courses may be taken for 2 to 6 units; however, the number of units must be determined and approved by a faculty adviser at the time of registration. All students follow the schedule of courses listed below.

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The curriculum of the Undergraduate Division in the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television combines professional training with studies in the liberal arts. These liberal arts studies in the sciences and humanities are required of all students to provide the background necessary for participation in a profession that influences attitudes, opinions, and ways of thinking in every aspect of the human experience.

A variety of theoretical and applied courses make up the professional curriculum in the film and television arts program. Students are provided with a variety of creative experiences, from basic to advanced, in both the conceptual and production phases of film, video, cinematography, and sound, as well as traditional and computer animation. Intensive course work is available in a variety of areas including acting, directing, producing and writing, as well as in the craft and technical skills of film editing, video post production, and sound mixing. Classes in cinema studies provide students with a critical and historical perspective to analyze their artistic endeavors.

Students are permitted and strongly encouraged to experience the full range of artistic expression by taking classes through the Tisch Open Arts Program, which offers courses for nonmajors through other departments in Tisch. Double majors with departments from the College of Arts and Science combining liberal arts and professional emphases are also available.

For general University guidelines, refer to the Admission section beginning on page 233. Admission to the Tisch School of the Arts is highly selective. Admission is based on a careful evaluation of secondary school records; personal essay; recommendations from guidance counselors and teachers; and a creative review in the form of a portfolio. Evidence of character and maturity are regarded as essential in potential students who hope to benefit fully from the unique offerings of the University and its urban environment. Participation in meaningful school and community activities is also an important factor. A student applying to the Tisch School of the Arts must submit an application to New York University and indicate the particular department that they wish to enter and may only apply to one program. Prospective students wanting more information about undergraduate admission should refer to the Undergraduate Admissions website at www.admissions.nyu.edu. Prospective students wanting more information about the artistic portfolio or audition requirements should visit the department’s website at https://tisch.nyu.edu/film-tv/admissions_film_tv_portfolio.

The Undergraduate program of the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television offers the degree of Bachelor of Fine Arts. Candidates for the bachelor’s degree must fulfill the following requirements:

1. A minimum of 54 units in Area I (Film and Television arts), with certain distribution requirements.
2. A minimum of 44 units in Area II (General Education), with certain distribution requirements.
3. Additional units of choice to total 128 units.

DUAL DEGREE IN BS IN BUSINESS/BFA IN FILM AND TELEVISION WITH STERN SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

The Stern-Tisch BS/BFA program brings together two world-class NYU schools and offers students the opportunity to combine a film and television degree with a business degree. Students gain business and creative skills comparable to those who are enrolled in either program individually. The limited number of students accepted into the dual degree program will complete the entire requirements for both the Tisch BFA degree and the BS in Business and acquire all the skills and knowledge students normally acquire for each of those programs. The program will require 160 units instead of the 128...
### Distribution Requirements

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- An exception is Expository Writing: freshmen are required to take 8 units (two semesters); transfer students are required to take 4 units (one semester). International students complete the two-course International Writing Sequence, 8 units. Students may select any courses in the categories for which they are qualified in order to fulfill the requirement.
- Freshmen will fulfill their two required courses by taking Art and the World with Writing the Essay EXPOS-UA 5, in the fall semester and The World Through Art (ASPP-UT2), in the spring semester. Transfers who do not have an acceptable transferred course in this area will take the fall semester only.

### Curriculum

The curriculum is designed to allow the student the greatest possible flexibility in selecting a course of study suitable to their particular interests and objectives.

Courses taken to satisfy distribution requirements in Area II are generally taken in the College of Arts and Science or, depending on course content, in the Tisch School of the Arts. Electives may be taken in the Tisch School of the Arts, the College of Arts and Science, or in other divisions of New York University with the approval of the Undergraduate Division faculty. Courses in the School of Continuing and Professional Studies are not applicable to the B.F.A. degree.

The student is responsible for working out their own program with an advisor in conformance with the requirements and the student’s particular interests and objectives. Since most advanced courses in film and television have one or more prerequisites, programs of study should be planned and courses selected carefully. A total of 128 units is required for graduation. Attendance at lectures and seminars is required of all students.

### DEPARTMENTAL STANDARD

Students must earn a grade of C or better in departmental courses in order to receive credit in the major. A passing grade of C- or lower will count as elective credit.

### Double Major

Students may be able to work out a course of study that allows them to complete the requirements for a second major in another department. For example, a combined major in film and sociology would provide excellent background and training for work in documentary filmmaking. Students who wish to take advantage of this opportunity should consult with their departmental advisor and with an advisor from the second department and then file appropriate forms with the Film & TV Office of Academic Support Services. Double majors are normally completed within the usual number of semesters; however, some may require an additional semester. It should be noted, however, that students are not permitted to double major within two production majors at Tisch. Film and Television majors cannot double major with Drama, Dance, Recorded Music or Photography and Imaging.

### Transfer Credit and Minimum Residency

Credit is granted for academic work completed at another institution in accordance with University regulations as stated on page 240. Transfer students are required to be in residence at TSOA for a minimum of five semesters. Transfer credit is limited to a maximum of 56 units in the areas of general education, electives, and film history and criticism. Of the 56 units, a maximum of 8 units may be in the film history and criticism area. Courses in film or television production from other colleges or universities may be considered for elective credit only. All students must take their four core production classes as part of the Tisch UG Film and Television curriculum. Completing the five-semester requirement typically involves attending at least one summer session for 6 to 8 units. The two summer sessions offer core and craft production courses as well as scriptwriting and film history and criticism. The department requires that transfer students begin their studies during the summer, as the summer curriculum is designed for incoming transfer students to get a head start on the program requirements.
Facilities for Instruction
The facilities for the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television are located in the Warner Communications Center at 721 Broadway, as well as the Todman Center at 35 West Fourth Street.

On the ground floor of 721 Broadway there are two screening theaters devoted to classes, screenings, and lectures. On this level there is also a full-sized Teaching Soundstage supporting cinematography and sound production classes. This facility has a full lighting grid with dimmer system as well as movable and permanent sets.

On the lower level there are ten classrooms outfitted with state-of-the-art screening technology.

The 7th floor houses studio classrooms.

The 8th floor houses the animation facilities. The animation studios, which support both traditional and computer animation, include a stop-motion animation studio, Apple computer workstations, digital pencil testing systems, Cintiq workstations, and 3-D animation teaching and project labs.

The 9th floor houses administrative and faculty offices of the department and the office of the Associate Dean for Film and Television. In addition, the 9th floor houses the departmental Digital Media and Script Library with thousands of scripts, films and television shows in both analog and digital collections. On the west side of the 9th floor is the Sony Production Center housing the largest collection of film and television equipment on the East Coast, serving the curriculum for both graduate and undergraduate students.

The 10th floor houses administrative and faculty offices of the department and the main reception desk for the Graduate Division of the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television. On the south side of the 10th floor there are Post Production suites for advanced and thesis students.

The 11th floor houses administrative and faculty offices of the department and the main reception desk for the Undergraduate Division of the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television. The south side of the 11th floor houses the Post Production Center with editing labs with over one hundred Apple computer workstations for editing picture and sound, as well as a recording studio, and ADR, Mix and Foley rooms.

The 12th floor houses twin state-of-the-art television studios with multicamera set ups, multi-track sound recording, lighting grid dimmer system and permanent and moveable sets.

The Todman Center for Film and Television located at 35 West 4th Street stands as a tribute to William S. Todman, a giant of the television industry. The Todman Center is available to undergraduate and graduate film and television production students working on approved projects. The Todman Center offers casting, rehearsal and shooting rooms, as well as a 2500 square foot film and television sound stage that includes 108 channel dimmable lighting grid, a full complement of professional lighting/grip equipment, an 80'/Fx14'H white cyclorama and surrounding drapes in both black and digital green.

Ownership Policy
The creative works produced by students at the Tisch School of the Arts in fulfillment of course assignments, or as individual study projects, whether made on Tisch School of the Arts premises or elsewhere, with or without Tisch School of the Arts equipment, and with or without extra funds, are subject to certain restrictions until the educational experience associated with such works has been completed. These restrictions are spelled out in the Ownership Policy section on page 261.

Laboratory/Equipment and Insurance Fees
The department charges nonrefundable laboratory/equipment, projection, and insurance fees each semester, including the summer, to all students in the department regardless of course selection and regardless of enrollment status (i.e., full time or part time) based solely on their status as Film & TV majors. This is done to spread the cost of insuring and supplying students over their stay in the department. Special students and students from other departments and schools are also assessed the fees when registered for relevant courses in the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television. These fees must be paid at the time of registration and are subject to yearly increase. In addition, the department requires students to purchase insurance coverage for NYU equipment that will be used on location. This insurance also covers the students’ personal property, such as laptop computers and photographic equipment. This can be purchased at a modest price and students can find more information at this link: www.collegestudentinsurance.com.

During the summer, the nonrefundable laboratory/equipment, projection, and insurance fees are assessed for each production class for which a student is registered.

Liability Insurance for Production: All students enrolled in Kanbar Institute of Film and Television production classes are required to participate in the school’s liability insurance program at a modest cost (through the laboratory/equipment, projection, and insurance fees). In addition, all students who are engaged in production are required to file all necessary insurance paperwork with the NYU Department of Insurance and Risk Management before working with any third party, such as a shoot location or equipment rental house. Information about this insurance program is published in the students’ Film and TV Production Handbook, and will also be disseminated to them in class.

Special and Part-Time Students
The department does not accept part-time or non-matriculating (“special”) students. Such students should consider enrolling in the department’s summer program, which is open to special students.

Information about the Spring at Tisch or Summer at Tisch programs can be obtained from the Tisch School of the Arts Special Programs Office, New York University, 721 Broadway, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10003-6807; 212-998-1500; https://tisch.nyu.edu/special-programs. Under exceptional circumstances, students may be admitted during the academic year to follow a carefully specified course of study. Nonrefundable lab and insurance fees apply to these special and part-time students as well as to students matriculated in the Undergraduate Division of the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television. The lab and insurance fees are payable with the
tuition at the time of registration. Any New York University student who is not matriculated in the Undergraduate Division of the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television must apply to take a Film and TV course through the non-major enrollment process. These students should consult with their advisor regarding course choices.

## Faculty

A listing of faculty from the Undergraduate Division, Kanbar Institute of Film and Television is below. For full biographies on departmental faculty, visit [www.tisch.nyu.edu](http://www.tisch.nyu.edu)

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The following represents the curriculum at the time of publication of the bulletin. Please consult the department for the most current schedule.

**THE FRESHMAN PROGRAM: CORE PRODUCTION COURSES**

**FRAME AND SEQUENCE**  
FMTV-UT 39  
Course Level: Introductory. 4 units.  
Frame and Sequence is a core production course, taken as a complement to Sound Image in preparation for Sight and Sound. It examines the creative and practical choices that contribute to lens-based narrative expression. Initial sessions consider camera operation and the still frame. Storyboards and narrative sequences are introduced and assignments become more complex as the semester progresses. Through individual and collaborative exercises, students develop an understanding of the camera, lenses, and light meters and shot progressions as they transport the viewer through the time, space and action of their stories.

Students are introduced to the creative protocols of post-production, including the addition of sound, using Photoshop and non-linear editing software. Each student completes a simple narrative, an experimental project and a crew-based documentary, along with a final project with the option of shooting video. Students will be directly or indirectly involved with approximately forty original productions rendered as Quicktime videos.

Students are expected to develop ideas and meaningful content through initial scripts and storyboards. Projects are reviewed in class at all stages of pre and post-production, where the critique is an essential learning tool. Key topics are: story and dramatic structure, casting, location, lighting and exposure, optical perspective, shot progressions, sound design, crew protocols and safety considerations. Shared digital SLR cameras, light meters and basic lighting and sound recording equipment are provided.

**INTRODUCTION TO ANIMATION TECHNIQUES**  
FMTV-UT 41  
Course Level: Introductory. 4 units.  
A beginning production course in which students learn the basic principles of animation, develop visual language, storytelling, observation, and communication skills. A freshman core production selection, but open to students at all levels. It is the prerequisite for several of the other animation and visual effects courses. Prior drawing experience is not necessary.

The first half of the semester consists of weekly exercises in which students explore various styles and methods of animation including optical toys, stop motion, traditional drawn, and 2D digital animation. Students will be introduced to programs including Dragon Stop Motion, After Effects, Avid, Flash, and Photoshop. Various technical topics covered include aspect ratio, frame rates, storyboarding, editing animation, scanning, working with image sequences, alpha channels, vector versus raster art, compositing, rendering, using a Cintiq, and shooting stills with DSLR camera. During the second half of the semester students will complete a 15-30 second animatedfilm with sound.

**SOUND IMAGE**  
FMTV-UT 48  
Course Level: Introductory. 4 units.  
Required of all freshmen. Lab required. A fundamental-level core production workshop introducing the world of sound in film, television, and other audio/visual media. Students will explore through individual and group projects of increasing complexity and sophistication the art of storytelling in the sound medium. Laboratory periods are designed to provide a wide variety of sound recording experiences both on location and in studio. Specific production techniques such as live recording, mixing, and editing will be stressed. Lectures focus on the theories of basic acoustics and audio electronics, the aesthetics of sound design, and the development of critical listening skills.

**THE FRESHMAN PROGRAM: CRAFT PRODUCTION COURSES**

**FRESHMAN COLLOQUIUM: ART & PRACTICE**  
FMTV-UT 49  
Course Level: Introductory. 2 units.  
Art and Practice surveys the intersecting creative, craft and critical traditions that inform contemporary media production. Lectures will incorporate a range of presentations that explore animation, documentary, television, cinematography, post-production, directing, audio and screenwriting from an aesthetic, practical and cultural perspective. This class is intended to further ground students in the programmatic opportunities that exist for them in Undergraduate Film & Television. Several sessions will focus directly on production protocols, with an emphasis on safety, organizational roles and the development of professional and ethical performance standards. Selected lectures will feature guest faculty, industry professionals and alumni.

**THE FRESHMAN PROGRAM: WRITING COURSE**

**STORYTELLING STRATEGIES**  
FMTV-UT 20  
Course Level: Freshman. 4 units.  
The ability to understand “what makes a good story well told” is a skill that is crucial to your growth as a filmmaker whether you become a writer, director, producer, actor, editor, cinematographer, etc. Storytelling Strategies looks at how narrative stories work through an examination of the structural and mythic elements first established by the ancient Greek playwrights and recognized by Aristotle in his “Poetics” thousands of years ago. The course continues this examination up to and including such contemporary story models as Joseph Campbell’s “The Hero with a Thousand Faces” as well as the current Hollywood paradigm, “the three-act structure.” We will seek to find those principles that...
form the backbone of successful narrative screenplays and contribute to a film’s ability to resonate with an audience. The lecture is for analysis. The recitations are for applying what you have learned, through writing exercises and a completed short screenplay.

THE FRESHMAN PROGRAM: HISTORY AND CRITICISM COURSE

LANGUAGE OF FILM
FMTV-UT 4
Course level: Introductory. 4 units. Students must also register for one recitation.

Required of all freshmen. Recommended for transfers without previous exposure to film studies. Language of Film is an introduction to the craft, history and theory of filmmaking and film-watching. The main challenge facing all filmmakers is to show the story: in other words, to visualize the drama. Over the past century, narrative, experimental and documentary filmmakers have developed a variety of creative strategies and techniques designed to give their audiences compelling, multi-sensory experiences. The goal of this class is to explore how filmmakers in different historical and cultural settings have contributed to the evolution of film as a powerful, complex and captivating art form.

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FRESHMAN COLLOQUIUM: PERFORMANCE STRATEGIES
FMTV-UT 46
Course level: Introductory. 2 units. Students must also register for one recitation.

This is a required course for all freshmen enrolled in Sound Image (FMTV-UT 48). This is a graded course designed as an introduction to the language and culture of acting and to the nature of the relationship between director and performance. It is intended as a complementary class with Storytelling Strategies. By the end of the semester, students should understand something of the history and culture of schools of acting, comprehend a basic vocabulary of the actor and feel confident with the casting and rehearsal process (including “organic blocking”). Students should attain a basic working knowledge of all areas of creative interpretation including script analysis and orchestrating performance. They should be equipped to talk to actors using accepted vocabulary and be able to stimulate the creation of vital, memorable performances for the screen.

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PRE-PRODUCTION COLLOQUIUM
FMTV-UT 59
Course level: Fundamental. 1 unit.
Note: This course should be taken the semester PRIOR to enrolling in any intermediate level core production course (typically, this would be in the same semester as the second Sight & Sound class).

This colloquium is designed to address issues related to the preparation of Intermediate level production classes including Intermediate Narrative Workshop, Documentary Workshop, Experimental Workshop, and Intermediate Television. In the presentation of pre-production issues, it is the design of the class to make the screenwriting process all the more focused on the real production parameters of each class. Topics to be covered include: screenplay format, script breakdowns, casting, crewing, rehearsals, scouting, paperwork and funding. As with all colloquia, this class is also an opportunity for students to network and learn about departmental events as a group.

POST-PRODUCTION COLLOQUIUM
FMTV-UT 60
Course level: Intermediate. 1 unit.
Note: This course should be taken DURING the semester you are enrolled in any intermediate-level core production course other than FMTV-UT 1040, Intermediate Narrative Production. Students taking FMTV-UT 1040 will be automatically enrolled in an equivalent Post Lecture as a component part of their production class.

This colloquium will introduce the students to film production and the post-production and production influence the post-production process. It will chart the workflow of digital post-production from the ingest of digital dailies through rough cut, fine cut, ADR & Foley, sound editing, musical scoring, audio mixing and final mastering. Students will learn proper slating and set protocols and gain a basic working knowledge of frame rates and digital formats. Editing techniques and the uses of coverage will be deconstructed through film clips and discussion. Guest speakers from the industry will exemplify key roles such as script supervisor, sound editor, and composer. Students from previous semesters will screen their films and reveal lessons learned in the editing room. There will be assigned readings and a series of handouts including production to post-production flow charts, camera and sound reports, sample lined scripts and continuity reports, which students can keep for future reference.

PRODUCTION SAFETY AND SET PROTOCOL
FMTV-UT 101
1 point. Note: This course is mandatory and part of the required curriculum.

The purpose of this class is to enhance the artistic, collaborative experience of filmmaking by exposing students to the various skill sets and techniques used in film and television productions, and to familiarize them with the industry’s standard of best practices. Learning these basic “nuts and bolts” not only enhances safety and productivity, it enhances our artistic purpose. It gives the Director the time he/she needs to get that extra take, or the additional coverage the editor needs to convey the Director’s creative vision.

Through a series of lectures, assignments, demonstrations, and hands-on exercises, students will become familiar with the many tools used in physical production, with the goal of fostering
their creative vision in a safe and healthful workplace that is both professional and productive.

**SENIOR COLLOQUIUM**

FMTV-UT 1057  
Course Level: Advanced. 1 unit.  
Course is to be taken as a component of all advanced-level core production classes—mandatory!  
This course is for ALL seniors, especially those enrolled in senior level production courses. The Senior Colloquium is a series of lectures designed to assist the graduating NYU student in the transition from academia to the professional world. Guest speakers (including some recent NYU graduates) will cover a myriad of topics, including working with professional actors, set procedure, copyright, and grant writing, festivals, commercials, digital technology, and pitching stories. January graduates should register for the fall section and May and September graduates should register for the spring section. Note: If a student finds that registering for the senior colloquium will bring his/her total credits for the semester to 19, please consult with the Film & TV Office of Academic Support Services.

**CRAFT COURSES IN ACTING AND DIRECTING**

**THE DIRECTOR’S PROCESS**

FMTV-UT 125  
Course Level: Fundamental. 3 units.  
Prerequisite: Performance Strategies (FMTV-UT 46). OR Performance Strategies for Transfer Students (FMTV-UT 146) AND one Sight & Sound course.  
This class is an introduction to the craft of directing. We will take a step-by-step look at the director’s process and responsibilities in this most collaborative of arts. Our focus will include script, character and scene analysis; performance, casting and rehearsal; design and visual style; assembling the final form. We’ll talk about what an actor wants from a director, how to talk to the cinematographer and production/costume designers and why we look at editing as the final rewrite. Through lectures, screenings, assignments and discussions with working professionals, the class will offer a comprehensive foundation for the director on which to build a rich creative experience at Tisch and a long and satisfying professional career thereafter.

**PERFORMANCE STRATEGIES FOR TRANSFERS**

FMTV-UT 146  
Course Level: Fundamental. 3 units.  
This course is designed to provide students with an introduction to the language and culture of acting and to the nature of the relationship between director and performance. By the end of the semester, students should understand something of the history and culture of schools of acting, comprehend a basic vocabulary of the actor and feel confident with the casting and rehearsal process (including ‘organic blocking’ leading to ‘coverage’). They should have attained a basic working knowledge of all areas of creative intent—script interpretation, performance, visual and aural environments. They should be equipped to talk to actors using accepted language and be able to stimulate the creation of vital, memorable performances on the screen.

**DIRECTING THE ACTOR**

FMTV-UT 1024  
Course Level: Fundamental. 3 units.  
Prerequisites: Freshman Colloquium: Performance Strategies (FMTV-UT 46), OR Performance Strategies for Transfer Students (FMTV-UT 146).  
This course is a practical exploration of basic elements of the actor’s craft: methods of approach to material, terminology, use of self in relation to character and situation, and working relationship with director.

**DIRECTING THE CAMERA**

FMTV-UT 1070  
Course Level: Advanced. 3 units.  
Prerequisite: Directing the Actor  
This is a practical craft workshop that demonstrates certain techniques. A practical workshop in the fundamentals of directing, this course explores the working relationship between actor, director, and script. The focus lies in the director’s work with analyzing a script and collaborating on its realization with actors. Work is done on film scenes with professional or student actors on the rehearsal process, including improvisational work. Review of actor’s tools and discussion of their application is included, as well as scenes from films to demonstrate certain techniques.

**INTRODUCTION TO ANIMATION TECHNIQUES**

FMTV-UT 41  
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The first half of the semester consists of weekly exercises in which students explore various styles and methods of animation including optical toys, stop motion, traditional drawn, and 2D digital animation. Students will be introduced to programs including Dragon Stop Motion, After Effects, Avid, Flash, and Photoshop. Various technical topics covered include aspect ratio, frame rates, storyboard, editing animatics, scanning, working with image sequences, alpha channels, vector vs. raster art, compositing, rendering, using a Cintiq, and shooting stills with DSLR camera. During the second half of the semester students will complete a 15-20 second animated film with sound.
of the phenomena of persistence of vision in the context of moving pictures. A wide range of work will be presented in screenings, trips to galleries, guests and on line. The spirit of experimentation, trusting your "what ifs" and how to learn and apply the results of experiments in the creation of finished works will be pursued throughout the class. There will be weekly assignments and in class review of the results. How to structure an experimental film, the use of sound as well as display and distribution mechanisms will also be discussed. Students are expected to complete all assignments and create a two to three minute "experimental" animation by the end of the semester.

**INTERMEDIATE ANIMATION PRODUCTION**

**FMTV-UT 1329**

**Course Level:** Intermediate. 4 units.

**Prerequisites:** Intro to Animation Techniques (FMTV-UT 41) 1 Sigs & Sound course, AND Action Analysis I. Must have taken Production Safety & Set Protocol (FMTV-UT 101).

An intensive intermediate production class exploring "personality" animation and "thinking" characters who express emotions. Analysis of live-action and animated films frame-by-frame. By semester's end, students produce a 30-second film or video using 3-D and/or 2-D techniques incorporating principles of personality animation. Students gain experience in all phases of animation production, i.e. concepts, storyboards, layouts, exposure sheets, lip sync, test animation, inbetweening, animation, sound, etc.

**ADVANCED ANIMATION PRODUCTION**

**FMTV-UT 1342**

**Course Level:** Advanced. 4 units.

**Prerequisites:** Storyboarding (FMTV-UT 1032) Action Analysis I (FMTV-UT 1328) Intermediate Animation Production (FMTV-UT 1329) OR Experimental Animation (FMTV-UT 1146), Production Safety (FMTV-UT 101).

A one-year (two semester) course in which a finished animated moving picture with sync soundtrack is required. Advanced Animation is designed to meet individual problems in concept and technique. Use of varied equipment, mixed media techniques, and a personal approach to content is encouraged. An opportunity to work closely with the instructor as well as meet and consult with other professional animators for criticism and advice. Individual development is stressed.

**ADVANCED 3D COMPUTER ANIMATION WORKSHOP**

**FMTV-UT 1350 & 1351**

(FMTV-UT 1350, Fall Semester) (FMTV-UT 1351, Spring Semester) **Course Level:** Advanced. 4 units.

**Prerequisites:** At least one "Spatial Topics in 3D" course, or by permission of instructor.

A collaborative, one-year (two-semester) core production course in which students will work in teams to complete at least one 3D animated film with sync soundtrack in time for the Spring Animation Showcase at the end of the spring semester. Modeled after real-world 3D animation studios, Advanced 3D Animation Production will expose students to tried-and-true 3D production practices by breaking the work down as if by department. Students will have numerous opportunities to hone and expand their 3D, compositing, audio, design and story skills and gain valuable production experience while creatively contributing to a polished 3D short that will showcase their talents and look great on their reels.

**CRAFT PRODUCTION COURSES IN ANIMATION**

**STOP-MOTION ANIMATION**

**FMTV-UT 214**

**Course Level:** Intermediate/Advanced. 3 units. **Prerequisite:** Intro to Animation Techniques (FMTV-UT 41)

Includes all techniques in which the animator works directly in front of the camera. Examples include: Claymation, puppet animation, paint under the camera, in-camera special effects, and pixilation. Demonstrations on character building, set construction, and design, armatures, and lighting for miniature. Several short assignments are required to introduce students to intricacies of stop-motion animation and relationship to 3-D computer animation. Each student will produce a short film with sound.

**STORYBOARDING**

**FMTV-UT 1033**

**Course Level:** Intermediate. 3 units. **Recommended for both animation and live action students.**

Students will create a storyboard from an assigned literary property (i.e., fairy tales, folk tales, famous short stories, etc.) and research the chosen material visually in picture libraries, print and photo archives, museum/gallery libraries and online. From this basic research, the student will create and develop all the visual elements that lead to a final production storyboard; these elements include character model drawings; styling sketches for costumes and sets; experimental "inspirational" sketches exploring mood, color, and character relationships and experiments in animation and color test footage. Each week, students will "pitch," (i.e. present material) as it is being developed. Through weekly critiques from the instructor and students, elements and shape of the production storyboard is refined to its final form. The approved storyboard at the end of the semester should be ready to go into production, and must reflect character attitude, design, entertainment, mood, expressions, feeling and type of action.

**MOTION DESIGN & TITLES**

**FMTV-UT 1042**

**Course Level:** Intermediate. 3 units. **Prerequisite:** Intro to Animation Techniques (FMTV-UT 41) or permission of the instructor.

This class assumes that the student has an understanding of animation and a pre-existing knowledge of Photosh ip. Students will learn the art of titling and compositing using Adobe After Effects software in conjunction with other digital tools. The class will explore the possibilities of utilizing the computer to create compelling motion graphics and compositions. Assignments can include titling or special effects for an existing project or students can create a new project using digital images created in class.

**3D COMPUTER ANIMATION WORKSHOP**

**FMTV-UT 1104**

**Offered in the summer only.**

**Course Level:** Introductory/Fundamental. 3 units. **Recommended for both animation and live action students.**

This is an introductory course to the fundamentals of 3D computer animation. Through in-depth discussions and hands-on assignments, students will gain a thorough beginner’s understanding of the 3D production process. Using industry-leading Autodesk Maya running on high-end Mac Pro workstations, students will learn the basics of modeling and proceed through UV layout, texturing, rigging, animation, lighting and final render. At the end of the class students will have completed a series of exercises that will culminate in a final scene that showcases all they learned.
INTRODUCTION TO 3-D COMPUTER ANIMATION
FMTV-UT 1110
Course Level: Introductory/Fundamental. 3 units. Recommended for both animation and live action students.

This introductory course to the fundamentals of 3D computer animation. Through in-depth discussions and hands-on assignments, students will gain a thorough understanding of the 3D production process. Using industry-leading Autodesk Maya software running on high-end Mac Pro workstations, students will learn the basics of modeling and proceed through UV layout, texturing, rigging, animation, lighting, and final render. At the end of the semester, students will complete a series of exercises that will culminate in a show reel that highlights all they learned.

LIFE DRAWING: THE FIGURE
FMTV-UT 1112
Course Level: Introductory/Fundamental. 3 units.

This course is designed to train animation students to think visually and to strengthen their overall drafting and design skills. The focus of the course is drawing humans and animals from live subjects, thereby learning to translate the three-dimensional world into two-dimensional terms. Drafting skills are important to all animators, regardless of their chosen media or focus. In particular, strong drafting skills are essential for character animators. (Can be taken during same semester as Life Drawing Anatomy—emphasis is on anatomy in Life Drawing: The Figure, whereas emphasis is on anatomy in Life Drawing: Anatomy.)

SPECIAL TOPICS IN 3D COMPUTER ANIMATION
FMTV-UT 1113
Course Level: Intermediate. 3 units. Prerequisite: Introduction to 3D Computer Animation (FMTV-UT 1110)

This course is perfect for students looking to further their 3D skillset and deepen their understanding of the many interrelated facets of 3D production, primarily using industry-leading Autodesk Maya software. Each semester new topics will be featured and thoroughly explored, providing students the opportunity to concentrate on areas of particular interest, such as animation, game asset creation, dynamic simulations, and photorealistic lighting/rendering. Students will complete the course with a deeper understanding of the subject matter and the ability to apply this knowledge in the digital realm to create final works with added depth and realism. Homework assignments will be project-based, with most models, rigs, and sets supplied by the instructor, and a final project will be due at the end of the semester.

ANIMATION: FROM PITCHING TO PIPELINE TO PRODUCTION
FMTV-UT 1116
Course Level: Introductory/Fundamental 3 units. Prerequisite: Intro to Animation Techniques (FMTV-UT 41) or Action Analysis I (FMTV-UT 1328).

Recommended for both animation and live action students. This course is an ideal next step for students who have completed Introduction to Animation Techniques, students who are preparing to go into production-level animation courses such as: Stop Motion, Intermediate Animation, Advanced Animation, and is also suitable for students who would like to start a path in motion graphics and visual effects, or students who would like to spend the rest of the semester developing an idea for animation. This course covers a fundamental animation production pipeline (workflow) for producing an animated film from start to finish. The first half of the semester focuses on visual development for pitching a project by creating a set of style frames, mood boards, and storyboards. The second half of the semester is devoted to creating a motion test for the developed idea. Software used in the class includes: Adobe InDesign, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, and Adobe After Effects. This class can be a development opportunity for future projects in Stop Motion, 3D Animation and Experimental Animation Techniques.

VISUAL EFFECTS AND COMPOSITING
FMTV-UT 1143
Course Level: Introductory. 3 units. Prerequisite: Intro to Animation Techniques (FMTV-UT 41).

A lecture and workshop course exploring the applications and practical creation of 2-D (green screen, color correction, morphing, etc.) and 3-D (CGI, animation, virtual sets, etc.) visual effects. Students will learn the art and technique of illusion, how to manipulate images and elements combining them seamlessly and photo-realistically, and how to use these techniques in their films.

LIFE DRAWING: ANATOMY
FMTV-UT 1312
Course Level: Advanced. 3 units.

This course offers detailed lectures and sketching from the model; including studies of "anatomical landmarks" of human and animal anatomy, proportion, and portraiture. Development of each student's drafting skills through the study of anatomy of the live model. (Can be taken during same semester as Life Drawing: The Figure—emphasis is on anatomy in Life Drawing: Anatomy, whereas emphasis is on drawing in Life Drawing: The Figure.)

DRAWING AND DESIGN FOR ANIMATION
FMTV-UT 1313
Course Level: Intermediate. 3 units. Recommended for both animation and live action students.

This course offers students an opportunity to increase their technical proficiency and, more importantly, develop stylistic and creative channels for dealing with common drawing problems. In animation, drawing is not simply seeing. It is thinking and, when successful, doing so on a deep level. The class includes one, two and three point perspective, figure drawing, character rotations, drawing exercises related to fine artists (Picasso, Matisse, Giacometti, etc.), use of tones, continuity sketches, layouts, animation.

ACTION ANALYSIS I
FMTV-UT 1328
Course Level: Intermediate/Advanced. 3 units. Recommended for both animation and live action students.

The key principles and mechanics of animation motion, including timing, spacing, staging an image for clarity, imparting a feeling of weight in animation graphics and characters, etc. Live-action and animated films are studied frame by frame; live models (i.e., a dancer and an actor) pose and perform various actions which students visualize and break them down into drawings, and an analysis of the movements. Students shoot test animation exercises (i.e., the bouncing ball) onto video for class criticism. This course is based on the intensive studies done in the 1930’s at the Walt Disney Studio for the purpose of improving their animated films. “I definitely feel,” Disney wrote in 1935, “that we cannot do the fantastic things, based on the real, unless we first know the real.”
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ACTION ANALYSIS II
FMTV-UT 1327
Course Level: Intermediate. 3 units.
Prerequisite: Action Analysis I (FMTV-UT 1328) or permission of instructor.
An intensive intermediate craft class exploring “personality” animation: creating characters that think and express emotions. Students analyze scenes in live action and animated films, including performances in drama, classical and modern dance, mime, opera, musical comedy, etc. and principles of communication in fine art painting, popular illustration, photographs, advertising, and modern/experimental artworks, etc. Each week students present for classroom critiques homework assignments, e.g., rough tests of animated characters endowed with a thought-process and emotions.

CRAFT PRODUCTION COURSES IN CAMERA AND ART DIRECTION

CINEMATOGRAPHY

CINEMATOGRAPHY
FMTV-UT 1062
Course Level: Intermediate. 3 units.
Prerequisite: Camera I: (FMTV-UT 1065).
Students shoot light exercises on 16mm and Super 16 with assistance and criticism from the instructor. The students in this class work with Advanced Sound students on the creative application of lighting and all students will get to shoot at least one day.

SCIENCE OF CINEMATOGRAPHY

(FOREIGN EDUCATION—SCIENCE)
FMTV-UT 1063
Offered in the Spring semester only. Course Level: Intermediate. 4 units.
Prerequisite: Camera II: Applied Cinematography (FMTV-UT 1066).
This course provides the theoretical and practical scientific foundations of cinematography. The semester begins with a theoretical component that surveys light, optics, color science and the psychology and physiology of human vision. These topics, are the practical component of the semester where students design and execute resolution, colorimetry and sensitometry tests. The class discusses science in the context of both analog and digital mediums, and assumes a basic knowledge of physics, as well as algebra.

ELECTRONIC CINEMATOGRAPHY
FMTV-UT 1064
Offered in the spring semester only. Course Level: Intermediate. 3 units.
Prerequisite: Camera II: Applied Cinematography (FMTV-UT 1066) and completion of 30 units.
A hands on camera craft class designed to give you the knowledge and skills to navigate today’s electronic media. You will explore and master complex digital equipment, software and workflows while also deepening your understanding of classical cinematography. Systems explored will include: Sony PMW-F5, Red Camera systems, Arri Alexa Camera Systems, Vision Research Phantom Cameras, Davinci Color Correction.

CAMERA I: PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES OF CINEMATOGRAPHY
FMTV-UT 1065
Course Level: Fundamental. 3 units.
Prerequisites: Sight & Sound: Filmmaking (FMTV-UT 43) and completion of 30 units.
This course assumes the successful completion of Fundamentals of Sight & Sound Filmmaking. Camera I is an introductory course that explores the basic technical knowledge and skill sets involved with the craft of cinematography. The goal is to acquire basic technical skills in digital and photochemical color theory, electricity, lighting design, exposure, coverage and cinematography science. Students will collectively shoot class exercises rather than work individually as a Director of Photography. This class is a combination of theory/science and shooting exercises throughout the semester, which are interspersed.

CAMERA II: APPLIED CINEMATOGRAPHY
FMTV-UT 1066
Course Level: Intermediate/Advanced. 3 units. Prerequisite: Camera I: (FMTV-UT 1065)
Designed for the advanced cinematography student. This is a practical application course where students who excel in cinematography have the opportunity to take their theoretical knowledge and apply it to interior lighting and set design. All students are expected to formulate their own exercises for their shoot day, culminating in a presentation to the class. This class shoots in 35mm motion picture color negative film and the Sony PMW-F5 for 8 weeks. Crew participation and professional attitude are essential to the success of this course.

CAMERA III: CINEMATOGRAPHY FOR ADVANCED PRODUCTION
FMTV-UT 1067
Course Level: Advanced. 3 units.
Prerequisite: Camera II (FMTV-UT 1066).
This course is intended for Cinematography students who will be the Director of Photography on at least one Advanced level core production course. The class will prepare and guide the cinematography students through the preproduction process of an advanced film or video. The objective is for the student to design the lighting plan, complete all location plans, distribution of electricity, equipment lists and to test any special cinematography issues that are needed for the look of the film or video. Camera students who take this class are eligible for the Kodak Product Grant only if they are the cinematographers of the Advanced level core productions. Note: This class is not for Directors of Advanced Production or Narrative Production Film!

ART DIRECTION

FMTV-UT 1048
Course Level: Introductory. 3 units.
Prerequisite: Sophomore level and up.
Art Direction is one of the more complicated aspects of film and television making. If the director is responsible for the actors, the cinematographer the camera and light, then the art director is responsible for everything else in the frame. The art director is the person ultimately responsible for the overall “look” of the picture. They must be able to work in tandem with the director, the director of photography, and the budget. The art director strives to fulfill the director’s vision of the piece, but must do so economically. The art director scrutinizes the script carefully and, in conjunction with the director, arrives at a visual plan for the picture. A comprehensive class in the process involved in art direction, students will also produce designs through exercises.

INTRODUCTION TO SPECIAL EFFECTS MAKEUP
FMTV-UT 1083
Summer only. Offered through TSOA Special Programs Office during Fall/Spring under O/ART-UT 14. Course Level: Introductory/Fundamental. 3 units.
This is an introductory level hands-on workshop designed for students wishing to develop their artistry, experienced make-up artists seeking advanced techniques, non-make-up artists just starting out, and anyone who has always wondered “how’d they do that?” This course
explores the art of special effects make-up. Topics include anatomical reference; visualizing an effect; lighting for make-up; safety using materials; sculpting, molding and applying silicone prosthetics; designing and creating a creature concept maquette; skin safe molding procedures; creating replica props; “out-of-kit” make-up effects including bruises, black eyes, blood, scabs, scars, wounds, burns, and decayed flesh; creating a latex prosthetic mask. Students receive a make-up kit specially designed with all materials necessary to complete in-class projects. No artistic background required.

**CORE COURSES IN PRODUCTION: FRESHMEN**

**FRAME AND SEQUENCE**
FM TV-UT 39  
*See the Freshman Program: Core Production Courses listing for details.*

**SOUND IMAGE**
FM TV-UT 48  
*See the Freshman Program: Core Production Courses listing for details.*

**INTRODUCTION TO ANIMATION TECHNIQUES**
FM TV-UT 41  
*See the Core Production Courses in Animation listing for details.*

**CORE COURSES IN PRODUCTION: FILM**

**SIGHT AND SOUND: FILMMAKING**
FM TV-UT 43  
*Course Level: Fundamental. 6 units.  
Prerequisites: Sophomore status. Students should not schedule any other course on the same days as Sight & Sound. Sophomore-level students are required to take this course as a prerequisite for any upper-level film production courses. This is an all-day class and students are expected to be available for lab.  
Every student will conceive, produce, direct and edit five short projects (3 silent and 2 with sound) using digital filmmaking technology. Working in crews of four, students will produce a variety of specific assignments in visual storytelling that feature a broad spectrum of technical, aesthetic, craft and logistical problems to be solved. Collaborating with other students through rotating crew positions will be a central focus of all production work.  
Lectures, labs, critiques, technical seminars, screenings and written production books will be an important component of this class. All student work is screened and discussed in class.*

**INTERMEDIATE NARRATIVE PRODUCTION WORKSHOP**
FM TV-UT 1040  
*Course Level: Intermediate. 6 units.  
Prerequisites: Sight & Sound: Filmmaking (FM TV-UT 43) AND Sight & Sound: Studio (FM TV-UT 51) OR Sight & Sound: Documentary (FM TV-UT 80) AND Production Safety & Set Protocol (FM TV-UT 101). It is strongly recommended that you enroll in Post-Production Colloquium, FM TV-UT 60. 1 unit, in the same semester that you enroll in any intermediate-level core production course such as Intermediate Narrative Production.  
Intermediate Narrative Production is an intensive production course designed to further develop filmmaking skills in the production of a short narrative film, with sync sound (maximum running time of 8 minutes, including credits). Students should enter the class with a short script (maximum 8 pages). Students enrolled in Intermediate Narrative Workshop will have the opportunity to learn skills that are necessary for the production and post-production of a short “dialogue” project. Lecture topics will be focused on scene structure, script breakdowns, coverage techniques and production logistics. Students will gain practical experience with budgeting, casting, running a professional set, dialogue editing, and working in a variety of crew positions. Students must complete principal photography by the end of the semester. Students are encouraged to edit their work in the Intermediate Edit Workshop (FM TV-UT 1018) the following semester. Work outside of the class will be time-consuming, an students should be conscious of this when designing their schedules.*

**ADVANCED PRODUCTION WORKSHOP I AND II**
FM TV-UT 1053, 1054  
*Course Level: Advanced. 4 units each semester.  
This is a year-long course; you must register for the second semester if you receive an allotment.  
Prerequisites: One course at the intermediate workshop level, and Production Safety (FM TV-UT 101). Students wishing to direct are advised to speak with the instructor before registering for a particular section to ensure that they are prepared for the demands of this advanced course. Students interested in working as principal crew members (i.e., producers, cinematographers, editors, sound-mixers, production designers, etc.) are encouraged to enroll with their respective director(s).*

This workshop is a year-long advanced-level production course exploring the short form, in which each class will produce up to twelve short films (maximum length per film is 20 minutes). All aspects of production are viewed as a creative extension and continuation of the filmmaking process. Students intending to direct a film in this class must have completed an intermediate-level workshop, and must present a film cut of their intermediate film with mixed sound before the film can be considered for a film production allotment in this course. It is also recommended that students come into the class with a producer attached to the project. Students can also enroll and receive credit serving as producers, DP’s, or other key crew positions. Students must be ready to present a completed script, in proper screenplay format, at the beginning of the semester. It does not have to be written by the director. Scripts will be discussed in class in a workshop environment. Selected projects will be chosen towards the end of the semester. NOTE: Films produced for Advanced Film Production Workshop will not be eligible for awards in the First Run Film Festival if they are longer than 20 minutes, including titles. All films produced in Advanced Production Workshop will be screened if entered in the First Run Film Festival, but films longer than 20 minutes will not be judged.

**INTERMEDIATE PRODUCTION: SHORT COMMERCIAL FORMS**
FM TV-UT 1246  
*Course Level: Intermediate. 4 units.  
Prerequisites: Must have taken Sight & Sound: Filmmaking (FM TV-UT 43) AND Sight & Sound: Studio (FM TV-UT 51) OR Sight & Sound: Documentary (FM TV-UT 80).  
An intensive production course for students interested in exploring the creative and commercial aspects of producing & directing TV commercials, music videos and branded entertainment. As screen sizes decrease, opportunities have increased for emerging technologies to facilitate the production and distribution of both long and short form video, video
and animation based projects. Students produce work that results in a series of final projects to live on a class Vimeo page, and will serve as the basis of their own demo reel. Each student conceives, pitches and directs 3 main short form projects, varying in length from 30 seconds to 5 minutes. Industry guest speakers visit the class and field trips are taken to NY production facilities.

NARRATIVE WORKSHOP
FMTV-UT 1245
Course Level: Advanced. 4 units.
Prerequisites: Any intermediate-level core production class, and Production Safety.
It is recommended that you enroll in Senior Colloquium (FMTV-UT 1057) in the semester that you are enrolled in an advanced level CORE production course. This workshop is a practical course exploring the short form in which each class will produce up to ten short films (maximum length per film is 15 minutes). All aspects of production are viewed as a creative extension and continuation of the film writing, directing, and producing processes. Students interested in directing a film in this class must be prepared to submit a script at the first class of the term, and are required to submit a copy of their intermediate-level project for review. It is recommended that they come into the class with a producer attached to the project. Students can enroll and receive credit as producers, DPs, or other key crew positions. Note: Films produced for Narrative Workshop will not be eligible for awards in the First Run Film Festival if they are longer than 15 minutes, including titles. All films produced in Narrative will be screened if entered in the First Run Festival, but those films longer than 15 minutes will not be judged.

CORE COURSES IN PRODUCTION: TELEVISION
SIGHT AND SOUND: STUDIO
FMTV-UT 51
Course Level: Fundamental. 6 units.
Prerequisite: Sophomore status.
Sophomore-level students are required to take this following course as a prerequisite for any upper-level video/television production course. NOTE: Students should not schedule other courses on the same days as Sight & Sound. The course provides an in-depth exploration of the creative capabilities (technical, logistical, aesthetic) of producing narrative-based studio production work in a multiple camera television studio environment. Students will be trained in working with actors and learning how to connect script and performance to the production of four short studio based projects (each of increasing complexity). Students will have the opportunity to develop a single idea into a full-scale production that will be produced “live” in the studio at the end of the semester. The fundamental skills learned in this class (script, performance, lighting, camera, art direction, coverage) will serve as a foundation for all narrative-, experimental-, and documentary-based production work and will be applicable in classes. Note: some casting and rehearsals will need to be undertaken outside of class.

INTERMEDIATE TV PRODUCTION: TV BOOTCAMP
FMTV-UT 1076
Course Level: Intermediate 4 units.
Prerequisites: Sight & Sound: Studio AND Sight & Sound: Filmmaking (FMTV-UT 43) OR Sight & Sound: Documentary AND Production Safety & Set Protocol 0 (FMTV-UT 101).
The goal of this course is to write and produce 2 five-episode series, each episode no more than five minutes in length. This one-semester course is an intermediate writing and production class, modeled on the practices and procedures of episodic scripted television. It explores the relationship between the showrunner, the writers’ room and the production team, where writing and production must function concurrently, a phenomenon that is unique to episodic television. It is to be shot single-camera either in studio on location or both. This class will provide a pipeline for students wishing to cultivate their television craft skills and it will serve as an incubator for concepts that may be developed to greater length in Advanced Television.

INTERMEDIATE TELEVISION WORKSHOP
FMTV-UT 1077
Course Level: Intermediate. 4 units.
Prerequisites: Sight & Sound: Studio (FMTV-UT 51) AND one other Sight & Sound-level course, AND Production Safety & Set Protocol (FMTV-UT 101).
A continuation of the studio television experience begun in Sight & Sound: Studio, the Intermediate Television Workshop is a collaborative class in a variety of television genres between Undergraduate Film & Television (UGFTV) directing students and acting students from Stone Street Studios. This class will give twelve intermediate level directing students instruction in developing a vocabulary for clear communication with actors, and further experience in blocking actors and camera. The work will involve single-camera rather than multi-camera production on a Sony HD camera package. Each student will create the first two episodes of an original Web Series. In addition, there will be advanced lighting, sound and camera labs. The bulk of the production—including rehearsals—will take place in class time (in the studio) with some location shooting possible. Note: Post-production will need to be undertaken outside of class.

ADVANCED TELEVISION PRODUCTION WORKSHOP
FMTV-UT 1777
Course Level: Advanced. 4 units.
Prerequisite: Any intermediate-level production course, AND Production Safety (FMTV-UT 101).
Advanced Television is a yearlong course consisting of one semester of scriptwriting and one semester of production. During the (spring) scriptwriting semester, students will investigate series television and create their own ideas for an ongoing series. These ideas will be developed into full-concept documents (series “bibles”). Students will pitch their concepts to the rest of the class and a script (or scripts) will be selected for production in the second (fall) semester. Either one hour-long or two half-hour pilots will be produced. In the second semester, the scriptwriters will become producers and “show runners” as the scripts are realized by directors and crews, operating under professional protocols. Students may enroll in the second semester for crew roles during production—as directors, cinematographers, editors, sound mixers, assistant directors, line producers, etc. The pilots will be shot on a Sony HD camera packages. The productions will take place in a studio and on location, and involve collaboration with actors from Stone Street Studios as well as professional actors.
CHILDREN’S TELEVISION PRODUCTION WORKSHOP
FMTV-UT 1222
Course Level: Intermediate. 4 units.
Prerequisites: Sight & Sound: Studio (FMTV-UT 51) AND Sight & Sound: Filmmaking (FMTV-UT 43) OR Sight & Sound: Documentary (FMTV-UT 80) AND Production Safety & Set Protocol (FMTV-UT 101). It is strongly recommended that you enroll in Post-Production Colloquium, (FMTV-UT 60), 1 unit, in the same semester that you are enrolled in an intermediate-level core production course.

This intermediate level class builds on skills acquired in both Sight & Sound: Studio and Intermediate Television as well as introduces students to the collaboration process, which is the heart of Advanced Television and the industry. Students will collaborate as writers and producers to write and then produce a television show, 15-30 minutes long, aimed at a specific age group such as preschool or “tweens.” They will participate in every aspect of creating a show from the bottom up—writing, directing, sound design, music, graphics, casting, and editing. Once the show is written students will work in groups to produce segments of the show, taking on such roles as producers, directors, sound mixers and designers, videographers, and editors. Besides being able to use the 12th Floor studios, students will have equipment and facilities for location shooting and post-production, which offers them the opportunity to draw on and hone skills required in Filmmaking and other craft and intermediate level courses. Each student will be expected to participate both where he/she thinks the best contribution to the class can be made, as well as be willing to pitch in where and when necessary. Students will be encouraged to wear as many hats as they like, and to gain experience in areas they may not have worked in prior to this class. As a result, they will learn what it is like to put together a television show. The course is also an excellent transition to Advanced Television and for seeking work in the industry.

CORE COURSES IN PRODUCTION: DOCUMENTARY

SIGHT AND SOUND: DOCUMENTARY
FMTV-UT 80
Course Level: Fundamental. 6 units.
Prerequisite: Sophomore status. This course will serve as one of the prerequisites for an intermediate level documentary production course. NOTE: Students should not schedule any other course on the same days as Sight and Sound.

The course teaches students to look at their world and to develop the ability to create compelling and dramatic stories in which real people are the characters and real life is the plot. Through close study and analysis of feature length and short documentaries, as well as hands on directing, shooting, sound-recording and editing, students rigorously explore the possibilities and the power of non-fiction storytelling for video. The course is a dynamic combination of individual and group production work in which each student will be expected to complete five projects.

DOCUMENTARY PRODUCTION WORKSHOP
FMTV-UT 1080
Course Level: Advanced. 4 units.
Prerequisites: Sight & Sound: Documentary (FMTV-UT 80) AND either Sight & Sound: Studio (FMTV-UT 51) OR Sight & Sound: Filmmaking (FMTV-UT 43), AND Production Safety (FMTV-UT 101).

The technical skills of producing, directing, writing, editing, camera, lighting, and sound, as they pertain to documentary production are examined in depth. Career planning and job opportunities are discussed. Professionals working in the field show their work and advise students how to get work. There will be workshops in writing proposals and budgets; selling and pitching ideas; fund-raising; legal issues; rights, clearances, and licensing; insurance; and multiple camera-multi-track recording (e.g., concerts, plays, music videos, reality television). Exemplary works in the field and student work are screened and discussed on a regular basis. Although many students choose to direct/produce their own documentaries, you may also shoot, edit, produce or co-direct a project. You may also do sound design and field recording. The goal of the course is to produce broadcast quality projects that will get distribution/broadcast and help students secure professional opportunities in the documentary field. In the past, a number of the projects produced in the course have gone on to be shown on television, at festivals and have been distributed commercially. In addition, career strategies and the transition between NYU and professional work will be a focus of the class.

CORE COURSES IN PRODUCTION: EXPERIMENTAL

INTERMEDIATE EXPERIMENTAL WORKSHOP
FMTV-UT 1046
Course Level: Intermediate. 4 units.
Prerequisites: Sight & Sound: Filmmaking (FMTV-UT 43) AND Sight & Sound: Studio (FMTV-UT 51) OR Sight & Sound: Documentary (FMTV-UT 80) AND Production Safety & Set Protocol (FMTV-UT 101). It is strongly recommended that you enroll in Post-Production Colloquium, FMTV-UT 60, 1 unit, in the same semester that you enroll in any intermediate-level core production course.

A production course in which students experiment with non-narrative approaches to content, structure, technique, and style. Themes and orientations include many possibilities, such as music, choreography, visual or audio art, investigations of rhythm, color, shape, and line; poetry, fragmentation and collage, abstraction, performance; and subversion of linear narrative and documentary conventions. (Prospective students who wish to direct films are encouraged to obtain a list of proposal guidelines for each section from the professor before the semester begins.)

Note: Films produced for Intermediate Experimental Workshop will not be eligible for awards in the First Run Film Festival if they are longer than 15 minutes, including titles. All films produced in Intermediate Experimental Workshop will be screened if entered in the First Run Festival, but those longer than 15 minutes will not be judged.

ADVANCED EXPERIMENTAL WORKSHOP
FMTV-UT 1147
Course Level: Advanced. 4 units.
Prerequisites: Any Intermediate-level core production class; AND Production Safety (FMTV-UT 101). Students enrolled in Advanced Experimental Workshop should participate in Senior Colloquium (FMTV-UT 1057).

This is an advanced-level course designed for students who have previ-
ous created work in experimental film or video. Seniors who wish to explore experimental possibilities will also be considered. In this workshop, students will challenge the cinematic conventions, narrative structure and industry standards of commercial entertainment products. This course is taught from both a formal and technical perspective herein students are given the opportunity to explore beyond previous assumed boundaries, allowing them to experiment with the unlimited possibilities of form, content, structure, style, technique and exhibition format. It is a forum for the exchange of innovative ideas, applications, attitudes and aesthetics involved in the personal filmmaking process. Artists seeking to direct a film in this class must be prepared to submit a script at the first class of the term, and are encouraged to submit a copy of their intermediate-level project for review. It is also recommended that they come into the class with a producer attached to the project. Ten allotments will be approved (maximum running time for each film is 15 minutes). The instructor will determine the recipients of these allotments with considerable input from the entire class. A list of those receiving allotments will be announced in the 2nd week. Students may also enter this workshop as an established crew, in partnership with another artist/writer, and can receive credit serving as a cinematographer, art director, producer or other key crew position.

NOTE: Films produced for Advanced Experimental Workshop will not be eligible for awards in the First Run Film Festival if they are longer than 15 minutes, including titles. All films produced in Advanced Experimental Workshop will be screened if entered in the First Run Film Festival, but those longer than 15 minutes will not be judged.

COURSES IN HISTORY AND CRITICISM

LANGUAGE OF FILM

FMTV-UT 4
Course level: Introductory. 4 units. Students must also register for one recitation.

Required of all freshmen. Recommended for transfers without previous exposure to film studies. Language of Film is an introduction to the craft, history and theory of filmmaking and film-watching. The main challenge facing all filmmakers is to show the story: in other words, to visualize the drama. Over the past century, narrative, experimental and documentary filmmakers have developed a variety of creative strategies and techniques designed to give their audiences compelling, multi-sensorial experiences. The goal of this class is to explore how filmmakers in different historical and cultural settings have contributed to the evolution of film as a powerful, complex and captivating art form.

TELEVISION PROGRAMMING AND CONCEPTS

FMTV-UT 21
Course Level: Intermediate/Advanced. 3 units.

This course examines the evolution of the many program types found on broadcast and cable television and defines the criteria for evaluating idea, story, structure, format and types, performance, and production values. From the study the student proceeds to the creation of program ideas and the development of treatments and presentations.

INTERNATIONAL CINEMA: ORIGINS TO 1960

FMTV-UT 321
Offered in the Fall semester only. Course Level: Intermediate. 4 units.

This course provides a broad overview of world cinema from its origins until the emergence of modern cinema in the 1960's. It addresses numerous national cinemas (French, German, Italian, Japanese, Scandinavian, Soviet, British, Indian) and examines both how representative films from each country emerge out of its national culture and also negotiates with the dominant aesthetic of Hollywood film. The approach will be stylistic, including the development of narrative, various cinematic modernisms, and technological advances such as the introduction of sound; industrial, including the formation of the studio system and the creation of national film cultures in response; and social, including propaganda and political (leftist) films and documentaries. Whenever possible, this course emphasizes the cross-pollination of film styles across national cultures such as the mutual influence of 1920's avant-garde movements, the concentration of political filmmaking in the 1930's, or the influence of neorealism on post-war cinema. Some films to be screened: Strike, L'age d'or, M, Housing Problems, Umberto D, Tokyo Story, and Pather Panchali.

INTERNATIONAL CINEMA: 1960 TO THE PRESENT

FMTV-UT 322
Offered in the Spring semester only. Course Level: Intermediate. 4 units.

This course will focus on international filmmaking practice since 1960, with special emphasis on "new waves" and other contemporary film movements within a variety of national cinemas. We will consider films from a stylistic, formal, and theoretical perspective, paying special attention to the emergence of modernist and neo-realist inspired stylistic and narrative modes. We will also examine films in relation to their national, historical, industrial and technological context and relative to the particular thematic and artistic concerns of their makers and the communities in which they lived and worked. This course will introduce students to some of the most exciting and challenging films produced within the past fifty years and encourage them to think critically about film aesthetics and narrative structure, national and historical context, and the process of film production. In-class screenings will include films by: Jean-Luc Godard, Nagisa Oshima, Michelangelo Antonioni, Glauber Rocha, Rainer Warner Fassbinder, Chris Marker, John Woo, and Abbas Kiarostami.

HOLLYWOOD CINEMA: ORIGINS TO 1960

FMTV-UT 323
Offered in Fall semester only. Course Level: Intermediate. 4 units.

This course offers a broad survey of American cinema from its beginnings (and even its history) up to 1960. While the emphasis will be on the dominant, narrative fiction film, there will be attention to other modes of American cinema such as experimental film, animation, shorts, and non-fiction film. The course will look closely at films themselves—how do their styles and narrative structures change over time? —but also at contexts: how do films reflect their times? how does the film industry develop? what are the key institutions that had impact on American film over its history? We will also attend to the role of key figures in film’s history: from creative personnel (for example, the director or the screenwriter) to industrialists and administrators, to censors to critics and to audiences themselves. The goal will be to provide an overall understanding of one of the most consequential of modern popular art forms and of its particular contributions to the art and culture of our modernity.
HOLLYWOOD CINEMA: 1960 TO THE PRESENT
FMTV-UT 324
Offered in Spring semester only. Course Level: Intermediate. 4 units.
Over the last 50 years the American Cinema has produced a remarkably rich abundance of entertaining, exciting, and challenging films. This course is designed to provide a survey of the wealth of styles, forms, purposes, and approaches to filmmaking that developed and emerged in this era. While Hollywood has obviously served as the dominant mode of filmmaking in this country, a significant diversity of other filmmaking practices have continued to operate and sometimes thrive outside of it. Beyond the attention paid to Hollywood narrative cinema as it has changed and evolved over this half-century, we will also consider documentaries, avant-garde and experimental works, independent narrative cinema, and “cult” films. Consequentially, we will be screening a variety of films, including works by such notable American filmmakers as Steven Spielberg, Francis Ford Coppola, Quentin Tarantino, George Romero, John Singleton, and Michael Moore.

MEDIA MAVERICKS: A CRITICAL EXAMINATION OF FILM AND VIDEO
FMTV-UT 1002
Course Level: Intermediate/Advanced. 3 units.
This class is a critical examination of experimental film and video with an emphasis on makers in New York City. There are no criteria for an avant-garde film or video; only the expectation that by watching it a viewer will be introduced to a challenging, refreshingly unfamiliar language that, by the end of the piece, they will have begun to speak. This new language may be politically confrontational, aesthetically difficult, lyrical, or rhythmical, but no matter what the form, it will express the particular vision of the artist who produced it. Challenging as this work may be for any audience, a close viewing of these “avant-garde” pieces will expand on your appreciation of their poetry and complexity.

Whether you call these films experimental, alternative, independent, personal or poetic, they share very little save for their adventurous desire to reawaken those dormant visual and aural sensibilities that may have been hypnotized into years of sleep by too much commercial, mainstream media.

HISTORY OF EDITING
FMTV-UT 1003
Course Level: Intermediate. 3 units.
The theory and practice of editing, from Griffith to Kubrick. The emphasis will be on experiments in narrative clarity and dramatic emphasis in storytelling. For many, editing is the unique source of the art of filmmaking. This course addresses this point of view.

THE ART OF SOUND
FMTV-UT 1007
Course Level: Intermediate. 3 units.
This is a critical studies course exploring the aesthetics and psycho-accoustics of sound: how sound works in art and life; how it affects emotions and stimulates the imagination; and how it is used in film, radio, television and other creative or artistic contexts, particularly its application as a key element in storytelling. This course examines the meaning and character of the soundscape (the acoustic environment) and the ways it has technologically and aesthetically evolved throughout film history from the Kinetophone to the iPhone. The course includes reading in the theory of sound, and listening to examples of sound work by composers and sound designers. In previous semesters we have looked at the soundtrack in such films as: Playtime; Apocalypse Now, The Conversation, Aliens, The Evil Dead II, Saving Private Ryan, and Monty Python and the Holy Grail. Class meetings will be devoted to: 1) lecture and discussion based on assigned readings and listening and viewing assignments; and 2) screening of selected audio and video works. Students are graded on class participation, journals, a paper, and exams.

MUSIC FOR FILM AND TELEVISION
FMTV-UT 1008
Course Level: Fundamental/Intermediate. 3 units.
This course examines the artistic, aesthetic, and technical aspects in composing and creating music for film and television. It provides an inside look into the relationship between composer, director, and music editor, exploring music as a creative tool. Through lectures, analysis, demonstrations, and presentations by guest speakers, students learn and deal with the specifics of the film composer’s job, duties, and responsibilities, including the basics of film scoring. As a result, students develop the listening and production skills necessary for creative use of music in films, television, and media. In addition to creative and technical considerations, the business and personal relationship between composer and director/producer will be discussed.

HISTORY OF CHILDREN’S TELEVISION
FMTV-UT 1022
Course Level: Fundamental/Intermediate. 3 units.
Through lectures, discussion, program viewing, projects, guests, and our own lives, this course explores the state of children’s media for pre-schoolers to adolescents. The goal is to understand how we all have been affected by the media and how we can determine change for the next generation. We will consider the role television, videos, and the internet play in regard to family and peer relationships, education and social issues. We will also examine the broadcasting and cable industry as well as the success and failure of the government and such media groups as ACT (Action for Children’s Television) in regulating content of children’s programs. Assignments will include interviews of pre-schoolers and adolescents, website presentations, critique of children’s programs, and a proposal for children’s media.

IMAGES OF THE 1930’S
FMTV-UT 1026
Course Level: Intermediate/Advanced. 4 units. For UGFTV students, this course may be used to fulfill only one of the following: Humanities or the Departmental History and Criticism requirement. Note: degree audit will automatically credit this class to UGFTV—History and Criticism. To have this class credited to Humanities area of General Education instead, please bring this request in writing to the Film and TV Office of Academic Support Services.

A weekly seminar on the images, beliefs and values behind the historical, political and cultural elements of the decade called “The Great Depression.” Through film, photography, sound and texts we will study events, survival strategies, government interventions, markets, capitalism, and the realities of prosperity and poverty. We will utilize methods of historical-critical context analyses such as feature films, documentaries, journalism, art and literature created during the era. Requirements for successful completion include weekly readings, participation in discussions, a researched class presentation and a final project about the role(s) and experiences of your family during the Great Depression.
TRADITIONS IN NARRATIVE
FMTV-UT 1031
Course Level: Intermediate. 4 units.
Note: For UGFTV students, this course may be used to fulfill only one of the following: Humanities or the Departmental History and Criticism requirement.Degree audit will automatically credit this class to UGFTV—History and Criticism. To have this class credited to Humanities area of General Education instead, please bring this request in writing to the Film and TV Office of Academic Support Services.
This course surveys narrative forms and representative works from literature that employ them—contributing to a familiarity with the literary tradition inherited by film, television, and radio. It examines the various strategies of narrative structure and its principal components (e.g., plot, theme, character, imagery, symbolism, point of view) with an attempt to connect these with contemporary forms of media expression. The course includes extensive readings, selected from English, American, and world literature, which are examined in discussion.

DOCUMENTARY TRADITIONS I
FMTV-UT 1032
Course Level: Intermediate. 3 units.
14 sessions will be devoted to a comparison of current documentaries with those made in earlier decades to illustrate how the art has responded to social, political, and economic realities and to changes in technology and systems of distribution. The instructor, Professor George Stoney, has directed and produced more than 50 documentaries in a career of work that illustrates these changes since 1948 when he entered the field. Undergraduates who take the course for three units are required to keep journals in which they respond to each session and compare observations with those made when viewing at least one documentary of their choice seen outside class, as well as in response to critical essays provided at each session and references in the text. Those wishing to earn an extra point (register for one point of FMTV-UT 1097 Independent Study) may write a substantial term paper based on a topic approved by the instructor.

HISTORY OF ANIMATION
FMTV-UT 1144
Offered in the fall semester only.
Course Level: Introductory/Fundamental. 3 units.
A chronological survey of the art and commerce of the animated film internationally over the last 100 years. Designed to expand students’ awareness of the origins of a significant 20th-century art form and to acquaint them with a wide variety of practical techniques and styles, from pre-film influences to computer-generated images; from “Golden Age” studio cartoon factories to today’s independent avant-garde animator-film-makers. Designed to expand student aesthetic sensibilities and sharpen critical perceptions about this unique genre.

ITALIAN CINEMA
FMTV-UT 1153
Course Level: Fundamental. 3 units. Fall semester only.
This course focuses on the history of Italian cinema and its particular approach to production and directing. This is cinema that gave the world several masterpieces, and still pursues an independent path that is strikingly different from the Hollywood mainstream. We will focus on the neo-realist period and then of the major films of the great maestros, Fellini, Rossellini, Pasolini and Visconti. The three principal areas of investigation are the narrative structure and directorial style of the films; issues of adaptation from novel to film; and the political, historical, social and cultural relations relevant to the films. Screenings, readings and papers will be required.

HOLLYWOOD AUTEURS
FMTV-UT 1154
Course Level: Fundamental. 3 units.
This course will analyze the possibility of pursuing the ideals of an “author cinema”—a personal way of expressing ideas that can deal with Hollywood mainstream and also with the independents, but will never be considered an integral part of either one. The “author cinema” would be a cinema of personal expression that refuses the mainstream’s prison of “three acts, happy ending, stars, etc.”; and at the same time, refuses the trends and the limited scope of most of the independents: a cinema that shows not only how to make a film, but why. Films from all over the world will be analyzed, focusing in particular on the authors that are able to keep alive their personal vision while dealing with the studios (i.e. Stone, Lee, Scorsese, Kubrick), the ones that dared to fight Hollywood (i.e. Welles, Peckinpah, Cimino, von Stroheim) and the loose cannons independent at heart (Altman, P.T. Anderson, Coen brothers). A series of guests to the class will be comprised of critics, curators and cultural organizers, filmmakers and producers.

AMERICAN SPLENDOR
FMTV-UT 1160
In the 20th century American films were undoubtedly the most powerful medium for producing a collective understanding about the country’s past and present, and hence American mythologies about the nation and its promises. This upper level course will examine the formation of dominant cultural “myths” and expectations in modern American culture and society by exploring how American films have rich myth-making power as narratives capable of reaching millions of people. Most of the films are products of an immensely powerful, capital-intensive culture industry whose primary purposes are profit through entertainment; yet, as an industry historically dominated by immigrants, and in each subsequent generation, populated by new voices attuned to new cultural tensions and sensibilities, American films are complex cultural artifacts which offer audiences familiar and reassuring visions of American life and national mythology. And, yet the filmmakers have always offered critiques and counter narratives, and alternative narratives and counter-myths.
To explore this topic, we will watch and analyze many films, and consider the work of historians, sociologists, film critics, media studies scholars, anthropolo-
gists, journalists, and others to supplement our inquiry.

Although we may occasionally screen the featured films in class and in their entirety, students are expected to see these films before class. DVD copies of the featured films will be available on reserve at Bobst or UGFTV’s Digital Media Library, and when possible we will have the films broadcast on NYU TV. We will ask students to take their cellphone cameras and urge them to explore the city where these myths are both lived out and refuted on a daily basis.

**FILM ANALYSIS**
FMTV-UT 1204
Course Level: Intermediate/Advanced.
3 units.
A rival reportedly asked Walt Disney why Disney’s films were so much better. Disney replied, “I analyze.” His rival said, “So do I.” Disney answered, “I analyze better.” Film Analysis is an advanced course in film criticism taught by practitioners. We build upon the analytical skills developed in Language of Film, Storytelling Strategies and the various production courses in order to strengthen the students’ ability to critically assess the weave of narrative content, mise-en-scene, cinematic technique and structures. Through this in-depth examination of a wide range of films, students deepen their understanding of how filmmakers over the years and in various cultures have created meaningful experiences for their audiences.

**HISTORY OF CINEMATOGRAPHY**
FMTV-UT 1206
Course Level: Intermediate.
3 units.
This course deals with the history of the art and science of cinematography. A working Director of Photography will relate a perspective that is unique and factual to a theoretical discussion, which is traditionally academic. Cinematography has a strong tradition of adapting its tools to enhance the storytelling experience.

**EXPANDING CINEMA: NEW MEDIA, THE MOVIES AND BEYOND**
FMTV-UT 1208
Course Level: Intermediate/Advanced.
3 units.
Atari. Computer Generated Imagery. YouTube. What is new media and will it change the world? In this course we will explore diverse examples of ‘old’ and ‘new’ media including interactive web work, gaming, installations, and movies. We will use blogs, online forums, and YouTube to discuss new media’s roots in older popular media including film and literature. We will question how new media have impacted traditional narrative forms and the structure of the film industry, as well as the broader contexts of new media in a changing world culture.

**CHINESE CINEMA & SOCIETY**
FMTV-UT 1209
Course Level: Fundamental/Intermediate.
3 units.
This course introduces students to Asian culture and cinema through the study of films from China. The course covers various directors, genres, and forms, and considers how cinema acts as a sign system involved in the construction of sociocultural and aesthetic meanings. Topics will include history, gender, representation, from rural to urban, action to martial arts films and personal filmmaking of nostalgia and disappearance. Many Chinese narrative films are based on novels; thus, Chinese literature is also a component of the discourse. Students will benefit from this course by learning non-Western culture expression in film, the means of production and distribution under the so-called “Chinese Style of Socialism” system as well as co-production in China.

**CRAFT PRODUCTION COURSES IN NEW MEDIA**

**INTERNET DESIGN**
FMTV-UT 1123
Course Level: Introductory.
3 units.
This course focuses on the fundamentals of Web design and production. It will provide students with a basic understanding of HTML and CSS page construction, designing and optimizing graphics for the Web and the basic technical skills necessary for getting the student and his/her site online. This course teaches the students how to create a Website along with utilizing Social Media tools and channels as an effective part of a promotional strategy. YouTube, Vimeo, FaceBook, Twitter, Kickstarter and Mobile all offer opportunities. In this age of multiple media sources competing for our attention it is important to maintain a consistent and integrated Communications and Brand Strategy across all media distribution channels. The class examines various creative and technical approaches to image manipulation, design, and montage as well as discussing the production techniques necessary to implement creative concepts. This course deals with many of the unique technical and creative challenges—graphic optimization, video compression, and file format conversion—for putting one’s reel, trailer or film online. The students are taught typographical design principles, including the aesthetics of text style and font faces. The class will explore the creative possibilities of designing layouts and integrating animation and video into their sites. Students are introduced to a variety of Internet, DHTML and multimedia tools and experiment with their creative applications. We focus on the Internet as a promotion and distribution medium for the independent artist and filmmaker. Branding, audience awareness and usability are also emphasized. Fundamental understanding of Photoshop recommended.
CRAFT COURSES IN POSTPRODUCTION

POST-PRODUCTION COLLOQUIUM
FMTV-UT 60
Course Level: Intermediate. 1 unit.
Note: This course should be taken DURING the semester you are enrolled in any intermediate-level core production course other than Intermediate Narrative Production (FMTV-UT 1040). Intermediate Narrative Production (FMTV-UT 1040) will include an equivalent Post Prep Workshop as a component of the production class.

This colloquium will introduce students to concerns of the editor and how pre-production and production influence the post-production process. It will chart the workflow of digital post-production from the ingest of digital dailies through rough cut, fine cut, ADR & Foley, sound editing, musical scoring, audio mixing and final mastering. Students will learn proper slating and set protocols and gain a basic working knowledge of frame rates and digital formats. Editing techniques and the uses of coverage will be deconstructed through film clips and discussion. Guest speakers from the industry will exemplify key roles such as script supervisor, sound editor, and composer. Students from previous semesters will screen their films and reveal lessons learned in the editing room. There will be assigned readings and a series of handouts including production to post-production flow charts, camera and sound reports, sample lined scripts and continuity reports, which students can keep for future reference.

SOUND MIX WORKSHOP
FMTV-UT 1010
Course Level: Intermediate/Advanced. 3 units. Prerequisites: Sound Image (FMTV-UT 48) OR Introduction to Sound Techniques for Transfers (FMTV-UT 1274) AND Sight & Sound: Filmmaking (FMTV-UT 43) AND Sight & Sound: Studio (FMTV-UT 51) OR Sight & Sound: Documentary (FMTV-UT 80).

This class will provide students with an understanding of the final mix. If you are interested in becoming a mixer this will be an opportunity to learn the inner workings of a studio while getting hands-on experience in a professional setting: our mix studio. For directors, writers, producers, editors, or anyone involved with the learning process of making and finishing a Film/TV project, this will be just as valuable for communicating with your personnel. An excellent next step for those who have taken Sound Design I.

INTRODUCTION TO EDITING:
FMTV-UT 1016
Course Level: Introductory. 3 units.
Enrollment is limited to 12. Not open to freshmen.

This is a hands-on course designed to introduce the student to narrative and documentary editing techniques, and to the role of the editor in shaping the final form of film and video productions. Good editing is crucial to the success of every film and video. This class is recommended to students pursuing directing or producing who want a better understanding of how the post-production workflow functions, as well as to any student, from sophomore to senior, who would like to gain a clearer understanding of the role of the editor as an artist, a technician and a collaborator. To achieve this, the class will delve into the methods, objectives, and technical aspects of post-production. It will thoroughly explore two major editing programs (Avid Media Composer and Adobe Premiere Pro) used in today’s professional post-production environment, and acquaint the student with every stage of the editing workflow from capture to final output. Students will learn to approach these and other non-linear programs as variations on common themes rather than as completely new and foreign tools. In addition, the class will present examples of edited sequences from both narrative and documentary films for discussion, and have invited guests who will share their experiences in bringing films to completion. There will also be a course pack of assigned readings. This course allocates as a Craft for Film & TV majors.

INTERMEDIATE EDIT WORKSHOP: AVID
FMTV-UT 1018
Course Level: Intermediate. 3 units.
Note: Designed to support projects originated in Intermediate Narrative Production Workshop (FMTV-UT 1040), Documentary Workshop (FMTV-UT 1041), Intermediate Experimental Workshop (FMTV-UT 1046), or an Intermediate-level Television Production Core. This is a class for students who wish to deepen their editing skills and explore the role of a professional editor by cutting an original short film, using Avid Media Composer software. The course is designed to familiarize you with the theory and practice of cinematic editing and enable you to complete a film of 8-15 minutes in length up to a “locked picture” with an exported file ready for handoff to post audio. Classes will include assigned textbook readings, a weekly lecture and demonstration of software and/or editing techniques, and a workshop period with instructor and technical support as needed. Primary emphasis will be placed on an understanding of the craft of editing, and of the editor’s role in the post-production process. Students who do not have projects of their own to edit will have an opportunity to choose from projects offered by current or former students in the department.

ADVANCED EDIT WORKSHOP: AVID
FMTV-UT 1105
Course Level: Advanced. 4 units.
Prerequisite: Intermediate Editing Workshop (FMTV-UT 1018), OR Intro to Editing (FMTV-UT 1016), OR any Intermediate-level production class.

This is both a lecture and a workshop class for student directors and those wanting to become editors. Each student has the opportunity to edit and workshop a film, shot in either an intermediate or advanced production class. Juniors and seniors learn advanced technical and aesthetic techniques in digital editing by working on an Avid or Final Cut Pro editing system. They also get a refresher in the basics of importing, logging and digitizing. There are guest lecturers and one or two field trips to post-production houses during the semester.

POST PRODUCTION FOR ADVANCED TELEVISION WORKSHOP
FMTV-UT 1107
Offered in the fall only. 4 units.
Post Production for Advanced TV Production Workshop is offered simultaneously with the second (Fall) semester of the FMTV-UT 1777 Advanced Television Production Workshop class, during which TV pilot episodes written in the first (Spring) semester are shot. The Advanced TV Production class will provide digital dailies that the edit class will receive and edit to a fine cut. Students will learn the fine points of media management and editing on Avid Media Composer software as well as how to anticipate and plan for all the stages of post-production, with particular emphasis on the needs of this project. Weekly screenings of dailies and works-in-
PRODUCING FOR TELEVISION
FMTV-UT 1028
Course Level: Intermediate. 3 units.
This course provides fundamental and practical instruction in the step-by-step realization of a television program. While productions will not be implemented through the class, students will individually serve as executive producers on projects of their own choosing, based on assignments by the instructor (based on student submissions which include news and cultural documentaries, performance and variety shows, and dramatic works). Student producers will engage in a detailed pre-production phase, which covers research, concept, format development, securing of rights and permissions, pitching to networks and studios, contracts and agreements, formation of the production plan, budget development, assembling staff and crew, identifying on-air talent, determining locations, photo and film archive research, refining the shooting schedule and budget plan. Analysis of why some projects succeed and others fail, an overview.

TV NATION: INSIDE AND OUT OF THE BOX
FMTV-UT 1086
Course Level: Intermediate. 3 units.
TV Nation: Inside and Out of the Box gives students the opportunity to experience, first hand, how the world of network television works from two points of view: business and creative. Students will gain an understanding of the business aspect through the vantage point of the network executives and programmers. They will also learn the creative process from development to pitching, from the vantage point of writers and producers in the industry. In TV Nation, students will role play the entire process as the key players who put together a season for broadcast and cable networks.

LEGAL ASPECTS OF THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY
FMTV-UT 1195
Course Level: Advanced. 3 units.
An examination of the creative, organizational, and managerial roles of the producer in narrative motion pictures. Topics include how a production company is formed, creating and obtaining properties, pitching, financing, budgeting, publicity, marketing, and distribution. The course gives specific attention to the problems in these areas that will be faced by students as future professional producers, directors, production managers, or writers. Students construct a plan for a feature project of their choice, incorporating a creative package, production strategy, and a financing strategy. There will be guest speakers and occasional screenings.

LEARNING CHANGES IN PRODUCING TV AND TELEVISION, UNDERGRADUATE
PRODUCING FOR FILM AND TELEVISION
FMTV-UT 1295
Summer only. Course Level: Intermediate/Advanced. 3 units.

An examination of the creative, organizational, and managerial roles of the producer in narrative motion pictures and television. Topics include how a production company is formed, creating and obtaining properties, financing, budgeting, cost control, and distribution. The course gives specific attention to the problems in these areas that will be faced by students as future professional directors, production managers, or writers. Each student is expected to break down, schedule, and budget a feature film or television show of their choosing.

PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT: BOARDS AND BUDGETS
FMTV-UT 1296
Course Level: Intermediate/Advanced. 3 units.

An introductory course to Professional Production Management that provides the student with the information and practice of running the making of a feature film or long form television show. Film and television production has many more requirements than simply securing a camera, stock and actors, and the course will explore those management elements that a filmmaker needs to fulfill in order to shoot and complete. We will examine the structure of the crew and the collaborative responsibilities of crew members, the legal issues of permits, insurance, rights, clearances and permissions; Screen Actors Guild requirements, the management of the production including scheduling, budgeting, transportation, and the production’s responsibilities to cast and crew. We will pay particular attention to professional practice concerning the structure of the workday hours and turn-around time and safety issues that are the responsibility of the producer, director, DP and shop steward. The course will explore techniques for on-set casting, location scouting, tech scouts, and read-thrus. Each student will be required to prepare a production book for their shoot by the end of class that will include a final marked script, script breakdown pages, shooting schedule, budget, cast, crew and location lists. The script to work from will be provided by the instructor.

CREATING THE REALITY TELEVISION SERIES
FMTV-UT 1297
Course Level: Introductory. 3 units.

This course will provide a roadmap for what it takes to create a primetime reality series. In 14 weeks students will have access to the tools needed to develop, execute and construct a project designed to help sell an idea to a cable or broadcast network. The class will focus on how the elements of character, access and repeatable drama make a successful reality series. In the first half of the semester, students will drill down on the core elements of the development process; from developing an initial concept, to finding the real life characters whose on the job adventures, or the off the job dramas are big enough to sustain a successful television series. Students will learn how to get exclusive access to these characters in order to pitch their world as a reality series. In the second half, students will produce and edit a 2-3 minute presentation/sizzle reel. This reel does not call for any complicated production, but rather will draw from existing music, writing, photos, and/or video that students may have generated from the characters’ lives, jobs, daily dramas, and interviews. The class will regularly feature industry guests who will illuminate the television marketplace for reality programming including: development executives from key cable broadcasters, the agents who make the deals, the heads of top NY production companies, and some of the best producers and editors in the reality field.

CRAFT PRODUCTION COURSES IN SOUND

PRODUCTION SOUND
FMTV-UT 1004
Course Level: Intermediate. 3 units.

This course tries to duplicate the realities of the production sound mixer’s life both at Tisch and in the professional world. Starting with a concentrated foundation in the tools of the trade, the semester moves through a series of workshops that present the student with a variety of situations like those faced on a working set. Workshops include many different and challenging scenes and situations, both interior and exterior, in which the students do complex multi-mic mixes. Other workshops focus on very specific aspects of the mixer’s craft: radio mics, light and boom shadows, time-code and music playback, etc. The goals are to provide both professional skills and attitudes and to create an understanding of how production mixers bring the director’s vision to the screen. The final project is the production mix of a film or video for one of the intermediate production courses.

STUDIO RECORDING
FMTV-UT 1005
Course Level: Intermediate. 3 units.
Prerequisite: Sound Image (FMTV-UT 48), OR Introduction to Sound Techniques for Transfers (FMTV-UT 1274).

This is a workshop-style class focusing on the techniques of stereo music recording in the studio. The first three classes are lecture/demonstrations on the various aspects of stereoacoustic recording and recording studio design. Discussions will center on the tools that will be required to get the best possible sound. The majority of the class will consist of hands-on experiences with a variety of recording equipment in the FMTV-UT recording studio. Each student will be given a variety of equipment to use while recording mixes, and will be able to apply their knowledge and experience to the studio environment.

FILM MUSIC WORKSHOP
FMTV-UT 1009
Course Level: Advanced. 3 units.

This course provides an intensive workshop setting where students produce music soundtracks for their films, working closely with composers and/or music from a library. Students will learn about music editing and how to prepare a
Music Production Book. Note: At the beginning of this course, all students are required to have fine cuts of the picture they plan to use for their projects.  

ADVANCED PRODUCTION SOUND  
FMTV-UT 1012  
Course Level: Advanced. 3 units.  
Prerequisites: Production Sound (FMTV-UT 1004).  
As an intense, highly professional workshop, Advanced Production Sound will challenge the committed student to achieve the best industry standard production mixes possible. Workshops based upon actual production situations and issues will be concentrated, in-depth experiences. The technical aspects of the course will include acoustic, phase and impedance, mic directionality and capsule construction, radio frequency, stereo theory, etc. These topics will be handled in both theoretical and practical terms. The major thrust of the semester will be devoted to workshops around sophisticated production mixing and group exploration of state-of-the-art techniques and technologies. Each student will be required to mix the production tracks for an advanced production or a grad thesis film.  

SOUND DESIGN I  
FMTV-UT 1059  
Course Level: Intermediate. 3 units.  
Prerequisite: Sound Image (FMTV-UT 48) OR Introduction to Sound Techniques for Transfer Students (FMTV-UT 1274) AND Sound & Sight: Filmmaking (FMTV-UT 43), AND Sight & Sound: Studio (FMTV-UT 51) OR Sight and Sound: Documentary (FMTV-UT 80).  
Note: At the beginning of this course, all students are required to have a locked 2-minute silent film for their first project. A post-production audio primer. Enter the exciting and limitless world of sound editorial. Learn techniques utilized by sound FX editors, dialogue editors, Foley artists, and Foley/ADR engineers. Edit and build tracks in Pro Tools for a short film and Intermediate-level projects. Realize the elasticity of the sonic palette, and create! Lots of in-class hands-on workshops, demos and screenings. Workshops cover: the spotting session, field recording, sound FX, Foley/ADR recording and editing, and basic dialogue editing. The perfect class for sound/picture editors-in-training, directors who want to develop their aural sensibilities, or anyone who wants to understand the power of sound in cinema.  

SOUND DESIGN II  
FMTV-UT 1060  
Course Level: Advanced. 3 units.  
Prerequisites: Sound Design I (FMTV-UT 1059).  
A more technically oriented course for the serious sound editor. In Sound Design II we concentrate on the major areas of the sound editor’s craft and develop the student’s skills in each. These include: splitting dialogue tracks, spotting and editing ADR, fully layering backgrounds and ambiance, running Foley session, handles and extensions, using music well, and complex stereo FX. Digital recording and editing on computer workstations will be stressed whenever appropriate. The semester is broken down into blocks of editing time dealing with each of these areas. Much more time will be spent in the cutting room in Sound Design II than in the intro. The ideal final project for the students in Sound Design II would be the design and mix of the tracks for a picture locked senior production or grad thesis. Students will also be expected to participate in a group project to learn the process of working together as part of a sound editing team. In this scenario, the work will be very significant and the students will get to experience the professional relationship between director and sound designer, as well as the relationship between supervising sound editor and the sound editing team.  

INTRODUCTION TO SOUND TECHNIQUES FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS  
FMTV-UT 1274  
Course Level: Fundamental. 3 units.  
This course provides an intensive one-semester introduction to sound for Film and Video. The students will have a hands-on opportunity to work on the audio side of the filmmaking process and experience the effect a good sound design can make on the overall quality of the audience experience. There will be lectures and exercises starting with the most basic elements of recording location dialogue and ambiance as well as an introduction to the operation of both the ADR and Foley studios. Most of the exercises will directly contribute to the completion of a final project that will encompass practical use of all the basic elements of sound design. This class is meant to provide a basic foundation for the student’s future work in the department, both for those who plan to go more deeply into sound with advanced classes here as well as for students wanting to better understand the value of this medium to film and television.  

SCREENWRITING COURSES  

WRITING THE FEATURE FILM  
FMTV-UT 35  
Summer only. Course Level: Advanced. 4 units. Prerequisite: Storytelling Strategies (FMTV-UT 20).  
This intensive workshop takes the student from premise to plot to structure of a feature-length screenplay. How to deploy the main character is a critical element of this course. Students must complete at least a treatment of the full script together with thirty pages of script in order to get credit for this course.  

WRITING FOR ANIMATION  
FMTV-UT 277  
Course level: Intermediate. 4 units. Offered in summer only.  
Prerequisites: Introduction to Animation Techniques (FMTV-UT 41).  
This course is designed for writing for animation in all forms, including but not limited to advertising, music videos, episodic television, and independent and studio feature films. All styles of visual presentation, from primitive stop-motion to state-of-the-art digital 3-D, will be discussed and screened. The class will also address not just the differences but the similarities in writing for live-
INTRODUCTION TO TELEVISION WRITING
FMTV-UT 1017
Course Level: Intermediate. 4 units.
Prerequisite: Storytelling Strategies (FMTV-UT 20) OR Intro to Dramatic & Visual Writing II (FMTV-UT 32) OR Screenwriting II (FMTV-UT 56).
This new course, aimed at second semester sophomores, is the launch pad of Television Writing in the department. Before taking any other TV writing courses, students must take Introduction To Television Writing.

The course will introduce sophomores interested in TV writing to all aspects of what goes into the creation of a script for a TV program. It is also recommended for non-writers who wish to learn the fundamentals of TV writing as preparation for creating shows and working with writers. The course will also prepare students for other TV-writing courses in the departmental Television Progression. The course is also open to seniors with an interest in television writing who haven’t taken other TV writing courses.

PREPARING THE SCREENPLAY
FMTV-UT 1019
Course Level: Intermediate. 4 units.
Prerequisite: Screenwriting II (FMTV-UT 56, offered in the Summer).
A one-semester screenwriting class in which students will have the opportunity to do the necessary preparatory work before writing a feature length screenplay or long-form television script. The structure of the class will mirror the real world experience of working writers. Students will be asked to come up with an idea for their script, pitch the story, do any needed research, and then proceed to a step-outline and treatment. It is required that this class be taken before taking Developing The Screenplay and/or Adaptation: a Screenwriting Workshop, or Advanced Feature Writing I. Script Analysis is also recommended for students who want to take these courses.

WRITING THE SHORT SCREENPLAY
FMTV-UT 1020
Course Level: Intermediate. 4 units
Prerequisite: Screenwriting Strategies (FMTV-UT 20) OR Screenwriting II (FMTV-UT 56, offered in the Summer).
This workshop is devoted solely to screenplays from 10-20 minutes in length that can be directed in Intermediate or Advanced Production classes. Students are assisted in exploring, developing, and writing appropriate material, from idea to finished script.

SCRIPT ANALYSIS
FMTV-UT 1084
Course Level: Intermediate. 4 units.
Prerequisite: Screenwriting Strategies (FMTV-UT 20).
This class is designed to help the students analyze a film script through both viewing and reading of a script. Plot and character development, character dialogue, foreground, background, and story will all be examined. Using feature films, we will highlight these script elements rather than the integrated experience of the script, performance, directing, and editing elements of the film. Assignments include writing coverage.

DEVELOPING THE SCREENPLAY
FMTV-UT 1100
Course Level: Advanced. 4 units.
Prerequisite: Preparing the Screenplay (FMTV-UT 1019).
This workshop is devoted to the full-length screenplay or long-form television narrative. Students are assisted in testing the strength of their ideas developed in Preparing the Screenplay, in researching them when necessary, in preparing step-sheets, and in getting the most out of story sessions. A requirement of the course is a complete first draft.

WRITING FOR TELEVISION: SITUATION/SKETCH COMEDY
FMTV-UT 1102
Course Level: Intermediate. 4 units
Introduction to TV Writing (FMTV-UT 1017).
The course covers the fundamentals of comedy writing for sketch shows and half-hour sitcoms beginning with a sequence of short comedy writing exercises a la The Daily Show, SNL, Mad TV and The Colbert Report. The primary assignment is to write at least the first act of an existing sitcom. The language and process of finding comedic situations, storylines, pitching ideas and developing the script is examined.

RESEARCH AND WRITING FOR THE DOCUMENTARY
FMTV-UT 1118
Course Level: Intermediate. 4 units.
Prerequisite: Storytelling Strategies (FMTV-UT 20).
This course will examine the moral and ethical problems of documentary making; logistics and planning; research techniques and sources; choice of media and style. Each student will be expected to develop at least one idea into a project.

WRITING FOR CHILDREN’S TELEVISION PRODUCTION
FMTV-UT 1126
Offered in Spring semester only.
Course Level: Intermediate. 4 units.
Prerequisite: Intro to TV Writing (FMTV-UT 1017) OR Permission from the Area Head.
Writing for Advanced Television Production Workshop is the first course in a three-course sequence of classes that make up the Advanced Television Production experience. The first semester writing course will break down into three phases: Phase 1: conceiving and pitching an original idea. Phase 2: writing a series overview and pilot story outline. Phase 3: writing the pilot script and executing a set of revisions As the semester concludes and the writing has been completed, a committee of faculty members will evaluate the scripts and select two 30-minute comedy pilot scripts for production in the second semester of the sequence in Advanced Television Production Workshop. The third course in the sequence is Post Production for Advanced Television Production Workshop.
ADVANCED TELEVISION WRITING: THE ONE-HOUR DRAMA  
FMTV-UT 1132  
Course Level: Advanced. 4 units.  
Prerequisite: Intro to TV Writing (FMTV-UT 1017) OR Permission from the Area Head.  
Students are given the choice of writing an Original Pilot or a Spec Script for an existing hour-long drama. The course examines the structure and storytelling techniques necessary to write a 60-minute script—A, B, C and D stories. Students choosing to write a Spec for an existing show will begin by pitching their story ideas, writing an outline, then moving on to the first draft of a script. Those who choose to write an Original Pilot will start by presenting their premise, characters and storylines before moving on to an outline and the script. Each week we will read scripts from current shows or watch episodes of specific hour-long dramas to study their structure and plotting.  

WRITING FOR CHILDREN’S TELEVISION PRODUCTION WORKSHOP  
FMTV-UT 1136  
Offered in Fall semester only. Course Level: Intermediate. 4 units.  
Prerequisite: Intro to TV Writing (FMTV-UT 1017) OR permission from Area Head.  
*History of Children’s Television (FMTV-UT 1022), a History and Criticism course, is recommended.*  
This collaborative writing class is designed to create a TV show for “tweens,” which will be produced in spring’s Children’s TV Production Workshop. The point of the show is to look at issues, trends, the music, the media, the culture of this age group, but in a very humorous, edgy way. Students are introduced to the “writer’s table” and will come up with ideas for segments and characters. The rest of the semester is focused on developing the show and have final draft ready to go into production. All members are encouraged to continue the process in the spring, either as showrunners/producers and/or in other production positions, such as director, camera, lighting, set designer, sound mixer, and editor.  

ADAPTATION: A SCREENWRITING WORKSHOP  
FMTV-UT 1152  
Course Level: Advanced. 4 units.  
Prerequisite: Preparing the Screenplay (FMTV-UT 1019).  
A vigorous workshop in the craft of adaptation (developing screenplays and teleplays from works of fiction and non-fiction.) The source material covered will include short stories, novels, news items, biographies, and true stories developed from journalistic sources and original research. We’ll explore research methods and learn how to evaluate source material to determine which material invites adaptation. Through selection of your own projects (which you will research and develop from pitch to outline to first scenes) you will learn how to translate the essential elements of the source material’s story, theme, main characters, and tone into well structured screenplays.  

ADVANCED FEATURE WRITING I & II  
FMTV-UT 1220/1221  
Course Level: Advanced. 4 units. This is a year-long course; students must register for the 2nd semester in the Spring semester.  
Prerequisite: Preparing the Screenplay (FMTV-UT 1019) AND permission of instructor, chair, or Area Head of Scriptwriting. Please see the Film and TV Office of Academic Support for an access code to register for this course after being granted permission.  
A year-long advanced screenwriting workshop in which students will have the opportunity to write and re-write a feature length screenplay. As well as completing their own work, students will be required to read and critique (via class discussion and written notes) each other’s work throughout both semesters. The overall structure of the class will mirror the real world experience of working writers. Students will be asked to come up with an idea for a feature length script, pitch the idea, do any needed research, then proceed to a step-outline, treatment, and complete first draft. The second semester will be devoted to rewriting the script to achieve a marketable and producible screenplay. To that end, the class will also deal with the “business” of writing. Industry guests will be invited in to discuss agents, managers, options, Writers Guild membership, entertainment attorneys, contracts, etc. This class is only open to those students who have completed their three required writing classes and who have written at least one feature screenplay. Admission is by permission of the instructor, the department chair, or the Area Head of Screenwriting.  

OTHER DEPARTMENTAL OFFERINGS  

MEDIA INTERNSHIP I AND II  
FMTV-UT 1037/1038  
Internships in film, television, radio, web content, and other media are arranged on a limited basis for those students who are qualified. In these professional internships, the student’s employer or supervisor evaluates the work of the student. These written evaluations are submitted to the faculty supervisor. Internships may be taken for 1-12 points per semester, with a recommended maximum of 8 points in the Junior year and 12 points in the Senior year. No more than 24 points of internship credit may be taken toward the completion of degree requirements. This course allocates as a Craft for Film & TV majors.  

ADVANCED INDEPENDENT STUDY  
FMTV-UT 1097, 1098, 1099  
Course Level: Advanced. 1-4 units, variable.  
Prerequisite: Open only to juniors and seniors.  
Student must also file an Undergraduate Independent Study Form, available outside the Film and TV Office of Academic Support Services. This form must be signed by the full-time faculty member who will supervise the study, as well as the UGFTV Undergraduate Chair.  

Students may enroll in an Independent Study to do work that would not be covered by an existing course in the Department. Working with a full-time faculty member, students develop a plan of study that outlines the project, the schedule, and the number of contact hours with the faculty (at least one meeting every two weeks is required) an approximate number of hours per week to be spent on the project (approximately 4-5 hours per week per unit of Independent Study). Independent Study credit for crew work done in a Core Production workshop in which the student is NOT enrolled is limited to two (2) units, and the experience is not considered for a prerequisite equivalent. Please keep in mind, however, that all Independent Study credit is designated as Craft by Degree Audit. A student may not exceed three (3) Independent Studies (12 units) toward degree requirements. Students enrolled in Independent Study DO NOT have access to Departmental facilities or equipment for production projects, and are not covered by school insurance.
The Graduate Division of the Maurice Kanbar Institute of Film and Television at New York University’s Tisch School of the Arts is an intensive three-year conservatory graduate film production program that trains students in the art of cinematic storytelling. We focus on helping writer/directors develop a narrative voice and the technical virtuosity to express that voice in cinema. Our students learn by doing—writing scripts, directing and producing films and exercises, and shooting and crewing on each other’s projects. Every student has an opportunity to make a minimum of five movies while at NYU. The program confers a Master of Fine Arts degree.

The Graduate Film Program encompasses both fiction and documentary filmmaking. Each semester, courses in screenwriting, directing, aesthetics, acting, cinematography, editing, producing, and sound design complement specific filmmaking projects that provide hands-on training. Our students are well-prepared to transition into the professional world with a range of technical skills which often lead to employment in the industry, a reel of short films that can serve as calling cards, and a feature film script or television bible.

Bridging the gap between the creative artist and the business executive, New York University also offers a dual-degree graduate program that will give aspiring film producers the knowledge to navigate the fast-changing landscape of financing and filmmaking today. The joint M.B.A./M.F.A. degree is a partnership between NYU’s Stern School of Business and the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television at the Tisch School of the Arts. This three-year program attracts the very best producing candidates by focusing on both the creative and business sides of film. Designed to be the most comprehensive of its kind, using the top faculty and resources of each School, the dual-degree program produces highly employable individuals sought by the major film studios, independent production companies, cable television studios and streaming content networks.

The Graduate Film Program offers a stimulating and challenging creative community. Our Faculty is comprised of working professionals in the industry who are committed to developing the next generation of filmmakers. Recent guest lecturers have included David Fincher, Sofia Coppola, Darren Aronofsky, Dee Rees, Joshua Oppenheimer, Susanne Bier, Carl Franklin, Peter Dinklage, Sean Baker, Ethan Hawke, and Ang Lee. The student body is a diverse group from all over the world, with a range of creative experience including backgrounds in filmmaking, theater, and photography.

A Faculty list begins on page 92.
Curriculum

The program, which is primarily for writing and directing students, provides theoretical and practical instruction in directing, writing and producing. It also offers an intensive and detailed study of the various aspects of filmmaking, including cinematography, editing, acting, aesthetics and sound recording/editing. The focus of the Graduate Film Program is hands-on filmmaking based around a curriculum with these objectives:

1. To provide students with the opportunity to develop their creative narrative filmmaking talent through actual production experience. The primary format is digital video, with one project shot on 16mm film and with 35mm equipment available for students who prefer to shoot on film.

2. To provide not only artistic and technical knowledge but also familiarity with business procedures used in the profession. In addition to directing, students are allowed to concentrate on producing, cinematography, or editing.

3. To provide knowledge of and access to the industry.

Program of Study

M.F.A. Degree in Film Production

First-year students are immersed in all aspects of film production, attending classes that explore aesthetic principles as well as technical applications. In addition to their course work, students write and direct three short films in their first year, working on each other’s projects by rotating crew positions.

Course work continues through the second year and culminates with each student directing a 10-minute second year narrative film, and also crewing on five of their classmates' second year films, which culminates in a year-end Second Year Showcase of all the completed films. While most students will graduate as writer-directors, they can begin to specialize in the areas of Editing, Cinematography and Producing in the spring of second year.

The primary focus of the third year is the development of a thesis project, which can be a narrative or documentary film, a TV pilot or web series, a feature screenplay or TV/web series written pilot and bible; or an editing or cinematography reel of work done on other students' projects. Students may also graduate as producers, with a producing thesis portfolio. During this third year, students are also able to participate in collaboration classes with students from other Tisch School of the Arts programs, such as the Design, Graduate Acting and IT departments. Students undergo rigorous training in and out of the classroom in preparation for their thesis project.

Several advanced courses are also available as electives in the third year that prepare students for their transition to the professional world. Students may elect courses in feature screenplay writing and are encouraged to complete a feature-length script by graduation. Each thesis is reviewed by a faculty commit-

tee, which then recommends the student for graduation.

M.B.A./M.F.A. Degree in Film Producing with Stern School of Business

The program takes three years to complete, including one summer. Students spend the first year at Stern, the second year at Kanbar, and the third year is split between the two schools. The summer between the first and second years is spent at Kanbar, taking one or two pre-requisite courses that prepare the student to join the production classes in the fall. It is anticipated that students spend the next summer producing thesis-level films in order to satisfy their own thesis producing requirement. The program is 111 units and is split between the two schools.

Facilities

The facilities for the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television are located in the Warner Communications Center at 721 Broadway, as well as the Todman Center at 35 West Fourth Street.

On the ground floor of 721 Broadway there are two screening theaters devoted to classes, screenings, and lectures. On this level there is also a full-sized Teaching Soundstage supporting cinematography and sound production classes. This facility has a full lighting grid with dimmer system as well as movable and permanent sets.

On the lower level there are ten classrooms outfitted with state-of-the-art screening technology.

The 7th floor houses studio classrooms.

The 9th floor houses administrative and faculty offices of the department and the office of the Associate Dean for Film and Television. In addition, the 9th floor houses the departmental Digital Media and Script Library with thousands of scripts, films and television shows in both analog and digital collections. On the west side of the 9th floor is the Sony Production Center housing the largest collection of film and television equipment on the East Coast, serving the curriculum for both graduate and undergraduate students.

The 10th floor houses administrative and faculty offices of the department and the main reception desk for the Graduate Division of the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television. On the south side of the 10th floor there are Post Production suites for advanced and thesis students.

The 11th floor houses administrative and faculty offices of the department and the main reception desk for the Undergraduate Division of the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television. The south side of the 11th floor houses the Post Production Center with editing labs with over one hundred Apple computer workstations for editing picture and sound, as well as a recording studio, and ADR, Mix and Foley rooms.

The Todman Center for Film and Television located at 35 West 4th Street stands as a tribute to William S. Todman, a giant of the television industry. The Todman Center is available to undergraduate and graduate film and television production students working on approved projects. The Todman Center offers casting, rehearsal and shooting rooms, as well as a 2500 square foot film and television sound stage that includes a 108 channel dimmable lighting grid, a full complement of professional lighting/grip equipment, an 80'Lx14'H white cyclorama and surrounding drapes in both black and digital green.
### Admission
A student matriculating in the Tisch School of the Arts must be admitted at two levels:
1. As a student within the department of specialization or major.
2. As a student of New York University.
Specific standards and regulations relating to the Graduate Division, Kanbar Institute of Film and Television, are described in the paragraphs that follow. Admission standards that pertain to the University in general are found beginning on page 256 and should be read in conjunction with the department’s standards.
A filmmaking background is not a prerequisite for admission to the Graduate Film program. The department is looking for potential creative ability as evidenced through visual and written material. Accordingly, the standards of admission are high. To qualify for admission into the Program, individuals must have a bachelor's degree.
For the creative portfolio, applicants are asked to submit both visual and written submissions. Details of specific submission requirements are outlined on the website. The creative portfolio is of major importance in the screening of applicants.

### Program and Degree Requirements
All members of the program are expected to be in full-time attendance. All participants who complete the program of study are eligible to receive the degree of Master of Fine Arts provided they have the prerequisite bachelor's degree and have submitted a satisfactory thesis. Standards and regulations that pertain to the University in general are found beginning on page 240 and should be read in conjunction with this department’s standards and regulations.

### Academic Standards and Continuance
Students must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 to be in good standing; any student failing below 3.0 is placed on academic probation. Grades of Incomplete must be completed by the following semester. Failure to make up an Incomplete within the designated time may be cause for being placed on probation. Academic records are reviewed each semester.
In addition, each student is evaluated at the conclusion of the first and second years of study, taking into account their films, academic record, attendance, and ability to work with fellow students.

### Time Limit for Degree
Students are expected to complete their course work within the three years of the program. Students may maintain matriculation for up to two consecutive semesters immediately following the third year of study to finish their thesis project. Students must complete all degree requirements, including the thesis film, within eight semesters of the date of first matriculation. Students who have had officially granted leaves of absence during their first three years of academic coursework will have their time limit extended accordingly.

### Leaves of Absence
One-year leaves of absence are granted only under the most extreme circumstances during the first three years of study. No leaves of absence are approved during the thesis matriculation period. A request for a leave must be made in writing to the chair, who makes a recommendation to the dean of students. The complete Leave of Absence procedure and required forms are available on the TSOA Student Affairs Website.

### Ownership Policy
The creative works produced by students at the Tisch School of the Arts in fulfillment of class assignments, or as individual study projects, whether made on Tisch School of the Arts premises or elsewhere, with or without Tisch School of the Arts equipment, and with or without extra funds, are subject to certain restrictions until the educational experience associated with such works has been completed. These restrictions are spelled out in the Ownership Policy section on page 261.

### Production and Other Fees
The following fees are required for all students enrolled in the department. These fees are payable at the time of registration each semester. The fees are subject to yearly increase.

- **Production Fee**—$787
- **Equipment Insurance Fee**—$107
- **Liability Insurance Fee**—$56
Liability Insurance for Filming

In addition, all enrolled graduate film students are required to purchase the CSI (College Student Insurance) Personal Property Insurance facilitated by Fireman’s Fund. This insurance policy is a combined personal property/3rd party equipment policy, which also covers the school’s insurance deductible of $5000 plus additional 3rd party rented or borrowed equipment for up to $25,000.

Full-Time Faculty New York

A listing of faculty from the Graduate division, Kanbar Institute of Film and Television is below. For full biographies on departmental faculty, visit www.tisch.nyu.edu.

Yvette Biró
Professor Emerita of Film and Television
Ph.D., Hungarian Academy of Sciences

Michael Burke
Associate Arts Professor and Associate Dean of the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television
B.A., Castleton; M.F.A., NYU

Mick Casale
Associate Arts Professor of Film and Television
B.A., SUNY (Plattsburgh); M.F.A., University of Minnesota

Carol Dysinger
Associate Professor of Film and Television
B.F.A., NYU

Kenneth Friedman
Associate Professor of Film and Television
M.F.A., NYU

Amy Fox
Distinguished Teacher of Film and Television
M.F.A., Brooklyn College

Donna Gigliotti
Associate Arts Professor of Film & Television
B.A., Sarah Lawrence College

Mia Gioffi Henry
Assistant Arts Professor of Film & Television
B.A., NYU

Anthony Jannelli
Assistant Arts Professor of Film and Television
B.F.A., Theater Arts, CW Post College of Long Island University

Tatjana Krstevski
Assistant Arts Professor of Film & Television

Spike Lee
Professor of Film and Television; Artistic Director of the Graduate Film Program; Amy and Joseph Perella Chair
B.A., Morehouse College; M.F.A., NYU

Kasi Lemmons
Arts Professor of Film and Television
Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters, Salem State College

Andrew MacLean
Assistant Arts Professor of Film and Television
M.F.A., NYU

Thomas Mangan
Associate Arts Professor of Film and Television
B.A., University of New Mexico; M.F.A., NYU

Peter Newman
Associate Arts Professor of Film and Television
B.A., Northwestern University

Alex Rockwell
Associate Arts Professor of Film and Television

Jennifer Ruff
Assistant Arts Professor of Film and Television
B.A., University of New Mexico

Gail Segal
Associate Arts Professor of Film and Television
B.A., Wake Forest; M.F.A., Warren Wilson College

Barbara Schock
Associate Arts Professor of Film and Television, and Chair of the Graduate Film Program
B.A., University of California, San Diego; M.F.A., American Film Institute

Todd Solondz
Arts Professor of Film and Television
B.A., Yale University; M.F.A., New York University

John Tintori
Associate Arts Professor of Film and Television
B.G.S., Michigan

Sameh Zoabi
Assistant Arts Professor of Film & Television
B.A. Tel Aviv University; M.F.A.

Columbia University

PART-TIME FACULTY (NY)

Luis Alvarez-Alvarez
Jay Anania
Richard Baker
Brooke Berman
Abigail Bess
Ryan Billia
Chris Ciancimino
Lester Cohen
Frederick Elmes
Elizabeth Elsas
Erica Freed
Annie Howell
Billy Kent
Julienne Hanzelka Kim
Tony Martinez
Lisa Milinazzo
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Peter Schneider
Jon Shear
John Stoss
Felipe Vara de Rey
Alexandra Zelman-Doring
FIRST YEAR—FALL

DIRECTING I: THE SILENT FILM
GFMTV-GT.2034
Lecture 3 Credits

This course provides an overview of film language and visual storytelling techniques which are then practiced in hands-on directing exercises shot both digitally and on film. In addition, each student develops and directs a four-minute black and white silent film, the MOS exercise, written in Fundamentals of Screenwriting I and shot over a 4-week production period. Students work in crews of five to six, and rotate positions allowing exposure and contribution to a number of productions other than their own. The course encourages students to explore the personal and formal variations that will lead to discovery of one’s own style.

FUNDAMENTALS OF SCREENWRITING I
GFMTV-GT.2085
Lecture 2 Credits

This course is a workshop which explores the language of dramatic writing and visual storytelling, primarily through the development of a script for the four-minute silent film, the MOS. After the production period, the class focuses on writing dialogue and preparation for the next semester’s writing project, the Spring Narrative. The instruction embraces all styles and methods of script writing, but also teaches industry standard format.

INTRODUCTION TO PRODUCING I
GFMTV-GT.2007
Lecture 2 Credits

This course teaches students fundamental skills and procedures used in managing the making of a film. Topics covered include crew structure, agreements and deal memos, rights, copyright and trademark clearances, insurance, permits, SAG-AFTRA and non-union actor contracts, scheduling (using Movie Magic software), budgeting, transportation, and supplier contracts. Particular attention is paid to professional practice concerning the structure of the workday, shooting hours, turn around time and safety issues. Students will also prepare an industry-standard Production Notebook in preparation for the MOS project.

MOTION PICTURE CAMERA TECHNIQUES I
GFMTV-GT.2012
Studio 2 Credits

This course teaches the fundamentals of 16mm and digital cinematography with a focus on camera operation, light measurement, exposure, visual composition, as well as the study of natural light cinematography. Students are taught to modify existing daylight to enhance their imagery, and to use filters to control images. The students will also learn the essential crewing categories and the divisions of labor that make up an efficient team.

EDITING I
GFMTV-GT.2001
Lecture/Studio 2 Credits

This course is an introduction to the principles of editing as elements of visual storytelling. Students will examine the design of sequences in various styles of films, discuss strategies of coverage, and trace the post-production workflow. The students will learn the basics of Avid in an intensive hands-on lab, cutting assigned exercises which will be reviewed for pacing, emphasis, and sequencing. After the production period, the class will apply the principles learned on the four-minute MOS project.

AESTHETICS I
GFMTV-GT.2010
Lecture 2 Credits

Students are introduced to basic film techniques and their function in visual storytelling. Studied closely for their dramatic effects, techniques are also viewed with an eye toward their patterns and variations in creating coherent work. Clips are screened from films by directors world-wide, past and present, to demonstrate the use of location, activity, movement, gesture, camera placement, lighting, blocking and staging as tools integrated into the visual fabric of the story. After the production period, students examine basic principles of the documentary, particularly as an observational character study. Clips are screened to highlight examples of compelling locations, activities, interactions, and situations. Students are also introduced to the notions of “structuring audience sympathy” and the director’s stance.

LOCATION SOUND I
GFMTV-GT.2038
Lecture/Studio 2 Credits

In this course, students learn the techniques and methods of sound recording on set through in-class lectures as well as hands-on assignments to develop and improve the aural sense and the ability to capture ambiances and sound effects, both wild and sync. By the end of the semester, students will have a working knowledge of industry standard recorders, mixers and microphones whose general principles can be applied to other sound recording equipment. Sound theory, including concepts of sound perspective and reverb, will be also be considered to help transition from the set to the sound editing process.

ACTORS CRAFT I
GFMTV-GT.2043
Lecture 2 Credits

This course is designed to provide an understanding of the actor’s craft so that directors can guide actors toward delivering optimum performances. The actor’s world is explored experientially through direct participation in acting exercises. Students learn various acting techniques that will aid in the rehearsal and casting of their MOS projects, and help bridge the communication gap between actors and directors by de-mystifying the actor’s process.

FIRST YEAR—SPRING

DIRECTING II: THE SPRING NARRATIVE
GFMTV-GT.2034
Studio/Lecture 3 Credits

This class builds on the basics of visual storytelling explored in the MOS Project, by adding the elements of dialogue, interior locations, and music. Students are encouraged to explore the nuances of character, text and subtext within a simple, brief story. At the end of the 7 weeks of preparation through lectures, readings, and weekly directing exercises, each student will direct a Spring Narrative - a 7-minute project shot on digital video. There will be a production period of 4 weeks, during which students will crew for each other. During the last 3 weeks of the term, students will workshop cuts of their Spring Narrative, and begin to prepare for their second year film.

FUNDAMENTALS OF SCREENWRITING II
GFMTV-GT.2086
Studio 2 credits

The course is a weekly, 3-hour workshop which continues exploring the fundamentals of screenwriting by developing a short screenplay for the Spring Narrative proj-
INTRODUCTION TO PRODUCING II
GFMTV-GT.2017
Lecture 1 Credit
This course is designed to deepen students’ knowledge and skill in the financial and legal aspects of filmmaking as well as provide an introduction to the promotion and distribution of short films. The course also prepares students for the skillful execution of their Spring Narrative projects. Topics covered include budgeting and scheduling, production insurance, a greater understanding of crew positions, as well as responsibilities both in the field and in the production office prior to the shoot. Students are also introduced to distribution options on the festival circuit once the films are completed.

SAFETY CLASS: PRODUCTION SAFETY AND SET PROTOCOL
GFMTV-GT.2099
Studio 1 credit
The course will illustrate the various skill sets and techniques used in film and television productions, and familiarize students with the industry’s standard of best practices on set. Learning these basic “nuts and bolts” not only enhances safety and productivity, it enhances our artistic purpose. Through a series of lectures, demonstrations, and hands-on exercises, students will become familiar with the many tools used in physical production, with the goal of fostering their creative vision in a safe and healthful workplace that is both professional and productive. This class meets two hours per week for five weeks.

MOTION PICTURE CAMERA TECHNIQUES II
GFMTV-GT.2083
Studio 2 Credits
This course teaches the fundamentals of digital cinematography with a focus on camera operation, light measurement, exposure, visual composition, as well as the study of natural light cinematography. In the spring semester, the course will introduce the students to basic color moving image-capturing techniques for digital media with a concentration on lighting for narrative storytelling.

EDITING II
GFMTV-GT.2002
Lecture 2 Credits
During the first half of this course, students will learn how to structure non-fictional footage into a narrative arc while editing their Observational Character Study (OCS). Students explore the idea of editing as writing and rewriting. In the second half of the course, students prepare for and edit their first dialogue-driven drama for the Spring Narrative, exploring how editing can shape performances and story. Throughout the course, more advanced Avid techniques will be put into practice.

AESTHETICS: PRODUCTION DESIGN
GFMTV-GT.2011
Lecture 2 Credits
Ever since Georges Melies’ “The Cabinet of Mephistopheles” began the era of narrative cinema, filmmakers have been making production design choices. As with any other visual medium, a successful end product demands careful consideration of composition, color and motif along with a consistent point of view. This course will give students an introduction to understanding the role of design in motion pictures and also give them basic practical knowledge that will help them successfully incorporate these principles into their films.

LOCATION SOUND II
GFMTV-GT.2031
Lecture/Studio 2 Credits
In this course, students will become proficient in the tools and techniques of production sound for narrative and documentary filmmaking, including the use of wired and wireless microphones, mixers and digital recorders. Students will gain an understanding and appreciation of the creative use of sound as a storytelling device. They will continue to learn the techniques and methods of sound recording on set through in-class lectures as well as hands-on assignments, and will develop the ability to record dialogue, and improve their ability to capture ambience and sound effects. Sound theory will be considered to help transition from the set to the sound editing process.

ACTORS CRAFT II
GFMTV-GT.2044
Lecture 2 Credits
In this course, students will build on the Actors Craft I foundation in preparation for the Spring Narrative. The emphasis will be on laying a solid foundation for working with actors in scripted material. Students will workshop scenes from their Spring Narrative scripts as well as other film scripts. Prior lessons learned are reinforced and new rehearsal methods are introduced.

SECOND YEAR—FALL

DIRECTING III
GFMTV-GT.2134
Studio 4 Credits
Students are expected to arrive on day 1 with a script for a ten-minute, color film with sound. The semester is divided into two sections: 7 weeks of pre-production during which the elements of the film are explored through weekly directing exercises and screenings, followed by a production period that extends from early November, goes through the Winter Break, and ends when classes begin in late January. Every one of the tools at the director’s disposal will be explored in a more complex manner, all of which helps the filmmaker investigate and discover a style and manner of cinematic storytelling that most suits the kind of film being made.

WRITING THE SHORT SCREENPLAY
GFMTV-GT.2117
Lecture 2 Credits
This course will help students develop engaging and imaginative, original ten minute screenplays for production in the second year program. The semester will begin with an “intensive” devoted to table readings where each script will be taken through a formal process of oral and written feedback in preparation for the subsequent course work. Students will subsequently rethink, restructure, rewrite and further develop the scripts. After a brief review of common issues and key principles, each revised script will be read and discussed in class, with individual consultations offered. At the end of this course, each student should have a strong second draft screenplay ready for production.

PRODUCING THE SHORT NARRATIVE FILM
GFMTV-GT.2103
Lecture 2 Credits
To help students prepare for the larger scale production requirements of 2nd year films, this course deepens understanding of the craft and creative aspects of producing. Students learn how to prepare a short business plan summarizing
the key elements of their project—log-line, synopsis, creative team, look book, festival strategy, etc.—to help attract financial and creative support and begin plans for public exhibition. They also prepare a detailed Production Notebook that includes all the necessary legal, financial and production information required for the safe execution and distribution of their film.

INTERMEDIATE CINEMATOGRAPHY I
GFMTV-GT.2116

Studio 2 Credits
In this course, students will gain practical experience with the tools and the hardware used in the industry. In-class cinematography exercises will help students work through aesthetic decisions to give their films unique life using lighting and composition: camera placement, camera angles, camera movement and lens choice. The course also includes technical instruction for the Alexa camera, essential lighting and grip equipment, color film stocks, hard light vs. soft light, color temperature, exterior lighting and control of natural light, continuity from a cinematographer’s point of view, and camera-actor choreography.

NARRATIVE EDITING
GFMTV-GT.2101

Lecture 2 Credits
This course builds upon the principles of narrative editing, with a focus on the evolving grammar of cinema. In preparation for the 2nd year film, the class will examine pre-production and production strategies that insure the editor will have the optimum material for post-production. A number of creative tools used in post-production will also be explored, including the use of music, sound design, visual effects, and voice-over. Each student will then submit a short paper describing the design of their film with regard to the editing style.

AESTHETICS: FILM STYLE
GFMTV-GT.2125

Lecture 2 Credits
This course adds to a student’s basic understanding of film techniques by exploring the way techniques combine to give a movie its particular style. Emphasis is given to the interaction between story and style, so that stylistic use of techniques works less as a flourish than as narrative necessity, supporting the director’s vision of how a given story can best be told. Clips are screened from films by over 45 directors representing every continent and each era of film history. Class discussion is staged to encourage students to analyze the technical strategies of screened clips toward building greater confidence in making strategic choices about the application of techniques in their 2nd year projects.

SOUND III
GFMTV-GT.2169

Studio 2 Credits
In this class students build on the techniques and methods of sound recording learned in Sound I and Sound II. Taught with sound mixers and directors in mind, the course consists of lectures on sound theory, hands-on assignments, and screenings of relevant films. By the end of the semester, students will become more comfortable with industry standard mixers & digital recorders, digital slates, microphones, and the principles of sound recording. Using concepts learned in class, all students will “pre-visualize” their second year films in preparation for the production period.

DIRECTING THE ACTOR I
GFMTV-GT.2113

Lecture 2 Credits
This seven-week workshop prepares students to work with actors in creative collaboration to obtain authentic, truthful performances. The class will demonstrate the importance of communicating the vision of the script in a vocabulary that has meaning to an actor, with a focus on script analysis and character behavior. Students will acquire a working knowledge of the language of actors through the application of various acting techniques created by influential acting teachers from Stanislavsky to the present.

SECOND YEAR—SPRING

REQUIRED COURSES: Sign up for one section of each course (14 points)

DIRECTING IV: MASTER CLASS
GFMTV-GT.2135

Lecture 4 credits
This course gives the student the opportunity to receive critical feedback, as part of their ongoing work on their second year films, from the full time Directing faculty. For the first 9 weeks of the semester, the entire class convenes as a group with the 2nd Year Directing teachers to screen rough and fine cuts of the films. A focus is directed at how camera, blocking, design and performance work toward the director’s goals for the film. Evaluations are held during the 10th week by the entire departmental faculty. After Evaluations, students break into sections for four weeks with their individual Directing instructors; these final weeks are dedicated to refining their 2nd Year film in preparation for the Second Year Showcase.

SCREENWRITING: THESIS AND FEATURE SCRIPTS
GFMTV-GT.2118

Lecture 4 Credits
This class prepares the students to develop their next writing projects, which may include short screenplays or longer form work such as feature or television scripts. The class analyzes scripts and films, and uses a combination of lecture and exercises to pursue the practice and theory of conceptualizing and writing more complex narratives. Students will complete the class with developed concepts or outlines, and be prepared to write a thesis script over the summer.

PRODUCING FOR DIRECTORS: INDEPENDENT FEATURES
GFMTV-GT.2104

Lecture 2 Credits
This course provides an overview of the business and creative fundamentals needed by directors, writers and producers to move feature and series ideas forward in the entertainment business. Students walk through the steps to develop a project from conception to completion by forming teams and creating a business plan for a long-form project of their choosing. Students learn how to option literary material, protect their creative rights, assemble cast and key crew, negotiate talent deals, identify audience and marketing/distribution possibilities, assess revenue potential, and articulate clear, concise and compelling descriptions of their films. At the end of the semester, students are given the opportunity to practice presenting their projects to potential investors and industry guests.

EDITING WORKSHOP
GFMTV-GT.2102

Lecture 2 Credits
This is a workshop for students to screen and explore the editing of their 2nd year films. With an emphasis on class participation, students will learn the art of feedback as well as editing. This class is designed to take students through the completion of their 2nd year film.
POST PRODUCTION: SOUND
GFMTV-GT.2170
Studio 2 credits
This course covers the fundamentals of sound design, sound editing strategies, and technology. Students are introduced to ADR and Foley. By the end of the class, students will design and sound edit their second year films, as well as prepare for the final mix. Workshops on color correction are included within this post production course.

ELECTIVES (enroll in 2 courses: (4 points)

INTERMEDIATE CINEMATOGRAPHY II
GFMTV-GT.2126
Studio 2 credits
This course provides an opportunity for students to practice their skills as Directors of Photography, even if that is not a career objective. Each week the class will practice techniques commonly used for creating a look or mood. Other techniques, such as creating fire effects, and lighting for moonlight will be explored. Students will be required to light and operate the camera by shooting a scene employing the specific technique from each week’s lesson.

AESTHETICS: STORY AND STRUCTURE
GFMTV-GT.2125
Lecture 2 Credits
The course is an exploration of the structure and form of feature length narrative film. While the course investigates both conventional narrative film (known as “classical Hollywood cinema”) and various alternatives to the classical form (i.e. slice of life, episodic, art cinema), particular emphasis is given to their distinctions. In classical narrative storytelling, the anticipation of what happens next will keep a viewer watching. What strategies does the writer (and/or director) employ to maintain the viewer’s interest when using a variation of that form? Each week we analyze one or two feature films to further our investigation, also looking closely at the way in which a film demonstrates coherence in style and tone, as well as structural unity.

DOCUMENTARY SKILLS
GFMTV-GT.2248.01
Studio 2 Credits
This course expands on the introductory documentary skills taught in the first year “Observational Character Study.” By examining the basic building blocks of documentary filmmaking and how they are useful for all storytelling strategies, students will identify style and voice in nonfiction work. Through screenings, lectures, and discussion, the course will look at how to recognize a viable documentary subject and situation, how that subject is developed into a story, and how that story is told. The workshop uses a combination of short documentary filmmaking exercises (both in and out of class) to help students develop an idea for a short documentary film. The course is designed for students who want to make documentaries, and especially for those who are considering doing a documentary for their Thesis film.

DIRECTING PROJECTS:

COMMERCIALS
GFMTV-GT.2247.02
Studio 1-6 Credits
This course explores the art and business of directing commercials and examines various ways that film and advertising intersect and cross-pollinate. Each student will write and direct one 30-second spec commercial. Through the prism of this very short format, directors will be asked to define their voice and point of view, as well as learn to express themselves succinctly. With the focus on each student’s particular assets and interests as filmmakers, the course explores short, medium and long-term career strategies.

DOCUMENTARY PROJECT
GFMTV-GT.2248.01
Studio 1-6 Credits
This course allows students to develop the styles, tools, and skills associated with documentary filmmaking through a series of exercises designed to either combine into a single short film, or to work as separate films. The course is designed for students who want to make documentaries, and also benefits those who would like to learn writing or creating narrative in a documentary style. Topics covered include the interview, the verite situation, and the act of illustrating what is real - be it through reenactment or other arts, and delves into the structure of a nonfiction tale. Fundraising that is particular to documentary will also be covered in more detail. Students who would like to present a documentary as a thesis presentation in April should discuss with the Instructor the previous spring before they register for this fall class. Since the thesis presentation will involve a trailer of some kind, it is important that students shoot something over the summer if locations are not easily accessible from New York.

WRITING THE FEATURE I
GFMTV-GT.2213
Lecture 1-6 Credits
Primarily a workshop, this class is designed to explore feature writing and develop a working draft of a feature film script. Students may choose to present a complete draft to the thesis committee in April.

WRITING THE SHORT FORM
GFMTV-GT.2211
Lecture 1-6 Credits
The course encourages an in-depth look at the possibilities of the short form through exercises, demonstration, and lecture. By the end of the semester, stu-
students will develop a short screenplay for production in third year classes or for a potential thesis project.

**TELEVISION WRITING AND SERIES DEVELOPMENT I**

GFMTV-GT.2256

*Lecture 1-6 Credits*

In this course, students will develop a concept, treatment and pilot for a half or full hour, episodic or serialized television series. Students may choose to present a complete draft to the thesis committee in April.

**MASTER SERIES: CAREER STRATEGIES**

GFMTV-GT.2244

*Lecture 1-6 Credits (10 weeks)*

This course is designed to equip students with the essential information, strategies, and skills required to launch successful careers in the film, television, and related industries, after their graduation from NYU. Initial classes focus on the broad range of professional opportunities and the nature of the competitive challenges ahead. Each session will be comprised of a one-hour discussion of the current state of the entertainment industry, with the professor helping the students to strategize their priorities and career objectives. The second part of each class will involve a guest speaker from various segments of the industry (such as key agents, managers, lawyer, financiers, acquisitions and production executives from independent companies and studios). The takeaway at the end of the course will be that each student is able to clearly view themselves as an individual enterprise ready to segue into their desired field in the entertainment business.

**STRUCTURE AND MANAGEMENT OF AN INDEPENDENT FILM COMPANY**

GFMTV-GT 2244

*Lecture 1 Credit (6 weeks)*

This course will explore the crucial elements of running a successful independent production company through case history and analysis. Topics will include packaging material, attracting financing and distribution, and building the key relationships critical to bringing projects to fruition. Classes examine current and future avenues of financing/production/delivery/marketing and consumption, and the fusion of features and episodic content. Instructor John Sloss will examine his company’s own history and current endeavors in film finance, sales, distribution and talent management.

**MASTER SERIES: MOVIE MARKETING & CREATIVE ADVERTISING**

GFMTV-GT.2285

*Lecture 1 Credit (6 weeks)*

Movie marketing and creative advertising is an interactive course designed to encourage future filmmakers and give a basic understanding of movie marketing, with a focus on developing the correct distribution strategy and creating the right marketing materials—from the filmmakers’ POVs. The course will examine a wide range of movies, from low-budget independent to billion dollar-grossing sequels and explore concepts, processes and different strategic approaches used by the film industry. The class will consist of lectures, case studies, industry news, guest speakers and heavy classroom discussion to dissect current and past campaigns. The course helps filmmakers develop the tools to make their films as marketable as possible.

**MASTER SERIES: DEVELOPMENT PLATFORMS**

GFMTV-GT.2240

*Lecture 1 Credit (6 weeks)*

This course will help students gain an understanding of the constituent groups that drive decision-making for the creative and commercial processes of television, how an idea moves from conception to an on-air commitment, and what a content creator can do to help a show TV connect with the people who have the power to give an idea the green light. In addition, the class will examine what helps a show connect with audiences, how the path to entry into the TV business differs from the film industries, and will discuss similarities and differences between industries in the creative disciplines. By the end of the six weeks, students will create a written pitch for a fiction or non-fiction series that includes show title, logline, 1-2 page show bible, short character breakdowns and a range of appropriate TV channels/SVOD outlets.

**ADVANCED CINEMATOGRAPHY: 35MM FILM AND HIGH DEFINITION DIGITAL TECHNIQUES**

GFMTV-GT.2204

*Studio 1-6 credits*

This techniques class is designed to give cinematography majors practical and artistic experience in preparing for their professional careers as directors of photography. Designed as an intensive hands-on shooting experience, projects are shot and lit on the soundstage and on location while employing numerous exposure techniques using a 35mm Arri 435 camera and Kodak film stocks, or Digital HD cameras. A team of two students (DP/Operator and Gaffer) design and execute a scene each week. All students are required to serve as key grip, gaffer, and AC on each other’s projects. Professional DP’s may also be invited to guest lecture, and the class may also take off-campus trips to visit professional vendors.

**ADVANCED CINEMATOGRAPHY: PRACTICUM**

GFMTV-GT.2296

*Studio 1-6 credits*

This DP Practicum is designed for directors of photography interested in shooting projects created in the TV Commercials class. All students work as a Director Of Photography on at least one production.

**AVID MEDIA COMPOSER**

GFMTV-GT.2269

*Lecture 1-6 Credits*

In this class, students will learn how to use Avid Media Composer using industry standard and professional practices. Using footage from a previously released feature film, students will practice setting up a professional project, organizing their drives and media, syncing and grouping footage, and bringing an edit from start to finish. Through a combination of lecture and hands-on editing time, students will learn how to advance their cuts through sound work, basic visual effects, and music, with particular emphasis on utilizing keyboard shortcuts and adhering to proper workflow. As a final assignment, students will edit the commercials shot in the production class.

**DIRECTING THE ACTOR III**

GFMTV-GT.2241

*Lecture 1-6 Credits*

This course will help student directors develop skills to collaborate more effectively with actors and, by extension everyone else on a film from the DP to prospective investors. Practical matters are covered regarding every phase of working with an actor, from character descriptions to aid in casting, and a range of rehearsal techniques. This comprehensive approach is integrated with key components of the filmmaking process. For instance, a heightened understanding of a character’s desires and the power dynamics between characters provides the basis for compelling performances, framing, and camera movement. Directors learn how to calibrate performance to the size of the shot and
how to create blocking that frees an actor's creativity. Throughout, students discover how preparation, attentiveness, and openness to happy accidents bring out the best not only in an actor and the rest of the creative team but also in directors themselves.

OTHER OFFERINGS:

ENTERTAINMENT & MEDIA INDUSTRIES
OFFERED BY THE STERN SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
B70.2119
Lecture 1.5 Credits
This course provides an overview of the entertainment and media industry. It covers key sectors of the entertainment universe: movies, home video, television, cable, publishing, sports, and music. The course explores concepts, frameworks, models, and analyzes industry data that apply across the entertainment spectrum including licensing, sponsorships and promotion. As such, it provides a foundation for the other courses in the EMT specialization. The basic concepts, terms and principles that cut across the entertainment industry are covered. Time is also spent on understanding the development and application of marketing strategies and tactics for entertainment companies. Case studies and project work are included.

MUSIC COMPOSITION FOR FILM
OFFERED THROUGH STEINHARDT, MUSIC DEPT
E85.2048
Studio 3 Credits
The creative & technical processes of composing music for moving image are accomplished through film composition techniques, live recordings, & critical assessments. The practical application of software addresses electronic & live recordings & critical assessment integrating key aspects of turnings, MIDI-Music, score preparation, & music editing. Scores are composed for graduate films & animated works from the Tisch School of the Arts, as well as a library of pre-existing professional rough-cuts.

INDEPENDENT STUDY
GFMTV-GT.2202
Independent Study 1-6 Credits
Students may enroll in an Independent Study to do work that would not be covered by an existing course in the Department. Working with a full-time faculty member, students develop a plan of study that outlines the project, the schedule, and the number of contact hours with the faculty (minimum of one meeting every two weeks is required) an approximate number of hours per week to be spent on the project (approximately 5 hours per week for 14 weeks for each point of Independent Study).

THIRD YEAR—SPRING

ELECTIVE COURSES (Enroll for 18 credits)

THESIS PRODUCTION:
ADVANCED DIRECTING
GFMTV-GT.2255.01 and .03
Studio/Lecture 1-6 Credits
This course is focused on developing the director’s voice through lecture and exercises in directing the camera that continuing to challenge students as directors. Work done is in preparation for directing the Thesis.

REWRITES AND REMAKES
GFMTV-GT.2253.02
This course will explore the process of writing and rewriting, making and remaking short films and short scripts. Students are required to submit a script (up to five pages max) for a short film at the first class. Some of these scripts may be shot during the semester over weekends with the Drop-In equipment, or they may be developed as a short Thesis film to be shot after Spring Break or during the Thesis Production period, but all students ultimately should be prepared to screen a short film by the end of the semester.

DIRECTING PROJECTS: DESIGN AND GRADUATE ACTING COLLABORATION
GFMTV-GT.2247.02
Production 1-6 credits
The Acting and Design Collaboration will be a high level examination of the creative relationship between directors, actors and designers through the creation of a short film by each student director. The class will explore how a writer/director originates and communicates an artistic vision to her/his closest creative partners. For the actors and designers, the class will also function as an exploration of both the aesthetic and practical, working differences between the mediums of theater and film. The class will include an 8-day production period that spans the Spring Break, during which each director will have three eight-hour shooting days. After this production period the directors will work with editors from the Advanced Editing class. For the last four weeks of the semester the class will screen progressive cuts of the films where designers and guests will provide critical feedback to the directors and editors as they work towards the finished product.

EXPERIENTIAL STORYTELLING: A GRAD FILM/TV COLLABORATION
GFMTV-GT.2248.02
Lecture 2 Credits (7 weeks)
This class will focus on the storytelling possibilities of cinematic VR and other new immersive media, including room-scale VR and augmented reality. Students will focus on how to create impactful experiences through learning about new spatial modalities and reviewing recent groundbreaking works. Exercises will be assigned to familiarize students with 360 storytelling using Ricoh Theta S cameras. A final, well-developed plan for a narrative short VR film, which could serve as a Thesis project, will be pitched during the last class. Along with the exercises, a strong conceptual focus will challenge the students to think outside of current technological limitations and explore the exciting future of experiential storytelling.

MASTER SERIES: DIRECTING STRATEGIES
GFMTV-GT.2243
Lecture 1-6 Credits
Professor Spike Lee mentors students on their own thesis projects, feature plans and careers. He brings in industry professionals to discuss their work, and lecture covers his own work as well as aesthetic and practical issues. Students also have the opportunity to meet with Prof. Lee in 30-minute individual advisement sessions as part of this class.

WRITING THE FEATURE II
GFMTV-GT.2214
Lecture 1-6 Credits
This course is designed for the completion of the feature film script begun in Writing the Feature I. Primarily a workshop, this class explores feature writing and by the end of the semester, students develop a working draft of a feature film script. Students may choose to present a complete draft as their Thesis project to their Thesis committee in April.

TELEVISION WRITING AND SERIES DEVELOPMENT II
GFMTV-GT.2256
Lecture 1-6 Credits
In this course, students will continue their work from Television Writing and Series Development I to develop a con-
cept, treatment and pilot for a half or full hour, episodic or serialized television series. Students may choose to present a complete draft as their Thesis project to their Thesis committee in April.

WRITING THE SHORT FORM
GFMTV-GT.2211
Lecture 1-6 Credits
The course encourages an in-depth look at the possibilities of the short form through exercises, demonstration, and lecture. Students may choose to develop a short screenplay for their Thesis project to be shot after Spring Break, or during the Thesis production period that extends into the 4th year.

PACKAGING AND PITCHING WORKSHOP
GFMTV-GT.2283
Lecture 1-6 Credits
This course is designed for students with long-form treatments or scripts for features and series intended for a thesis project, or for production post graduation. Building on the foundational principles acquired in Producing For Directors: Independent Features, students prepare detailed packages and business plans and pitch their projects multiple times to class and industry guests. Students will exit the class with clear, concise and compelling presentations of their projects—on the page and on their feet—to present to potential supporters. Permission of the instructor and completion of Producing For Directors: Independent Features are required.

MASTER SERIES: PRODUCING WITH VISION
GFMTV-GT.2245
Lecture 1 Credit (6 weeks)
This course will focus on the changing landscape of “the audience” and our relationship with content as an expression of identity and perspective. The class will examine the shifting demographics of gender and diversity in North America as well as the significance of developed and emerging international and multicultural markets. With an expanded and progressive view of the marketplace, design thinking will be employed to look at new models for storytelling and to study entrepreneurial strategies for reaching wider audiences in the age of exponential technology.

FILM FROM THE GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE
GFMTV-GT.2284.01
Lecture 1-6 credits
The geography of the film world is rapidly changing, no longer revolving exclusively around Hollywood, or even the U.S. Opportunities abound around the world for new filmmakers to gain entry and thrive in foreign markets. The course will examine the historical changes that have occurred in the foreign markets and attempt to forecast where the business is headed internationally, and create an awareness in graduate film students on how to access jobs and produce films in foreign countries.

ADVANCED CINEMATOGRAPHY: DIGITAL TECHNIQUES
GFMTV-GT.2204
Studio 1-6 Credits
This techniques class is designed to give cinematography majors practical and artistic experience in preparing for their professional careers as directors of photography. Designed as an intensive hands-on shooting experience, projects are shot and lit on the soundstage and on location while employing numerous exposure techniques using a 35mm Arri 435 camera and Kodak film stocks, or Digital HD cameras. A team of two students (DP/Operator and Gaffer) design and execute a scene each week. All students are required to serve as key grip, gaffer, and AC on each other’s projects. Professional DPs may also be invited to guest lecture, and the class may also take off-campus trips to visit professional vendors.

DIRECTING THE ACTOR IV
GFMTV-GT.2242
Lecture 1-6 Credits
This advanced course focuses on the director-actor relationship with a special emphasis on blocking dramatic action. An advanced form of script analysis is explored and put into practice. Each student directs several scenes, tailored to each student’s skill-set. Students are encouraged to workshop their own Thesis material, and have the option of bringing in a camera to practice focusing on performance with on-set dynamics in place.

MUSIC COMPOSITION FOR FILM OFFERED THROUGH STEINHARDT, MUSIC DEPT.
E85.2048
Studio 3 Credits
The creative & technical processes of composing music for moving image are accomplished through film composition techniques, live recordings, & critical assessments. The practical application of software addresses electronic & live recordings & critical assessment integrating key aspects of timings, MIDI-Mockups, score preparation, & music
Editing. Scores are composed for graduate films & animated works from the Tisch School of the Arts, as well as a library of pre-existing professional rough-cuts.

ENTERTAINMENT & MEDIA INDUSTRIES OFFERED BY THE STERN SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

B70.2119
Lecture 1.5 Credits
This course provides an overview of the entertainment and media industry. It covers key sectors of the entertainment universe: movies, home video, television, cable, publishing, sports, and music. The course explores concepts, frameworks, models, and analyzes industry data that apply across the entertainment spectrum including licensing, sponsorships and promotion. As such, it provides a foundation for the other courses in the EMT specialization. The basic concepts, terms and principles that cut across the entertainment industry are covered. Time is also spent on understanding the development and application of marketing strategies and tactics for entertainment companies. Case studies and project work are included.

BUSINESS OF Producing OFFERED BY THE STERN SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

MKTG-GB.2116.30
Lecture 2 Credits
This course is designed to provide students with a framework for understanding the dynamics of producing a finished creative product in the entertainment and media industries. It covers the process of feature production from the initial concept of the story, through script development, to completion of the project. All the facets of the production process are explored, including script selection, finance, budgeting, timetable development, team building, talent selection, contract and union negotiating, regulation, and technology. Guest speakers include producers of independent movies, network TV, cable, syndicated TV, radio, and TV commercials.

INDEPENDENT STUDY

GFMTV-GT.2202
Independent Study 1-6 Credits
Students may enroll in an Independent Study to do work that would not be covered by an existing course in the Department. Working with a full-time faculty member, students develop a plan of study that outlines the project, the schedule, and the number of contact hours with the faculty (minimum of one meeting every two weeks is required) an approximate number of hours per week to be spent on the project (approximately 5 hours per week for 14 weeks for each point of Independent Study).
The Rita and Burton Goldberg Department of Dramatic Writing offers a highly focused academic and professional writing program for undergraduate and graduate students, committed to the rigorous training of writers for theatre, film, and television. Our primary goal is to educate and train the writer through an integrated curriculum: a stepped series of core writing courses, a set of challenging theoretical and analytical courses in text analysis, and a group of production and professional training courses that acquaint the emerging dramatist with the disciplines of those who collaborate with writers of drama.

Undergraduate training, in particular, is firmly rooted in a wide-ranging liberal arts curriculum that is designed to illuminate and educate the dramatist.

We are dedicated to educating writers as thinkers and artists who are serious, ethical, and responsible. We believe that it is our responsibility to encourage dramatic writers to find truth and to have the courage to tell that truth in their stories. We encourage the writers in our program to develop their own voices and their own visions.

Because of changing economics, new technology, and cross-fertilization in the arts, the artist of today characteristically works in a variety of media. We train emerging dramatists to work with flexibility, pace, and confidence in those media and in different dramatic forms and genres. We believe the study of playwriting, understood as stagecraft and the world of language, must and should be combined with the study of film and television writing, understood as fluency in visual language and storytelling.

The Goldberg Department of Dramatic Writing has recruited an entirely professional faculty of working writers, scholars, and production artists. It attracts highly talented writers from all over the world. Our ultimate aim is to graduate well-educated, well-rounded writers who will create new works of art and who will educate, entertain, enlighten, aggravate, delight, stimulate, and inspire people throughout the world.

Undergraduate Program

The undergraduate program in Dramatic Writing, which leads to the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree, is divided into three parts: dramatic writing courses, which include core writing, text analysis, and performance and production courses; general education courses; and electives. Students may enter the program either as freshmen or as transfer students. The curriculum as a whole enables them to analyze the dramatic text as it has developed since the time of the ancient Greeks, learn the rudiments of production techniques, explore the world of performance, and develop and refine their writing ability through a series of intensive workshops.

During the first two years of study, students acquire a strong liberal arts background while sharpening their writing skills. This grounding in the arts and humanities encourages the development of imagination and intellect—essential parts of a writer’s training.

Students who have completed one or two years of college are often ready to concentrate on a particular field of interest. For students in their final semesters, the major coursework in dramatic writing serves as pre-professional experience. Work is judged by eminent writers according to rigorous professional standards. Students also get a realistic view of the profession through meetings and discussions with producers, agents, and directors—the people with whom the dramatic writer works.

The undergraduate program is designed to be completed in four years of
full-time study. By the senior year, each student is expected to have developed several full-length works for film, stage, or television.

**ADMISSION AND APPLICATION INFORMATION**

For general University guidelines, refer to the Admission section beginning on page 235. Admission to the Tisch School of the Arts is highly selective. Admission is based on a careful evaluation of secondary school records; scores on optional standardized tests; personal essay; recommendations from guidance counselors and teachers; and a creative review in the form of a portfolio. Evidence of character and maturity are regarded as essential in potential students who hope to benefit fully from the unique offerings of the University and its urban environment. Participation in meaningful school and community activities is also an important factor. A student applying to the Tisch School of the Arts must submit an application to New York University and indicate the particular department that they wish to enter and may only apply to one program. Prospective students wanting more information about undergraduate admission should refer to the undergraduate admissions website at www.admissions.nyu.edu. Prospective students wanting more information about the artistic portfolio should visit the department’s website at: https://tisch.nyu.edu/dramatic-writing/ugddwportfolio.

The undergraduate program in Dramatic Writing is academically and creatively demanding. Only applicants with demonstrated creative excellence and a record of academic achievement are considered for admission. In addition to submitting a completed application form, applicants must include a brief statement explaining what they expect to contribute to the program and what they expect to gain from it. Applicants are required to submit 3-4 writing samples, totaling 25 pages. All material must be original fictional narrative—e.g. plays, screenplays, short stories. These should be complete works, not excerpts. Applicants should NOT send essays as part of their creative portfolio, nor should they send film or stage reviews, scholarly papers, term paper assignments, etc. Personal recommendations from teachers, academic administrators, and professional artists will be well regarded. Please check the website for the various deadlines, including early admissions and regular admissions deadlines, as well as deadlines for internal and external transfers.

**TRANSFER CREDIT AND MINIMUM RESIDENCY**

Credit is granted for academic work completed at another institution in accordance with University regulations as stated on page 239. Advanced Placement credit for classes taken on the high school level will be transferred as follows: a maximum of 8 units may be applied toward liberal arts requirements; the balance may be applied toward electives. A maximum total of 32 units may be awarded from AP exams.

Transfer students should be aware that the maximum number of transfer credits allowed in the Goldberg Department of Dramatic Writing is 56. Transfer students should expect to spend a minimum of five academic semesters of study in the Goldberg Department of Dramatic Writing before they qualify for graduation.

**UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS**

The undergraduate program in dramatic writing offers the degree of Bachelor of Fine Arts. Candidates for the bachelor’s degree must fulfill the following requirements:

1. A minimum of 61 units in writing offered in the Goldberg Department of Dramatic Writing before they qualify for graduation.
2. A minimum of 44 units in general education.
3. A minimum of 23 units in electives. Total: 128 units

**DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS**

**Area I: The Major**
A minimum of 61 units, including:

- Core Writing Courses (28 units)
  - Craft of Dramatic and Visual Writing
  - Playwriting I
  - Screenwriting I
  - TV Writing I
  - Two of Playwriting II, Screenwriting II, and TV Writing II
  - Advanced Workshop
  - Thesis
- Text Analysis (20 units)
  - Forms of Drama
  - Play Survey
  - Film Survey
  - TV Survey
  - Shakespeare for Writers
- Performance/Production (13 units)
  - Undergraduate Drama Lab I
  - Undergraduate Drama Lab II
  - Fundamentals of Filmmaking or Theater Workshop
  - Professional Colloquium
  - Internship

Total Area I: 61 units

**Area II: General Education**
A minimum of 44 units, including the following:

- Expository Writing/Core Curriculum (8 units; two semesters required for freshmen, one semester for transfers, or the two-semester International Writing Sequence for international students)
- Text and Ideas (CAS Core Curriculum course; 4 units)
- Cultures and Contexts (CAS Core Curriculum course; 4 units)
  - One course in history (4 units)
  - One course in social science or natural science, 4 units
- Five additional courses in the liberal arts
  - Total Area III: 44 units

**Area III: Electives**
A minimum of 23 units of additional coursework from any division of NYU (excluding the School of Professional Studies)

Total Area III: 23 units

Total All Areas: 128 units
**Faculty**

A listing of faculty for the Rita and Burton Goldberg Department of Dramatic Writing is below. For full biographies on departmental faculty, visit [www.tisch.nyu.edu](http://www.tisch.nyu.edu).

- **Cusi Cram**  
  Assistant Arts Professor

- **Sabrina Dhawan**  
  Assistant Professor of Dramatic Writing  
  B.A., Delhi; M.F.A., Columbia; M.A., Leicester

- **Kristoffer Diaz**  
  Associate Arts Professor  
  B.A., M.F.A., New York; M.F.A., Brooklyn College

- **Robin Epstein**  
  Assistant Arts Professor  
  B.A., Princeton; M.F.A., Columbia

- **Oskar Eustis**  
  Arts Professor  
  Hon. doctorate, Brown

- **James Felder**  
  Assistant Arts Professor  

- **Terry Curtis Fox**  
  Arts Professor, Chair  
  A.B., Chicago

- **Daniel Goldfarb**  
  Assistant Arts Professor  

- **Rinne Groff**  
  Associate Arts Professor  
  B.A., Yale; M.F.A., New York

- **Jerome Hairston**  
  Assistant Arts Professor  
  B.A., James Madison University; M.F.A., Columbia

- **Lucas Hnath**  
  Assistant Arts Professor  

- **Ian James**  
  Teacher of Dramatic Writing

- **Jessica Keyt**  
  Assistant Arts Professor  
  B.A., Dartmouth; M.F.A., New York

**DOUBLE MAJOR**

It may be possible for an undergraduate to complete a double major if they successfully complete the requirements for a major in dramatic writing and successfully completes the requirements for a major in a separate department of the Tisch School of the Arts or the College of Arts and Science. For example, writing majors may combine their curriculum with a major in journalism or English.

The flexibility of the distribution requirements and elective units allows many combinations. In some cases, this may require spending an additional semester at the school. Students may only declare their double major after one year of work in the program.

Doing a double major within Tisch requires that you apply to the desired department (Film and Television, Undergraduate Drama, or Cinema Studies) during or after your first year, to start no earlier than your second year. You must be accepted, just as you were to the Department of Dramatic Writing, based on a new application. Then your department requirements are adjusted.

**Graduate Program**

To earn the Master of Fine Arts degree in dramatic writing, each student must complete several polished, full-length dramatic works. Here, the process is almost as important as the goal.

During the first year, the graduate seminars in theatre, film and TV train writers in the nature of dramatic situations, character, conflict, plot, structure, dialogue and theme. Students are required to take introductory courses in play, screen, and television during their first semester and then write complete works in two of the three media by the end of their first year. Also required are production workshops, text analysis and professional training classes. They continue taking production, text and professional training classes in their second year while also taking advanced writing workshops and masterclasses in any of the three media of theater, film or TV, leading to a master’s thesis (an original full-length work) in one medium. In addition the department offers special seminars and colloquia where students hear guest speakers: visiting playwrights, screenwriters, television writers, directors, agents, and literary managers who either discuss their work or discuss current topics in the entertainment business as they relate to writers.

The faculty members with whom students meet in weekly workshops are all professional writers. At times, when they feel it would be of benefit to student work, they will call on outside writers to act as consultants and critics. In each student’s last semester they will discuss their thesis scripts in an individual crit panel with industry professionals.

**ADMISSION**

The graduate program in dramatic writing is a two-year sequence of full-time study designed for writers with a proven creative ability and a record of academic excellence. Please note that a majority of classes meet during the daytime.

Admission to the program depends primarily on the quality of the writing that an applicant submits—a full-length play (up to 120 pages), screenplay (up to 120 pages), or 1-2 TV pilot scripts (up to 60 pages, total). All submitted work must be original and written solely by the applicant (i.e., no co-writes or adaptations).

The program seriously considers transcript(s) from applicants’ undergraduate and graduate schools and letters of recommendation in making the admissions decisions. The personal statement is also very important. In addition, the program requires a separate sheet listing any publication or production of work and any work experience the applicant has had that is relevant to a writing career. See page 246 for details of the graduate application.

The deadline to apply is December 1.

**GRADUATE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS**

Candidates must complete 65-67 units in the following areas: core writing courses, production, text analysis, professional training, and electives or internship. As part of this, candidates for the degree of Master of Fine Arts must complete a full-length piece of work for stage or screen through at least two revisions of the first draft.

All graduate students are graded on a pass/fail basis.
Dramatic Writing

Courses

**Core Writing Courses**

Note: Craft of Visual and Dramatic Writing (undergraduate level) or graduate level introductory writing workshops (Playwriting I, Screenwriting I, and TV Writing I) are prerequisites to all writing workshops.

**CRAFT OF VISUAL AND DRAMATIC WRITING**

**DWPG-UT 20**

4 units.

This course examines the essential elements of dramatic structure through analysis of texts for stage, film and TV using Aristotle in The Poetics as a model. The same principles are used to discuss students’ original work in weekly workshop sessions.

Students are required to write a 6 page sequence, and complete a 10 page play, screenplay or webisode. In workshop sessions, students read and criticize each other’s work in order to help each writer realize the full potential inherent in the work. Students must register for Lecture and Recitation with the same instructor.

**PLAYWRITING I**

**DWPG-UT 30**

4 units.

A vigorous review of the basic principles taught in Craft as they apply to playwriting. Students will concentrate on characterization, dialogue, and structure with an emphasis on identifying the stakes, turning points, climax and resolution of the drama. The course builds to an exploration of theatricality and how the use of physical action, props, movement, sound, and light are primary to the creation of a dramatic work for the stage. This is a writing seminar in which each student will write and workshop a ten minute play and a one act play. In addition there will be reading assignments of dramatic texts, primarily from contemporary playwrights, which will be discussed throughout the semester.

**PLAYWRITING II**

**DWPG-UT 1040**

3 units.

Designed to expand on and enhance the concepts and techniques learned in Playwriting I and to encourage writers to engage the work and the world more critically. While traditional playwriting models will be embraced, alternative narrative modes and avant-garde structures will also be introduced. In addition to completing a full-length play of at least 85 pages, each student is required to read class-wide assignments of dramatic texts, as well as individual assignments suggested by the instructor, tailored to the student’s interests and writing style.

**ADVANCED PLAYWRITING**

**DWPG-UT 1050**

3 units.

As the name suggests, this is an advanced class for students who are serious about developing their playwriting skills. Initial class sessions will be devoted to generating ideas and experimenting with structures. Each student will collaborate with the instructor to create an individual reading list. The goal of the class is to write the full-length play that only you can write.

**BFA THESIS—THEATRE**

**DWPG-UT 1060**

3 Credits

The play thesis project is a full length play. Initial class sessions will be devoted to generating ideas and experimenting with structures. Each student will collaborate with the instructor to create an individual reading list. Students may use the play from Advanced Play as the basis of their thesis.

**SCREENWRITING I**

**DWPG-UT 35**

4 units.

This is an introductory course that will focus on the fundamental components of screenplay writing. Produced screenplays will be analyzed for structure and student work will be presented in a workshop process. Students are required to write a short silent film, a ten minute short film and a 20-30 minute short film, as well as a synopsis and outline for a feature length film. The reading and analysis of six to eight screenplays is required in conjunction with the student’s original work. Lectures integrate writing workshops with presentations emphasizing understanding of basic screenplay format, structure, theme, story, plot, character development and film language.

**SCREENWRITING II**

**DWPG-UT 1045**

3 units.

This intermediate level screenwriting course is designed to expand on the concepts introduced in Screenwriting I by focusing on feature screenplay writing. The goal of the class is the completion of a first draft of an original feature length screenplay, after developing a pitch, a synopsis and an outline. The reading and analysis of six to eight screenplays is required in conjunction with the student’s original work. Lectures integrate writing workshops with presentations emphasizing understanding of basic screenplay format, structure, theme, story, plot, character development and film language continued from Screenwriting I.

**ADVANCED SCREENWRITING**

**DWPG-UT 1055**

3 units.

Concentrates on perfecting the screenwriter's craft. Scripts are analyzed in class with special attention to story structure, character, screen dialogue, and narrative development. Students will write an original full length feature screenplay in this class with a revision.

**BFA THESIS—FILM**

**DWPG-UT 1065**

3 Credit

The Film Thesis project is a full-length screenplay. Screenplays may not be adap-

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**Shin Ho Lee**

Assistant Arts Professor

B.F.A., M.F.A., New York; M.F.A., American Film Institute

**Charlie Rubin**

Associate Arts Professor

B.A., Williams

**Daniel Spector**

Teacher

B.F.A., M.A. New York

**Zipora Trop**

Associate Arts Professor

M.A., Ph.D., Michigan

**Suzan-Lori Parks**

Visiting Arts Professor in Dramatic Writing

**Joe Vinciguerra**

Assistant Arts Professor, Associate Chair


**Daniel Spector**

Assistant Arts Professor, Associate Chair

B.F.A., M.A. New York

**Joe Vinciguerra**

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B.F.A., Howard

**Daniel Spector**

Assistant Arts Professor

B.F.A., Howard

**Suzan-Lori Parks**

Visiting Arts Professor in Dramatic Writing

**Richard Wesley**

Assistant Arts Professor

B.F.A., New York
TELEVISION I: THE HALF HOUR
DWPG-UT 1042
4 units.
This seminar class teaches a structure, shape, and approach to writing television half-hour. It provides a ground-up exposure to TV script-writing, moving in steps from premise lines, to the 1-page breakdown, to pages, and then revision in an intense classroom seminar critique. As a ground-up class, the focus will be on completing a spec script for a current TV half-hour—either live-action or animated. (An approved show list will be provided before class begins.) Specs teach fundamentals—how shows are structured, stories beat out, how to focus on the major character…even elements such as appropriate length of scenes and speeches, proper and improper use of stage directions. Familiarity with these tools allows students to create more original pilots in the upper-level TV classes.

TEXT ANALYSIS
FORMS OF DRAMA I
DWPG-UT 1103
4 units.
This course is an introductory lecture class taken simultaneously with Craft in Dramatic Writing I and TV Writing: The Half Hour. The course begins with a survey of the history of dramatic writing from its origins through the Renaissance and into the modern era. It then surveys the literary and dramatic works of the 20th century. The course concludes with an analysis of the dramatic contributions of select plays, films and television series of the last decade. It provides an overview of the specific kinds of dramatic writing used across the media of theater, film and TV—e.g., tragedy, farce, thriller, sitcom, etc. Students will learn the typical behavior and structures expressed in each of these forms. This course will use examples from theater, film and television to illustrate what makes dramatic writing work.

BFA THESIS—TELEVISION
DWPG-UT 1070
3 credits
The TV Thesis is a full length pilot you will be expected to complete two drafts of a script through regular assignments, giving notes in the room and on the script pages. Students will thoroughly investigate how a pilot serves as a story engine.

ADVANCED TV WRITING
DWPG-UT 1150
3 units.
Students will write an original, full-length piece over the course of the semester, as well as explore how the pilot will generate future stories.

PLAY SURVEY
DWPG-UT 1106
(Required for undergraduates). 4 units.
This class is a companion to Play I. Students will read two plays each week, beginning with the birth of the modern theatre (Ibsen) and ending with works that have recently entered the theatrical canon (e.g., Suzan-Lori Parks). Each section shall have at least one work taught in common across all sections. The purpose of this course is both to provide students with a knowledge of essential texts and to demonstrate how those texts may serve as models in their future work as dramatists.

TV SURVEY
DWPG-UT 1108
(Required for undergraduates). 4 units.
This course surveys post WWII television up to the present day. It will focus on a broad spectrum of the different styles, modes and types of television programming, including dramatic, comedic and everything in between. Shows will be screened and scripts will be read and analyzed for story, structure, character and history.

TELEVISION II: WRITING THE ONE-HOUR
DWPG-UT 1048
3 units.
TV II is an extension of the story-making, dramatic principles that students learned in TV-1, the Half-Hour. This TV II is an extension of the story-making, dramatic principles that students learned in TV-1, the Half-Hour. This seminar takes students step-by-step through the whole 1-Hour process: from premises, through outline/beat sheets, through writing a spec script for a current 1-hour television episodic series. (An approved show list will be provided before class begins.) Your script and revision will evolve in an intense classroom seminar critique. Specs teach fundamentals and tools that will allow students to create more original pilots in the upper-level TV classes.

COMMEDIA STRATEGIES
DWPG-GT 2630
(Required for graduate students). 3 units.
This course delves into how dramatic strategies change from medium to medium as well as how an approach from one medium may serve when writing another. The course will range from dealing with dramatic fundamentals (how protagonists function in various media; how dramatic conflict is best expressed across form) to a discussion of tragedy, melodrama, and multiple work storytelling.

COMEDIC STRATEGIES
DWPG-GT 2631
(Required for graduate students). 3 units.
This course is an introductory lecture class taken simultaneously with Craft in Dramatic Writing II and TV Writing: The One Hour. The course begins with a survey of the history of commedia through the Renaissance and into the modern era. It then surveys the literary and dramatic works of the 20th century. The course concludes with an analysis of the commedia contributions of select plays, films and television series of the last decade. It provides an overview of the specific kinds of commedia writing used across the media of theater, film and TV—e.g., farce, vaudeville, sitcom, etc. Students will learn the typical behavior and structures expressed in each of these forms. This course will use examples from theater, film and television to illustrate what makes commedia writing work.
DRAMA WRITING 130

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and analysis of the film, focusing further
the techniques, conventions and
devices employed by the screenwriter to
both tell a good story and satisfy the
demands of the audience.

FILM STORY ANALYSIS
DWPG-UT 1105/DWPG-GT 2105
4 units.
The course is designed to better help stu-
dents organize their own narratives by
analyzing the techniques employed by
various screenwriters in constructing their screenplays. A selection of Hollywood films and foreign films from the silent era to the contemporary age will be screened and discussed in terms of continuity of theme; delineation of plot, development of structure, protagonist’s story purpose, dialogue as action
and character. After each screening, the
structor will lead a group discussion
and analysis of the film, focusing further
on the techniques, conventions and
devices employed by the screenwriter to
both tell a good story and satisfy the
demands of the audience.

TELEVISION STORY ANALYSIS
DWPG-UT 1110/DWPG-GT 2110
4 units.
This text analysis class, geared to the tele-
vision writer and TV writer-producer, will
explore TV history from its beginnings as
“radio with pictures,” through its “vast
wasteland” days (when it was misper-
ceived as purely a medium for advertis-
ing), to the coming of cable in the
mid-1980’s, all of which anticipated the
art form of the present-day. TVSA will
immerse itself in the language, genres,
and viewpoints (conscious, or uncon-
scious) of numerous shows employing
weekly lectures, in-class viewings, and
regular papers of either a historical, criti-
cal, or creative nature, plus homework
viewings on YouTube and Netflix, a
midterm and a final.

PRODUCTION AND PERFORMANCE
UNDERGRADUATE DRAMA LAB I
DWPG-UT 002
2 Credits
In Undergraduate Drama Lab students
break into groups and write/perform
exercises designed to focus on one dra-
matic element, which changes week to
week. Students take turns writing, act-
ing and directing. This course is a year-
long course. Students will register for
the same sections in both the fall and the
spring semesters.

GRADUATE DRAMA LAB
DWPG-UT 2409
Core course for all first-year students in the
first semester and open to all graduate play-
writing students in the second semester.
4 units.
This is a class designed to introduce the student to the performance aspect of dra-
matic writing. Students will either bring
or create work for the class. This work
will be performed by both actors and by
the students themselves. Exercises will
involve both stage and screen with NO
emphasis on “production values” only
how what happens when the page is
brought to its intended medium.

STEINBERG THEATRE WORKSHOP
DWPG-UT 1408/DWPG-GT 2408
A production class for writers to experience the rehearsal process for workshop-
ning stage plays. Starting with writing
exercises done in the first class or previ-
ously written work that students want to
develop, rewrite and/or expand, students
will be paired with professional directors
and actors to realize their work’s potential
as something that lives and breathes on
the stage through notes, table work,
rehearsal, staging, and performance. After
the initial writing sessions, students will
present work every other week.

LOVING THE LIVING PLAYWRIGHT
DWPG-UT 1405 /DWPG-GT 2405
(Students will apply and be selected for this course)
This is a production workshop for play-
wrights, led by The Public Theater’s
Master Writer and Visiting Arts
Professor Suzan-Lori Parks. Each week
playwrights present bare-bones staged
readings, excerpts of their previously
written work. Writers are paired off,
with one writer serving as “playwright” and
the other as “director.” Working

with professional actors, you’ll be
strengthening your writing chops by
getting work on its feet for class discus-
sion and feedback. “Playwright” and
“Director” pairings change weekly, giv-
ing each writer multiple opportunities
to explore the possibilities of their own
written work.

COLLABORATION: RELOADED
DWPG-GT 2074
(Open to graduate students)
The basis of the course is centered on
writers, actors, directors and designers
working together and learning to com-
 municate with each other under the
tutelage of The Public Theatre’s
Artistic Director Oskar Eustis and
Suzan-Lori Parks.

FUNDAMENTALS OF FILMMAKING WORKSHOP
OART-UT 360 /OART-GT 2560
(Required for undergraduates). 4 units.
This course is now required of all
Screenwriting I students and is based on
the Kanbar Institute of Film and
Television basic filmmaking courses,
Sight and Sound. Students are trained in
visualization for film to develop their
understanding of the visual dimension of
screenwriting. Students work in film
crews of four, and each films and edits
three or four projects using visual lan-
guage. Students present the projects to
the class for review and discussion, first
in written form, and then filmed and
edited. The film department provides the
use of its state-of-the-art digital video
cameras and the Final Cut editing system
for the course. A lab fee is assessed for the
insurance on the equipment. The
Goldberg Department of Dramatic
Writing provides students with video-
tapes and diskettes for the editing.

INTERNSHIP
DWPG-UT 1300/DWPG-GT 2300
Required course for undergraduates. Units vary.
Internships are arranged with support
from the Internship Coordinator.

PROFESSIONAL COLLOQUIUM
DWPG-UT 1301
A class designed to help students make the
transition from the academic to the profes-
sonal world, involving both guest speak-
ers and exercises. Emphasis will be placed
on the five year post-graduation between
the receipt of a degree and the start of a
career. An important emphasis is to
involve students with the Tisch and NYU
Career Services offices and their resources.
BUSINESS OF THE BUSINESS
DWPG-GT 2350
(Open to graduate students). 2 units.
This course is designed to familiarize students with the basics of the business of writing for theater, film and television. It will include an overview of the theater, film and television industries; from off-Broadway to Broadway theater, independent to studio film, web to network and cable TV. Case studies and examples from across the three mediums will be used to illustrate financing, development, contracts, rights, unions, production and distribution. The goal of the course is to give writers a basic understanding of what they need to know to navigate the professional world of the writer.

MASTERCLASS/A WORKSHOPS/ELECTIVES
MASTERCLASS IN THEATRE
DWPG-UT 1020/DWPG-GT 2020
A writing course that focuses on one specific type of writing for stage. Previous topics have included writing political theatre and theatricality. In master classes, students write a full-length work. In workshops, assignments are more limited.

GOLDBERG MASTER CLASS IN PLAYWRITING
DWPG-UT 1015/DWPG-GT 2015
3 units.
This course is for advanced students committed to playwriting. Students work under the guidance of a distinguished playwright in developing and writing a new play for the stage. Past teachers have included David Ives, Doug Wright, Susan Miller, Lisa Kron, David Grimm, Nicky Silver, and Kristoffer Diaz.

MASTER CLASS IN SCREENWRITING
DWPG-UT 1017/DWPG-GT 2017
3 units. May be repeated.
A writing course that focuses on one specific type of writing for television. Previous topics have included feature films, animation, and writing the action film. Students will write a full-length script, or equivalent workload.

MASTER CLASS IN TV WRITING
DWPG-UT 1047/DWPG-GT 2047
3 units. May be repeated.
A writing course that focuses on one specific type of writing for television. Previous topics have included writing for children’s tv, sketch comedy, late night comedy. Students will write a full-length script, or equivalent workload.

WRITING WORKSHOP
DWPG-UT 1082/DWPG-GT 2082
3 units. May be repeated.
A writing course that focuses on any specific type or genre of writing across all three mediums of theater, film and television. Examples include Children’s TV, Political Theater, Writer’s Room, Podcasts, and Writing for the Community. Students will not write a full-length script, or equivalent workload.

BIZAC Master Class Across Media
(DWPG-UT 2015/DWPG-GT 2015)
3 units. Fall only.
This course is designed to familiarize students with the fundamentals and refining the craft. As the name suggests, this is an advanced class for students who are serious about developing their playwriting skills. Initial class sessions will be devoted to generating ideas and experimenting with structures. Each student will collaborate with the instructor to create an individual reading list. The goal of the class is to write the full-length play that only you can write.

ADVANCED PLAYWRITING
DWPG-GT 2060
Fall only. 3 units.
Students should come to class with two new ideas for full-length plays. Students will develop a complete first draft and one rewrite with continuing attention to fundamentals and refining the craft. As the name suggests, this is an advanced class for students who are serious about developing their playwriting skills. Initial class sessions will be devoted to generating ideas and experimenting with structures. Each student will collaborate with the instructor to create an individual reading list. The goal of the class is to write the full-length play that only you can write.
MFA THESIS—THEATRE
DWPG-GT 2060
4 Credits. Prerequisite: Any Advanced-Level Writing Workshop.
This is a semester-long, comprehensive MFA Thesis Theatre writing course where students meet weekly with their thesis instructor to develop their stories and eventually bring pages to class. Special attention will be paid to developing dramatic ideas that are viable, structured, and will sustain the creation of a full-length work.

GRADUATE SCREENWRITING I
DWPG-GT 2066
Students are expected to complete a short film script and a rewrite of the short film script. Students will write the first 60 pages of a screenplay and a 5 to 15 page revised outline for the entire screenplay. In addition, students will read, analyze and study produced screenplays. (Other assignments may be given per instructor discretion.) Lectures integrate writing work with presentations emphasizing understanding of basic screenplay structure, theme, story, plot, character development and film language, with an emphasis on visual story-telling.

GRADUATE SCREENWRITING II
DWPG-GT 2067
Core course for all graduate students. Second semester only. 4 units.
The goal of this class is completion and revision. Students are expected to complete and revise their full-length screenplay started in Screenwriting I or start and complete a new work. Emphasis on structure, theme, story, plot, character development and film language will continue.

ADVANCED SCREENWRITING
DWPG-GT 2055
Fall only. 3 units.
Concentrates on perfecting the screenwriter's craft. Scripts are analyzed in class with special attention to story structure, character, screen dialogue, and narrative development. Students will write an original full length feature screenplay in this class. If you are in this class and a thesis class this semester, this means you are writing two DIFFERENT full-length pieces. You must come to first class with at least two ideas for full-length screenplays.

MFA THESIS - FILM
DWPG-GT 2065
4 Credits. Prerequisite: Any Advanced-Level Writing Workshop.
Students will develop their thesis project during the MFA Thesis Film writing workshop. Special attention will be given to the development of a viable film story and the careful structuring of that story prior to the actual writing of the script. No adaptations are permitted in this course. It is expected that projects begun in Graduate Advanced Screen will be completed in this class, although students who have not taken that course may begin new screenplays as may those students who have found their earlier projects not viable.

GRADUATE TELEVISION I:
THE HALF HOUR
DWPG-GT 2042
Core course for all graduate students. First semester only. 4 units.
This workshop class teaches a structure, shape, and approach to writing TV half-hour as a framework for writing all forms of TV. It provides a ground-up exposure to TV scriptwriting, moving in steps from premise lines, to the 1-page breakdown, to pages, and then revision in an intense classroom workshop critique. The focus will be on completing a spec script for a current TV half-hour (live-action or animated). An approved show list will be provided during the summer before class begins.

GRADUATE TELEVISION II:
THE ONE HOUR
DWPG-GT 2048
Core course for all graduate students. Second semester only. 4 units.
TV II is an extension of the story-making, dramatic principles that students learned in TV-I, the Half-Hour. This seminar takes students step-by-step through the whole 1-Hour process: from premises, through outline/beat sheets, through writing a spec script for a current 1-hour television episodic series. Your script and revision will evolve in an intense classroom seminar critique. Specs teach fundamentals and tools that will allow students to create more original pilots in the upper-level TV classes.

ADVANCED TV WRITING
DWPG-GT 2150
Fall only. 3 units.
Students will write an original, full-length half-hour or hour pilot over the course of the semester.

MFA THESIS—TELEVISION
DWPG-GT 2070
4 Credits. Prerequisite: Any Advanced-Level Writing Workshop.
In Thesis, you will be expected to complete two drafts (Some allowance may need to be made for the greater length of a 1-Hour). The focus of this class is to prepare you for entering the field by completing regular assignments in a professional room process, including reacting to notes from the entire room, giving notes to everyone. That process involves breakdown, 1-page outline, teaser, an act a week, a new 1-pager, then another draft. Emphasis will be on the need for a pilot to serve as the “story engine” for the series.
The Department of Cinema Studies is the first university department devoted to the history, theory, and aesthetics of film and the moving image. The approach to cinema is interdisciplinary and international in scope and is concerned with understanding films in terms of the material practices that produce them and within which they circulate. While film constitutes the primary object of study, the department also considers other media that fall within the realm of sound/image studies (e.g., broadcast television, video art, and online technologies) to be within its purview.

In addition to an undergraduate minor in Cinema Studies, an undergraduate minor in Asian Film & Media, and a Certificate Program in Culture and Media, six degree programs are offered in the department: the B.A. Program in Cinema Studies, the M.A. Program in Cinema Studies, the M.A. Program in Moving Image Archiving and Preservation (MIAP), an accelerated B.A./M.A. program in Cinema Studies, an accelerated B.A./M.A. program in Moving Image Archiving and Preservation, and the Ph.D. Program in Cinema Studies. Both B.A./M.A. programs allow the opportunity for students to complete both degrees in a shorter amount of time. More information can be found at the Cinema Studies Department.

The Bachelor of Arts degree and the Master’s Degree in Moving Image Archiving and Preservation are conferred by New York University through the Tisch School of the Arts; the Cinema Studies master’s and doctoral degrees are awarded through the Graduate School of Arts and Science.

Production courses are not open to undergraduate students through the Department of Cinema Studies, although Cinema Studies students may apply to the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television to take a double major or apply to take production courses individually. Graduate students may take a designated section of the film production course, The Language of Sight and Sound, only in the summer through the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television. Students enrolled in the Certificate Program in Culture and Media are required to take further production courses. Those students enrolled in the M.A. Program in Moving Image Archiving and Preservation are required to take internships during the first and second academic years as well as the intervening summer.

Most courses in Cinema Studies include extensive film screenings. Students also have access to extensive film, video, and film-related resources in the department’s George Amberg Study Center. In addition, the Elmer Holmes Bobst Library houses a substantial video collection that is located in the Avery Fisher Center for Music and Media. Other New York City institutions, such as the Museum of Moving Image, New York Public Library FOR the Performing Arts, and the Anthology Film Archives, offer further invaluable resources for the cinema studies student.
Undergraduate Program (B.A.)

The undergraduate program in Cinema Studies offers liberal arts programs that focus on the study of cinema both as an art form and as a form of mass culture. The study of film as art is concerned with the relationships among film style, narrative form, and the material practices that shape the medium. The study of film as mass culture explores the ways in which film serves as an articulateur of societal values and as a litmus for processes of social change. While American cinema is studied in depth, the cinemas of Europe, Asia, and South America are also a central component of the curriculum.

Graduates of the program can use their degrees in two ways: as a liberal arts degree akin to English or vocationally as preparation for professional careers. Students in the department are required to either combine their major in cinema studies with a minor in another discipline or double major in a second discipline. Graduates from our department have gone on to successful careers in archival work, teaching, journalism, multimedia, network television, and filmmaking.

Admission

For general University guidelines, refer to the Admission section beginning on page 233. Admission to the Tisch School of the Arts is highly selective. Admission is based on a careful evaluation of secondary school records, personal essay, recommendations from guidance counselors and teachers, and a creative review in the form of a portfolio. Evidence of character and maturity are regarded as essential in potential students who hope to benefit fully from the unique offerings of the University and its urban environment. Participation in meaningful school and community activities is also an important factor. A student applying to the Tisch School of the Arts must submit an application to New York University and indicate the particular department that they wish to enter and may only apply to one program. Prospective students wanting more information about undergraduate admission should refer to the Undergraduate Admissions Website at www.admissions.nyu.edu. Prospective students wanting more information about the portfolio or requirements should visit the department’s Website at www.tisch.nyu.edu.

In addition to the credentials required by the University, applicants to the Department of Cinema Studies must submit a two-part portfolio. Part 1 is a five-to ten-page essay on a film, a director, or any film or media related subject. Part 2 is a one-page statement that addresses the following questions: (a) Have you had any previous cinema-related course work, (b) What areas of cinema studies are you most interested in exploring (e.g., film genres, directors, theoretical issues, etc.), and (c) What are some of your career aspirations (e.g., film journalist/critic, film museum or archive worker, film industry professional, screenwriter, filmmaker, film scholar, etc.)?

Semester in Cinema Studies

The Department of Cinema Studies will consider applications from students matriculated at other universities who would like to come to New York for a semester or academic year of concentrated undergraduate work in cinema studies. Credit accrued for the year would then transfer to the original institution, on agreement with that institution before the student is accepted at New York University. Students interested in the Semester in Cinema Studies Program should contact the Office of Special Programs:

Tisch School of the Arts
New York University
721 Broadway, 12th Floor
New York, NY 10003-6807
212-998-1500

Minor in Cinema Studies

A total of 16 units is required for the humanities minor in Cinema Studies. This takes the form of four (4) 4-unit courses. The first course must be either CORE-UA750—Expressive Culture: Film (recommended for CAS students) or CINE-UT10—Intro to Cinema Studies (offered only Fall semesters and recommended for TSOA, Gallatin, Stern, and Steinhardt School of Education students).

An additional 12 units must be taken in TSOA cinema studies (CINE-UT) courses. Courses offered elsewhere in the University must be approved by the Department of Cinema Studies to count towards the minor. Included in these 12 units must be (1) one course on non-U.S. cinema and (2) one cinema studies Tier II course (please see updated departmental course listings each semester for specific courses). The Cinema Studies minor can be declared on ALBERT. Contact Cinema Studies for advisement on the minor.

Minor in Asian Film and Media

A total of 16 units is required for the minor in Asian Film & Media. This takes the form of four (4) 4-unit courses. The first course is an Introductory Film or Media course: either CINE-UT 10 Introduction to Cinema Studies, CORE-UA 750 Expressive Cultures: Film, FMTV-UT 4 Language of Film, MCC-UA 1 Introduction to Media Studies, or MCC-UA 1007 Film: History and Form. Students are also required to take one Core course: either CINE-UT 112 Asian Media and Popular Culture or CINE-UT 450 Asian Film History/Historiography. The remaining 8 units are elective courses toward the minor. See Cinema Studies department for current course listings. Sample of courses that will fulfill the elective portion are: CINE-UT 48/EAST-UA 708 Japanese Anime and New Media, CINE-UT 105 Indian Cinema, CINE-UT 108 Contemporary Japanese Cinema, CINE-UA 315 Asian American Cinema, CINE-UT 324 The Martial Arts Film, CORE-UA 503 South Asian Media Cultures, MCC-UA 1023 East Asian Media and Popular Culture, SCA-UA 313 Cinema of the South Asian Diaspora. All other courses must be approved by the Asian Film and Media Advisor or other departmental academic advisor. The Minor in Asian Film and Media may be declared on ALBERT. Contact Cinema Studies for advisement on the minor.
**Degree Requirements (B.A.)**

A total of 128 units is required for the Bachelor of Arts degree in Cinema Studies. A minor in the humanities, sciences, social sciences, languages, or arts is considered an integral part of each student's program. The distribution of units for the required area is as follows:

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A minimum of 12 units in the minor and electives areas must be in liberal arts and sciences. Minor and elective units may be used toward a second major. The cinema studies curriculum is taught in the Tisch School of the Arts. Other courses and electives may be taken in the Tisch School of the Arts or in other departments, schools, and colleges in the University. Courses taken at the School of Continuing and Professional Studies are not applicable toward the degree.

Area distribution for the B.A. degree is as follows:

**Area I: General education**—a minimum of 44 units, to include the following:

1. **Writing:** a minimum of 8 units including the TSOA core writing curriculum sequence. Two semesters of the core writing curriculum sequence are required for freshmen, one semester for transfers, and the two-course international writing sequence for international students.

2. **Foreign Language:** a minimum of 8 units (two semesters of study or confirmed proficiency at the intermediate level).

3. **Foundations of Contemporary Culture:** a minimum of 12 units including Texts and Ideas (CORE-UA), Cultures and Contexts (CORE-UA), and Societies and the Social Sciences or an approved social sciences course (e.g., anthropology, economics, politics, sociology, psychology, linguistics, metropolitan studies, journalism).

4. **Foundations of Scientific Inquiry:** a minimum of 8 units including Quantitative Reasoning (CORE-UA) or an approved math course and Natural Science (Physical or Life Science) (CORE-UA) or an approved natural science course.

The remaining 8 points must be General Education courses taken through the College of Arts and Sciences.

**Area II: Cinema Studies**—a minimum of 40 units in the major. The cinema studies major is divided into four areas of study. Tier I consists of a core curriculum for cinema studies majors that comprises five courses taken in sequence. Tier II consists of small lecture classes in the areas of film auteurs, genres, movements, national cinemas, television studies, and special topics. Tier III consists of large lecture classes in the history of American and International Cinemas (each having a two-semester sequence: Fall—Origins to 1960; Spring—1960 to present). Tier IV consists of small theory and practice courses open only to Cinema Studies majors in writing, film criticism, and forms of filmmaking.

In addition to the Tier I requirements, all departmental students must take a three-course distribution requirement in film history: one course in U.S. cinema, two courses in non-U.S. cinemas. Cinema Studies majors are also required to complete one course in the Tier 2 area (4 points) and an additional course in either the Tier 2 area or Tier 4 area (4 points).

**Area III: Minor area**—a minimum of 16 units in the humanities, sciences, social sciences, languages, or arts. The minor must be approved by the department chair or director of undergraduate studies.

**Area IV: Electives**—a minimum of 28 units. Note: at least 12 units in Area III and/or Area IV must be in the liberal arts and sciences. Double Major Option: Students may combine their minor and elective units to complete a second major in a related area of study in film production, humanities, or social sciences. Once officially admitted into the Department of Cinema Studies, students should contact the department in which they wish to double major.

**Special Notes (B.A.)**

Undergraduate Cinema Studies majors are permitted, with their adviser and instructor approval, to take certain 1000-level graduate courses listed in the graduate course descriptions section. Undergraduates in other departments and schools may also take these courses, with the permission of the instructor. Undergraduate Cinema Studies majors who are planning to do graduate work are encouraged to do advanced study in a foreign language.

In addition to College of Arts and Science liberal arts offerings, certain courses in the Tisch School of the Arts can be taken for general education credit. A list of these courses is available each semester through the school at the time of registration.

**Internships**

It is possible for students to receive internship credit (pass/fail) for work at various film libraries, associations, and archives (such as the American Museum of the Moving Image, the Film Society at Lincoln Center, and the Museum of Modern Art) or at other film-related institutions (such as film journals, film production, distribution, exhibition companies, etc.). Students work in various capacities at these film and video archives and may receive a maximum of 8 units of combined internship and independent study toward their degree. Permission of a faculty adviser is required for such work. Specific guidelines are available from the department.

**Media and Production Fees**

All students are assessed a fee for all CINE-UT and CINE-GT courses. The fee is based on the number of CINE-UT and CINE-GT units for which the student registers and is subject to a yearly increase. The fee is $22 per unit for the 2018-2019 academic year.
Ownership Policy

The creative works produced by students at the Tisch School of the Arts in fulfillment of class assignments, or as individual study projects, whether made on Tisch School of the Arts premises or elsewhere, with or without Tisch School of the Arts equipment, and with or without extra funds, are subject to certain restrictions until the educational experience associated with such works has been completed. These restrictions are spelled out in the Ownership Policy section on page 261.

Faculty

A listing of faculty for the Department of Cinema Studies is below. For full biographies on departmental faculty, visit www.tisch.nyu.edu.

Howard Besser
Professor of Cinema Studies; A Founding Director of Moving Image Archiving and Preservation Program
B.A. (media), M.L.S., Ph.D. (library and information studies), California (Berkeley)

Manthia Diawara
Professor of Cinema Studies
B.A., American; M.A., American; Ph.D., Indiana.

Ed Guerrero
Associate Professor of Cinema Studies
B.A., San Francisco State; M.F.A., San Francisco Art Institute; Ph.D., California (Berkeley)

Marina Hassapopoulou
Assistant Professor of Cinema Studies
B.A. Bristol, M.A. Oregon, Ph.D. Florida

Feng-Mei Heberer
Assistant Professor of Cinema Studies
B.A. Freie Universität, Berlin, M.A. Freie Universität, Berlin, Ph.D. University of Southern California

Antonia Lant
Professor of Cinema Studies
B.A., Leeds; M.Phil., Ph.D., Yale

Toby Lee
Assistant Professor of Cinema Studies

Josslyn Luckett
Assistant Professor
B.A., Berkeley; M.F.A., NYU; MDIV, Harvard; Ph.D., UPenn

Anna McCarthy, Chair
Professor of Cinema Studies
B.A., Wesleyan; M.A., Ph.D., Northwestern

Dana Polan
Professor of Cinema Studies
B.A., Cornell; M.A., Ph.D., Stanford; Doctorat d’Etat, Université de la Sorbonne Nouvelle

William G. Simon
Associate Professor of Cinema Studies
B.S., Boston; M.A., Ph.D., New York

Robert Philip Stam
Professor of Cinema Studies
M.A., Indiana; Ph.D., California (Berkeley)

Chris Straayer
Associate Professor of Cinema Studies
B.S., Missouri (Columbia); M.A., Goddard College; Ph.D., Northwestern

Dan Streible
Associate Professor of Cinema Studies; Associate Director of Moving Image Archiving and Preservation Program
B.A., North Carolina (Chapel Hill); M.A., Ph.D., Texas (Austin)

Juana Suárez
Associate Arts Professor of Cinema Studies; Director of Moving Image Archiving and Preservation Program
B.A., Universidad Pedagógica Nacional (Bogotá, Colombia); M.A., University of Oregon; M.A., New York University; Ph.D., Arizona State University

Allen Weiss
Distinguished Teacher of Performance Studies and Cinema Studies
B.A., Queens College (CUNY); Ph.D., SUNY (Stony Brook); Ph.D., New York

Zhang Zhen
Associate Professor of Cinema Studies
B.A., Temple; M.A., Iowa; Ph.D., Chicago

Ruth Ben-Ghiat, Italian Studies

Ludovic Cortade, French Department

Kenneth Dancyger, Film & Television

Tejaswini Ganti, Anthropology

Faye Ginsburg, Anthropology

Mikhail Lampolkski, Russian & Slavic Studies, Comparative Literature

Nicholas Mirzoeff, Media Culture, & Communication

Susan Murray, Media, Culture, & Communication

S. S. Sandhu, English, Social & Cultural Analysis

Richard Sieburth, French, Comparative Literature

Nicole Starosielski, Media, Culture, & Communication

Marita Sturken, Media, Culture, & Communication

Angela Zito, Anthropology, Religious Studies

VISITING FACULTY

Courses for the B.A.

Note: Not all courses are offered every semester. For an exact listing, please consult the department. Undergraduates may take certain 1000-level graduate courses (see graduate section course descriptions) with the permission of the instructor.

TIER I: CORE COURSES
Tier I classes are for cinema studies majors only. The five classes should be taken in sequence over the course of four years of study for the major.

INTRODUCTION TO CINEMA STUDIES
CINE-UT 10
4 units. First semester of study.
Designed to introduce the basic methods and concepts of cinema studies to new majors. The first goal is to help students develop a range of analytical skills in the study of film. By the end of the semester, they (1) are fluent in the basic vocabulary of film form; (2) understand the social contexts that governed the emergence of cinematic representation; and (3) grasp the mechanics of constructing a written argument about a film's meaning. The second goal of the course is to familiarize students with some of the major critical approaches in the field (e.g., narrative theory, feminism, cultural studies, genre). To this end, readings and screenings also provide a brief introduction to some critical issues associated with particular modes of film production and criticism (documentary, narrative, the avant-garde, etc.).

FILM HISTORY
CINE-UT 15
4 units. Second semester of study.
Examines the question of how the history of cinema has been studied and written by taking the period of silent film as its case study. Explores the historical and cultural contexts that governed the emergence of film as art and mass culture. Investigates the different approaches to narrative filmmaking that developed, internationally, in the silent period. Screenings include early cinema, works of Hollywood drama and comedy, Russian film and Soviet montage cinema, Weimar cinema, and silent black cinema. Readings, screenings, and written reports required.

FILM THEORY
CINE-UT 16
Stryayer. 4 units. Third semester of study.
Closely examines a variety of theoretical writings concerned with aesthetic, social, and psychological aspects of the medium. Students study the writing of both classical theorists such as Eisenstein, Bazin, and Kracauer and contemporary thinkers such as Metz, Mulvey, and Baudrillard. Questions addressed range from the nature of cinematic representation and its relationship to other forms of cultural expression to the way in which cinema shapes our conception of racial and gender identity.

TELEVISION: HISTORY AND CULTURE
CINE-UT 21
4 units. Fourth semester of study.
Examines the background, context, and history of radio, television, video, and sound. Topics include politics and economics of media institutions, audiences and reception, cultural and broadcast policy, aesthetic modes and movements.

ADVANCED SEMINAR
CINE-UT 7**
4 units.
This course involves an in-depth study of a specific topic and encourages the student to produce original research. Topics vary every semester.

TIER II
Tier II consists of small lecture classes in the areas of national cinemas, genres, television studies, and special topics. They are open to all students on a limited enrollment basis. Some examples of Tier II courses offered in the past. Consult the department for an up to date list of course offerings.

THE AVANT-GARDE FILM
CINE-UT 106
4 units.
Explores the history and development of the North American avant-garde film in relationship to the artistic practice of modernism in the other arts. The work of filmmakers such as Darren, Snow, Frampton, Brakhage, Anger, and Warhol are screened and examined in relationship to writings both on and (where appropriate) by these artists.

JAPANESE CINEMA
CINE-UT 108
4 units.
Japanese film offers one of the richest filmmaking traditions of any national cinema. This course explores the history and aesthetics of Japanese films in the context of the profound social transformation wrought by “modernization.” Screenings include classic films of Kinugasa, Mizoguchi, Ozu, and Kurosawa, as well as works of new wave and post—new wave directors such as Oshima, Immamura, Yanagimachi, and Itami.

CHINESE CINEMAS
CINE-UT 112
Zhang. 4 units.
The cinemas of mainland China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan have undergone a renaissance in the last 20 years. This course examines the cultural influences on these cinemas, their aesthetic forms and relationship to other media, and the relationship that these cinemas bear to each other. Directors studied include Hou Hsiao-Hsien, Chen Kaege, and Zhang Yimou.

POSTWAR EUROPEAN CINEMA
CINE-UT 143
4 units.
Covers European film from the end of World War II, with specific emphasis on the various political crises of 1968. The course concerns itself primarily with the European art film as a mode against dominant, popular Hollywood methods of filmmaking.

NEW GERMAN CINEMA
CINE-UT 506
4 units.
Traces the development of new German cinema from the 1960s through the 1980s. Students are introduced to the work of the major directors of the period, including Fassbinder, Wenders, Herzog, Schlondorff, Kluge, and von Trotta and explore the cultural, historical, and political discourses that are crucial to understanding their work.

FILM GENRES: FILM NOIR
CINE-UT 320
4 units.
Shadowy streets, femmes fatales, and cynical private eyes—we can immediately summon the images of film noir, for it is one of the cinema's most popular legacies. Whether one understands film noir as a genre, cycle, or style, one cannot deny that it has become an important cultural mythology. Using a broad array of aesthetic, historical, and critical frameworks, this course explores why film noir has been so significant, beginning with its roots in 1930s European cinema, moving through its “classic” period in 1940s and ’50s Hollywood films, and concluding with the current success of neo-noir.
UTOPIA/DYSTOPIA
CINE-UT 390
Guerrero. 4 units.
Examines a range of utopian and
dystopian variations on the imagined
future in sci-fi cinema. Issues explored
include race, sexuality, class, cyborg cul-
ture, virtual reality, surveillance, cyber-
sex, and ecospecies. Readings include
Jameson, Haraway, Orwell, Virilio, and
Baudrillard.

BLACK AMERICAN CINEMA
CINE-UT 387
4 units.
Surveys a variety of expressions, issues,
and images in films made by and about
African Americans in popular narrative
cinema. Engages a spectrum of critical
concerns from crude stereotyping in The
Birth of a Nation (1915), to performing the
primitive in The Emperor Jones
(1933), to the challenge of independent
narratives like Killer of Sheep (1974) or
Chameleon Street (1989), to the
‘crossover’ ambitions of productions like
Covers the debates and issues critical to
the development of black cinema, includ-
ing the construction of race, class, gender,
and sexuality, as well as how social and
economic conditions work to over-deter-
mine African American cinema produc-
tion and its meanings. The course also
engages the two main currents of black
cinematic expression: the brilliant con-
tributions that blacks have made to main-
stream cinema and the innovative
productions that mark African American
efforts to build an emergent, independent
black cinema practice.

MYTH OF THE LAST WESTERN
CINE-UT 305
Simon. 4 units.
Focuses on significant periods of revision-
ism in the western, with special
focus devoted to the late 1960s to the
mid-’70s, as well as some recent exam-
ples of the genre in the last five years.
Evaluates the western in terms of the
ways that it interrelates with central
tenets of American ideology; conse-
quentially, understanding the shifting cul-
tural signification of the western and the
dynamics of the transformation of his-
tory into myth is basic to our concerns.
The topics emphasized include the them-
ic of civilization and savagery and the
representation of the western hero,
 heroine, and Native Americans, espe-
cially in terms of the problematizing of
these motifs.

THE FILMS OF ALFRED
HITCHCOCK
CINE-UT 205
4 units.
A close examination of the films of
Alfred Hitchcock. Investigates in detail
the visual style and narrative structure of
his works. Particular attention is paid to
how the style and structure of his films
serve to articulate human perversity.
Films are screened from all periods of
Hitchcock’s career.

THE FILMS OF STANLEY
KUBRICK
CINE-UT 206
Simon. 4 units.
The films of Stanley Kubrick constituted
one of the most innovative bodies of
work in commercial cinema for 30 years.
This course investigates Kubrick’s films
in detail, with emphasis on their narra-
tive conceptions and structures. Topics
include the use of irony and of the voice-
over; the representation of the relation-
ship between humans and technology;
the centrality of the topic of war; and the
role of genre in Kubrick’s work.

THE FILMS OF ORSON
WELLES
CINE-UT 209
Simon. 4 units.
An intensive exploration of the films of
Orson Welles, with special emphasis on
the early stage of Welles’s career and his
theatre, radio, and film projects of the
early 1940s. The course analyzes the
interrelationships among Welles’s works
in different media and relates his projects
to the culture and politics of the period
in question and to the institutional cir-
cumstances of their making.

MELODRAMA
CINE-UT 300
4 units.
Traces the history of melodrama in
American cinema from the films of
Griffith and other works of silent cinema
through the women’s pictures of the ’30s
and ’40s to the technicolor melodramas
of Sirk and Minnelli. Emphasizes the
way in which the aesthetic and rhetorical
strategies of the melodrama serve to
articulate and negotiate social anxieties
about gender, race, and class.

THE MUSICAL
CINE-UT 304
Lant. 4 units.
Survey the American musical film from
the advent of sound to the present.
Examines the relationship between
musical numbers and narrative in the
creation of the myth of the couple; the
various subgenres of the musical; the
impact of widescreen and color on the
gene in the postwar period; and the way
in which the genre is transformed, revi-
talized, and deconstructed in response to
social change.

ISSUES IN CONTEMPORARY
AFRICAN AMERICAN CINEMA
CINE-UT 113
4 units.
With the success of Spike Lee’s low-bud-
get feature She’s Gotta Have It in 1986,
the film industry recognized an audience
for black cinema, and black cinema
mainstream works with the more per-
sonal vision of ‘independent’ filmmakers
such as Charles Burnett and Julie
Dash.

SEMINAR IN CURRENT
CINEMA
CINE-UT 402
4 units.
Contemporary cinema is analyzed and
critiqued by studying the current films
in the New York City area. Student writ-
ings are analyzed and compared with
scholarly and journalistic criticism of the
same text. Designed to develop students’
skills in fashioning film criticism.

WOMEN AND FILM
CINE-UT 406
4 units.
Explores the role of women as active pro-
ducers of alternative media culture.
Women’s films of the last decade have
served the following functions: document-
aton of social realities, support for new
lifestyles and sexual arrangements, self-
defense against victimization and stereo-
typing, innovation and creation of a
feminist aesthetic, and the development
of communities of interest and mutual
support. Screenings and discussions con-
tinue these themes. Readings from film
history and feminist aesthetic theory
attempt to place women’s films in per-
spective to both the larger film context
and as a part of feminist social theory.
TIER III

Tier III classes consist of a two-semester sequence in two vital areas of historical film scholarship: Hollywood Cinema and International Cinema. The fall semester covers the origins of both areas to 1960; the spring semester will evaluate the last 50 years in both areas. These classes are open to all students across the University. Tier III classes are intended to give all students a well-rounded education in the history of world cinema.

HOLLYWOOD CINEMA: ORIGINS TO 1960
CINE-UT 50
4 units. Fall semester.

INTERNATIONAL CINEMA: ORIGINS TO 1960
CINE-UT 55
4 units. Fall semester.

TIER IV

Tier IV courses are small theory and practice courses in writing, film criticism, and forms of filmmaking. They are open only to Cinema Studies students

FILM CRITICISM
CINE-UT 600
4 units.

This course will combine an in-depth examination of selected topics in the history of film criticism with an emphasis on assisting students to write their own reviews and critical essays. We will focus on distinctions between film criticism and theory, the relationship of cinephilia to the history of criticism, the importance of the essayistic tradition, the role of criticism in the age of the Internet, and the symbiosis between contemporary criticism and the festival circuit. Various modes of critical practice—auteurist, genre, formalist, political, feminist etc.—will be assessed. The challenges of reviewing mainstream films, as well as art cinema and avant-garde work, will be explored. Course readings will include seminal essays by, among others, Bazin, Agee, Kael, Sarris, Farber, Haskell, Macdonald, Duney, Durgnat, Rosenbaum, Hoberman, Melas, and Adrian Martin. Students will be expected to write at least 1,000 words a week evaluating films screening in the New York City area.

THE SCRIPTWRITER’S CRAFT
CINE-UT 400
Luckett. 4 units.

This course is designed to center the work of the writer by analyzing the techniques employed by a diverse range of Oscar nominated screenwriters to lesser known independent screenwriters such as Paddy Chayefsky, Nora Ephron, Guillermo Arriaga, Tina Fey, José Rivera, Kathleen Collins, Josefa Lopez, Dee Rees, and Jordan Peele. We start in the "hold" by exploring the formal elements of the script (character, scene, dialogue, plot structure, genre). We then move to consider how underrepresented communities are served by the efforts of script writers to bring untold stories to big and small screens, thereby changing and challenging film culture.

SCRIPT ANALYSIS
CINE-UT 146
4 units.

This course is designed to help the students analyze a film script. Plot and character development, dialogue, foreground, background, and story will all be examined. Using feature films, we will highlight these script elements rather than the integrated experience of the film, performance, directing, and editing elements of the film. Assignments will include two script analyses.

INDEPENDENT STUDY AND INTERNSHIP

INDEPENDENT STUDY
CINE-UT 900–CINE-UT 905
Prerequisite: written permission of a faculty adviser. 1–4 units. Fall, spring and summer semesters.

INTERNSHIP
CINE-UT 950, 952
Prerequisite: Sophomore status, 3.0 G.P.A., 1–4 units. Fall, Spring, and Summer.

Graduate Programs
(M.A. Program in Cinema Studies, M.A. Program in Moving Image Archiving and Preservation, and Ph.D. Program in Cinema Studies)

The M.A. Program in Cinema Studies is a self-contained curriculum that provides the student with an advanced course of study in the history, theory, and criticism of film and the moving image. Students also have the opportunity to pursue internships for credit in order to further their professional development at film libraries and archives in the city or in the film and media industries. Many lecture classes are offered in the evening for the convenience of working students.

Graduates from the M.A. Program in Cinema Studies have gone on to successful careers as film curators, programmers, and preservationists, as well as film critics, instructors, screenwriters, filmmakers, and industry professionals.

The Master of Arts degree program in Moving Image Archiving and Preservation (MIAP) is a two-year, interdisciplinary course of study that trains future professionals to manage and preserve collections of film, video, new media, and digital works. MIAP provides prospective collection managers and archivists with an international, comprehensive education in the theories, methods, and practices of moving image archiving and preservation. The curriculum includes courses on moving image conservation and preservation; collection management; metadata standards and application; copyright and legal issues; moving image curation; the cultures of museums, archives, and libraries; and the histories of cinema and television. Students are taught by leading scholars and practitioners in the field.

MIAP takes full advantage of its New York City setting, giving students the opportunity to work with local archives, museums, libraries, labs, and arts organizations. Internships give students experience with multiple institutions, each having a unique organizational culture and approach to archiving and preservation. Graduates of the program have careers as preservation specialists, archivists, research scholars, and conservators in diverse organizations, including library preservation departments, regional and national archives, digital libraries, media arts organizations, museums, production entities, video distributors, and television stations.

CINEMA STUDIES
The Ph.D. program prepares students to develop teaching competence and to pursue research in cinema studies. The curriculum draws on the methods of a number of disciplines, including art history, cultural studies, American studies, psychoanalytic theory, and philosophy and involves intensive seminar-level study in film theory, history, and research methods. Graduates of the program have gone on to positions of academic leadership in the field.

GRADUATE ADMISSION
Although instruction, administration, and financial aid are provided by the Tisch School of the Arts (TSOA), graduate degrees in cinema studies are conferred by New York University through the Graduate School of Arts and Science (GSAS). Admission is granted by both institutions, with permission of the chair, transferred from another department or school. Applications are processed by the Tisch School of the Arts. The graduate application should be completed online. Visit www.tisch.nyu.edu for further information. Students can contact the Office of Graduate Admissions with questions at Tisch School of the Arts, New York University, 726 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10003-6807; 212-998-1918. The M.A. degree in Moving Image Archiving and Preservation (MIAP) is conferred by New York University through the Tisch School of the Arts, and admission is granted by Tisch.

Applicants must submit a full application, transcripts, and three letters of recommendation (only two letters are required for MIAP applicants). In addition to materials required by the Tisch Office of Graduate Admissions, the applicant should send the following information:

1. A 15-20 writing sample that reflects the applicant’s ability to carry out sustained critical, theoretical, and/or historical thinking on film, television, video, and/or new media. In the absence of a moving-image-related topic, a piece of writing on a subject in the arts of humanities is acceptable. Students lacking a paper of 20 page length are free to submit two shorter pieces totaling 20 pages.
2. A 2-3 page statement of purpose on the applicant’s educational goals. This essay should include how one’s experience, whether in school or out, relates to one’s goals as a student in one of the graduate programs in the Department of Cinema Studies. Applicants to the M.A. Program in Moving Image Archiving and Preservation should demonstrate an interest in the history and preservation of the moving image.
3. A professional resume listing academic background, work experience, honors, affiliations with professional organizations, papers presented at conferences, published work, language ability, etc.

All supporting materials, such as letters of recommendation, transcripts, and essays, should be submitted through Tisch’s online application system. An application is not complete until all the above credentials have been submitted. It is the applicant’s responsibility to ensure that the appropriate documents are received by the application deadline.

Students applying only for a summer session course need not submit the personal essay and written sample of work. These students should contact the Summer Sessions Office, Tisch School of the Arts, New York University, 721 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10003-6807; 212-998-1808.

M.A. PROGRAM IN CINEMA STUDIES

Course of Study: Students must complete 36 units: 32 units must be taken in the department; 4 graduate units may be transferred from another department or institution, with permission of the chair, if these units have not been counted toward a previously completed graduate degree. The required courses for M.A. students are (1) Film Form and Film Sense, (2) Film Theory, and (3) Film History/Historiography OR (4) Television: History and Culture. Students with substantial academic training in any of these areas of study may request a waiver on a course-by-course basis. Independent study and Internship units shall not exceed 8 units combined. The master’s degree must be completed within five years of matriculation.

The comprehensive examination is a take-home examination consisting of five questions, 2 of which the student must answer in the form of ten-page essays. Answers should be drawn from the total course of study as well as material on the M.A. comprehensive filmography and bibliography, a list of important works provided by the department (available online and from the exam administrator). Exam and answers may also refer to major texts in the field published since the bibliography was last revised. It is a requirement of these exams that they offer new and original material by the student and do not recycle writings that have already served in other contexts for the major such as course work or application writing samples. Students have one week to complete the exam. Those who fail the exam may retake it once. Registration cancellations are accepted up to one business day before each exam cycle.

M.A. PROGRAM IN MOVING IMAGE ARCHIVING AND PRESERVATION (MIAP)

The M.A. Program in Moving Image Archiving and Preservation (MIAP) must be completed within five years of matriculation into the program. Students earn 64 units over two years of full-time study. The Language of Sight and Sound requires a lab and insurance fee.

Course of study: (1) Introduction to Moving Image Archiving and Preservation; (2) Digital Literacy for Moving Image Archiving and Preservation; (3) Conservation and Preservation: Principles; (4) Moving Image and Sound: Basic Training; (5) Copyright, Legal Issues, and Policy; (6) The Culture of Archives, Museums, and Libraries; (7) Collection Management; (8) Metadata for Moving Image Collections; (9) two Directed MIAP Internships (semester); (10) one MIAP Summer Internship; (11) Advanced Topics in Preservation Studies; (12) Video Preservation I; (13) Digital Preservation; (14) Video Preservation II; (15) Film Preservation; (16) Curating Moving Images; (17) Handling Complex Media; (18) Film History/Historiography, Television: History and Culture, or equivalent; (19) Elective or Independent Study. Students with substantial training in any of these areas of study may request a waiver on a course-by-course basis. Total independent study units may not exceed 8 units.
Internships: Students must complete two semester-long internships and one full-time summer internship at the end of their first year in a moving image repository approved by MIAP. Semester internships are accompanied by an internship seminar led by a MIAP instructor, which contextualizes and synthesizes the fieldwork experience. During the summer internship, students may specialize in one particular department/task within the institution, but over the course of the summer they are expected to obtain a broad knowledge of how the various departments work together. Work completed during the internship may serve as the core research and preparation for the final thesis project.

Thesis, Project, or Portfolio: Each student is required to complete a capstone project in the form of either a well-developed thesis, a preservation project, or a portfolio. The student is expected to work with their advisor beginning in the second semester to make sure that the capstone project reflects their learning experience in the program. The portfolio must include a written essay synthesizing the wide variety of topics learned during the program, as well as good examples of projects that the student has completed. (The portfolio may serve as an example of what the student might present to a potential employer.) Planning and development of the capstone project begins in the second to last semester during the course Advanced Topics in Preservation Studies. The capstone project must be turned in at the end of the student's final semester, and in addition, the student must orally present this capstone project to faculty, working professionals, and the public.

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY PROGRAM IN CINEMA STUDIES

The Doctor of Philosophy degree is conferred for advanced studies in which the student demonstrates outstanding original scholarship. It signifies the student can conduct independent research and has both a broad basic knowledge of all areas of their field and a comprehensive knowledge of one field in particular.

A doctoral candidate must complete all requirements no later than 10 years from matriculation into the NYU Cinema Studies Master's program or 7 years from the time of initial matriculation if the candidate holds a master’s degree from another department or institution.

Course of Study: Students must complete 36 points of course work in addition to their M.A. degree (which will be assessed at 36 points) to total 72 points, three qualifying exams, a foreign language requirement, an oral defense and approval of the dissertation proposal, and an oral defense and approval of a doctoral dissertation. Students are permitted to take up to two classes outside the department or as independent study. A student interested in independent study must obtain approval from a full-time faculty member after submitting a statement of purpose and a proposed bibliography.

Summary of Ph.D. Program Structure: First year, fall semester: three courses (including PhD Methodologies seminar). Spring semester: two courses and first major area qualifying exam. Summer semester: second major area qualifying exam. It is also strongly recommended that students needing to fulfill the language requirement with an exam make an arrangement to do so. Second year, fall semester: two courses (including directed reading). Spring semester: two courses (including the Dissertation Seminar), dissertation proposal, oral defense and third area qualifying exam. Third year: Begin dissertation writing.

Internships: It is possible for Ph.D. students to receive independent study credit for work at various film libraries, associations, and archives (such as the Donnell Library, the Association of Independent Video and Filmmakers, and the Museum of Modern Art). Permission of a faculty adviser is required for such work.

Incompletes: The department strongly discourages grades of “incomplete” even if they are made up before the end of the next semester. Outstanding incompletes may render a student ineligible for assistantships and financial aid. The dissertation defense cannot be scheduled if outstanding incompletes exist.

Qualifying Examinations: Each student must pass three exams: one in the field of film/culture/media theory, one in the field of film/media history, and one in a third area or drawn up as a special area of study that relates to the student’s proposed dissertation topic in consultation with the student’s faculty adviser. The theory exam areas include gender, sexual identity and representation, race, nation, and representation, cultural theory, media theory, theory of narrative and genre, theory of sound and image. The history/historiography exam areas include the following options: American film—1895 to 1929, American film—1927 to 1960, or American film—1960 to the present; history of French film; history of Italian film; history of Japanese film; history of Soviet and post-Soviet film; history of German film; history of the international avant-garde; history of documentary film; history of Latin American film; history of British film.

The theory and history exams are take-home exams and the third area exam is an oral exam. The take-home exam consists of six questions, of which three are to be answered in the form of a 10-page essay per question. The student has one week to complete the take-home exam. Each subject area is offered for examination once a year either in the spring or summer semester. The oral exam is conducted at the time of the student’s dissertation proposal defense at the end of the fourth semester. A schedule of the areas offered in a particular semester is available from the department at the beginning of each academic year. Exams are graded by three faculty members. The student receives a grade of high pass, pass, low pass or fail. If a student fails an examination, the exam in the same subject area must be taken the next time it is offered. Upon failing an exam in any one area twice, the student must leave the Ph.D. program.

Foreign Language Requirement: A student must demonstrate proficiency in one foreign language. Six languages are accepted toward fulfilling the Ph.D. language requirement: Chinese, French, German, Italian, Russian, and Spanish. Students proficient in another language may request an exemption from this requirement from the director of graduate studies.

Language proficiency may be demonstrated by any of the following: (1) passing the foreign language proficiency examination given by the Graduate School of Arts and Science; (2) passing a departmental examination; or (3) completing, or having completed not more than two years before matriculation, a full or final intermediate-level college course in the language with a transcript grade of B or better.

School of Professional Studies (SPS) courses do not satisfy this requirement; however, students with no previous knowledge of a foreign language or those who wish a review are encouraged to enroll in the SPS special reading courses for graduate degree candidates. A two-semester sequence is offered in French, German,
Chinese, and Spanish (plus Italian and Russian in the summer session). For information, call the SPS Foreign Language Program, 212-998-7030.

Students who have met the language requirement in another graduate school not more than two years before matriculating in the department may request that such credentials be accepted by the department.

Formal application for the Graduate School foreign language proficiency examination (not the department's) must be filed on the appropriate form in the Degree and Diploma Office of the Office of the University Registrar not later than five weeks before the examination date.

Consult the current calendar for examination dates and application deadlines. The departmental examination is administered during the academic year. For further information, contact Liza Greenfield at 212-998-1615.

Ph.D. Dissertation Adviser: Ph.D. students are advised by the director of graduate studies or chair of the department until such time as they select their dissertation adviser. Ph.D. students should select their dissertation adviser no later than their fourth semester of Ph.D. course work. The adviser must be a full-time faculty member of the Department of Cinema Studies or an affiliated NYU faculty member approved by the chair.

Doctoral Committee: Each student must select two faculty members to serve as members of the core committee alongside their adviser. Students must select two additional readers for the examining committee soon after their core committee is in place. The examining committee consists of five members: the student's core committee and two additional readers. At least three members of the examining committee must be graduate faculty of New York University. Advance approval by the dissertation adviser and the Graduate School of Arts and Science is necessary for any non-NYU member.

No student should begin the final draft of the dissertation until they have consulted (in person, except in extraordinary circumstances) with all three of the core members of their dissertation committee. Where possible, core members should receive a copy of each chapter of the dissertation as it is drafted.

Dissertation Seminar and Proposal: All Ph.D. students must take Dissertation Seminar in their fourth semester of Ph.D. course work. This seminar is used to develop the dissertation proposal that will be defended in the Ph.D. oral defense. The dissertation proposal consists of a document of no more than 40 pages that outlines in detail the candidate's proposed area of study. It should include (1) an outline of the research to be undertaken, (2) a statement of the project's contribution to the field in context of a brief review of the literature, (3) an outline of the method to be used, (4) a statement of how the candidate intends to complete the research, and (5) a chapter-by-chapter breakdown of the project. A bibliography must be attached to the proposal.

Oral Defense of Dissertation Proposal: In May, at the end of their second year, Ph.D. students sit for an oral defense conducted by a faculty committee comprised of their dissertation adviser, the department chair and the director of Graduate Studies. In the case when the dissertation adviser is also department chair or DGS, another faculty member, preferably the associate chair or dissertation seminar leader, will be assigned to the committee by the department chair.

In this defense, students are questioned on their third area examination and dissertation proposal. If a student fails the oral defense, they must reschedule the defense to take place the following semester. The oral defense must be successfully completed before a student may begin writing the dissertation. All students must have their dissertation proposal approved by their adviser and two oral defense committee members to be eligible to receive their third year of funding. Approval should be certified by having the three individuals sign and date the front page of the proposal. This process usually takes place at the conclusion of the oral defense. The signed copy should then be submitted to the department office to be filed.

Approval of Dissertation Chapters: In June of the Ph.D. student's third year, an evaluation of at least one complete chapter of the dissertation will be conducted by a faculty committee comprised of their adviser, the department chair and the Director of Graduate Studies. The student may be questioned on the work and on plans for continued research and writing. Students must successfully pass this evaluation in order to be eligible to receive their fourth year of funding. If a student fails the review, they must rewrite, resubmit, and obtain the approval of the chapter before the start of the next academic year.

Also, in June of the Ph.D. student's fourth year, an evaluation of a second complete chapter of the dissertation will be conducted by a faculty committee comprised again of their adviser, the chair and DGS. The student may still be questioned on the work and on plans for continued research and writing. Students must successfully pass this evaluation in order to be eligible to receive their fifth year of funding. If a student fails the review, they must rewrite, resubmit, and obtain the approval of the chapter before the start of the next academic year.

Doctoral Dissertation and Oral Defense: The dissertation proposal is kept on file in the candidate's department. The dissertation must show the ability to follow an approved method of scholarly investigation and evidence of exhaustive study of a special field. It should add to the knowledge of the subject or represent a new, significant interpretation. Every dissertation should contain a clear introductory statement and a summary of results. The dissertation must include an analytical table of contents and a bibliography and, when submitted to the Degree and Diploma Office of the Office of the University Registrar, must meet formatting requirements and be accompanied by an abstract. Ph.D. students must submit a draft of the dissertation to their advisor and the core members of their committee three months before the proposed dissertation defense date worked out with the advisor and department administration. The advisor and the core committee have one month to review the dissertation, give feedback on unread portions, and approve the dissertation for defense. If a committee member does not respond in this period, it will be assumed that they are in agreement with the advisor's decision on whether or not the dissertation is defensible and what, if any, changes need to be made. Students will then have one month to complete final revisions of the dissertation prior to submission of the final defense copy to all five members of the committee. Outside readers require at least three weeks prior to the defense date to read the dissertation. Note: In practice the advisor will be reading the dissertation as the chapters are written. The core committee members are expected to do likewise. Therefore, while the whole dissertation is due three months in advance, most of it should have already been read and reviewed by the advisor and core members beforehand. The defense is an open event attended by interested NYU faculty and students as well as invited associates. Following the defense, the examining committee votes on whether or not to accept the dissertation; the committee has the option of passing the dissertation.
"with distinction." It is strongly recommended that all Ph.D. students attend several dissertation defenses in the department in years prior to their own defense.

**MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY**

The Master of Philosophy is conferred only on students who have been accepted as candidates in a doctoral program and who have fulfilled all the requirements for the doctorate except the dissertation and its defense. The minimum general requirements for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in the Graduate School of Arts and Science are the satisfactory completion of 72 units (at least 32 in residence at New York University), demonstrated competence in a foreign language, and the preparation and defense of a dissertation. Additional special requirements for the degree invariably include a written qualifying or comprehensive examination testing the candidate's knowledge of the field of study. Students who fail the qualifying or comprehensive examinations will not receive the Master of Philosophy degree. It should be emphasized that recipients of the degree of Master of Philosophy have completed all of the general and special requirements for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy except those relating to the dissertation and its defense.

**CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN CULTURE AND MEDIA**

The Certificate Program in Culture & Media, established in 1986, is an interdisciplinary course of study combining theory and practice, bringing together the rich resources of the departments of Anthropology, Cinema Studies and the Kanbar Institute of Film & Television at NYU. This graduate program is an intensive, concentrated experience that integrates three kinds of critical practice: study of the uses and meanings of media in a range of communities and cultures that prepares students to employ ethnographic research methods; critical theory and history of documentary and ethno-graphic media; and documentary production. This program is open to both M.A. and Ph.D. students in Cinema Studies.

**Admission:** Students intending to complete the Certificate must:

- a) Indicate their interest upon application to and entry into the graduate program.
- b) Enroll in Culture & Media I in the fall term of their first year and earn a grade of B+ or better.
- c) Meet with the Cinema Studies co-director of the Certificate Program in their first fall term.

Upon completion of these steps, approved students will be formally enrolled in the Certificate Program, typically in the spring of the first year. Upon admission, students will be able to register for the summer production course Language of Sight & Sound: Documentary.

Students must then:

- a) Make plans to complete all Certificate requirements in the appropriate time frame:
  - for M.A. students, by the end of their second year.
  - for Ph.D students, by the end of their third year.
- b) Maintain a B average or better in all Cinema Studies courses, and a B+ average in the core courses.
- c) Meet each term with the Cinema Studies co-director for advising.

All students are required to complete an independent, original ethnographic film or video project; this will be completed in the second semester of the Video Production sequence, which the student will take in the fall and spring semester of their second year of study.

**Course of Study:** Students pursuing the Certificate must fulfill all of the requirements (30 points) in the following curriculum:

- CINE-GT1402 [4 pts] Culture & Media I: History & Theory of Ethnographic Documentary
- CINE-GT1403 [4 pts] Culture & Media II: Ethnography of Media or approved substitute
- CINE-GT1999 [6 pts] Language of Sight & Sound: Documentary
- CINE-GT2001 [4 pts] Cultural Theory & the Documentary
- ANTH-GA1010 [4 pts] Social Anthropology Theory & Practice or approved ANTH-GA substitute

In order to obtain an M.A. in Cinema Studies with a Certificate in Culture & Media, students must complete a minimum 44 points of coursework. In addition to the above Certificate courses (30 pts), students must take the 3 courses (12 pts) required for the M.A. (Film Form & Film Sense; Film Theory; and Film History/Historiography or Television: History & Culture). Students may complete their 44 point requirement with an elective course or independent study in Cinema Studies equivalent to 2 points.

In order to obtain a Ph.D. in Cinema Studies with a Certificate in Culture & Media, students must complete a minimum of 80 points of coursework, including the above Certificate courses.

Students intending to graduate with the Certificate are responsible for ensuring, in consultation with the Cinema Studies co-director, that they have met all requirements for graduation, and that they have filed for graduation with the Certificate in their final semester. Students are responsible for filing for graduation, applying to do so via Albert.

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**Courses for Graduate Degrees**

Note: Not all courses are offered every semester. For an exact listing, please consult the department. Certain 1000-level courses are open to advanced undergraduates with the permission of the instructor. Courses with multiple numbers indicate courses that may vary in content as well as instructor, and they can therefore be taken a number of times. Courses marked with an asterisk have not been assigned course numbers yet.

**CORE CURRICULUM:**

**M.A. PROGRAM IN CINEMA STUDIES**

**FILM FORM AND FILM SENSE**

CINE-GT 1010

Simon. 4 units.

The study of film aesthetics—film style, film form, genre, and narration. The scope of this course is comparative and transnational. It introduces the student to the problems and methods of film interpretation and close textual analysis.

**FILM HISTORY AND HISTORIOGRAPHY**

CINE-GT 1015

4 units.

Examines the constitution of the codes and institutions of cinema and the ways in which the history of film has been,
and has been understood to be, embedded in, shaped by, and constrained by material and social practices. Various historiographical methods and historical contexts are explored.

FILM THEORY
CINE-GT 1020 4 units.
Explores in detail texts of classical and modern film theory. Topics include auteurism, genre, the mind/film analogy, realism, semiotics, psychoanalysis, structuralism, ideology, queer theory, feminist theory, postcolonial theory.

TELEVISION: HISTORY AND CULTURE
CINE-GT 1026 4 units.
Examines the background, context, and history of radio, television, video, and sound. Topics include politics and economics of media institutions, audiences and reception, cultural and broadcast policy, aesthetic modes and movements.

M.A. PROGRAM IN MOVING IMAGE ARCHIVING AND PRESERVATION (MIAP): CURRICULUM
INTRODUCTION TO MOVING IMAGE ARCHIVING AND PRESERVATION
CINE-GT 1800 4 units.
This course introduces all aspects of the field, contextualizes them, and shows how they fit together. It will discuss the media themselves (including the technology, history, and contextualization within culture, politics, and economics). Topics include: conservation and preservation principles, organization and access, daily practice with physical artifacts, restoration, curatorship and programming, legal issues and copyright, and new media issues. Students will learn the importance of other types of materials (manuscripts, correspondence, stills, posters, scripts, etc.). Theories of collecting and organizing (as well as their social meanings) will be introduced.

DIGITAL LITERACY FOR MOVING IMAGE ARCHIVING AND PRESERVATION
CINE-GT 1808 2 units.
This class will prepare incoming first year MIAP students for working with digital technologies throughout their academic and professional careers. The course will focus on web applications, databases, and data management tools—technologies that play a fundamental role in moving image collections management today.

COPYRIGHT, LEGAL ISSUES, AND POLICY
CINE-GT 1804 4 units.
With the advent of new technologies, film producers and distributors and managers of film and video collections are faced with a myriad of legal and ethical issues concerning the use of their works or the works found in various collections. The answers to legal questions are not always apparent and can be complex, particularly where different types of media are encompassed in one production. When the law remains unclear, a risk assessment, often fraught with ethical considerations, is required to determine whether a production can be reproduced, distributed or exhibited without infringing the rights of others.

COLLECTION MANAGEMENT
CINE-GT 3401 4 units.
This course will examine the daily practice of managing collections of film, video, audio, and digital materials. Topics discussed include appraisal, collection policies, inventorying, and physical and digital storage. Students will learn how to prioritize preservation and access activities by weighting copyright, uniqueness of content, format obsoles-
cience and deterioration, and financial considerations. An emphasis is placed on digital project planning and budgeting. Fundraising strategies are also discussed. Coursework includes students completing a collection assessment as well as a grant proposal for prioritized activities associated with their collection.

**METADATA FOR MOVING IMAGE COLLECTIONS**

**CINE-GT 1803**

4 units.

Students in this course will learn about describing and managing moving image collections through metadata, or “data about data”. Metadata may be defined as “structured information that describes, explains, locates, and otherwise makes it easier to retrieve and use an information resource.” Because it facilitates the access, management and preservation of moving image resources, it is crucial that metadata be created and collected throughout the life cycle of the resource. Topics include how metadata supports various functions in the moving image archives; specific metadata schemes used for describing, providing subject access to and managing moving image resources; the importance of standards for resource description; information needed for preservation of moving image resources; and how metadata is implemented and used in a variety of settings.

**MIAP DIRECTED INTERNSHIP**

**CINE-GT 2911, 2912**

4 units

During the spring semester of the first year, and fall semester of the second, each student will engage in an internship consisting of 210 fieldwork hours (generally 15 hour/week for 14 weeks). This internship will provide hands-on experience with moving image material, as well as deep exposure to the various types of institutions that handle this material. Internships may be paid or unpaid. Students will meet as a group with a MIAP instructor to contextualize the internship experience.

**MIAP SUMMER INTERNSHIP**

**CINE-GT 2916**

In the summer between their first and second years, MIAP students undertake a full-time internship in a moving image repository consisting of 350 fieldwork hours (generally 35 hours/week for 10 weeks). Though the student may specialize in one particular department/task within the institution, over the course of the summer they will be expected to obtain a broad knowledge of how the various departments of that institution work together. Work done during the internship experience may serve as the core research and preparation for the final thesis project. Students are encouraged to engage in a summer internship outside of New York to learn how repositories may operate differently in other parts of the country and abroad.

**ADVANCED TOPICS IN PRESERVATION STUDIES**

**CINE-GT 3490**

2 units.

Through small-group study, the seminar will address advanced and/or special topics, and will focus on successful completion of student thesis or portfolio projects. In addition, the class will address preparation for employment, publishing and professional engagement upon graduation.

**VIDEO PRESERVATION I**

**CINE-GT 3403**

2 units.

This is the first course in a two-course sequence that gives students direct experience with the process of re-formatting video materials for preservation and access. Addressing in-house systems and work with vendors, the class increases knowledge in areas of: archival standards; prioritization and decision-making; source and destination formats; technical requirements and systems; preparation and workflow; documentation and metadata capture; quality assurance; and overall project management. Students have hands-on experience with tape preparation and re-formatting using equipment in the MIAP Lab, and interact with experts from preservation companies and from other NYU departments.

**DIGITAL PRESERVATION**

**CINE-GT 1807**

4 units.

This class will address the use of digital files and infrastructure as preservation media, and will investigate current theories and practices for the conservation and preservation of both digitized and born digital materials. Students will learn the details of the functions of digital preservation environments and repositories, and what infrastructure, policies, and procedures need to be a part of a repository in order to make it preservation compliant. Students will gain practical skills with identification, analysis, handling, and risk assessment for works as a whole, their component parts, and associated software and metadata.

**FILM PRESERVATION**

**CINE-GT 3402**

2 units.

This class gives students practical experience with the process of film preservation including understanding and recognizing film elements, making inspection reports, repairing film, making preservation plans, understanding laboratory processes and procedures for making new film preservation elements, and writing preservation histories. The course will teach students how to work with vendors, increase knowledge of archival standards, introduce problems of decision-making, technical requirements, preparation and workflow, and overall project management. The class will undertake and complete an actual film preservation project and follow the steps from start to finish.

**CURATING MOVING IMAGES**

**CINE-GT 1805**

Streible. 4 units.

This course focuses on the practice of film exhibition and programming in museums, archives and independent exhibition venues. It examines the goals of public programming, the constituencies such programs attempt to reach, and the cultural ramifications of presenting archival materials to audiences. Students will study how archives can encourage...
increasing quantities and different forms of access through their own publications, events, and productions, as well as through the role of new technologies (DVD, CD-ROM, the Internet). They will study how these methods of circulation provoke interest, study and appreciation of archive and museum moving image collections. The seminar will also treat such themes as: individual vs. collective access; film programming design, budget, documentation, and print control; legal issues; projection, and theater management; archival loans, the “Archive Film”; stock footage services; and film stills archive services.

HANDLING COMPLEX MEDIA
CINE-GT 1805
4 units.
This seminar will increase students’ knowledge of primary issues and emerging strategies for the preservation of media works that go beyond single channels/screens. Students will gain practical skills with identification and risk assessment for works as a whole and their component parts, particularly in the areas of audio and visual media and digital, interactive media projects that are stored on fixed media, presented as installations, and existing in networks. Examples of production modes/works to be studied are animations (individual works and motion graphics websites), games, interactive multimedia (i.e., educational/artist CDROMs), and technology-dependent art installations. Students will test principles and practices of traditional collection management with these works, such as appraisal, selection, care and handling, risk/condition assessment, “triage,” description, and storage and will be actively involved in developing new strategies for their care and preservation. Case studies will be undertaken in collaboration with artists/producers, museums, libraries, and/or archives.

FILM HISTORY AND HISTORIOGRAPHY, TELEVISION: HISTORY AND CULTURE, OR EQUIVALENT.
CINE-GT 1015, 1026
4 units.
See “Courses for Graduate Degrees” section above for course descriptions. MIAP students are required to complete at least one of these courses (Film History or TV History), unless they successfully petition for exemption based on prior coursework. Students are welcome to take both courses as part of the of the MIAP curriculum—one as a requirement and the other as an elective.

ELECTIVE OR INDEPENDENT STUDY
4 units.
MIAP students are required to take an elective or independent study in order to explore more fully a topic of choice. Additional electives or independent studies are substituted if students are waived out of other courses. The elective may be a media course, a computer science/technology course, a course in cultural institutions and practices, or a course in preservation. MIAP provides a list of potential electives each semester and students are encouraged to research possibilities from across the University. The student’s academic advisor must approve a proposed elective course for it to count towards the MIAP degree. If a suitable elective course cannot be found, the student may propose an independent study in its place. As with elective courses, independent studies must be reviewed and approved by the student’s academic advisor.

GRADUATE FILM THEORY ELECTIVES

CLASSICAL FILM THEORY
CINE-GT 2154
4 units.
Surveys key theoretical texts written about the cinema from 1895-1950. Works by Hugo Munsterberg, Vachel Lindsay, Rudolph Arnheim, the French impressionist theorists of the 1920s, Dziga Vertov, Sergei Eisenstein, and others are considered along with less canonical essays by Virginia Woolf, H. D., Dorothy Richardson, Elizabeth Bowen, and others. The course is organized around major film theoretical questions of the period and the general problem of defining cinema as an aesthetic practice in relation to other arts. Attention also focuses on different facets of emergent cinema between sexes and the metaphors writers use to specify cinema.

FEMINIST FILM THEORY
CINE-GT 3010
4 units.
During the past two decades, feminist film theory has been a vital force within cinema studies. This course traces the evolution of feminist film theory and criticism, from sociological perspectives and political analyses to the reflexive usage of semiotics, psychoanalysis, and materialism, and on to postcolonialist criticism and cultural studies. To a lesser extent, the class explores relevant contexts and associations such as the women’s movement, Anglo and French feminist theory, and feminist literary criticism.

PROBLEMS AND TOPICS IN NARRATIVE FILM
CINE-GT 2003, 2004
Simon. 4 units each semester.
One- or two-semester course that investigates the major aesthetic problems concerning narrative film. Subjects include the creation of basic conventions of narrative filmmaking in the early years of film history, especially by Griffith, and the breakdown of those conventions in the contemporary period. Fall semester emphasizes the classic film, especially the American tradition. Spring semester emphasizes the modernist and European traditions.

PSYCHOANALYSIS AND FILM
CINE-GT 2006
4 units.
It is often observed that the institutions of psychoanalysis and cinema are roughly the same age. This course investigates the ways in which film theory and criticism have been influenced by the theory and method of psychoanalysis and explores the ways in which psychoanalytic theories of the mind have informed cinema, either through film form or through plotting and characterization. This course explores a variety of works in the medium including Hitchcock, horror, film noir, surrealist films, and the work of a number of European auteurs.

ADVANCED SEMINAR IN FILM THEORY
CINE-GT 3004, 3005, 3006, 3007, 3009
4 units.
Film theory seminar of variable content. Topics taught include Soviet film theory; feminism and film theory; Marxism and film theory; sound and image; the filmmaker as theorist; narratology; the Frankfurt school, Walter Benjamin and the Metropolis; modernism/postmodernism.

ADVANCED SEMINAR: BAKHTIN AND FILM
CINE-GT 3009
Sem. 4 units.
Explores the relevance of Bakhtin’s conceptual categories (e.g., “translinguistics,” “heteroglossia,” “polyphony,” “speech genres,” and “carnival”) to film theory and analysis. Students are required to read most of the major Bakhtin texts translated into English.
and investigates theoretical positions and filmmaking practices. Films by Kluge, Schröndorff, von Trotta, Fassbinder, Wenders, Herzog, and others are screened.

**EASTERN EUROPEAN FILM**

CINE-GT 1111

4 units.

Explores the rich vein of aesthetically challenging and politically committed films that emerged in the political and social climate of postwar eastern Europe. Screenings include the work of Wajda, Skolimowski, Zanussi, Kieslowski, Forman, Menzel, Makavejev, Jansco, Szabo, and Mészáros.

**THE AMERICAN AVANT-GARDE**

CINE-GT 1112

4 units.

A course that focuses on the forms and evolution of the North American avant-garde film. The influence of European avant-garde film on Americans as well as the influence of American filmmakers on one another are considered. Directors studied include Frampton, Snow, Deren, Brakhage, Gidal, Gehl, Breer, Mekas, and Warhol. Special attention is paid to aesthetic theories implicit and explicit in the works of these filmmakers.

**CHINESE CINEMAS**

CINE-GT 1116

Zhang. 4 units.

The cinemas of mainland China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan have undergone a renaissance in the last 20 years. This course examines the cultural influences on these cinemas, their aesthetic forms and relationship to other media, and the relationship that these cinemas bear to each other.

**ASIAN CINEMA**

CINE-GT 1121

4 units.

A comprehensive introduction to the cinemas of Asia as well as contemporary Asian American cinema. A look at the political, social, economic, technological, and aesthetic factors that determined the shape and character of different "national cinemas" in Asia and some of the "minority" movements within these nation-states. While the focus of the course is primarily on Chinese, Indian, Japanese, and the concept of "Asian America," students are encouraged to explore other relevant film movements and histories.

**AFRICAN CINEMA**

CINE-GT 1160

Diawara. 4 units.

The class explores major issues in African cinema from the politics of representation to authorship and aesthetics. A special focus will be on film language, apparatus ideology, politics, and reception. The main area of concentration will be the cinemas of sub-Saharan Africa. We will look at the aesthetic and political evolution of African films, from the social realist cinema of Sembene Ousmane, to African cinema in the Diaspora, to African cinema as world cinema.

**HOLLYWOOD CINEMA: ORIGINS TO 1960**

CINE-GT 2123

Polan. 4 units.

This course offers a broad survey of American cinema from its beginnings (and even its pre-history) up to 1960. While the emphasis will be on the dominant, narrative fiction film, there will be attention to other modes of American cinema such as experimental film, animation, shorts, and non-fiction film. The course will look closely at films themselves — how do their styles and narrative structures change over time? — but also at contexts: how do films reflect their times? how does the film industry develop? what are the key institutions that had impact on American film over its history? We will also attend to the role of key figures in film’s history: from creative personnel (for example, the director or the screenwriter) to industrialists and administrators, to censors to critics and to audiences themselves. The goal will be to provide an overall understanding of one of the most consequential of modern popular art forms and of its particular contributions to the art and culture of our modernity.

**HOLLYWOOD CINEMA: 1960-PRESENT**

CINE-GT 2125

Polan. 4 units.

This course offers a broad survey of American cinema from 1960 up to the present. While the emphasis will be on the dominant, narrative fiction film, there will be attention to other modes of American cinema such as experimental film, animation, shorts, and non-fiction film. The course will look closely at films themselves — how do their styles and narrative structures change over time? — but also at contexts: how do films reflect their times? how does the
film industry develop? what are the key institutions that had impact on American film over its history? We will also attend to the role of key figures in film's history: from creative personnel (for example, the director or the screenwriter) to industrialists and administrators, to censor to critics and to audiences themselves. The goal will be to provide an overall understanding of one of the most consequential of modern popular art forms and of its particular contributions to the art and culture of our modernity.

**BRAZILIAN CINEMA I AND II**

**CINE-GT 2117, 2118**

*Statw. 4 units each semester.*

This course is a graduate survey course in cinema studies (also open to advanced undergraduates in cinema studies or in other fields with some background in Brazilian on Latin American history and culture) devoted to the history of Brazilian Cinema from its beginnings up to the latest features. While focusing on the medium specificity in terms of film stylistics and film-as-film, the approach will also see film, in a "cultural studies" manner, as part of a discursive-mediatic continuum that includes history, literature, music, and performance. The course will move through a more or less chronological sequence from the silent period, on to the musical comedies (chanchadas) and the studio films of Vera Cruz, through the various phases of Cinema Novo, on to the 1990s retomada and culminating with the variegated productions of a new generation of 21st century filmmakers. While the feature films will be screened in roughly chronological order, the classes themselves will be partially organized around themes that range across historical periods. Some of the themes will include: Brazil as shaped by the Black, Red, and White Atlantics; representations of and by the "Indian;" foundational romances between European and Indigene; Afro-Brazilian culture; race and representation; carnival and the carnivalesque; multicultural dissonance as artistic resource; anthropoplogy; Tropicalism, aesthetics of hunger; aesthetics of garbage; transmodernism; national and transnational allegory; dictatorship and resistance; film remediations of literature; the telenovela; musical audiotorias; the favela and the divided city; Brazilian counter-culture; intersectionalities of race, gender, and sexuality; indigenous media; and the emergence of new social actors.

**ISSUES AND IMAGES IN BLACK CINEMA**

**CINE-GT 2706**

*Guerrero. 4 units.*

Explores varied images, representations, and films by and about African Americans in the narrative cinema. Studies cover a range of important issues and films, from the crude stereotyping in The Birth of a Nation (1915), to the studio-polished entertainments of Cabin in the Sky (1943), and on to such liberating and challenging narratives as Nothing but a Man (1965), Chameleon Street (1989), and Drop Squad (1994). Discussions focus on debates critical to black cinema, including the construction of race, class, and gender in commercial cinema and how social, political, and economic conditions work to over-determine the African American cinema image.

**ADVANCED SEMINAR IN FILM HISTORY AND HISTORICAL METHODS**

**CINE-GT 3100, 3101, 3102, 3103; CINE-GT 3905**

*4 units.*

Variable topic seminar that investigates in detail a particular topic and or problem in film history.

**GRADUATE FILM CRITICISM**

**THE FILMS OF MARTIN SCORSESE**

**CINE-GT 1201**

*Simon. 4 units.*

An investigation of the films of Martin Scorsese, concentrating on the development of the narrative style and structure of his earliest work and on the major films of his mature period. The analysis of narrative structure is related to developments in film history and in American culture during the period of the films' production. Special emphasis is placed on the significance of intertextuality in Scorsese's films by screening films that figure as intertexts in his work.

**THE FILMS OF ORSON WELLES**

**CINE-GT 1204**

*Simon. 4 units.*

An intensive exploration of the early stages of Orson Welles's career, concentrating on Welles's theatre, radio, and film projects in the 1930s and early 1940s. Central topics for analysis include an appreciation of the narrative conception and structures of these projects and the interrelationships of narrative structure and style among the theatre, radio, and film works; the relating of these projects to the culture and politics of the period in question and to the institutional circumstances of their making; and the theorization of Welles's work through the notion of the "dialogic." The last third of the course focuses on Welles's post-1940s films.

**THE FILMS OF ALFRED HITCHCOCK**

**CINE-GT 1205**

*4 units.*

Explores the entire corpus of Hitchcock's films and canvases the major critical approaches to his work. The study of Hitchcock provides the occasion to reflect on topics that are central to the study of cinema such as narration and point of view, ideology and mass culture, gender and sexual representation, and the relationship of film to literary tradition. This course pursues these topics within the context of a close analysis of the visual design of Hitchcock's work.

**COMPARATIVE DIRECTORS**

**CINE-GT 1206, 1207, 1903, 2167, 2202, 2205, 2206, 2207, 2208, 2209, 2210, 2212, 2215, 2217, 2218, 2220**

*4 units each semester.*

This is a variable content course that allows the work of two or more filmmakers to be compared and contrasted in detail. Recent subjects have included Lubitsch/Sturges, Sirk/Ray, Mann/Fuller, Disney/Miyazaki.

**THE HORROR FILM**

**CINE-GT 1301**

*4 units.*

A survey of both the chronology and aesthetics of the genre, with a stress on American film. From the silent period onward, the course establishes the various subgenres and examines what makes horror work, how audience fears and emotions are manipulated, and how the horror film, more than any other genre, brings all the weapons in the arsenal of film grammar into play.

**THE MUSICAL**

**CINE-GT 1302**

*4 units.*

A survey of the American musical from the coming of sound to the present. Providing an opportunity to study one genre in depth, it focuses on transformations, revitalizations, and reconstructions of the genre in terms of visual/aural style and narrative structure, and on the genre's relation to historical, technological, and social changes. It considers how
different musicals address their audiences differently through performance, acting styles, editing, dialogue, etc., and how the musical’s representation of racial and sexual roles shifts across the decades of the 20th century.

**FILM GENRES**

A variable content course that examines in depth particular periods or topics in the study of film genre.

**THE WESTERN**

CINE-GT 1307, CINE-GT 2302

Simon. 4 units.

Starting with a brief history of westerns before World War II, the course concentrates on the genre from its classical phase onward. The historical perspective is informed by a topical approach, and the course examines recurring themes and subjects such as the configuration of masculine identity, the genre’s relation to American ideology, the changing status of women and other minorities, and the concept of the frontier.

**SCIENCE FICTION FILM**

CINE-GT 2121, 2303

4 units.

This course concentrates on narratives that explore the relationship between technology and humans through the figure of the artificial or technologically altered human body. Robots, androids, cyborgs, clones, automata, and electronically generated beings are encountered in a series of films, stories, and novels. The course focuses on the shifting definitions of the human within a historical succession of different technological paradigms and includes considerations of the relation between the body and the human, nature and culture, technology and biology, and the gendering of technology.

**DOCUMENTARY TRADITIONS I AND II**

CINE-GT 1400, 1401

Bagnall. 4 units each semester.

Examines documentary principles, methods, and styles. Both the function and significance of the documentary in the social setting and the ethics of the documentary are considered.

**CULTURE AND MEDIA I AND II**

CINE-GT 1402, 1403

Identical with ANTH-GA 1215, 1216.

Prerequisite: CINE-GT 1402 is the prerequisite to CINE-GT 1403. 4 units each semester.

Part I The use of film and video is well-suited to the task of revealing one society to another — the goal of much anthropological work. The media has played a crucial role in shaping the images and attitudes people have toward cultures other than their own. Yet, the process of making these images of others is largely unexplored in the social sciences, creating a false division between aesthetics and documentation, research and its presentation. This course will examine how much imagery is created and received in different contexts, and how these affect the mediation of cultural difference. Over the term the class will view a range of anthropological documentary works, from the earliest portrayals of non-western societies by privileged western observers, to recent collaborative efforts between anthropologists and their subjects.

Part II In the last decade, a new field — ethnography of media — has emerged as an exciting new arena of research. While claims about media in people’s lives are made on a daily basis, surprisingly little research has actually attempted to look at how media is part of the naturally occurring lived realities of people’s lives. In the last decade, anthropologists and media scholars interested in film, television, and video have been turning their attention increasingly beyond the text and empiricist notions of audiences (stereotypically associated with the ethnography of media) to consider, ethnographically, the complex social worlds in which media is produced, circulated and consumed, at home and elsewhere. This work theorizes media studies from the point of view of cross-cultural ethnographic realities and anthropology from the perspective of new spaces of communication focusing on the social, economic and political life of media and how it makes a difference in the daily lives of people as a practice, whether in production, reception, or circulation. The class will be organized around case studies that interrogate broader issues that are particularly endemic to questions of cross-cultural media including debates over cultural imperialism vs. the autonomy of local producers/consumers, the instability and stratification of reception, the shift from national to transnational circuits of production and consumption, the increasing complicity of researchers with their subjects over representations of culture. These concerns are addressed in a variety of locations, from the complex circulation of films, photos, and lithographs that demonstrate the historically and culturally contingent ways in which images are read and used; to the ever increasing range of televisural culture, from state sponsored melodramas, religious epics and soap operas, to varieties of public television; to the activist use of video, radio, the Internet, and small media.

**FILM/NOVEL**

CINE-GT 1030

Stem. 4 units.

A high proportion of films made around the world have been adaptations of novels. This course surveys a wide spectrum of cinematic adaptations of novels, from Euro-American “classics” to more experimental and Third World texts. It explores this issue by focusing on a representative sample of film adaptations. The issues raised include the following: Can an adaptation ever be faithful to its source? What are the specificities of filmic as opposed to literary intertextuality? What kinds of stylistic equivalences and transmutations are possible across the two media? Issues of multiculturalism both within and outside the Euro-American tradition are also examined.

**GRADUATE CULTURAL STUDIES/MEDIA STUDIES ELECTIVES**

**CULTURAL STUDIES**

CINE-GT 2046

4 units.

Designed to give students a basic understanding of cultural studies as it applies to the screen. This involves an examination of the history of cultural studies and its present moment. As work on cinema, television, and video forms reveals only one aspect of that effort, the course includes a general account of the new discipline as well as specific material on screen forms. Cultural studies is centrally concerned with questions of subjectivity and power; these form the two bases of class deliberations.
CULTURAL THEORY AND THE DOCUMENTARY
CINE-GT 2001
Lee. 4 units.
This course applies forms of anthropological, historical, gender, and cultural studies theory to a range of genres: countercultural, cinema verité, direct cinema, ethnographic, instructional, historical, and auteurist documentaries. It is designed for cinema studies graduate students interested in documentary film or working toward the Ph.D. exam in cultural theory and/or history of the documentary and for students in the Certificate Program in Culture and Media.

VIDEO ART
CINE-GT 1601
Straayer. 4 units.
From its outset, video art challenged the limited forms and usages through which commercial television had defined the medium. A major portion of this course investigates the early development (1965-1980) of independent video art in the U.S. including topics such as artists, works, genres, technology, polemics, formal investigations, and relations to the other arts. The remainder of the course addresses several tendencies and concerns of more recent video art (1981-1998) including activism, multimedia installation, and crossover entertainment. A wide variety of readings are used for the course: from early and later periods, with modernist and postmodernist perspectives, both historical and theoretical.

RACE, GENDER, AND NATION
CINE-GT 2113
4 units.
This course interrogates categories of nation, race, the “Third World,” and the “Third World woman.” Focusing mainly on “Western” representations of the “other,” especially in Hollywood cinema, the course reconsiders such classifications themselves. The course examines both the specificities of cinematic articulations and the continuities of cinema with other discursive regimes. Readings include a variety of postcolonial theory as well as historical and theoretical writings to explore both the usefulness and limitations of such categories. The course brings together the latest work on racial representation in cinema studies.

ADVANCED SEMINAR ON THE BODY: SEX/SCIENCE/SIGN
CINE-GT 2509
Straayer. 4 units.
Engages feminist and queer theory to analyze representations of the body. Critical scholarship on the history of science and sexual construction is utilized to investigate topics such as the cinematic body, body politics, sexological imperatives, and erotic imagination. Typical sites of analysis include mainstream and subculture film and video, medical discourse/surveillance of “deviance,” and technological/semiotic constructions of the body including plastic surgery and transsexualism.

ADVANCED SEMINAR: MULTICULTURALISM AND FILM
CINE-GT 3005
Stam. 4 units.
How can a reconceptualized media pedagogy change our ways of thinking about cultural history? This seminar explores the relationship between debates concerning race, identity politics, and U.S. multiculturalism on the one hand and Third World nationalism and (post)colonial discourses on the other. The course proposes and develops models for understanding approaching multiculturalism in Hollywood and the mass media (the musical, the western, the imperial film, TV news) and for highlighting alternative cultural practices (critical mainstream movies, rap videos, “diaporic” and “indigenous” media).

SEMINAR IN MEDIA STUDIES
CINE-GT 2600/CINE-GT 3600
4 units.
A survey of the past, present, and future prospects of broadcast institutions in North America, Western Europe, and Asia. Topics include broadcast regulations, emerging media technologies, shifting programming forms, and the relation of broadcasting to the international film industry. The course also explores the theoretical and policy debates over public service broadcasting and over cultural sovereignty within increasingly integrated media markets.

ADVANCED SEMINAR IN QUEER MEDIA/THEORY
CINE-GT 3700
Straayer. 4 units.
This seminar focuses on the relationship between gay/lesbian/queer media and gay/lesbian/queer theory. In addition to film theory, scholarship from other disciplines is used to analyze both mainstream and independent film and video. Vitally connected to other political and performative agendas, gay/lesbian/queer media discourse has social and material relevance. With an emphasis on cultural and aesthetic issues, the seminar revisits concepts such as authorship, representation, and subjectivity from a poststructuralist perspective.

FILM THEORY/PRACTICE COURSES

FILM CRITICISM
CINE-GT 1141
4 units.
This course will combine an in-depth examination of selected topics in the history of film criticism with an emphasis on assisting students to write their own reviews and critical essays. We will focus on distinctions between film criticism and theory, the relationship of cinephilia to the history of criticism, the importance of the essayistic tradition, the role of criticism in the age of the Internet, and the symbiosis between contemporary criticism and the festival circuit. Various modes of critical practice—auteurist, genre, formalist, political, feminist etc.—will be assessed. The challenges of reviewing mainstream films, as well as art cinema and avant-garde work, will be explored. Course readings will include seminal essays by, among others, Bazin, Agee, Kael, Sarris, Farber, Haskell, Macdonald, Daney, Durgnat, Rosenbaum, Hobberman, Mekas, and Adrian Martin. Students will be expected to write at least 1,000 words a week evaluating films screening in the New York City area.

THE SCRIPTWRITER’S CRAFT
CINE-GT 1500
Luckett. 4 units.
This course is designed to center the work of the writer by analyzing the techniques employed by a diverse range of Oscar nominated screenwriters to lesser known independent screenwriters such as Paddy Chayefsky, Nora Ephron, Guillermo Arriaga, Tina Fey, José Rivera, Kathleen Collins, Joselfina Lopez, Dee Rees, and Jordan Peele. We start in the “hold” by exploring the formal elements of the script (character, scene, dialogue, plot structure, genre). We then move to consider how underrepresented communities are served by the efforts of script writers to bring untold stories to big and small screens, thereby changing and challenging film culture.
SCRIPT ANALYSIS
CINE-GT 1997
4 units.
This class is designed to help the students analyze a film script. Plot and character development, dialogue, foreground, background, and story will all be examined. Using feature films, we will highlight these script elements rather than the integrated experience of the script, performance, directing, and editing elements of the film. Assignments will include two script analyses.

GENERAL GRADUATE RESEARCH

INDEPENDENT STUDY
CINE-GT 2900-2905
1-4 units each semester.

DISSERTATION SEMINAR
CINE-GT 3900, 3901, 3902
4 units.

DIRECTED READING/RESEARCH IN CINEMA STUDIES
CINE-GT 3905-3907
4 units.

INTERNSHIP
CINE-UT 2950, 2952
1-4 units each semester.

GRADUATE FILM PRODUCTION

CINEMA: THE LANGUAGE OF SIGHT AND SOUND
CINE-GT 1998
6 units.
An intensive course in 16 mm film production designed for the film teacher, researcher, and critic whose work is dependent on a basic understanding of film technology. This course requires departmental permission and a lab/insurance fee.
The Clive Davis Institute of Recorded Music is the first and only program of its kind to provide professional business and artistic training toward a Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.) degree for aspiring creative entrepreneurs in the music industry. We aim to provide students with the necessary business, creative, intellectual and social skills so that they might emerge as visionary creative entrepreneurs. The creative entrepreneur is recognized as both an artist and an executive, and music recording and production themselves as creative mediums. By offering business courses and studio training in tandem with musicianship & performance and historical-critical studies, we encourage students to assume leadership roles in the art and business of creating and selling recorded music.

During the first year of study, students are introduced to the art and business of creating and selling recorded music. Students will receive introductory music business training and learn about the history and culture of creative entrepreneurs in recorded music. Students are also introduced to the tools and techniques of recording and begin to use the recording studio as their creative laboratory.

In the second year, students deepen their understanding of the art and business of creating and selling recorded music. Students have the opportunity to study how the audience and artist have historically influenced each other, how material is written and arranged, how a complete album is constructed in the studio, and how students can apply marketing strategies towards the launch of their own venture. Upon completion of a first year and second year review, students work closely with their faculty advisor to develop a personalized course of study focusing on their area(s) of interest.

During the third and fourth years, students may pursue advanced-level courses in the Institute for studies in business & technology, production, musicianship & performance, or writing, history, & emergent media. Students may also enroll in courses at the Stern School of Business, the Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development, the Gallatin School of Individualized Study, or in the College of Arts and Science. Also, during their third year, students learn about the global recorded music industry by participating in the Institute’s semester-long study abroad program in Berlin, Germany. The final year culminates with the Professional Development Program for which students develop a full creative and business plan to launch themselves as entrepreneurs. Students have launched an independent record label, created a production company, developed a new media company, and started an innovative live music venue, to name a few examples. The students present themselves first in front of faculty and mentors, after which they can audition to showcase their entrepreneurship, as a live performance or as a business pitch, in front of invited industry professionals.

As is the case with all Tisch programs, professional training...
is combined with a solid liberal arts education. In addition to the 58 units taken within the Clive Davis Institute, students are expected to earn a total of 44 general education units in courses offered by Tisch and the College of Arts and Science. Students also complement their study with 26 units in elective courses taken within their area of interest.

Admission

For general University guidelines, refer to the Admission section beginning on page 233. Admission to the Tisch School of the Arts is highly selective. Admission is based on a careful evaluation of secondary school records, a personal essay, recommendations from guidance counselors and teachers, and a creative review in the form of an audition or a portfolio. Evidence of character and maturity are regarded as essential in potential students who hope to benefit fully from the unique offerings of the University and its urban environment. Participation in meaningful school and community activities is also an important factor. A student applying to the Tisch School of the Arts must submit a common application with the NYU Supplement and indicate the particular department that they wish to enter and may only apply to one program. Prospective students wanting more information about undergraduate admission should refer to the Undergraduate Admissions website at www.admissions.nyu.edu. Prospective students wanting more information about the creative portfolio should visit the Institute’s website at www.tisch.nyu.edu/clive-davis-institute.

Admission to the Clive Davis Institute is highly selective and based on the following criteria:
1. A creative portfolio that must be submitted directly to the Institute. For specific information and requirements, please refer to the Institute’s website: tisch.nyu.edu/clive-davis-institute
2. An academic review, including previous schoolwork.
3. A review of co-curricular activities, teacher recommendations, as well as evidence of leadership and/or entrepreneurship.

Degree Requirements

The Clive Davis Institute of Recorded Music offers the degree of Bachelor of Fine Arts. Candidates for the bachelor’s degree must fulfill the following requirements:

Area I, Recorded Music Core: a minimum of 58 units, with specific distribution requirements (see below).

Area II, Liberal Arts: a minimum of 44 units, with specific distribution requirements (see below).

Area III, Electives: a minimum of 26 units.
Students need 128 units to graduate.

Distribution Requirements

Area I: Recorded Music

Group A—Writing, History & Emergent Media: five courses for a minimum of 14 units
a. Creative Music Entrepreneurs in Historical Context: 4 units
b. Artists & Audiences in Historical Context: 4 units
c. Mastering the Emergent Media Landscape: Professionalizing Your Writing & Storytelling Skills: 2 units
d. Two additional Writing, History & Emergent Media elective courses: 4–6 units

Group B—Production: seven courses for a minimum of 18 units
a. Fundamentals of Audio Workstations I: 2 units
b. Fundamentals of Audio Workstations II: 2 units
c. Engineering the Record I: 2 units
d. Engineering the Record II: 2 units
e. Producing the Record, Side A: 4 units
f. Producing the Record, Side B: 4 units
g. Producing Music with Software & MIDI: 2 units

Group C—Business & Technology: nine courses for a minimum of 18 credits
a. The Business of Music: Industry Essentials: 2 units
b. The Business of Music: Creativity, Innovation, & Entrepreneurship: 2 units
c. The Business of Music: Creative Marketing Strategies: 2 units
d. The Business of Music: Incubation & Launch: 2 units
e. Conversations in the Global Music Business: From Cryptocurrency to Big Data to Surviving the Future: 2 units
f. Internship/Career Skills for the Music Entrepreneur: minimum of 2 units
g. One additional Business elective course: 2–4 units
h. One additional Technology elective course: 2–4 units
i. Professional Development: 2 units

Group D—Musicianship & Performance: three courses for a minimum of 8 units
a. Musicianship: Music Theory & Construction: 2 units
b. Critical Listening for the Recording Studio: 2 units
c. Writing the Hit Song: 4 units

group E—Colloquium: one course for a minimum of 0 units
a. Creativity in Context: 0 units

Minimum Total Area I: 58 units

Area II: Liberal Arts

All students are to take a minimum of 44 units in Liberal Arts courses in the following categories. Specific course selection to meet the following distribution criteria must be approved by the faculty advisor prior to registration.

1. Expository Writing, 8 units for freshmen, 4 units for transfers: Freshmen are required to take one course for 4 units per semester through the TSOA core curriculum. Freshmen fulfill their two required courses by taking Art and the World/ Writing the Essay (EXPOS-UA 5) in the fall semester and The World Through Art (ASPP-UT 2) during the spring semester. Transfer students are required to complete or transfer in one expository writing course from their previous institution.

2. Humanities and Social Sciences, 12 units: Aimed to give students a sense of cultural form in diverse social contexts so as to appreciate the setting for such phe-
nomina as world music, ethnic arts, and folk traditions and to give students a sense of transformation of culture and society over larger spans of time and space. Examples include courses in history, classics, fine arts, philosophy, religion, English, and literature. At least one course (4 units) must have an international focus.

3. Natural Sciences, 4 units: Designed to teach students how to evaluate evidence within a framework of logical reason. Examples include courses in astronomy, biology, chemistry, computer science, earth and environmental science, geology, math, physics.

4. Balance of Liberal Arts: Additional general education courses to bring the total of the three areas to a minimum of 44 units.

Departmental Standard

If a student earns a grade of C or better in a required core course, the student will receive credit in the major and may move on to the next level course of study in the curricular area.

If a student earns a C-, D+, or D in a required core course, the student may elect to do one of two things: (1) move on to the next level course of study in the curricular area, but the course will not count towards the required core, only towards the student’s electives. In order to earn the core credits, the student will need to earn a grade of C or better in another Recorded Music course in the particular curricular area; or (2) re-take the required core course and earn a grade of C or better.

If a student earns an F in a required core course, the student may not move on to the next level course of study in the curricular area, will receive 0 credits, and must retake the course in order to move on to the next level course of study in the curricular area.

Curriculum

The curriculum is designed to allow the student some flexibility in selecting a course of study suitable to their particular interests and objectives. Courses taken to satisfy distribution requirements in Area II are generally taken in the College of Arts and Science or, depending on course content, in the Tisch School of the Arts. Electives may be taken in the Tisch School of the Arts, the College of Arts and Science, the Stern School of Business, the Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development, the Gallatin School of Individualized Study, or in other divisions of New York University with the approval of the faculty. Courses in the School of Professional Studies are not applicable to the B.F.A. degree.

The student is responsible for outlining their own program with an academic advisor in conformance with the requirements and the student’s particular interests and objectives. Since most advanced courses in the Clive Davis Institute of Recorded Music have one or more prerequisites, programs of study should be planned and courses selected carefully. A total of 128 units are required for graduation. Attendance at lectures and seminars is required of all students.

Double Major/Minor

Students may be able to work out a course of study that allows them to complete the requirements for a second major or minor in another department, usually in the College of Arts and Science, or a minor in the Stern School of Business or a minor in the Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development. Students who wish to take advantage of this opportunity should consult with their departmental advisor and with an advisor from the second department and then file appropriate forms with the department. Double majors are normally completed within the usual number of semesters; however, some may require an additional semester.

Facilities for Instruction

The Clive Davis Institute of Recorded Music is located in NYU’s newest building at 370 Jay Street. At 370 Jay Street, the intersection of tech and emerging media, top researchers, artists, innovators, and entrepreneurs from a variety of disciplines, including the Clive Davis Institute of Recorded Music, ITP, Interactive Media Arts (IMA), and the NYU Game Center, will collaborate to create the communications and content of tomorrow. The facility will encourage and enhance the interaction of disciplines that fuse technology and the creative arts, with media commons, audio labs, mo-cap labs, VR rooms, black boxes, makerspace, performance space, an exhibit hall, and workshop spaces.

The Institute’s new ~32,000 sqft footprint on the 5th and 6th floors serves as a professional-quality, state-of-the-art recording and teaching facility, and features the following:

- Four recording studios, one equipped with Dolby ATMOS technology
- Two overdub/mix suites, each featuring a small isolation booth
- Two DAW production labs
- Two hybrid performance/practice rooms
- Four private practice rooms.
- Five sound-isolated DAW edit suites
- One immersive critical listening room
- One private vocal coaching room
- Two small collaborative entrepreneurship suites/conference spaces
- One large collaborative entrepreneurship room/conference space

Ownership Policy

The creative works produced by students at the Tisch School of the Arts in fulfillment of class assignments, or as individual study projects, whether made on Tisch School of the Arts premises or elsewhere, with or without equipment belonging to the Tisch School of the Arts, and with or without extra funds, are subject to certain restrictions until the educational experience associated with such works has been completed. These restrictions are spelled out in the Ownership Policy section on page 261.
The Institute charges all students nonrefundable laboratory/equipment and insurance fees each semester, regardless of course selection and regardless of enrollment status (i.e., full time or part time). Students from other departments and schools are also assessed these fees when registered for relevant courses in the Clive Davis Institute. These fees must be paid at the time of registration and are subject to yearly increase.

Liability Insurance for Production:

All students enrolled in the Clive Davis Institute production classes are required to participate in the school’s liability insurance program at a modest cost (through the laboratory/ equipment and insurance fees).

The Institute does not accept part-time or non-matriculating (“special”) students.

A listing of full-time faculty for the Clive Davis Institute of Recorded Music is below. For biographies on full departmental faculty, visit www.tisch.nyu.edu.

Dan Charnas
Associate Arts Professor, Writing, History & Emergent Media

Lauren Davis
Associate Arts Professor, Business
Director of Business

Jason King
Associate Professor, Writing, History & Emergent Media
Director of Writing, History & Emergent Media
Director of Global Studies

Errol Kolosine
Associate Arts Professor, Business

Matthew Morrison
Assistant Professor, Writing, History, & Emergent Media

The B.F.A.
Curriculum

B.F.A. Total Units: 128

First Year: Historical and Critical Context & Introduction to Creative Entrepreneurship

Colloquium
Creativity in Context Fall

Production:
Engineering the Record I Fall
Fundamentals of Audio Workstations I Fall
Engineering the Record II Spring
Fundamentals of Audio Workstations II Spring

Business & Technology:
The Business of Music: Industry Essentials Fall
The Business of Music: Creativity, Innovation, & Entrepreneurship Spring

Writing, History & Emergent Media:
Creative Music Entrepreneurs in Historical Context Fall or Spring

Musicianship & Performance:
Musicianship: Music Theory & Construction Fall
Critical Listening for the Recording Studio Spring

General Education:
Expository Writing: Art and the World Fall
Expository Writing: The World Through Art Spring
General Education Course of Choice Fall or Spring

Elective:
Elective Course of Choice Fall and/or Spring

Second Year: Modes of Production & The Art and Business of Creating and Selling Recorded Music

Production:
Producing the Record: Side A Fall
Producing Music with Software & MIDI I Fall
Producing the Record: Side B Spring

Writing, History & Emergent Media:
Artists & Audiences in Historical Context Fall or Spring

Business & Technology:
The Business of Music: Creative Marketing Strategies Fall
The Business of Music: Incubation & Launch Spring

Musicianship & Performance:
Writing the Hit Song Fall
Courses

WRITING, HISTORY & EMERGENT MEDIA

CREATIVE MUSIC ENTREPRENEURS IN HISTORICAL CONTEXT
REMU-UT 1201 4 units
This course introduces students to the history of innovative entrepreneurs and institutions in American recorded music. We recount the stories and make arguments about famous executives, managers, producers, performers/DJs, and journalists/publishers from the dawn of the music business until the present day. We study how and why the fields, fiefdoms, and empires built by these impressive and sometimes controversial icons have transformed the course of popular music. Along the way, students become well versed in the history of 20th and 21st century recorded music, and in various music genres and styles; and we place the art and business of creating and selling recorded music in historical, political, cultural and social context. Throughout, we look at approaches to crafting successful oral and written arguments about popular music with clear, compelling writing about sound.

ARTISTS & AUDIENCES IN HISTORICAL CONTEXT
REMU-UT 1203 4 units
A follow-up complement to the first-year required Creative Entrepreneurs in Historical Context course that focused on entrepreneurs and producers, Artists and Audiences in Historical Context considers the history of popular (& semi-popular) music through the lens of iconic performers/recording artists and their audiences and communities, considered in their physical and social spaces. This is a reading and writing course. Students read critical and historical writing about performers/recording artists, and then practice critical/creative writing themselves. Weekly audio/video playlists will supplement the reading and writing. Students will be expected to write regular assignments, as well as a final paper.

MASTERING THE EMERGENT MEDIA LANDSCAPE: PROFESSIONALIZING YOUR WRITING & STORYTELLING SKILLS
REMU-UT 1196 2 units
Despite the name of the course, writing about popular music goes far beyond penning a five-thousand-word cover story for an established outlet. And no matter if you want to be a music journalist, an artist, or a producer (or some combination of the three), you need to know how to tell a good story across a variety of media. In the age of personal branding, everyone needs to be able to pitch themselves and have a coherent narrative—and if you make it big, tell your own story before others tell it for you.

This course can be broken down into roughly three parts. We’ll start off with the basics—what does the landscape look like in 2018, and what are the outlets available to tell stories? We’ll cover constructing a narrative, pitching that narrative, and how to give and get a good interview—all skills that artists and journalists need. Part two explores other media—mixed reality and podcasting—as a means for telling a story. Finally, we’ll focus on longform writing, essays, and oral histories.

RACE IN 20TH CENTURY AMERICAN POPULAR MUSIC: FROM BLACKFACE MINSTRELSY TO HIP-HOP
REMU-UT 1153 4 units
Contrary to the suggested notion of a “post-racial” U.S., unrest and protests against racial profiling and policing in places such as Florida, Ferguson, and New York highlight the persistent impact race has upon contemporary society. This impact is furthered by how racial identity is portrayed, performed, and understood by the masses through popular media, both historically and at present. In an effort to highlight the more covert ways that race continues to shape identity and society, we will explore its construction in the development of global popular music and the culture of sound in and before the 20th century in the United States. We will
focus on music of the global African diaspora, produced primarily in the U.S., from the late nineteenth century until the civil rights era. Beginning with the sounds and performance of blackface minstrelsy, you will learn how racial identity has been constructed through the development of popular American music, ranging from Tin Pan Alley to blues and jazz, as well as to country and rock and roll. Irving Berlin, Big Momma Thornton, Elvis Presley, The Supremes, Johnny Cash, Mick Jagger, Tina Turner, and Jimi Hendrix are but a few of the many artists who will be considered in relation to the history of American popular music and (racialized) sound.

POPULAR MUSIC & PROTEST IN THE 21ST CENTURY
REMU-UT 1157
4 units
The aim of this course is to explore how popular music has been used as an instrument of protest, with a special focus on twenty-first century developments. Although the 1960s is often regarded as the “golden era” of protest music in the United States, many events that have occurred in and outside the nation since 9/11 have led contemporary pop musicians to accept the charge left by musicians and activists, Nina Simone: “An artist’s duty, as far as I’m concerned, is to reflect the times.” Thinking through significant American events—including, but not limited to, September 11th (9/11), the re-election of George W. Bush in 2004, Hurricane Katrina, the 2008 financial crisis, same-sex marriage debates, global warming debates, the Presidential election(s) of Barack Obama, the #BlackLivesMatter movement, the nomination of Donald Trump as the 2016 Republican Presidential candidate, and—this course will consider the following questions: What constitutes “protest music” in contemporary popular culture? How do artists create music that inspires others to resist, exist within, or even recognize structures and systems that limit the freedoms of individuals and communities throughout society? How are “isms” and “phobias,” such as racism, sexism, classism, homophobia, Islamophobia, etc., addressed in popular music, and what are the aesthetic, lyrical, and performative characteristics that contribute to the creation and reception of that music? How have technological developments (i.e., the Internet, social media, streaming music, etc.) impacted the way in which artists, producers, and consumers use music as a tool for social activism and protest? What are the possibilities and limitations of protest music within the global capitalist economy in which popular music circulates?

RECYCLING POP MUSIC: INNOVATION, Imitation, & Originality
REMU-UT 1159
4 units
In music, is anything really original? The cry of “All music sounds the same these days!” is not just a contemporary critique; it has been a perennial complaint throughout the history of pop music. This class—a collaboration between the History, Writing & Emergent Media and Performance & Songwriting areas of the Clive Davis Institute—will grapple with the vital role that recycling plays the creation of music, and thus offer divergent and often counterintuitive perspectives on creativity and originality. Through the course of 14 weeks, we’ll look at the nature of creation and creativity, and also the way that ideas are reused and renewed: from classical interpolation of folk songs; to basic chord progressions; to cover songs; to the rise of remix; to the cultural thunderclap of digital sampling and its legal implications; to technological trends and fads. Each class will work through a pertinent cultural case study. Part history, part songwriting and production course, the work will be both mental and physical, philosophical and creative, as students will be asked to not only read, write and debate, but also complete several music and media composition and production exercises. By exploring the real nature of musical influence and innovation from historical example and through personal practice, students will discover liberating notions of authorship and artistry, enabling them to rethinking the quest for the new, and empowered with techniques to create the good and the vital.

QUEER/POPULAR/MUSIC
REMU-UT 1160
4 units
Queer theory is a scholarly field that might be applied to the study of popular music to illuminate how queerness shapes and is shaped by popular culture. This scholarly field emerged out of LBTQ and queer studies to destabilize normative categories of gender (male/female), sexuality (heterosexual/homosexual), and their power relations that have structured American society. Even though queer identities, experiences, and lives have become more accepted in contemporary culture, queer performers still remain largely marginalized in popular music. However, queer performers and queer performances have always been central to popular music and culture, contributing to the destabilization of systematic gender and sexuality norms. This course will explore the relationship between queer theory and popular music, as we consider ways that the spectrum of queer identities has been articulated, constructed, performed, and consumed within popular music and society at large. In addition to introducing students to foundational texts in queer theory and identity studies, we will critically consider how the lives, performance, music, and reception of selected musical figures have contributed to the conversation of queer identity and sexuality in popular culture—from the blues of the 1920s to trap music of the contemporary era. While the class will focus on specific eras of popular music and selected artists, each class will concentrate on a topic that considers queer theories, reading practices, and performances to explore the myriad ways queer identities are central to and impacted by popular culture and society at large. We will also consider how queer identities in and out of popular music are mediated by culture and societal norms, and how these identities are further impacted by race, class, gender, and religion. Besse Smith, Rosetta Thorpe, Billy Strayhorn, Little Richard, Fanny, Sylvester, Annie Lenox, George Michael, Prince, Meshell Ndegeocello, Ru Paul, Frank Ocean, Lady Gaga, Young Thug, Azalea Banks, and Tyler the Creator are but a few of the artists and cases we will consider within our application of queer theory to the analysis of popular music, sound, and culture in this course.

ADVANCED WORKSHOP FOR MUSIC JOURNALISTS, WRITERS, & CURATORS
REMU-UT 1164
2 units
In this intimate upper-level workshop, students with a demonstrated interest in music writing, journalism and/or curation will have the opportunity to draft, write and rewrite clips (reviews, blog posts, artist profiles, interviews, etc.) and have those clips routinely edited by a professional instructor. The objectives of the class are for students to: improve their own writing via detailed professorial line edits and thematic guidance; to learn how to incorporate negative critique and line edits to produce more robust writing samples; and to professionalize their writing by developing a portfolio of competi-
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The Business of Music: Creativity, Innovation, & Entrepreneurship
REMU-UT 1216
2 units

In today’s world of fast-paced, rapid changes, musicians, songwriters, content creators, and executives must be rock stars, actors, marketers, community builders and champions of commerce. Success requires more than creative talent alone, it requires and understanding of business methods and procedures that lead to the innovation of new pursuits, ventures and causes. This class is targeted to everyone who plans to start up new music business projects ventures, and/or opportunities working at a company, launch themselves as an artist or creative or simply live your life in a way that allows you to manifest the change you wish to see. We will cover two fundamental aspects of entrepreneurship: the entrepreneurial mindset and the new venture creation process. The work in this class is not based on theory; the focus is placed on thinking and doing; taking chances, solving problems and trying new things. It is also about learning simple strategies for translating your ideas into viable music business projects and initiatives that your fans, customers/users may want now and in the future.

The Business of Music: Creative Marketing Strategies
REMU-UT 1217
2 units

There’s nothing like creating something amazing. Maybe you’re on the path to creating a hit song or the next big app, but if they don’t reach an audience, you’ll never really know their potential. In this course, we’ll learn how to choose the marketing path that best fits what you’re creating with the goal of exponentially growing your fanbase. We’ll take a deep dive on how the world’s top artists and Startups went from being unknown to being household names. We’ll then extract the replicable patterns from them, to use on our projects.

The Business of Music: Incubation & Launch
REMU-UT 1218
2 units

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CONVERSATIONS IN THE GLOBAL MUSIC BUSINESS: FROM CRYPTOCURRENCY TO BIG DATA TO SURVIVING THE FUTURE
REMU-UT 1210 or REMU-UT (in Berlin)
2 units

In this course, we will be taking a deep look at the impact of emerging technology on the future of music, the music industry, and society at large. Each class will begin with a discussion with a guest if present. We’ll explore both their career paths and their observations on the topic being explored. We will gather intelligence on any recent and impending future developments in the field and by the end of each class, we’ll have a collective discussion in an attempt to determine the opportunities available for each student to pragmatically pursue their interest in the subject in relation to their individual practice. This course encourages a DIY (do-it-yourself) approach to the music industry. We will consider bleeding edge conversations on decentralized tech, cryptocurrency, artificial intelligence, and how artistic practices are changing in accordance with the shifting climate online and throughout the touring circuit.

Professional Development
REMU-UT 1401
2 units

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2 units

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2 units

This course provides students with a framework for translating their ideas into actionable business opportunities. Through case studies, project work, reading, research, self-reflection, and interactions with guest speakers, students learn and experience entrepreneurship as a way of thinking and acting, and as a process that leads to new venture creation. The principal focus of this class is on the start-up process and the creation of new ventures that produce value. Students learn key factors associated with venture success and critically evaluate their own prospects for entrepreneurship. Design Thinking approaches, methodologies, and tools are emphasized to accelerate the ideas and opportunities that students are most passionate about.
meant to publicly convey your personal/intellectual and artistic journey and who you are as an artist/entrepreneur/person at this stage of your career. The focus is twofold: First, on the acquisition of professional skills such as written and verbal communication, personal branding—online, in-person and through communications, and making a powerful first impression. Second, on the creation of an e-portfolio website containing an “about me” section (a/k/a professional biography), updated resume, work samples (if applicable), a “contact me” section and professional social media links that will enable you to stand out and more quickly land career-enhancing opportunities and jobs.

**CDI MUSIC INCUBATOR**
REMU-UT 1104
4 units
This course is an independently funded incubator where enrolled students will serve as the support structure for selected Clive Davis Institute artist projects. By augmenting or acting as the selected artist’s team, students work closely with the instructor, the artist and invited music industry collaborators to provide real-time support which may include management, label services, marketing and promotion, publicity, A&R, creative direction, branding and vision, social media, business planning, content creation and day-to-day logistics. Students will be given a budget to coordinate and execute agreed and defined strategies and plans created in conjunction with the artist, with the goal of furthering the artist’s career development.

**WOMEN AS ENTREPRENEURS IN POPULAR MUSIC**
REMU-UT 1170
2 units
This course will examine women entrepreneurs in different music industry fields and the strategies they use to launch and grow entrepreneurial opportunities and business ventures. The overarching aim is to inspire students to think about entrepreneurial careers in music beyond traditional job pathways. As a class, students will explore the question of why women entrepreneurs in music are outnumbered by men and what can be done to change the current status quo. Through readings, class collaboration, discussion and conversations with leading women entrepreneurs in music, you will leave with an expanded awareness of entrepreneurial opportunities in music and concrete strategies they can apply to move closer towards their goals.

**THE SOUND OF FASHION:**
**MUSIC’S INFLUENCE ON ICONIC FASHION BRANDS FROM SONG, TO RUNWAY, TO THE STREET**
REMU-UT 1189
2 units
Raf Simons. Supreme. Undercover. Rick Owens. Takahiro Miyashita The Soloist. Helmut Lang. Number (N)ine and many more have built collectible fashion empires and massive secondary resale markets with soaring price points for rare items inspired by the attitudes, and in collaboration with, the greatest music and artists of all time: Bowie, Cobain, Jagger, Yeezy, Public Enemy, and many more. This course will look closely at the timeless iconic brands, artists, and spirit which transfers from song, to runway, to street. We will look at rare and collectible pieces, the resellers marketplace, limited collaborations, licensed images, and the new generation of designers who carry the torch of music in the pieces they create.

**INDEPENDENT PROJECT MANAGEMENT, PRODUCT LAUNCHING, & BREAKING THE ARTIST**
REMU-UT 1207
2 units
This course is for students to continue the development of projects as well as for live-testing marketing and launch plans and cater equally to aspiring executives, tech and social entrepreneurs, performers, producers, songwriters, and journalists. Utilizing project management techniques, students will be responsible for accomplishing weekly milestones that will move them towards product-market-fit and building an audience. Lessons from Creative Marketing and Incubation & Launch will move student projects from theoretical to applied, with the professor available to reiterate any difficult concepts and provide regular individualized guidance.

**MUSIC CONTRACTS & DEALMAKING**
REMU-UT 1223
2 units
Performing. Producing. Recording. Playing. Writing. Collaborating. Licensing. All of these activities give rise to contractual rights and expectations that underlie day-to-day transactions in the music, media and tech industries. Contracts memorialize important facts such as people, dates, locations, compensation, products, services, experiences and remedies that are at the heart of agreements made between individuals, groups and companies. They also prescribe remedies in the event of one-party failure to uphold their end of the bargain. This class introduces you to essential contracts that apply to the creation and exploitation of music and also provides a basic framework for you to understand the complex legal and business issues facing the music and entertainment industries. We will also introduce you to principles of contract drafting and how they are applied in the music/media/tech industries. We will look at how contracts are generated, drafted, negotiated and executed. The aim of this class is to provide you with a real-world, skills-based learning opportunity that will help you better understand, analyze and interpret the language, terminology and the working parts of contracts that you are presented with, help you address and resolve ambiguities and inconsistencies at the drafting stage and ensure that your interests are fully protected.

**LEADERSHIP IN THE MUSIC INDUSTRY**
REMU-UT 1225
2 units
The music, tech and performing arts industries have tremendous power and influence. Each industry and with each industry driven by the vision of its leaders who make daily artistic and business decisions; and create products that are intended to be seen, heard and experienced around the world. Success depends on having strong leadership. Leaders are self-aware, demonstrate character, excel at critical tasks, are instinctual decision makers; develop and communicate a shared vision that others are inspired to follow. This course will provide you with practical ideas and a framework to help you realize the purpose of your individual leadership journey—in the music/tech/performing arts industries or any industry that you work in. You will be introduced to contemporary leadership theories; become more aware of different styles of leadership and ways to lead. You will evaluate the traits, skills, approaches and situational contexts of leaders in the Music Industries in relation to our own leadership, with the goal of building a strengths-based leadership plan going forward. Through readings, class discussions, research and reflection, we will consider questions such as: What do leaders actually do? What makes an effective leader? What different types of challenges do leaders face? What are the skills, values, abilities, that today’s leaders need to possess? What kind of leader do I want to be? Topics include: leadership skills
and preferences, leading self and leading others, team leadership; ethical leadership, personal leadership development. By the end, you are equipped with practical insights, tools and a commitment that will better position you to take advantage of opportunities to lead when the moments present themselves.

FUNDING YOUR MUSIC VENTURE
REMU-UT 1226
2 units
This course targets all students who are serious about, and ready, to fund a project. Together, we will learn about different funding types and sources, as well as demystify how the funding process works. Through a blend of readings, class discussions, practical assignments, and guest speakers; you will have the knowledge, practical understanding, and an actionable plan to bring your project to life, now or in the future.

THE VISUAL MUSIC EXPERIENCE
REMU-UT 1228
2 units
Can you listen to Michael Jackson’s “Thriller” without envisioning the zombie transformation? What about Beyoncé’s “Single Ladies” without seeing the accompanying choreography? Both of those songs, along with countless others, have benefited from the ground-breaking visuals that have accompanied them. From the Classic Rock films of the 1960’s to the MTV revolution of the 1980’s and 1990’s to the innovations of YouTube and Virtual Reality, this class will examine how the convergence of visual and auditory mediums has created some of the most impactful art. We’ll extract the great lessons from the pieces we study and utilize our production skills to create videos, on-stage visuals, and songs of our own. We’ll also investigate how the creation of videos alongside songs has disrupted the marketing and sales fates for the music industry multiple times. The weekly class structure will alternate between one 90min lecture/discussion course and one 90min production course where we will be collaborating on creating new content for each assignment together.

ARE FRIENDS ELECTRIC? MUSIC, SCIENCE, & FUTURISM IN THE 21ST CENTURY
REMU-UT 1229
4 units
Historically the music business has greatly relinquished the most significant inventions and innovations to third parties. And while many can recite the contemporary Pavlovian catch phrases of the moment, what about the next wave of science and thinking that will impact music? This class will seek to identify, understand and predict the latest advancements in science that will serve to influence and transform music consumption in the next 20 years.

THE FUTURE OF THE MUSIC STREAMING ECONOMY
REMU-UT 1231
2 units
On demand music streaming has caused a major paradigm shift in the music industry and its monetization. The Nordic countries have been at the forefront of this technological trend and has been the testing ground for the majors over the past ten years with services like Spotify and Wimp/Tidal. It still quite a young technology and for the users a very new experience. There is little dedicated research and that gives way to a lot of opinions and views. Through this course we will closely follow the discourse that goes on outside academia and tap into ongoing research and developments. You will be guided through the history of streaming and the technology that made it possible. You will be introduced to the new storefronts of online music made possible by this technology, and we will investigate how the digital marketplace can streamline both sales and marketing. Beyond exploring the effects of the technology on music and media startups, we will explore how artist development and career growth has been affected and learn specific techniques and tools to maximize visibility, connect with fans and increase the chances of being discovered.

3D PRINTING & THE MUSIC INDUSTRY
REMU-UT 1234
2 units
This course will introduce students to the basic concepts of 3D design and capture through the use of apps and other tools. Through examination and discussion of the current state of 3D printing technology we will explore current and future implications for music and the music business, including but not limited to, live and recorded music, music publishing, innovative tools, part and instrument fabrication, licensing, management, touring, copyright, distribution and marketing. Extra focus will be given to existing and potential merchandise platforms, as well as how 3D can lead to the growth of new industries and new opportunities for cross-pollination with a variety of sectors. Students will be encouraged to pursue both practical and abstract concepts in the furthurance of dynamic and newly inventive ideas - and will be required to develop and submit a concept and plan for their final project.

THE BUSINESS OF MUSIC PUBLISHING
REMU-UT 1235
4 units
This course focuses on the business of music publishing, which has served as a powerful engine fueling the growth of the music business since the first decade of the 20th century. Song copyrights are among the most important and valuable assets that musicians and songwriters have. Knowing how to protect, manage and monetize these rights is more critical than ever. This course is targeted to students who aspire to careers as recording artists, songwriters; record producers, artist managers and music executive, among others. Course topics include: roles and responsibilities of music publishers; identifying new markets for songs, structure of the music publishing companies, different music publishing deals and their terms, music publishing revenue flow, practical aspects of music publishing administration and licensing, and music publishing as an investment. Students leave with a practical understanding of music publishing as a business; and with tools and strategies for turning songs into sustainable sources of income.

MUSIC PUBLISHING LAB
REMU-UT 1236
2 units
This class is targeted to DIY Music creators, songwriters, recording artists, and music rights owners who want to acquire, develop and manage their songs and act as their own publisher. In this class, students will learn about music publishing’s main royalty sources, Mechanical, Performance, Synchronization and Digital, how they are generated, maximized and protected. Topics include: the music publisher’s role and responsibilities which including getting exposure for songs and collecting monies earned from their exploitation. Students learn the different steps involved in starring up and running their own music publishing companies. They are also exposed to effective marketing and business strategies that will best position them for music publishing success.
Music supervision and music licensing are two of the hottest topics in the music business. This class will introduce you to the creative, financial, legal, and technical sides of music supervision as well as teach you the nuts and bolts of music clearance and licensing. We will look at the many different facets of a music supervisor’s job, and the services they provide for all types of media projects, including film, television, advertising, video games, online/apps, and more. If you aspire to have a career as a music supervisor, licensor, publisher, artist, songwriter, composer, producer, and/or creative entrepreneur, this course is for you. Some of the topics include: breaking into the field, opportunities for music placement, how to pitch and get your music placed, different parties involved in all sides of the licensing transaction. You will be exposed to complex business challenges that music supervisors face and learn the mindset and strategies needed to successfully overcome. Through readings, discussions, lab assignments, and case studies like Straight Outta Compton and Broad City, as well as interactions with special guests, you will gain a real-world understanding of the music supervision field as well as the many opportunities that music creators, and rights owners can leverage to take their career to the next level by understanding music licensing.

BRANDING: SPONSORSHIPS, ENDORSEMENTS, CROSS-PROMOTION, & BEYOND REMU-UT 1250

4 units
Brands generate loyalty, trust and familiarity with consumers. Those well versed in branding have the ability to successfully capture the attention of their customers or audiences and speak to them in clear and persuasive terms. Creative branding is the key to understanding what makes audiences/consumers tick and to increasing sales performance. Before a brand becomes a household name it is a tried true product that has been through several critical steps of research and development, consumer segmentation, positioning and distribution. This hands-on course will introduce you to the world of brand development, cross-promotions, endorsements, sponsorships, and more as it relates to today’s ever-evolving music industry. You’ll do exercises in analyzing and developing brands, and you’ll study why some brands succeed where others fail by reading key books and articles, studying branding theory and talking to guest speakers. You’ll work to demonstrate your understanding of the course concepts through dialogue with brand professionals, class discussion assignments and a final project and presentation.

THE BASICS OF SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP REMU-UT 1269

2 units
This introductory course is targeted to all students who have a strong sense of their individual purpose and are motivated to change the world through music. In this course, students learn about social entrepreneurs, how they think, the problems they address, the business tools they leverage and the strategies they employ to create social change. Through readings, participatory class discussions, class activities, self-reflection and occasional guest speakers, students examine current issues, opportunities and challenges that social entrepreneurs and their ventures face. In addition, they acquire skills, actionable tools, and practical approaches to help advance their social change agenda now and in the future. Ultimately, the aim is to inspire and empower students to put their ideas for social change into action and to start manifesting the change they wish to see in the world.

PRODUCING LIVE MUSIC EVENTS REMU-UT 1321

2 units
This course is geared to all students interested in live music event production and the technical and business aspects involved in planning, developing, and producing a live music event. Topics include talent and venue contracts and negotiations, primary and secondary revenue streams, budgeting, marketing, best practices for promotion, and more. Coursework includes lectures, interactive class discussion, peer and self-assessments, short answer analytical responses and hands-on collaboration on the production of one live music event. By the end, you will have the skills and a framework to book and oversee all aspects of a live music event — whether for yourself or for any artists with whom you work.

ENGINEERING THE RECORD I & II REMU-UT 1040/1041

2 units each
Engineering the Record I familiarizes students with the practical aspects of the recording process in the studio by exami-
In the recording studio, the process of creating music is a complex interplay of technology, artistry, and collaboration. This course will provide students with the creative skills and theoretical information to work successfully with artists in the recording studio toward the conceptualization and completion of a short EP or full-length LP. By the end of the course, students will have the necessary skills to communicate with and produce excellence from musical performers in the recording studio. To that end, this course instructs students in the selection of appropriate musical material, arrangement of the material, the construction of the sound in the studio, and the artistic ensemble of the recorded sound on the completed album. Working first in small groups and then individually, students gain practical experience by recording and mixing sound with professional artists in the studio, under careful supervision. In preparation for the third year, students are asked to consider possible distribution modes for the final product and according to student needs. Students are asked to purchase a number of “classic” albums in the genre in which they intend to pursue their work, and they deconstruct those albums for aural clues to imagine how they might have been put together in the studio. As time permits, we also visit creative producers in the recording studio to monitor how they work with artists and develop recorded material.

**PRODUCING THE RECORD:**

**SIDES A & B**

REMU-UT 1003/1004

4 units each

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**.content development for performers, producers, & songwriters**

REMU-UT 1010

2 units

This course will provide artistic and technical guidance to students pursuing production-based Capstone projects. The course will assist you in creating a cohesive and comprehensive recording and production plan, and provide ongoing feedback regarding works in progress. Course instructors will advise and monitor your production progress and keep you focused on the task at hand: successful realization of your Capstone graduation requirement.

**advanced production for songwriters & artists**

REMU-UT 1011

2 units

The “Producer” has become an extremely nuanced role in the music industry. From at-home beat-making with pre-recorded soundbanks, to executive producing in a studio with a full orchestra, or even recording atmospheric sounds on your smartphone, this class is designed to approach a deeper relationship to the sonic choices made in regards to instrumentation and production. Not only have the lines blurred for producers, but between the role of the artist, songwriter and musician alike. We are in an era where we have the opportunity to become self-sufficient in our practice, and take charge of our sound from a deeper perspective. The relationship we have to the production, as well as the technical and aesthetic control of that production, will help us to maintain a better communication with our practice. The pillars of this class are experimentation and conceptual production for recording, and how those ideas can trans-
Mixing is one of the most difficult skills, you will learn how to create original music compositions and productions. The primary DAW platform for the course is ProTools. While a beatmaker/composer/producer must be well versed in the application of various software and hardware tools (as well as the many production skills and techniques), they must also have artistic vision and creative efficacy. So while the course is about music/beat construction and the tools involved, there will also be a strong emphasis on innovative vision, inventive mobility, and how to think/strategize like a music producer.

**THE VIRTUAL PRODUCER: SOFTWARE, INSTRUMENTS, & FX REMU-UT 1023**

This advanced-level production course is designed for students to take their digital production skills set to the next level. You will be given instructor driven guidance, directing workflow, software choices and setup, and artistic production techniques. If you are a pop music producer, EDM producer/artist, DJ, mixer, or self-produced artist looking for detail-oriented, pragmatic advanced in-the-box production instruction, this course is for you.

**MIX INTENSIVE REMU-UT 1051**

Mixing is one of the most difficult things to get right within the music production discipline, not to mention one of the most important. The final mix represents the finished record as the world will hear it. While every producer and engineer will approach a mix differently, attention to detail remains the constant. One needs to master the focus, technique, and discipline necessary to consistently create mixes that will satisfy the producer, artist, label—and most importantly—the general public. Without them, after all, there is no hit record. In addition to technique, the course will touch upon the “politics” and personal interactions that developing students may face on a day-to-day basis working as professional mixers or producers. Each week, students will be introduced to a new element taken from one of the instructor’s own mixes. And will be offered a comprehensive element-by-element explanation of how they arrived at the finished product. The students will then apply these same methods to their own projects under the mentorship and tutelage of the instructor.

**MIXING THE RECORD REMU-UT 1060**

**4 units**

Mastering is the last creative step of production and the first technical step of manufacturing, broadcast, or distribution. Record labels demand proper mastering to ensure that their product holds its own in the marketplace. Producers and artists insist that none but the most qualified ears master their music. Now, with the rise of music downloads, Internet radio, high-resolution discs, and many other forms of distribution, a solid understanding of mastering techniques and new media is vital to the music professional. The course will endeavor to illustrate the powers of mastering as well as its limitations. A wide range of processing techniques and advanced editing methods will be demonstrated and compared. Tools of the trade will be surveyed with emphasis on what distinguishes gear as truly “mastering grade.” Critical listening and the psychoacoustics of decision-making will be explored. Students will do their own mastering on material supplied by the instructor, as well for each other's music, for critiques and comparisons. Attention will also be given to how to prepare for a professional mastering session and how to interact with the mastering engineer.

**ARRANGING THE RECORD REMU-UT 1300**

**4 units**

On the most fundamental level, arranging can be referred to as who plays what, and when they do it. The introduction of the modern recording process necessitates changes in the way we approach musical arrangement or orchestration. Often, what works well for a live performance doesn't necessarily translate into a good recording, and visa-versa. This course will address the development of arranging styles through classic studio recordings, and different approaches the studio arranger can utilize. Our studies will differ from a “traditional” arranging or orchestration class in that fluency in reading and writing music, although helpful, will not be required, nor emphasized, as the elements of weight, density, range timbre, layers of focus/interest, rhythmic and melodic activity, and dynamics remain the same. While it is helpful, it is not required that students read or write traditional music notation. Students must be able to translate simple melodies to the keyboard. We will also host live recording sessions with top-call NYC studio musicians playing our arrangements.

**MUSICIANSHIP & PERFORMANCE**

**MUSICIANSHIP: MUSIC THEORY & CONSTRUCTION REMU-UT 1106**

**2 units**

This course emphasizes a no-nonsense and demystifying presentation of the three elements of music—rhythm, melody, and harmony. You will review and analyze a variety of musical examples—written and recorded—to demonstrate these concepts with a focus on contemporary western music (everything from the Beatles and Stevie Wonder to Wilco, Radiohead, and Katy Perry). The second half of the course is a practical application of the tools. You will learn how to transcribe rhythms, hear chord progressions, and arrange and compose at a basic level. The goal of the course is to enable you to break down a song competently and have a fuller appreciation of what producers/arrangers/composers/songwriters do—skills you will undoubtedly need for a career in the music industry.

**CRITICAL LISTENING FOR THE RECORDING STUDIO REMU-UT 1102**

**2 units**

In order for aspiring music producers to realize their potential in the studio, the ability to accurately describe what is being heard, and the skill to articulate possible audio issues, is a crucial necessity. Critical listening skills can take years to
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percussion, circle singing and improvisational training that will include body critical listening sessions combined with scene. All class meetings will incorporate music is experiencing now. The course new trends and cross overs that this Uruguayan candombe, analyzing the Peruvian festejo, Brazilian samba and Cuban son, salsa, reggaeton, Afro-Cuban, the instructor will provide an overview of vocal styles, rhythms and the roots of some of its most impactful Latin American music today by tracing and rhythmic training, this class will overview of vocal styles, rhythms and connect these rare creatures of music from the rest, and most importantly, try to write them. You will creatively and critically discuss songwriting, arrangement, and the logistics of writing a song. This class will draw parallels of successful songs from every generation and genre by treating songwriting as a reliable, learnable craft that emphasizes musical and textual clarity, economy and depth. You will write, co-write, and analyze songs in order to establish and engage your own unique songwriting voice. Class activities include discussion, listening, analysis, creative exploration, collaboration, peer evaluation, arranging, and lots of practice.

NEW PERSPECTIVES IN LATIN MUSIC: STYLES & RHYTHMIC TRAINING
REMU-UT 1088
2 units
Integrating aspects of music appreciation and rhythmic training, this class will explore the broad stylistic diversity of Latin American music today by tracing the roots of some of its most impactful styles and connecting them with its newest manifestations. From North to South America, from Mexico to Argentina, the instructor will provide an overview of vocal styles, rhythms and musical forms of genres such as cumbia, Cuban son, salsa, reggeaton, Afro-Peruvian festejo, Brazilian samba and Uruguayan candombe, analyzing the new trends and cross overs that this music is experiencing now. The course will also discuss the fluid exchange between these new movements, American popular music and the global scene. All class meetings will incorporate critical listening sessions combined with rhythmic training that will include body percussion, circle singing and improvisation. All new skills and elements will be directly applied in performance, composition and production assignments, including exercises on vocal phrasing and freestyling, looping, beat making and songwriting. Throughout the semester, the students will have a chance to interact directly with internationally renowned percussionists, producers, vocalists and songwriters who will provide their own original approach through guest lectures on selected topics.

ADVANCED MUSICIANSHIP: PRIVATE INSTRUMENTAL
REMU-UT 1090
2 units
This course is the “hands on” continuation of Musicianship: Music Theory & Construction REMU-UT 1106. It is designed to guide students through the process of applying all of the concepts taught in the classroom to their particular instrument. Students will work with the instructor to design a personal program that will focus on one or more of the following six areas of study: Performance, Guitar Lessons, Advanced Guitar Lessons, Piano Lessons, Theory Application: Performance Focus, Theory Application: Songwriting & Composition Focus and Theory Application: Production Focus.

ADVANCED MUSICIANSHIP: SMALL GROUP INSTRUMENTAL
REMU-UT 1091
2 units
This course is the “hands on” continuation of Musicianship: Music Theory & Construction REMU-UT 1106. It is designed to guide students through a sonic exploration of all of the concepts taught in the Musicianship: Theory and Construction classroom. Students will work in a small group setting exploring the following three areas of study; Production, Composition, and Improvisation.

ADVANCED SONGWRITING WORKSHOP
REMU-UT 1093
2 units
Building on the concepts and techniques introduced in Writing the Hit Song, this course will provide students with a platform to write, co-write, and exchange constructive feedback on songs in a more advanced, workshop setting with opportunities to discuss the instructor’s personal perspective on songwriting method, theory, and motivation. Small class size will enable the instructor to provide individualized and in-depth critical analysis, and lead a free exchange of creative ideas among the student writers in the class. Through group meetings and one-on-one consultations, this course will impel students both to find and hone their own voice as songwriter and to move well beyond their familiar topical and stylistic approaches. Students will fine-tune their skills through creative experimentation, individually designed assignments, analytic discussions, and intensive workshoping in a supportive critical environment.

STUDIO PERFORMANCE WORKSHOP: SONGWRITING, ARRANGING, & PERFORMING
REMU-UT 1301
2 units
Performing on the stage and for recordings share many similar attributes and both rely on proficient musicianship and listening skills - but the art of performance in the recording studio requires a unique skill set that at times runs counter to the logic that dictates live performance on stage. In order to create a timeless, memorialized performance that the listener will desire to hear repeatedly requires a specific set of talents. This class addresses those talents and, through practical application, teaches those talents. This course is primarily for two types of students: the performance musician and the studio arranger/producer. Both will develop their craft, in a studio setting, simultaneously. While production courses teach students how to distill and refine a song down to its most functional and aesthetically pleasing elements, this course focuses on developing the performance skills, listening skills, musical and technical vocabulary, as well as the hard to define improvisational skill set of musicians in a recording studio setting. Through practice, this course will cultivate instinct and professional etiquette, as well as technique. In a musical production, producers, performers, and engineers have a symbiotic relationship and rely upon each other’s individual talents and artistic contributions. Each is highly dependent upon the other, throughout the production process, and positive interaction can insure a project’s success.

CREATING A COMPELLING LIVE CONCERT EXPERIENCE
REMU-UT 1310
2 units
This course will provide students an all-encompassing look at what it means to both perform and create as a performer and caters equally to vocalists, DJs,
bands, and multi-media performance artists - anybody who performs on a stage in front of an audience or anybody who is listed as the chief artist or one of the chief artists on a distributed recording. Within pop music performance, the more you personalize and strategize the development of your holistic performance, the more opportunity you will have to build and maintain an upward artistic trajectory. The course will cover a combination of repertoire, vocal technique, theatrics, production, instrumentation, and staging of live performance, as well as (both in practice and via historic overview) choreography, narrative storyline, fashion, lighting, and set design, performance art, and most importantly, the intention of the artist. The goal of the course is to guide students towards a better understanding of who they are as stage performers, and assist in realizing their chosen aesthetic in the context of a live show. The course culminates in an open to the public live performance.

THE BODY & THE STAGE: DEVELOPING AWARENESS AND PERSONA
REMU-UT 1311
2 units
As the music industry diversifies, many artists are developing conceptual and layered stage performances to help magnify their work as performers. There is a rich history of collaboration and multimedia elements within music performance that has defined many artists, and subsequently, entire genres of music. This class will build on each student’s persona and stage performance ideas through exercises in collaboration, creative music direction, and experiments in multi-media design. In addition to focusing on the above elements, the students will gain more comfort in performing their songs within differing applications of music direction. With the above practice, students will grow significantly towards a more comfortable place on the stage, in their own body, and in communication with others. This course was developed in conjunction with CDI Berlin’s performance class, “Experiments in the Future of Performing” and exists as an excellent companion course for the performance student.

ARTIST DEVELOPMENT, A&R, & PERSONAL BRANDING
REMU-UT 1312
2 units
A&R divisions at record labels were historically responsible for finding, signing, developing and cultivating performing talent (especially singers that did not write or produce for themselves) to become competitive in the music marketplace. The transformative rise of the Internet in the 1990s—as well as the rise of ‘social’ media in the ‘00s, and the resulting changes in music distribution—has meant that artist development is increasingly left up to artists themselves (and sometimes their managers). This class is a practical, “get on your feet and do it” workshop designed to put aspiring performers and recording artists through a compressed development workshop. Students will be performing in and out of the class and brainstorming attention-grabbing musical and visual content as they develop customized and comprehensive ‘public identity’ workbooks. These workbooks are blueprints for how you will craft and construct a transcendent public identity or personal brand. We also take lessons from product development and packaging in corporate branding, and apply them, where and when they fit, to artist development. The ultimate objective of the class is that each student performer fully conceptualizes and inhabits a powerfully compelling audio-visual public image that can command visibility in today’s bustling marketplace. Every student should be able to leave the final week of the course able to confidently answer the following two questions: “who am I?” (what is my dramatic storyline with which my fans/the public can connect) and “what do I have to say?” (how can I position my public image to emerge as different/unique/transcendent/impactful). Students will meet with/network with/receive constructive criticism from successful A&R executives at top labels and management companies.

PERFORMANCE ESSENTIALS: POP SINGING TECHNIQUES
REMU-UT 1326
2 units
Pop Singing Essentials is an introductory course designed to guide the developing singer through the essential physical elements of singing. Methods taught will include a balance of muscular engagement with a careful study of breath support and release. The class will introduce the basics of practice and warm up, along with established methods to achieve vocal health through proper physical maintenance. By observing and listening to others, each student will learn the importance of proper physical placement and adjustment. Each student will develop a daily warm-up, based on the content of each class, and will be expected to practice these warm-up routines between class meetings. Students will also be expected to prepare material to sing for each class, allowing the practical application of techniques to be experienced in class, in real time. This course will serve as a prerequisite for all advanced level musicianship & performance course study, as well as all private vocal coaching.

PERFORMANCE ESSENTIALS: INTRODUCTION TO STAGECRAFT
REMU-UT 1327
2 units
This course introduces the essential skills required for a performing artist to take stage and be effective in a professional setting. For the first five weeks of the semester the instructor will teach rudimentary skills every two weeks to give the student ample opportunity practice and implement the material covered. Week six the class begins to build on the work covered introducing more complex skills and concepts. Each week, every student will be assigned to prepare a song for the following class, and the performances will be discussed as opportunities for learning.

PRIVATE VOCAL COACHING
REMU-UT 1330
2 units
Through one-on-one private vocal coaching, this course will emphasize technical approaches to the singing voice. Singing is a measured combination of body alignment, breath support, and muscular involvement that combines with emotion and intention to make an authentic “sound.” Voice is a movement form. It is not static or forced, but a mindful coordination of all body parts to achieve an authentic performance. The student (or the singer) can then play the game (the gig/session) with all of her/his assets marshaled. The class hour is divided between individualized attention to technique and song performance. Through technique the performer will discover new ways to approach songs and material through improving timbre and focus, as well as improving stamina by promoting vocal health. The goal is to develop a daily regimen, developing a daily practice is essential to being a professional performer.
The Department of Photography & Imaging at Tisch is a four-year BFA program centered on the making and understanding of images. The curriculum is built around two principal areas: creative practice and critical studies. Situated within the University, our program offers students both the intensive focus of an arts curriculum and a serious and broad grounding in the liberal arts. It is a diverse department embracing multiple perspectives, and our majors work in virtually all modes of analog and digital photo-based image making and new media.

The faculty and staff consist of artists, professional photographers, designers, critics, historians, and scholars offering a wide range of perspectives. Alumni from the department pursue graduate degrees, exhibit their work in galleries and museums, publish in books, journals, magazines, and newspapers, work as documentarians and picture editors, produce websites and multimedia projects, and work in museums and educational and community settings.

The department’s facilities comprise two black-and-white gang darkrooms, three digital labs with a total of 34 workstations, and a substantial range of lighting and media equipment for use in the department's print, book, and multimedia projects, and work in community settings. In addition, there is a library for the department’s print, book, and media collections.

The Photography and Imaging curriculum, combined with the extraordinary academic range of a major university, provides students with considerable flexibility to design a program suited to their respective interests and career goals. First-year foundation courses include Photography and Imaging Analog and Digital in which the students explore a range of conventional and digital photo-based imaging in both black-and-white and color. Students learn by working on assignments as well as self-directed projects. Also during the first-year, students take Visual Thinking (the only required non-photo based studio course) as well as Culture, History, Imaging, and Photography Studies, the introductory course in critical studies. Critical studies are the exploration of the manifold aspects of global visual culture in contemporary life as well as throughout history. The meanings and functions of images, their relationships to the texts, media, and institutions that link them to social and political life, and the impact of technological change on pictorial and linguistic expression all fall under the rubric of this intellectual discipline.

Sophomore-level studio course offerings of Photography and Imaging Multimedia continue to further the students’ digital skills in the context of their choosing (i.e. web, printing, or multimedia). Students also take courses in photography history, Social History of Photography or Aesthetic History of Photography. For juniors and seniors, the department offers a wide range of more specialized studio courses (some of which they can begin taking in the sophomore year) including Documentary Strategies, Design Projects, Portraiture, Lighting, Large-Format Photography, Emerging Media Studio as well as Directed Projects, in which students work on semester-long projects of their choosing. Mid-level and advanced critical studies courses are open to students once they have completed the basic photography history sequence, including Contemporary Photography, Toward a Critical Vocabulary, The History of New Media, and Advanced History Seminars. For juniors and seniors, there are extensive internship opportunities that offer exposure to many situations, including artist studios, galleries or museums, web design companies, print and publication, commercial photography studios, and community settings for teaching photography and digital imaging. The program offers the flexibility to double-major or minor and to study abroad during the junior year. In the senior year, students take the Senior Directed Projects course in the fall and exhibit the resulting thesis projects in the spring. The Business of Art explores postgraduate options.
A minor in critical studies is available for Photography & Imaging majors interested in building skills in imaging, research, and writing to pursue photojournalistic, editorial, curatorial, or web-based work. Students who choose to embark on this program would declare their field of interest and proposed course of study in late sophomore or early junior year. The minor adds 16 units (four courses) of critical studies in addition to the required 24 units.

Special projects in the department include the Community Collaborations course in which Photography and Imaging majors teach high school students in our free Saturday Future Imagemakers Program. Awards and Fellowships are awarded each year to students, such as the Tobias Award, and the Thomas Drysdale Production Fund. The department hosts several annual gallery shows including the Faculty & Staff exhibition, one traveling exhibition, alumni exhibitions, and the spring senior exhibitions.

Admission

For general University guidelines, refer to the Admission section beginning on page 233. Admission to the Tisch School of the Arts is highly selective. Admission is based on a careful evaluation of secondary school records; personal essay; recommendations from guidance counselors and teachers; and a creative review in the form of an audition or a portfolio. Evidence of character and maturity are regarded as essential in potential students who hope to benefit fully from the unique offerings of the University and its urban environment. Participation in meaningful school and community activities is also an important factor. A student applying to the Tisch School of the Arts must submit the Common Application to New York University and indicate the particular department that they wish to enter. A student may only apply to one program. Prospective students wanting more information about undergraduate admission should refer to the Undergraduate Admissions website at www.admissions.nyu.edu. Prospective students wanting more information about the artistic portfolio or audition requirements should visit the department’s website at www.tisch.nyu.edu/photo/apply.

Prospective students are invited to visit the Department of Photography and Imaging where they have an opportunity to speak with our admissions coordinator and tour the facilities. To schedule an appointment, please contact the department at 212-998-1930 or tischphoto@nyu.edu.

SUBMITTING CREATIVE MATERIALS

Note: Please visit our website for complete application information regarding portfolios, frequently asked questions, and more: www.tisch.nyu.edu/photo/apply.

In addition to the application guidelines stipulated by New York University, applicants are required to submit examples of their creative work, short essay, and the department questionnaire through tischphoto.slideroom.com.

Portfolio Requirements:

I) PORTFOLIO: Submit 15-20 images via SlideRoom.com
   At least 10 images should be on a single theme. Title or caption each of your images. Include a brief description with the medium/format (analog, digital, etc.) and indicate which 10 images are within the single theme. You will be asked to explain your chosen series in your written statement.

   Sequence your work to effectively communicate your ideas. Your portfolio should be a cohesive body of work that reveals your passion, effort, and most importantly your point of view. We look for diversity in student thinking, experience, and media presentation. Effective development of thoughtful and meaningful content is of particular importance. The portfolio assignment requests images on a single theme, but this should not limit you to submit work from a single photo shoot or a single roll of film. Take time to review our suggestions for generating portfolio content and consider the myriad ways you can approach your selected theme.

   We accept submissions of new and interactive media-based work, sound and video art. You may include up to 5 non-photo based images (fine art, drawing, etc.), but if you choose to do so, you must submit a total of 20 images.

II) SHORT ESSAYS: Five responses, 100 words or less per question, to the following:

1. Introduce yourself.
   Who are you? What interests you about our program in photography & imaging? You may write a brief statement below or include the link to a video introduction of 30 seconds or less.

2. Project Statement
   Write a brief statement about the work you submitted. Discuss the ideas you are exploring in the single theme portion of your portfolio and include what motivated you to create the project. What role would you like to see your images play in the world at large?

3. Photograph or Photographer
   Describe a photograph or photographer that you consistently return to view and explain how this photograph or image engages you. How do you see your role as a photographer changing or different from those photographers whom you have admired in the past?

4. Photo/Image-based art in the world today
   In your opinion, what does it mean to make photo/image-based art in the 21st Century? What platforms and modes of circulation for images do you find most interesting, problematic, or challenging?

5. What academic subject(s) interest you?
   Tell us more about yourself as a student.

6. Is there something that you would like to add about yourself that your application would be incomplete without us knowing?
   Tell us more about your background, family life, interests, and goals.

III) QUESTIONNAIRE:

1. Current School
2. List the photography, digital imaging, art, and art history courses, if any, that you have taken.
3. Briefly list your photography and imaging skills.
4. Do you have other experiences related to your image-making work that you would like to share?
5. If you have a website or social media you would like to share, please include the URL/link.
6. Outside of photography, what other activities or academic subjects are most important to you?
7. List community service, sports, clubs, etc.

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**Degree Requirements**

The Department of Photography and Imaging offers a program leading to the degree of Bachelor of Fine Arts.

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Students must take a minimum of one course from each of the four categories of liberal arts (humanities, social sciences, natural sciences and mathematics, and language or literature). In addition, each student must complete one course of art history. Two semesters of the Tisch core writing curriculum are required for freshmen; one semester for transfers who have not satisfied the expository writing requirement at another institution; and the two-course International Writing Sequence, for international students.

Note to transfers: some transfers who have completed their first-year and sophomore year elsewhere may require 5 semesters to complete these requirements.

**Curriculum**

The curriculum is designed to allow the student flexibility in selecting a course of study that reflects their interests and objectives. Courses taken to satisfy distribution requirements in liberal arts are taken in the College of Arts and Science or in the Tisch School of the Arts. Electives may be taken in any school except the School of Professional Studies. The student is responsible for working out their own program with a faculty advisor each semester. Since most advanced courses in Photography and Imaging have one or more prerequisites, programs of study should be planned and courses selected carefully.

**Summer Program**

The summer program affords students from other institutions the opportunity to familiarize themselves with the department and New York City, while continuing students can use the opportunity to accelerate their progress toward graduation. As an additional incentive, the housing costs for the summer sessions are generally reduced from those assessed during the fall and spring terms. Incoming transfer students wishing to begin their studies during the summer should, however, contact the department in early May to discuss their course selections. Summer courses offered in the department include courses in analog and digital photography, lighting, Photoshop, and web design.

**Ownership Policy**

The creative works produced by students at the Tisch School of the Arts in fulfillment of class assignments, or as individual study projects, whether made on Tisch School of the Arts premises or elsewhere, with or without Tisch School of the Arts equipment, and with or without extra funds, are subject to certain restrictions until the educational experience associated with such works has been completed. These restrictions are spelled out in the Ownership Policy section on page 261.

**Laboratory Fees**

The department charges a laboratory fee each semester to all students enrolled in the department. The fee provides for shared materials and equipment servicing related to lab operations. The fee is subject to yearly increase. At the time of the printing of this bulletin, the fee was $414 per semester. All fees are paid during registration each semester. In general, students spend between $100 and $500 for supplies per class, depending on the course. Equipment, including an inventory of photographic equipment, includes over 120 cameras ranging from 35mm to 8x10 large format film cameras, small and medium format digital cameras, digital video cameras, multiple varieties of both continuous light sources and electronic flash for location and studio work, grip equipment, and sound recording equipment, are available for students to use on or off campus on a 24-hour basis.

**Special and Part-Time Students**

The department considers “special” and visiting students. Under certain circumstances, such students may be admitted to follow a carefully specified and limited course of study. Students must apply via Tisch Special Programs and submit an artistic portfolio to be considered for admittance. See page 253. The department does not accept part-time students. All students entering the department must have a DSLR camera with fully adjustable apertures and shutter speeds. Continuing students are strongly encouraged to acquire additional personal equipment while they are enrolled so that they have the necessary tools with which to work after graduation.
Double Major or Minor
By successfully completing the requirements for a major in the Department of Photography and Imaging and by completing the requirements for a major or minor in a separate department of the Tisch School of the Arts or the College of Arts and Science, it is possible to obtain a double major or minor. The structure of the distribution requirements and elective units provides this option. Students who wish to pursue a double major should consult with their departmental advisor as well as with an advisor from the second department.

Transfer Credit and Minimum Residency
Credit is granted for academic work completed at another institution in accordance with University regulations as stated on page 239. Transfer students with limited experience in photography and imaging are encouraged to plan on five or even six semesters of study in order to complete the degree requirements. Students with studio experience are counseled on an individual basis by the faculty and may be exempted from elementary courses in photography and imaging. Depending on the nature of an incoming student’s experience, the department may suggest a six-week course in the school’s summer session to enable them to begin in September at the proper level. The submission of creative materials is required of all applicants.

Faculty
A listing of faculty for the Department of Photography and Imaging is below. For full biographies on departmental faculty, visit www.tisch.nyu.edu/photo.faculty.

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B.A., SUNY (Stony Brook); M.A., New York University

Deborah Willis
University Professor; Professor of Photography & Imaging
Chair, Department of Photography & Imaging
Associate Faculty, Social and Cultural Analysis, Africana/CAS
Affiliate Faculty, Institute of Fine Arts and Department of Art History
B.F.A., Philadelphia College of Art; M.A. (art history, museum studies), CUNY; M.F.A., Pratt Institute; Ph.D., George Mason University
Director, Institute of African American Affairs & Center for Black Visual Culture

Courses
REQUIRED STUDIO CORE COURSES FOR MAJORS

PHOTOGRAPHY AND IMAGING DIGITAL
PHTI-UT 1
4 units. Fall and Spring.
This is an intro class about photographic image making, digital methods of output, and basic theory addressing the cultural uses of photography. This course is designed to familiarize students with fundamental concepts and techniques of photographic equipment, processes, materials, and philosophy of digital photography. This course will familiarize students with the basic use of the camera and workings of Adobe Photoshop as well as scanning, capturing, and outputting digital images. Upon completion of the class, students will know how to digitize, edit, and/or manipulate images in Photoshop, prepare images in Photoshop for the intended output, and output images via printers and other output devices. Students will also develop basic camera and computer imaging skills. Screenings/exhibitions may be assigned as the semester progresses. The course will address the con-
temporary photographic culture and emphasize the development of individual voice and vision through self-directed projects and research; and the establishment of a self-sufficient working process and critical dialogue.

PHOTOGRAPHY AND IMAGING
ANALOG
PHTI-UT 2
4 units. Fall and Spring.
This course examines creative expression in the context of traditional analog methodology. It is a class about seeing and translating one’s vision into images. Topics include understanding light as an expressive element in a photograph. Form, content, and ideas relating to portraiture, documentary, narrative, landscape and the still life are incorporated into assignments and discussed at length. Through a series of exercises, students become immersed in the craft of the medium: understanding exposure and metering, the physical and chemical development of film and print materials, and the means of making fine quality enlargements. Weekly assignments are designed to help the students develop discipline in their working habits. The weekly critiques are designed to provide students with a forum in which to give each other critical and constructive feedback. Students view slide lectures on contemporary photography as well as photographs from the medium’s rich past. The class visits and are required to respond to relevant gallery and museum exhibits. The aim of this course is to immerse students in the issues and ideas that have surfaced in the medium’s 200-year history. The goal of this course is to provide students with an environment wherein they can grow as perceptive image-makers, critical thinkers and engaged human beings.

PHOTOGRAPHY AND IMAGING
MULTIMEDIA
PHTI-UT 3
Prerequisite: Photography and Imaging Analog and Digital. 4 units. Fall and Spring.
For the final studio foundation level requirement, students are required to take one of any of the Photography & Imaging Multimedia courses—all of which are conceptual, photo-based courses, incorporating elements of moving image and sound. In this course, students experiment with time-based imaging, photography, video, new media, and online durational performance. Through project development and theoretical dialogue, the course introduces the concepts, strategies, techniques, and critical issues of the visual image in the electronic context: print, animation, mixed media, video, performance, etc. Students will learn software including video and audio editings, such as Adobe Premiere Pro CC. Creativity and problem solving are strongly emphasized. This course will also discuss pioneering artists in the field, framing a historical context and platform for project investigation. Topics for Multimedia change.

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MULTIMEDIA: TRANSMEDIA STORYTELLING
PHTI-UT 3
Prerequisite: Photography and Imaging Analog and Digital. 4 units. Fall and Spring.
Contemporary photographers and image makers employ a wide array of artistic approaches for creating and presenting their work, moving from the screen to the social web to the gallery to the printed page, and beyond. An interdisciplinary approach requires artists to embrace a collaborative spirit and develop their projects across platforms, channels, screens, and communities to reach and engage. This class invites students to create a multi-platform project. During the course, students will look at some of the ways image makers are using – and will use – existing and newer platforms to create works and engage audiences. Students will consider and experiment with various methods of presentation and self-expression, including some of the following: stills, gifs, video, web, apps, immersive and augmented experiences, film, interactive storytelling, photographic novels, zines and social media strategies. Through a series of case studies from Matt Black, Doug Aitken, Thenmozhi Soundararajan and Katerina Gizek, to name a few, and through their own practice, students will address current issues and practices in making multi-platform work. Production techniques in video, audio, print and web publishing will assist students in developing skills needed to create a project.

VISUAL THINKING
PHTI-UT 1010
4 units. Fall and Spring.
Visual Thinking is a foundation course in the Tisch Department of Photography and Imaging designed to broaden the student’s aesthetic explorations and to inform their photography. The course will expose and explore basic visual ideas to help the student develop a visual language based on contemporary, cross-disciplinary and cross-cultural artistic strategies. Through a series of projects and exercises, students are encouraged to experiment with line, composition, scale, text/type, performance, collaboration, narrative, design, sound, software and with materials in order to develop strong tools for further awareness and visual expression.

SENIOR DIRECTED PROJECTS
PHTI-UT 1 2 0 1
This course is required of all seniors the semester before their spring exhibition. If space permits, juniors may apply with a portfolio review and permission of the department. Fall. 4 units.
In this intensive critique course, students produce their senior thesis project for exhibition in the following spring semester. Students are encouraged to use any photo-based method or approach that can best serve their individual ideas and directions. Later emphasis is on refining and editing each project, with assistance in determining a final completed form. Critical emphasis encourages the development of personal vision and project forms that best serve specific choices. Students are expected to challenge themselves and each other to delve deeper with their work and take risks.

ADDITIONAL STUDIO COURSES
PHTI-UT 1 0 0 2
Prerequisite: Photography I, equivalent, or permission of the department. 4 units.
This course is recommended for transfer students and non-majors. During the Fall and Spring, non-majors must fill out the following form to request access to the course: non-major request form Photo II is a course that expands upon the principles and tools of Photography I. Students will start out continuing to refine analog skills through a series of short technical assignments. Students will work on exercises with on-camera flash, medium format camera, and tungsten lighting to further their technical skills. At the heart of the class is the development of two long-term projects in which students can hone their creative vision. Weekly critiques of students’ projects will include discussions on content, aesthetics, editing, and technique. Class time will also be spent on slide presentations of historical and contemporary photography, technical lectures, and lab demonstrations. While students will predominantly be working in analog, digital photography are intro-
duced. Topics to be covered include the use of a digital SLR, the basics of Adobe Photoshop, and film scanning. Students are required to have a film camera with a light meter and manual functions in addition to film and photographic paper to execute their assignments. A lab fee is charged for this course.

THE PORTRAIT
PHTI-UT 1005
Prerequisite: Photography & Imaging Multimedia or permission of the Department. Fall and Spring.

Photographers have used portraiture to reveal a certain beauty or truth within their subject. This course will explore traditional and non-traditional approaches to making a portrait through slide lectures, museum and gallery visits, and relevant readings. Students will focus on the development of a body of work that mines the idea of the portrait. The class will explore issues in portraiture including beauty, identity, truth, and artifice. In addition, demonstrations and discussions will deal with lighting, camera format, and project presentation. The course will address the use of text, video, and other media to expand upon traditional notions of the portrait. Critiques and discussions will focus on improving technique, editing, and developing one's content. Slide lectures will include photographers from the medium’s rich past as well as contemporary photographers working in portraiture. The class seeks to develop in the student a greater understanding of his/her own image making and the potential of the portrait.

DOCUMENTARY STRATEGIES
PHTI-UT 1006
Prerequisite: Photography and Imaging Analog and Digital or permission of the department. 4 units. Fall.

Students will systematically examine downtown neighborhoods, businesses, institutions, and communities. Through a wide variety of media—photography, video, audio, Web design, print, e-books, museum exhibits—students will document histories that have unfolded all around New York University’s Greenwich Village campus: the Stonewall generation; the growth of Chinatown; Little Italy; the disappearance of family-owned businesses; hippies of the East and West Village; the evolution of the music scene; Jewish, Ukrainian and Puerto Rican enclaves in the Lower East Side. Students will turn their finished work into projects that could be made available to the community through websites, documentaries, and museum exhibits and would enter the permanent archives of New York University, ensuring that the material would be available to historians and sociologists for generations to come, helping bond NYU more closely to its neighbors. Open to non-majors with previous photography experience.

LIGHTING FOR STILLS AND MOTION
PHTI-UT 1012.
Photography and Imaging Analog and Digital or permission of the department. 4 units. Summer.

This class teaches lighting as a series of the most common lighting problems encountered in professional photography and video/cinematography. Reflecting the evolving hybrid photography/video environment, the class concentrates on the basic problems that any emerging photographer is likely to encounter: Portraiture, video/audio interviews, fashion, still life, lighting for a moving camera, architecture/interiors, and photojournalism. The course philosophy is that the most complex and difficult lighting problems are really just combinations of simple, easily resolved, problems. Starting with classic three-point lighting for portraiture using simple continuous source lighting, the course will progress quickly to extremely complex setups using electronic flash as well as lighting for the new generation of hybrid DSLR’s (video/still camera) as the camera moves through multiple environments. Subjects covered include mixing ambient and artificial lighting. Location scouting and planning according to location limitations. Color temperature and color control. Light shaping and control. Students will learn how to use: Digital SLR’s, medium format cameras, direct tethered capture using Adobe Lightroom, continuous lighting, electronic flash, color temperature meters, and custom white balance profiles as well as the basics of video/sound capture. Lighting equipment is provided. This course requires a nonrefundable lab fee.

LIGHTING THEORY AND PRACTICE
PHTI-UT 1013
Prerequisite: Photography & Imaging: Analog and Digital or permission of the department. Fall and Spring.

This course is an introduction to photographic lighting, one of the most basic and important aspects of photography. We will examine the studio environment, professional practices, and location lighting situations. A series of lighting demonstrations and assignments thoroughly acquaints the student with the application and control of electronic flash and natural lighting. Students discover the creative advantages of a variety of lighting equipment, camera controls, synchro-daylight and painting with light. Color theory, color temperature, and color correction are taught by utilizing film and digital mediums. Lighting demonstrations incorporated the use of analog cameras and computer-tethered digital cameras. Students may also work in color print form, provided they have a working knowledge of color printing prior to this class. Students may work in any genre, including but not limited to: figure, portrait, still life, fashion. A final creative portfolio is required by the end of the semester. Cameras, lighting equipment, and basic materials are provided. Students are expected to furnish additional film and supplies.

LARGE FORMAT PHOTOGRAPHY
PHTI-UT 1014
Prerequisite: Photography and Imaging III or permission of the department. 4 units. Spring and Summer.

Many artists and photographers turn to 4" x 5" and 8" x 10" large-format cameras for the creative potential that the large negative affords in addition to the incredible sharpness of the resulting prints. This course introduces the student to the special characteristics of large-format work, including camera movements and metering strategies. The exposure and development techniques known as the zone system are also covered. Early in the course, students choose a specific project to concentrate on and apply their growing skills throughout the semester to produce a final body of work that reflects their evolving vision. A good deal of technical material is covered (e.g., meters, filters, developers, film), current exhibits of artist and photographers in New York are discussed, and occasional field trips are arranged. Large-format cameras are available for student use.

PHOTOJOURNALISM
PHTI-UT 1015
Prerequisite: Photography and Imaging II or permission of the department. 4 units. Fall and Spring.

Prerequisite: Photography & Imaging: Digital, Analog, and Multimedia (can be taken concurrently) or permission of the Department.

What is photojournalism? This course will explore the history and evolution of
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Design, students will explore InDesign. This course will focus on multi-page print photo book or magazine. While the making of the design and production of a crossover creature who yearns to design and learn how to use the program to create a publication, deciding on the size and order of image and where the text will go. Students will work also with type. The course will explore how to make type work for you and what typefaces work best depending on the design and art. Image pacing and the flow of text throughout a publication are also discussed. In the third session, layouts are reviewed and InDesign files are revised if needed. The course then turns to production. The goal is to make projects as final as possible and ready for print. The course will discuss the different ways to get documents published and how to do each one. At the beginning of this course, the students walk into the classroom with a loose body of work and leave with their work organized into a printable book format.

TYPOGRAPHY

Prerequisite: Photography & Imaging. Digital or equivalent. Knowledge of InDesign suggested. The course will run for the second seven weeks of the Fall semester. Typography is important in understanding how the use of type can make a huge difference in the work process and design. The function and meaning behind typography are explored through the structure of studio lectures, in-class assignments, discussions, comprehensive projects, and critiques. The course will also cover the history of typography and students will apply it to real-world design assignments. Within these assignments, letterform anatomy, and function, as well as how to choose an appropriate typeface and how to use this typeface effectively through the hierarchy of size and with leading, kerning and paragraph structure.

DIRECTED PROJECTS: JUNIOR SEMINAR

Prerequisite: Junior standing. Photography and Imaging Multimedia. 4 units. Fall.

In this course, each student formulates and pursues a body of work of their own choosing. Discussion and investigation of process, photo-based artists, the archive, new media, contemporary photographic theory and professional practices are key parts of the seminar. The form of final projects will take will be determined by the nature of the project. Students are encouraged to use any digital and photo-based method or approach that can best serve their individual ideas and directions. Students will be expected to challenge themselves and each other to delve deeper into their work and all will play an active role in constructing critiques. The primary focus will be on reading, interpreting, and evaluating images. Over the semester, we will also attend exhibitions openings, lectures, view contemporary and historical exhibits, screen documentary and narrative films; and discuss a variety of images in art and popular culture.

DIRECTED PROJECTS: ARCHIVE-INSPIRED PROJECTS

This course explores the artistic possibilities of working on archive-based projects. Archival images have been an important source and inspiration for many contemporary artists’ projects, and most projects require archival research in some fashion. Half of the classes are devoted to field trips to visit archives throughout the city, such as The Fales Collection at NYU, The New York Times Photo Archive “The Morgue,” The NY Public Library Picture Collection, Visual AIDS, Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, The Museum of the City of New York, and private collections. Student interest helps to determine the sites that are visited. Numerous online archives are also explored. Students work on self-designed projects in any media that have an archival component or involves archival research. Students may work with images from archives the class visit or any archives or collections (personal or public) they may have access to. Bi-weekly work progress critiques accompany discussions of contemporary and historical art works along with assigned
readings and exhibitions. Modes of working and presentation are also explored. Objectives include testing new concepts, raising questions, deciphering problems, and inventing solutions.

THE BUSINESS OF ART
PHTI-UT 1100
Open to DPI Juniors and Seniors. 2 units.
This class will attempt to demystify the questions and decisions young artists face when choosing a profession in the arts. Central to the course is understanding an artist’s creative growth and lifestyle choices are inextricably entwined with his/her financial security. Young creative professionals need to realistically assess their future goals and aspirations in order to find their niche in the worlds of both art and commerce while supporting their larger creative vision. This class is largely a survey of the many career choices available to artists. Topics covered will be graduate schools, careers in teaching, editorial, advertising, stock, and corporate photography, art buying and photo editing, photo assisting, galleries, artist’s residences, grants and fundraising sources, portfolio preparation and marketing resumes. The class relies heavily on guests from the publishing, business and art world, giving students the chance to show their work to, and elicit advice from, top industry professionals.

COMMUNITY COLLABORATIONS/ SOCIAL PRACTICE
PHTI-UT 1120
Prerequisite: Junior Standing. 2-4 units. Spring.
COMMUNITY COLLABORATIONS/ SOCIAL PRACTICE is a Photography & Imaging course where NYU students collaborate with high school students to create photo projects about their lives, communities, and social justice issues. The NYU students mentor teens as TAs in the Department’s Future Imagemakers program. The program takes place on Saturdays during the spring semester and is free for the high school students and cameras and supplies are provided. During the course time for NYU students, the focus will be on curriculum development, collaboration, supervision, and visits to community-based programs around the city. What it means to make art in community-based settings and to engage in a socially engaged art practice are explored.

ADVANCED LIGHTING AND PRODUCTION TECHNIQUES
PHTI-UT 1202
Prerequisite: Lighting or permission of the department. 4 units. Fall.
This course is designed to give students a chance to master the skills they have already touched on in Lighting Theory and Practice through working on a body (or bodies) of work which use light quality to achieve a consistent interpretation of the artist’s place and ideas in the world. Light and its behavior is the constant for all physical law and forms the experimental basis for all interpretations of physical reality. Similarly, all artists use the quality of light in depictions of the physical world to create idiosyncratic universes, with an implied set of consistent physical laws. Emphasis will be placed on discovering an idiosyncratic approach to lighting solutions motivated by artistic content. Within these broad guidelines, anything is allowed and encouraged, including fashion photography, documentary projects, music videos and building a professional portfolio. Students may work in any image-making medium of their choice, including video and film. They may elect to work on one project over the course of the semester or a few different projects of their choosing. Contact sheets are required along with final prints for every class.

HISTORICAL PROCESSES
PHTI-UT 1214
Prerequisite: Photography and Imaging Analog or permission of the department. 4 units.
This class is designed to train aspiring photographers/journalists in the unique production techniques and tools of hybrid still/video DSLR cameras such as the Canon 5D Mark II. The course also addresses and familiarizes the student with the emerging landscape for new technologies in digital presentation, journalism and storytelling using photography, video, sound, and the written word. Students will be thoroughly trained in production tools and techniques with hybrid DSLR cameras and other recording devices, as well as the integration of content by the Department. 2 units.

ADVANCED DIGITAL PRINTING
PHTI-UT 1236
Prerequisite: Photography Digital or permission by the Department. 2 units.
This is a seven-week workshop. Advanced inkjet printing and color management workshop. This course will cover fine inkjet printing techniques and color management techniques for both color and black and white printing. Topics will include profiling devices, neutralizing greys in Photoshop, correct use of paper profiles, proofing, building custom profiles, and an understanding of how lighting conditions affect print viewing. This will be a technical class, with a mix of lectures, demos, and printing sessions.

WEB DESIGN
PHTI-UT 1238
Prerequisite: Photography and Imaging Multimedia or permission of the department. 4 units.
This course combines theory and practice as they pertain to making art projects for the Web. The course investigates what it means to work in this environment and how the medium might influence the work made. The course investigates a variety of approaches, such as conceptual, experimental, documentary, and diaristic. Special consideration is given to the ways in which structure (nonlinear versus linear), interactivity, and metaphor influence meaning. Formal design ele-
ADVANCED PHOTOSHOP
PHTI-UT 1260
Prerequisite: Photography and Imaging Digital. 2 units.

In this intermediate workshop, students will build on their existing knowledge of Photoshop. Whether you want to work in print, on the web, or in video, Photoshop offers extraordinary creative freedom to manipulate existing images, create new artwork, and integrate basic graphic design elements. The emphasis in this class will be on using Photoshop for image manipulation as well as on graphic design principles and non-destructive image editing techniques. You will learn to construct images from photographic source material, as well as starting from scratch using Photoshop’s design and media tools. While grounding in the basics of Photoshop and digital photography is assumed, early sessions will review basic tools to expand and better control these fundamental building blocks of digital imaging. Specifically, the class explores creating and using layer masks and image effects, creating paths and shapes, custom fills and patterns. The class will also review working with layers, adjustment layers, and text layers, as well as reviewing the details of resizing, sharpening, and image resolution for various output destinations. The course will be project-based with several short assignments and a final project of the students’ choosing. A lab fee is charged for this course.

INTERNSHIP
PHTI-UT 1300
Prerequisite: Junior standing and permission of the internship coordinator. Students may enroll only after an internship contract has been completed. 1-4 units.

DPI juniors and seniors gain valuable learning experience and insight into the professional environments through this opportunity that bridges the academic and professional worlds. Students have been enrolled in internships at museums, art galleries, commercial photography studios, major publications, and with artists. Faculty adviser Mark Jenkinson facilitates the internship placement with regard to the student’s interests as well as ensures the educational propriety of the work. Units vary according to the nature of the placement. A maximum of 6 units total in Internship is allowed during a student’s career.

ANATOMY OF THE BOOK
PHTI-UT 1400
Prerequisite: InDesign and Typography recommended. 4 units. Fall.

The workshop nature of the class stresses collaboration and experimentation. Lectures include topics such as making type beautiful, process as place, being a visual scavenger. In addition to exploring the creative process, workshops in InDesign, type design, photo editing, and pagination will be taught throughout the semester. Students will learn the craft and execute a handmade book. After the design process is completed, students begin the production process: choosing paper, constructing digital files, coordinating with a printer, and working out printing budgets.

PHOTOGRAPHY II
(PFOR NONMAJORS)
PHTI-UT 1002
Prerequisite: Photography I or permission of the Department. Spring.

Photo II is a course that expands upon the principles and tools of Photography I. Students will start out continuing to refine analog skills through a series of short technical assignments. Students will work on exercises with on-camera flash, medium format camera, and tungsten lighting to further their technical skills. At the heart of the class is the development of two long-term projects in which students can hone their creative vision. Weekly critiques of students’ projects will include discussions on content, aesthetics, editing, and technique. Class time will also be spent on slide presentations of historical and contemporary photography, technical lectures, and lab demonstrations. While students will predominantly be working in analog, digital photography will be introduced. Topics to be covered include the use of a digital SLR, the basics of Adobe Photoshop, and film scanning. Students are required to have a film camera with a light meter and manual functions in addition to film and photographic paper to execute their assignments.

REQUIRED CRITICAL STUDIES CORE COURSES FOR MAJORS

CULTURE, HISTORY, IMAGING, AND PHOTOGRAPHY STUDIES
PHTI-UT 1003
4 units. Fall.

This required first-year course consists of a series of weekly lectures, discussions, readings, and field trips to museums and galleries in the city. Lectures present historic and contemporary art and photography and its ideology as a basis for understanding the work the students are viewing on their weekly field trips. Students visit selected exhibitions chosen for their quality and relevance and arranged by geographic area of the city (one week SoHo, the next Chelsea, etc.). Students are required to monitor the daily press and periodicals for reviews of work they have seen and to highlight exhibitions the class should see.

THE SOCIAL HISTORY OF PHOTOGRAPHY
PHTI-UT 1101
Prerequisites: Culture, History, Imaging, and Photography Studies or equivalent. Sophomore Standing. 4 units. Fall. Open only to Photography & Imaging majors.

This class will chronicle the history of the photograph's complex and symbiotic relationship to the other visual arts: painting, sculpture, architecture, installation, and performance, among others. Beginning with the medium's invention and the early fights of its practitioners to establish themselves as fine artists, the course will describe photographers' unique attempts to negotiate their relationships with both artistic movements and the media culture of which they are a part. Robinson, Cameron, Emerson, F. Holland Day, Stieglitz, Moholy-Nagy, Rodchenko, Weston, Alvarez Bravo, Larigue, De Carava, Calund, Robert Frank, Diane Arbus and Cindy Sherman (among others) will be seen within the context of their respective art worlds, so the impact of art movements, cultural attitudes and new technologies on photographers during different historical periods can be assessed.
THE AESTHETIC HISTORY OF PHOTOGRAPHY
PHTI-UT 1102
Prerequisites: Culture, History, Imaging, and Photography Studies or equivalent. Sophomore Standing. 4 units. Spring. Open only to Photography & Imaging majors.
The Aesthetic History of Photography is a survey of "art" photography—but it will also be a lesson about "history." This course is structured chronologically and will provide a historical perspective. The focus is on the development of art photography, which is ONE of many photographic traditions, and examining the evolution of that singular tradition—mainly, but not exclusively, in Europe and North America, over the past 150 years. Readings include a cross-section of photographic criticism and theory. Close readings of a number of individual artists are done in order to ascertain how they felt about their medium, how they defined "art" and how they related to other, more established visual traditions. At the end of this course, students will understand how artists learn from and respond to their peers, and how this interchange has shaped a separate, self-conscious and highly elitist tradition within the history of a democratic medium.

ADDITIONAL CRITICAL STUDIES COURSES
ARTS WRITING
PHTI-UT 1118
4 units. Fall.
A writing course with the larger aim of getting students to be more critical viewers and hence possess a more convincing voice—whether conveying, describing, analyzing, challenging, and/or critiquing what they see. The course requires students to attend exhibitions (mostly photography) on a regular basis (some of which happen during class time) and to write on a weekly basis. Initial assignments take the form of exercises, evolving into a more in-depth, content-driven criticism.

ADVANCED HISTORY SEMINAR: THE BLACK BODY AND THE LENS
PHTI-UT 1120
Prerequisites: Junior standing, the Social History of Photography, and the Aesthetic History of Photography or permission of the Department. Course may be repeated. 4 units.
This seminar looks at the transformation of the male body and the female body in photographic history. Students look at the eroticization of the gendered, the gay body, and black body and discuss works by photographers such as F. Holland Day, Robert Mapplethorpe, Sally Mann, Carrie Mae Weems, Orlan, David Wojnarowica, Andres Serrano, Renee Cox, Cindy Sherman, Alfred Stieglitz, E. J. Bellocq, Lorna Simpson, Gordon Parks, Jamel Shabazz, Deborah Bright, Lyle Harris, Cathy Opie, Ajumu, Larry Sultan, Yamasama Morimura, among others. Photography has a long history of imaging the body, especially naked women. Students discuss the notion of the "gaze" as more than just a look and the implication of visualized fantasies in this genre in photography. Students also look at and critically discuss thematic exhibitions that have been produced over the last five years concerning these issues, such as Dear Friends, Rose Is a Rose Is a Rose: Gender Performance in Photography, and Picturing the Modern Amazon.

ADVANCED HISTORY SEMINAR: HISTORY OF NEW MEDIA
PHTI-UT 1120
Prerequisites: Junior standing, the Social History of Photography, and the Aesthetic History of Photography or permission of the Department. Course may be repeated. 4 units.
The central objective of this class is to deepen your understanding of the history of new media art practices. Through reading, research, discussion, presentation, and writing, you will become familiar with a range of theoretical positions on the field and develop skills for critical analysis of technology's relationship with art and of digital artworks. The class follows a seminar format, with weekly readings, in-class discussions, and illustrated lectures. Assignments will include short response papers, a longer analysis of a single new media artwork, and a curated "online exhibition" as a final project.

ADVANCED HISTORY SEMINAR: PHOTOGRAPHY & WITNESSING
PHTI-UT 1120
What does it take to be a witness? What are the ethical, political, cultural, legal and personal stakes in witnessing? Can photography and other media turn us into witnesses, or do we have to witness events personally for our testimony to be valid? What is the difference between documenting and witnessing an event? What is the difference between rendering an account and giving testimony? What role has photography played in the formation of our contemporary understanding of witnessing, and how does contemporary photography bear witness? Witnessing is a critical concept in religion, law, and science that has received renewed attention in recent years in the fields of art, photography, literature and cultural studies as well. The course will examine foundational texts on the notion of witnessing to arrive at a working definition that distinguishes witnessing from documentation. A parallel focus will be on photography’s particular function as a witness and on the changing nature of both the medium and the needs for historical witnessing in our time.

ADVANCED HISTORY SEMINAR: GLOBAL ISSUES IN CONTEMPORARY PHOTOGRAPHY
PHTI-UT 1120
Prerequisites: Junior standing, the Social History of Photography, and the Aesthetic History of Photography or permission of the Department. Course may be repeated. 4 units.
This course will serve as an exploration of the impact of globalization on both visual expression and its consumption in the "postcolonial constellation" defined by Okwui Enwezor. Professor Rice’s early lectures will focus on periods of great social change and the artworks that expressed them. Beginning with the invention of the hot air balloon and huge mass media panoramas at the end of the 18th century, the visual materials that are shown in this course will reflect the influence of World’s Fairs, tourism, international exhibitions and the traffic of people, imagery and artistic styles that has accelerated over the last century, culminating in the mélanges of culture that Enwezor refers to as the "intense proximity" of contemporary life. Migration, mobility, displacement and interconnectedness, the relationship between the local and the global, between roots and routes, will be central themes in this seminar and be examined, both in theory and artistic practice, during lectures and discussions.

ADVANCED HISTORY SEMINAR: CURATING
PHTI-UT 1120
Prerequisites: Social and Aesthetic History of Photography or permission of the Department. 4 units. Open to DPI Juniors and Seniors. Spring.
Drawing inspiration from contemporary artistic practices and the potential of the curatorial role, this advanced seminar engages a broad range of innovative forms of exhibition making. We explore the fluid role of the curator in shaping relationships among artists, artworks, institutions and exhibition spaces, and
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ographers as Daido Moriyama, Shomei Takeda, among others. This class will begin with a short introduction to the work of the leading contemporary photographers and filmmakers, whose continuing social and political activities are intended to establish a critical foundation for our work. Discussions revolve around the analysis of visual and textual materials: still photographs, photo books, feature films, avant-garde films, and computer animation, there will be regular video screenings and discussion of the special issues surrounding moving-image art. In addition, the rich and still relatively unknown history of the photobook in Asia will receive regular attention throughout the class.

LATIN AMERICAN PHOTOGRAPHY
PHTI-UT 1120
This course examines the history of Latin American photography, from the early photographic productions of the nineteenth century to the contemporary conceptual tendencies. We begin with photographers’ representations of the local landscape and its inhabitants, we continue with the establishment of the first photographic studios, and we follow the advent of modernist trends, such as surrealism and abstraction. We approach the strong documentary practice in the region that swings from registering the everyday life and autochthonous rituals, to chronicling the “disappeared” under the military juntas of Argentina and Chile. We also explore the treatment of labor in 1970s Cuban and Brazilian photo essays, the incorporation of postmodern concepts by Latin American photographers in the 1990s, and the photographic representations of narco-culture in Colombia and Mexico. We discuss critical problems such as realism, indigenism, social commentary, propaganda, nationalism, violence, and ethics. Some protagonists of this story: Martín Chambi, Manuel Álvarez Bravo, Graciela Iturbide, Sebastián Salgado, Alberto Korda, Mario Cravo Neto, Sara Facio, Luis González Palma, Marta María Pérez, and Vik Muniz.

TOWARD A CRITICAL VOCABULARY
PHTI-UT 1129
Prerequisites: The Social History of Photography and the Aesthetic History of Photography or equivalent. 4 units. Fall.
This class will be an exploration of new writings on photography, the internet, mass, and social media, with an emphasis on understanding contemporary theories of the image, its functions, and limitations. Readings will include essays by Boris Groys, Seth Price, Hito Steyerl, David Joselit, Boris Groys’ new collection In the Flow, artists’ writings on various topics and online publications by collectives like Triple Canopy, e-flux journal and the Raqs Media Collective. The aim will be to gain some form of global understanding of new insights and critical forms now emerging within the contemporary art scene.

CONTemporary PHOTOGRAPHY: PHOTO Now!
PHTI-UT 1130
Prerequisites: The Social History of Photography and the Aesthetic History of Photography or equivalent. 4 units. Spring.
Digital technology today allows the combination of still and moving images with unprecedented ease. As a result, the boundaries that once existed between still photographers, filmmakers, and videomakers are becoming increasingly blurred. By examining a wide range of visual materials, both historic and contemporary, this class will attempt to understand the changing relationship between the still photographic image and the moving image. The class explores an unusually wide range of visual materials: still photographs, photo books, feature films, avant-garde films, documentaries, and artists’ films and videos. Class readings introduce a range of critical approaches to the relation between the still and moving image, and will also highlight key works and visual innovators.

ENCOUNTERS
PHTI-UT 1131
Prerequisites: Photography & Imaging majors: Social or Aesthetic History of Photography. 4 units. Fall.
A performance-based workshop that blends critical study and practice to explore the idea of open-ended performance as a strategy for engagement. Performance emerged as a strategy of resistance against established conventions in art. From the first impulse towards emphatic presence and lived
experience in Futurist seratas to Kaprow’s happenings, a performance developed in opposition to establishment impulses. For many artists working in performance, the goal was to explore methods to provoke their audience from passive spectatorship to active participation in order to create the possibility of social change. While performance brought art discourse closer to the realm of everyday life, it also established and retained its own one-directional hierarchy between the performer and the audience. Artists began to actively explore their bodies in space and play with experience as an artistic medium, even though audiences remained passively engaged spectators. Philosopher and historian Susan Buck-Morss writes about the distinction between one-way and two-way channels of communication in relation to the feedback between artists and their viewers. In a one-way channel, artists enact a performance for a passive audience. While the platform of action has moved from the theater stage to public and social spaces, the dynamic of its hierarchy is largely intact. In Encounters, artists begin to dismantle this hierarchy into a two-way feedback loop, activating viewer engagement in performances and activities that trigger their participation in order for the performance to develop. This two-way channel expands audience engagement in a participatory loop that collectively develops the performance.

VISUAL CULTURE COLLOQUIUM
PHTI-UT 1650
Prerequisites: Social and Aesthetic History of Photography or permission of the Department. 4 units. Open to DPI Juniors and Seniors. Fall.

This course focuses on the work, practices, and perspectives of working photographers and photo professionals. Invited guests include photographers and photo specialists from a range of photographic fields including contemporary art, commercial advertising, fashion, editorial, documentary, and photojournalism. An emphasis will also be placed on those working with new media in its various forms. These guests will speak about their own work and process while critically assessing and exploring their position within the broad field of photography today. Several individual exhibition/field visits are also expected.
Interactive Telecommunications Program (ITP)/Interactive Media Arts (IMA)

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ITP, The Interactive Telecommunications Program, was founded in 1979 as the first graduate education program in alternative media. It has grown into a living community of technologists, engineers, designers, and artists dedicated to pushing the boundaries of interactivity. A hands-on approach to experimentation, production, and risk-taking makes ITP a creative home not only to its 230 students, but also to an extended network of the technology industry’s most daring and prolific practitioners.

ITP is internationally recognized as a unique and vital contributor of new ideas and talented individuals to the emerging media field. ITP students represent many different countries and backgrounds—all share a passion for exploring new forms of communications and expression.

Experimentation is an essential element in understanding both the opportunities and responsibilities inherent in this evolving field. ITP’s hands-on approach to learning relies on collaboration rather than competition, fostering a creative environment where exploration, analysis, and experimentation can occur. ITP provides an open and nurturing environment in which people are empowered to develop their own ideas, no matter how impractical or experimental.

ITP’s goal is to train a new kind of professional—one whose understanding of technology is informed by a strong sense of aesthetics and ethics. In a field that moves so quickly—where today’s innovations may be obsolete tomorrow—students need more than technical skills. They need an understanding of the underlying structures that fuel the dynamism between technology and creativity. Through internships and exposure to our prominent faculty, visiting scholars, and our expanding alumni network, students develop enduring professional relationships. ITP graduates find jobs in industries in New York City and throughout the world. Examples of positions held by ITP graduates include: founder, FourSquare; interaction design director, ESI Design; user experience manager, YouTube; cofounder, Antenna Design; creative director, Frog Design; exhibits designer, American Museum of Natural History; senior information and policy officer for the Chief of Staff of United Nations Departments of Peacekeeping Operations and Field Support; vice president/executive creative director, R/GA; artist, MacArthur Award Recipient; Corporate VP and Distinguished Engineer, Microsoft Corporation; principal, Local Projects.

“If anything is certain about the future, it is that the influence of communication technology, especially digital technology, will continue to grow and to profoundly change how we express ourselves, how we communicate with each other, and how we perceive, think, and interact with our world.”—Red Burns, ITP Founder and Former Chair
Program

New York City, the richest communications environment in the world, provides the ideal location for the department, which is situated in NYU’s state of the art 370 Jay Street interdisciplinary research and production center in Brooklyn. The faculty is composed of scholars and practitioners, together with a select group of adjuncts who are recognized leaders in the field. Through internships and exposure to adjunct faculty and visiting experts, students are provided with valuable opportunities to form relationships with key individuals and organizations in this emerging field.

The department, which began in 1979, grew out of the work of the Alternate Media Center, which was founded in 1971 by Red Burns. ITP and AMC have developed an international reputation for pioneering work in demonstration and research in the field of interactive media. The year 2019 marked the 40th anniversary of Interactive Telecommunications Program.

Starting in Fall 2018, the department launched a brand new four year Bachelor of Fine Arts undergraduate program called Interactive Media Arts (IMA) that grew out of the ITP graduate program. In addition, starting in Summer 2020, the department will launch a brand new global low residency graduate program called IMA Low Res. This is a one year Master of Arts degree that involves three site-specific sessions (Shanghai, Berlin, NY) across NYU’s global network paired with two semesters of online learning.

ITP/IMA is a state-of-the-art multimedia production center located in New York University’s Tisch School of the Arts. Starting in September 2019, the department moved to NYU’s MTA (Media, Technology and Art) facility located at 370 Jay Street in Brooklyn, New York. The MTA building is a major new tech hub in Brooklyn and is the culmination of a five-year renovation of the former Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) headquarters into a major center for technology, emerging media, and the creative arts. ITP and IMA occupy the 4th floor and resources include a full production equipment room, gallery spaces, shared studio spaces, and fabrication studio and shops for designing, prototyping and assembling projects.

Students can reserve a wide variety of digital production equipment for creating and showing dynamic content, including a large microstudio for capture and documentation and a separate polycast room for live web streaming or remote transmission. Also featured is a redesigned fabrication area for physical computing with dedicated wood and metal shops. On floor fabrication resources also include three state of the art laser cutters, four mills, four 3D printers and dedicated areas for pc board making and soft circuit design. A new finishing shop is planned for the basement which will house a full bed 4’8’ CNC, four axis mill, manual mill and finishing booth for spray painting and powder coating. All classrooms and presentation spaces support projection sharing and live view cameras. The space as a whole is highly reconfigurable and responsive to support cluster work, large audience presentations and open floor-wide gallery shows.

Resources

ITP has launched an interdisciplinary undergraduate Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) degree in Interactive Media Arts (IMA). The inaugural class started in fall of 2018. The IMA program starts from the proposition that computation—the ability to code, learn new software, manipulate data, and create physical + digital interactions—is an essential creative capability, and that students who master those capabilities will invent the future.

The IMA program offers a rigorous and exploratory course of study that teaches students fluency in many forms of digital interactivity, alongside an education in both the arts and liberal arts. At the program’s core is the conviction that digital expression is an essential skill for all—artists, writers and designers as well as programmers and engineers.

Students learn to think about the relationship between digital tools, physical objects and environments, human interaction and technology’s impact on the world. Students also engage in traditional scholarship, with a rigorous study in the liberal arts. The IMA BFA will prepare students for a career in any creative field—developer, designer, artists, educator, entrepreneur and scholar.

http://itp.nyu.edu/ima/

Interactive Media Arts (IMA)
B.F.A.
Undergraduate Program

Admission—Undergraduate

Admission to the Tisch School of the Arts is highly selective. Admission is based on a careful evaluation of secondary school records; scores on standardized tests; personal essay; recommendations from guidance counselors and teachers; and a creative review in the form of creative materials. Evidence of character and maturity are regarded as essential in potential students who hope to benefit fully from the unique offerings of the University and its urban environment. Participation in meaningful school and community activities is also an important factor. A student applying to the Tisch School of the Arts must submit an application to New York University and indicate the particular department that he or she wishes to enter and may only apply to one program. Prospective students wanting more information about undergraduate admission should refer to the undergraduate admissions Website at www.admissions.nyu.edu. Prospective students wanting more information about the creative materials should visit the department’s Website at http://itp.nyu.edu/ima/

The undergraduate program in IMA is academically and creatively demanding. Only applicants with demonstrated creative excellence and a record of academic achievement are considered for admission. In addition to submitting a completed application form, applicants are strongly encouraged to submit creative materials. Applicants can submit anything that shows the skills, creativity, curiosity, or generosity that you could bring to the emerging interactive forms we are inventing at IMA. We know that creativity does not just happen in art class so we want to read things you wrote, see any of your work, your musings, your tinkerings and experiments in any discipline. This can be artwork, it can be programming, DIY projects, songs you wrote, projects you...
were involved in, it can be anything you made. Finally, applicants can include a short statement about why you are interested in studying interactive media and thinking about its implications for society. Personal recommendations from teachers, academic administrators, and professional artists will be well regarded. Please check the website for the various deadlines, including early admissions and regular admissions deadlines, as well as deadlines for internal and external transfers. The contact email is ima.info@nyu.edu.

Transfer Credit and Minimum Residency
Credit is granted for academic work completed at another institution in accordance with University regulations as stated on page 239. Advanced Placement credit for classes taken on the high school level will be transferred as follows: a maximum of 8 units may be applied toward liberal arts requirements; the balance may be applied toward electives with a maximum total of 32 units awarded from AP exams. Transfer students should be aware that the maximum number of transfer credits allowed at IMA is 64. Transfer students should expect to spend a minimum of four academic semesters of study in IMA before they qualify for graduation.

Undergraduate Degree Requirements
The undergraduate program at IMA offers the degree of Bachelor of Fine Arts. Candidates for the bachelor's degree must fulfill the following requirements:
1. A minimum of 60 units in IMA major classes including foundation classes, capstone and electives in each of the five areas: programming & data, physical computing & experimental interfaces, media & entertainment, art & design and studies. 2. A minimum of 48 units in liberal arts & sciences general education core and elective classes. 3. A minimum of 20 units in unrestricted electives. Total: 128 units

DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENT
Area I: The Major
A minimum of 60 units, including:
- Major Requirements (12 units)
  - Creative Computing Communications Lab
  - Capstone Studio
- IMA Major Electives (48 units)
  - Elective distribution - students must take a minimum of two courses in each category. Some sample courses are included under each category:
    - Programming & Data
    - Electronic Text
    - The Code of Music
    - Networked Media
    - Front End Web
    - Creative Approaches to Emerging Media
- Physical Computing & Experimental Interfaces
  - Designing Interfaces for Live Performance
  - Introduction to Assistive Technology
  - Introduction to Fabrication
- Media & Entertainment
  - Fairy Tales for the 21st Century
  - Immersive Experiences
  - Art & Design
  - Design for Change
  - Art Strategies
  - Readymades
  - User Experience Studies
  - Big Ideas in the History and Future of Technology
  - Writing Out Loud
Total Area I: 60 units

Area II: Liberal Arts General Education
A minimum of 48 units, including the following:
- Expository Writing (8 units; two semesters required for freshmen, one semester for transfers, or the two-semester International Writing Sequence for international students)
- Text and Ideas (CAS Core Curriculum course; 4 units)
- Cultures and Contexts (CAS Core Curriculum course; 4 units)
- One course in Quantitative Reasoning (4 units)
- One course in Physical Science or Life Science (4 units)
- One course in Expressive Culture (4 units)
- One course in Societies & the Social Sciences (4 units)
- Four additional courses in the liberal arts (16 credits)
Total Area II: 48 units

Area III: Unrestricted Electives
A minimum of 20 units of additional course work from any division of NYU (excluding the School of Professional Studies)
Total Area III: 20 units
Total All Areas: 128 units

DOUBLE MAJOR
It may be possible for an undergraduate to complete a double major if he or she successfully completes the requirements for a major in IMA and successfully completes the requirements for a major in a separate department at NYU. Courses in the NYU College of Arts & Science fit particularly well since the classes will fulfill the liberal arts general education requirements while also fulfilling the requirements of a second major through CAS. The flexibility of the distribution requirements and elective units allows many combinations. In some cases, this may require spending an additional semester at the school. Students may only declare their double major after one year of work in the program. Doing a double major within Tisch will be challenging and requires that you apply to the desired department after your first year, or possibly your second year, and requires approval of the IMA academic advisor. You must be accepted, just as you were to IMA, based on a new application.

TISCH MINOR
IMA has designed a minor for current Tisch students who are interested in pursuing studies focused on the proposition that computation - the ability to code, learn new software, manipulate data and create physical and digital interactions - is an essential creative capability. This minor is open to Tisch students only.
## Undergraduate Courses

### IMA MAJOR REQUIRED COURSES

**CREATIVE COMPUTING**  
IMNY-UT 101  
4 units  
In this course students will be asked to think beyond the conventional forms of human computer interaction (i.e. the keyboard and mouse) to develop interfaces that consider the entire body, the body's capacity for gesture, as well as the relationship between the body and it's environment. Students will learn the fundamentals of electronics and programming as they build projects using the Arduino microcontroller platform. Arduino is a small computer based on open source hardware and software. When used in conjunction with various sensors and actuators, Arduino is capable of gathering information about and acting upon the physical world. In addition to these physical computing techniques, students will also learn to harness the methods of traditional computation. The fundamentals of programming: variables, conditionals, iteration, functions and objects, will be explored through the use of the Processing programming language. Students will gain a deeper appreciation of the expressive possibilities of computation as they learn to author their own software, and not simply use that which has been provided to them. Additional topics will include digital modeling and fabrication using 3D printers and laser cutters, the manipulation, presentation, and exchange of data, algorithmic drawing and animation techniques, as well as control of images, video, and audio. Structured weekly exercises are aimed at building specific skills, however students are free to pursue their own diverse interests in their midterm and final projects.

**COMMUNICATIONS LAB**  
IMNY-UT 102  
4 units  
In this foundation course, designed to provide students with a framework to effectively communicate through digital means, students will explore the possibilities of digital media by successively producing projects that make use of digital images, audio, video, and the Web. Students learn in a laboratory context of hands-on experimentation, and principles of interpersonal communications, media theory, and human factors will be introduced in readings and investigated through discussion. Imaging, sound, and video will be examined, in the context of fundamental web languages, such as HTML, CSS and JavaScript to establish a diverse digital toolkit. Both traditional and experimental outputs, including online and interactive media platforms, will be explored. Weekly assignments, group and independent projects, as well as project reports will be assigned in each of the core areas of study.

**CAPSTONE STUDIO**  
IMNY-UT 400  
4 units  
**Required for and Limited to Graduating Seniors**  
The Capstone course asks students to produce an interactive project (with documentation), a research paper, and a personal portfolio. The interactive project will illustrate students’ unique interests as well as evidence of competency within the field of interactive media production. Students are encouraged to develop their project around a theme previously explored in their work. Projects will be presented and critiqued repeatedly throughout the capstone process to peers, faculty, and industry professionals. A final presentation of the interactive project will be delivered late in the semester. The research paper (4000-5000 words) will focus on at least one aspect of the interactive project: e.g. culture, theory, philosophy, or history, the project context, and/or production methods. For example, students may write about their project’s reception by a set of specific users, or by users who are part of a larger culture, society, or market. It is important that students think beyond the project itself and situate it in a broader context accessible through research. The research paper will include an annotated bibliography of the books and other resources they used for their research. Students will also be guided in the production of an online portfolio to showcase their work and accomplishments to the outside world. Graduates will be evaluated by their portfolio when applying for jobs, graduate school, artist residencies, grants, and the like. Portfolios will be tailored to the demands of each student’s future goals and target audience.

### IMA MAJOR ELECTIVES

**READING AND WRITING**  
**ELECTRONIC TEXT**  
IMNY-UT 221  
4 units  
This course introduces the Python programming language as a tool for reading and writing digital text. This course is specifically geared to serve as a general-purpose introduction to programming in Python, but will be of special interest to students interested in poetics, language, creative writing and text analysis. Weekly programming exercises work toward a midterm project and culminate in a final project. Poetics/text analysis topics covered include: the history of computer-generated writing in arts and literature; plain text transcription and character encodings; ethics and authorship in the context of computer-mediated language; poetic structure and sound symbolism; performance and publishing. Programming topics covered include: data structures (lists, sets, dictionaries); strategies for making code reusable (functions and modules); natural language processing; grammar-based text generation; predictive models of text (Markov chains and recurrent neural networks); and working with structured data and text corpora.

**THE CODE OF MUSIC**  
IMNY-UT 222  
4 units  
This course explores the elements of music through the lenses of computation and interactive design. Each of the five course units focuses on one element of music (rhythm, melody, timbre, harmony, and structure), approaching it from the perspective of music theory, computation, and design. For each element, students listen to examples from different periods and styles, represent and manipulate the element in code, and create an interactive study around it. As students work toward their final projects, the class takes a more self-directed approach. Final projects can take the form of digital applications, spatial installations, or physical devices. In-class coding and assignments will be done in P3.js, but students will be free to use other languages and frameworks for their final projects.
The network is a fundamental medium for interactivity. It makes possible our interaction with machines, data, and, most importantly, other people. Though the base interaction it supports is simple, a client sends a request to a server, which replies; an incredible variety of systems can be and have been built on top of it. An equally impressive body of media theory has also arisen around its use. This hybrid theory and technology course will be 50% project driven technical work and 50% theory and discussion. The technical work will utilize JavaScript as both a client and server side programming language to build creative systems on the web. Technical topics will include server and client web frameworks, such as Express, HTML, CSS, templating, and databases. The theory portion of the course will include reading and discussion of past and current media theory texts that relate to the networks of today; included in this will be works by Marshall McLuhan, Wendy Chun, Lev Manovich, Philip Agre, Tiziana Terranova, and more.

In short, this course will be about developing full-stack web applications (such as anything from the beginnings of Google, YouTube, and Twitter to class registration systems and other purpose built system) as well as thinking, reading, and discussing the implications with a culture and media theory perspective.

**DESIGNING/interfaces**

**LIVE PERFORMANCE**

**IMNY-UT 243**

**4 units**

This course is designed to provide students with hands-on experience working with sensors and other electronics to design interfaces for a live multimedia performance. Students will explore the expressive properties of sensors to control a variety of outputs such as light, sound, projection, and/or other media. The forms and uses of physical computing, computational media, and its application are explored weekly in both a hands on laboratory context, as well as weekly discussions of readings and existing performances.

**INTRODUCTION TO FABRICATION**

**IMNY-UT 242**

**2 units**

An introductory course designed to familiarize students with all the IMA prototyping shop has to offer. We will cover everything from basic hand tools to the beginnings of digital fabrication. You will learn to use the right tool for the job. There will be weekly assignments, created to develop your fabrication techniques. There will be in class lectures, demos, and building assignments. Emphasis will be put on good design practices, material choice, and craftsmanship.

**FAIRY TALES FOR THE 21ST CENTURY**

**IMNY-UT 283**

**4 units**

Fairy tales, myths, and stories of magic have always served as a way for both children and adults to make sense of the unpredictable and complex world around them. How do these stories serve us today? How do new technologies allow us to reinterpret them so that they have new meaning for our times? Through readings, weekly exercises, and a final project, students in this course will explore the historic role and structure of fairy tales as well as the potential contemporary frameworks that allow us to entertain the impossible. Students will work with stories of their choosing however we will examine their implementation through traditional material and book art techniques, as well as projection mapping, 3D and VR (using Unreal Engine.)

**IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCES**

**IMNY-UT 282**

**4 units**

This course is designed to provide students with hands-on experience working with interactive and emerging applications for creating immersive experiences, with a focus on designing for virtual reality headsets. The class will also touch on related technologies, methods, and fields including experience design, virtual painting, augmented reality, interactive installation, and 360 video/audio. The course materials will also include readings and discussions on prior art/relevant critical texts.

**BIG IDEAS IN THE HISTORY AND FUTURE OF TECHNOLOGY**

**IMNY-UT 203**

**4 units**

“Big Ideas in the History and Future of Technology” is designed to provide students with a critical perspective on current issues in technology in the context of the history, controversies, consequences, and ethical questions in emerging media. This first course in the series includes: in the first half—some seminal early works that imagine a future in which technology enhances/augments human intelligence and capabilities and how that might affect society; in the second half—classic works of fiction and some podcasts/ audio lectures that address questions relating to “What is Human.”

**WRITING OUT LOUD**

**IMNY-UT 202**

**4 units**

Writing Out Loud trains you to write more clearly, by asking you to write for public consumption—Reddit, Quora, AllRecipes, GitHub, Ravelry, and so on. You will concentrate on the parts of these sites that reward plain, concise expression; writing in those environments, you will gain a sense of context and genre appropriate for different audiences.

The subject of the class is factual or descriptive writing, in standard English. While there are many other kinds of writing—fiction or poetry; sentence fragments or dialect—this class is only concerned with sentences and paragraphs that explain things in ordinary language. In this class, your writing does not have to be impressively and stylistic. It does have to be clear.

The course emphasizes revision, principally working with short answers, posts, and essays. The final project will be a short, conversation starting essay on a topic and in a forum of the student’s choosing.

**INTRODUCTION TO 3D PRINTING**

**IMNY-UT 244**

**2 units**

3D environments and objects are powerful prototyping tools. This class will introduce the basics of 3D modeling techniques in Rhino and students will learn to create assets for prototyping and 3D printing. The class will take an industrial design approach to design and build with specifications and materials in mind. Students will learn to think, plan, design, and produce well thought out objects to fit their specific needs. (examples: motor mounts, enclosures, wearables etc.)

**PERFORMATIVE AVATARS**

**IMNY-UT 284**

**2 units**

Whether it’s through photo realistic scans found in current-gen video games or the cartoonish and low-fi aesthetic of Bitmoji there is no limit to ways in which the body and the self are represented in digital spaces.
This 2 credit class will look at how avatars have been historically used in the realm of art, commerce, and entertainment and utilize existing avatar creation tools to develop projects that examine identity, body politics, and contemporary performance. In class we will cover the basics of Unreal Engine, photogrammetry, 3D scanning, and model rigging although students will be encouraged to use existing skill sets and creative thinking to complete some of the smaller week-by-week assignments. The class will culminate with a short performance, small installation or single/multi-channel video piece using one or more of the techniques covered in class. This can be a solo project or a group project.

COLLECTIVE PLAY
IMNY-UT 225
4 units
Rules of play shape competitive games from checkers to football. But how do the rules of interaction shape non-competitive play? In this course, we will explore, code and test design strategies for playful group interactions while at the same time interrogating both what it means to play and how individual identities and group behaviors.

DESIGN FUNDAMENTALS
IMNY-UT 261
4 units
This class aims to provide students with the critical thinking and practical skills to explore and communicate ideas visually. This foundational course is a combination of lecture and studio format that will introduce the fundamental principles of design including typography, color, composition, branding and product design, and offer hands-on application of these principles through both in-class exercises and weekly assignments. The course will serve as a solid foundation for skills relevant to pursuing a degree in Interactive Media Arts and expose students to the myriad of opportunities a grounding in design principles opens up for them.

INTERNET FAMOUS
IMNY-UT 201
4 units
How does someone become famous on the internet? What does it take to capture our digital attention? While movie stars, rock gods, and other mainstream A-listers struggle to find their place in a sea of emerging technologies and platforms, a new swarm of micro celebrities and influencers has coasted into the cultural space they once filled. Riding a wave of viral content and memes, the newly-famous rule an internet where anyone can have adoring fans... for a price. They are nimble, niche, obnoxious, empowering, and sometimes disturbing.

This class explores what happens when fame is freed from the traditional intermediaries of print, television, and radio, when social media provides everyone with the tools to be their own marketing studio and PR department. It examines the transformation of celebrity, from a 19th century sales gimmick to the formidable cultural, social, and technological force it is today. Students will study a wide array of fame-related topics, from the privacy effects of trolling to the class implications of selfies. And we will engage in practices and exercises that produce real-world instances of celebrity in case we, too, wish to join the ranks of the internet famous.

INTRODUCTION TO MACHINE LEARNING FOR THE ARTS
IMNY-UT 224
4 units
An introductory course designed to provide students with hands-on experience developing creative coding projects with machine learning. The history, theory, and application of machine learning algorithms and related datasets are explored in a laboratory context of experimentation and discussion. Examples and exercises will be demonstrated in JavaScript using the p5.js, ml5.js, and TensorFlow.js libraries. In addition, students will learn to work with open source pre-trained models in the cloud using Runway. Principles of data collection and ethics are introduced. Weekly assignments, team and independent projects, and project reports are required.

RESEARCH METHODS IN ART AND DESIGN
IMNY-UT 204
This course is intended for students planning to conduct qualitative research in a variety of different operational settings. Its topics include- case studies, data, documentary evidence, participant observation, surveys, and supportive technologies. The primary goal of this course is to assist students in preparing their thesis proposals/projects.

CREATIVE APPROACHES TO EMERGING MEDIA
IMNY-UT 205
4 units
We live in a world where we have more data, computational power, and access to digital connectivity than ever before. But how do we make sense of the promise inherent in this reality while holding space for the challenges that it presents for different groups and communities? How do we situate the technologies that we have come to take for granted? And more importantly, how do we leverage an artist’s perspective to creating active responses that interrogate and hint at the potential for different futures?

This course examines emergent technological fields, spanning topics like data collection/representation, digital archives, artificial intelligence, social algorithms, and automation and asks how the technologies inherent to each can be leveraged for artistic response, creation, and critique.

While this course is primarily conceptual and art theory-based, the content covered will be technical in nature and students will be tasked with making three creative responses to the content in the tradition of the new media, digital, and conceptual art worlds.

INTRODUCTION TO ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY
IMNY-UT 241
2 units
Assistive technology is a term that includes a wide variety of technologies for people with disabilities. This two-point survey course is designed to provide students with an overview of the field of assistive technology. Field trips, readings, and guest speakers will provide students with an understanding of current research and development as well as processes used in determining appropriate technologies. Weekly assignments and a final research project. This course meets once per week.

FRONT END WEB
IMNY-UT 220
4 units
This course will provide a foundation for understanding modern web development with a focus on front end technologies and accessing public data. The forms and uses of these technologies are explored in a laboratory context of experimentation and discussion.

Students will create two well-designed single-page web applications,
including one that leverages public APIs and digital services from a wide range of existing web products. The goal of the course is for students to learn how to think holistically about an application, both by designing a clear user experience and understanding the algorithmic steps required to build it.

**USER EXPERIENCE**

IMNY-UT 262

4 units

This course aims to provide students with the critical thinking and practical skills for creating effective and compelling interfaces. We will dissect what a compelling user experience is and discuss and apply design methods for creating one. Throughout this 14-week course we will examine a wide range of examples of interfaces with a focus on understanding the attributes of a successful interface and applying proven research, mapping and testing techniques.

The class format will include lectures, case studies, student presentations, discussions of readings and in-class design exercises. The format is very hands-on with assignments that focus on problems that are typical of those a UX designer will encounter in the professional world.

**Interactive Telecommunications Program (ITP)**

**M.P.S. Graduate Program**

ITP graduate admissions is open to students from diverse academic and professional backgrounds. Acceptance into the program is competitive; enrollment is limited to full-time applicants who show exceptional promise and are interested in collaboration and experimentation. Admission for graduate degree candidates is if for the Fall semester only. Prospective students can access the online application.

**Admission—Graduate**

ITP graduate admissions is open to students from diverse academic and professional backgrounds. Acceptance into the program is competitive; enrollment is limited to full-time applicants who show exceptional promise and are interested in collaboration and experimentation. Admission for graduate degree candidates is for the Fall semester only. Prospective students can access the online application at the Graduate Admissions Website: [www.tisch.nyu.edu](http://www.tisch.nyu.edu).

Those with additional questions about the application may contact the Office of Graduate Admissions, Tisch School of the Arts, New York University, 726 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10003-6807; 212-998-1900; e-mail: tisch.gradadmission@nyu.edu; or Web: [www.tisch.nyu.edu](http://www.tisch.nyu.edu). All students entering the graduate program must hold a bachelor’s degree though neither a technical nor visual design background is required. No entrance examination is required; however, international applicants must complete the TOEFL or IELTS English language proficiency exams. The deadline for all applications is December 1. Admissions and departmental questions may also be addressed to the ITP admissions coordinator by way of email: itp.admissions@nyu.edu.

**Program Requirements**

The ITP graduate program is a two-year program of full-time study leading to the Master of Professional Studies degree. The degree requires completion of 60 graduate units within a three-tier structure. The first tier (16 units) comprises six required foundation courses. The second tier (40 units) comprises elective courses, approved courses in other departments, and internships. The third tier (4 units) consists of the final thesis project, which is conducted under the supervision of a member of the faculty.

**Curriculum**

**FOUNDATION COURSES—TIER ONE**

Unit Requirement: 16

Each foundation course is offered at least once a year. Generally, students complete these courses before moving to Tier Two or Tier Three. In particular cases, a different sequence may make more sense and may be permitted by an academic adviser. Students must complete 16 units in foundation courses in the degree program. Due to previous studies or work experience, some students may consider themselves already proficient in a field covered by a foundation course. In such cases, they may apply to the faculty for permission to waive it. In deciding whether to grant the application, the faculty may require that an oral or written examination be taken. Waiver of a foundation course does not in itself reduce the 60-unit requirement for graduation; rather, it means that a student will increase the number of elective studies, seminars, or fieldwork courses taken. The required foundation courses are as follows:

- ITPG-GT 2000 Applications of Interactive Technologies
- ITPG-GT 2001 Comm Lab: Video and Sound
- ITPG-GT 2002 Comm Lab: Animation
- ITPG-GT 2005 Comm Lab: Visual Language
- ITPG-GT 2233 Introduction to Computational Media
- ITPG-GT 2301 Introduction to Physical Computing
ELECTIVE STUDIES—TIER TWO
Unit Requirement: 40
The purpose of elective studies is to enable a student to study in depth in areas that are related to the concerns of the program. Electives consist of non-foundation courses available in the program, graduate courses available elsewhere within the Tisch School of the Arts, or graduate courses in other schools within the University. (Students may take a maximum of 8 units outside the department. These must be 1000- or 2000-level courses to count for graduate credit. It is the responsibility of the student to confirm that they can be admitted to a course offered outside the program; i.e., that any prerequisites have been met and appropriate approvals have been obtained.) Elective studies should comprise a coherent program of work and must be approved by the student’s adviser. Not all courses are offered every year.

FINAL THESIS PROJECT—TIER THREE
Unit Requirement: 4
Thesis project work is approved by the faculty and arranged under ITPG-GT 2102 Thesis, a final project seminar that is designed to help students define and execute their final projects. The course is structured as a series of critique and presentation sessions in which various aspects of individual projects are discussed. Critique sessions are a combination of internal sessions and reviews by external guest critics. Students are expected to complete and present a fully articulated thesis project and related documentation by the end of their last semester.

Transfer of Credits
For the ITP graduate program, applications for a transfer of credits based on comparable graduate-level courses may be submitted only after three courses have been completed within the program. A maximum of 8 units may be transferred. Applications require the approval of the faculty.

ITP Course Fall 2019 Descriptions

TIER I—FOUNDATION COURSES
APPLICATIONS
ITPG-GT 2000 4.0 units
This introductory class is designed to allow students to engage in a critical dialogue with leaders drawn from the artistic, non-profit and commercial sectors of the new media field, and to learn the value of collaborative projects by undertaking group presentations in response to issues raised by the guest speakers. Interactive media projects and approaches to the design of new media applications are presented weekly; students are thus exposed to both commercial as well as mission-driven applications by the actual designers and creators of these innovative and experimental projects. By way of this process, all first-year students, for the first and only time in their ITP experience, are together in one room at one time, and as a community, encounter, and respond to, the challenges posed by the invited guests. The course at once provides an overview of current developments in this emerging field, and asks students to consider many questions about the state of the art. For example, with the new technologies and applications making their way into almost every phase of the economy and intertwining themselves in our day to day lives, what can we learn from both the failures and successes? What are the impacts on our society? What is ubiquitous computing, embedded computing, physical computing? How is cyberspace merging with physical space? Class participation, group presentations, and a final paper are required.

COMM LAB: ANIMATION
ITPG-GT 2002 2.0 units
This course explores the fundamentals of storytelling through animation. Students will create two short animation pieces over the course of seven weeks. The first part of the course is devoted to the stop motion using Dragon Stop Motion. The second part of the course is devoted to digital collage animation using After Effects. Drawing skills are not necessary for this class, however, you will keep a sketchbook. Basic video and sound skills are required.

COMM LAB: VIDEO AND SOUND
ITPG-GT 2001 2.0 units
This course explores the fundamentals of sound and video. Students will learn the basics of both audio and video recording using audio field recorders and a variety of cameras as well as editing and exporting in Adobe Premiere. Students will work in teams to produce both an audio soundscape in Adobe Audition and a three-minute video short. This 2-credit course meets for the first seven weeks of the semester.

COMM LAB: VISUAL LANGUAGE
ITPG-GT 2005 2.0 units
The goal of this course is to provide students who are new to the principles of visual design with the practical knowledge, critical skills and confidence to effectively express their ideas in a visually pleasing and effective way. Over the course of 7-weeks an overview of the many tools and techniques available to convey an idea, communicate a message and influence an experience will be presented, discussed and applied. Topics covered in the course include: typography, color, composition, branding, logo and information design. This class is intended for students who do not have formal graphic design or visual arts training but recognize the powerful impact of visual decisions in their work.

COURSE OUTLINE
Class 1—Principles of Visual Communication
Class 2—Signage and Information Systems
Class 3—Typography/Composition
Class 4—Logo and Brand Design
Class 5—Color Theory
Class 6—Information Design
Each meeting a new topic will be presented. The format will be a class discussion with a focus on examples of the theme for the week. Each topic will have a related assignment that will done by each student individually and presented and critiqued in the following class. For students, new to or with
limited skills in Photoshop or Adobe Illustrator there will be a series of informal weekly workshops led by residents to teach the basics and answer questions on use of the software. Completion of the assignments and participation in the class discussion is required. Students must maintain a blog where they post their assignments.

INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTATIONAL MEDIA
ITPG-GT 2233
4.0 units **Fall Term**

INTRODUCTION TO COMCEPTUAL MEDIA
ITPG-GT 2233
(2.0 units) **Second Half Only**
The 17th century philosopher Spinoza described "wonder" as a state of suspension in the mind, a paralysis resulting from a confrontation with something wholly new, disconnected from past experience such that judgements of whether it is good or bad are not possible. At this moment in time, we are caught in such a state of suspension with digital technologies. Creating computer applications instead of simply using them will provide you with a deeper understanding for the essential possibilities, limitations and unknowns of computation.

The first half of Introduction to Computational Media focuses on the fundamentals of programming the computer (variables, conditionals, iteration, functions, and objects) and includes a basic introduction to HTML5/DOM. The JavaScript-based 'p5.js' programming framework is the primary vehicle for the class. All sections assume no programming experience at all.

The second half focuses on applying fundamental programming concepts to generate and manipulate various media including imagery, sound and text and data. This course assumes a working knowledge of JavaScript and the 'p5.js' programming framework. Students who already have experience with programming in JavaScript and p5.js may join the course in the second half. Pre-requisite: ICM: Code or equivalent programming experience.

INTRODUCTION TO PHYSICAL COMPUTING
ITPG-GT 2301
4.0 units
This course expands the students' palette for physical interaction design with computational media. We look away from the limitations of the mouse, keyboard and monitor interface of today's computers, and start instead with the expressive capabilities of the human body. We consider uses of the computer for more than just information retrieval and processing, and at locations other than the home or the office. The platform for the class is a microcontroller, a single-chip computer that can fit in your hand. The core technical concepts include digital, analog and serial input and output. Core interaction design concepts include user observation, affordances, and converting physical action into digital information. Students have weekly lab exercises to build skills with the microcontroller and related tools, and longer assignments in which they apply the principles from weekly labs in creative applications. Both individual work and group work is required.

TIER 2—ELECTIVE COURSES

TOPICS IN DIGITAL MEDIA: DEVELOPING ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY
DM-GY 9103—A
3.0 units
This multidisciplinary course allows students from a variety of backgrounds to work together to learn about and develop assistive technology. Partnering with outside organizations, students will work in teams to identify a clinical need relevant to a certain clinical site or client population, and learn the process of developing an idea and following that through to the development of a prototype product.

This course provides an overview of some of the assistive technologies currently used by people with disabilities to participate in life's activities, including those used for computer access, mobility, and activities of daily living (ADLs). Working in small groups, you will work with a mentor with a disability to solve a problem by creating a tech solution making the problem easier to deal with. We have a number of ongoing projects such as developing interactive activities to improve balance of preschoolers with hearing impairments and cochlear implants, or working with a deaf woman in Argentina to develop a tool that can allow her to participate in group discussions. Other projects may include working with people with physical and sensory disabilities. This course provides you your own evidence of the benefit of using client centered design with input from multiple professionals.

TOPICS IN DIGITAL MEDIA: MOTION CAPTURE
DM-GY 9103—B
3.0 units
This course provides an introduction to the concepts of motion capture and the motion capture production pipeline to perform and record 3D animations for film and video games as well as stream for live performances. Students will learn all of the tools for tracking props and performers using MAGNET's cutting-edge motion capture studio. Students will also develop concepts around the technology and integrate their data into 3D computer graphics along with keyframe and procedural animation and custom 3D assets to build final projects using the Unreal game engine.

BIG SCREENS
GAMES-GT 256
4.0 units
This class is dedicated to experimenting with interactivity on large-scale screens. Students will work to develop one project over the course of the semester, culminating with a showing at InterActive Corps' 120 X 11-foot video wall at their corporate headquarters on 18th St. and the West Side Highway. A mock-up of the system is available for testing. Class time is divided between independent project development, critique, technical demonstrations, and field trips to IAC.

DRAWING IT TOGETHER
ITPG-GT 2538
1.0 unit
Drawing is one of the most ancient forms of communication – it has the power to engage users like no other technology. Drawing can connect people beyond language or culture, helping humans express emotions and abstract ideas where words fail. But often times people are too self-conscious to even pick up the pen, let alone draw something someone else will see. How can new interactive interfaces give people the confidence to draw without inhibition, and inspire previously impossible collaborations and creations?

In this weekend workshop, we’ll examine the game design behind analog drawing games and how to translate them into digital experiences.
bodily transformation, made to be worn for protection, disguise, entertainment and practical purposes, as devices for ceremonial and social use since antiquity for ceremonial and social use. They were originally made by hand, using materials such as leather, cloth, and bone.

Recent tools and platforms have evolved social media portraiture to an art form and have created new opportunities for artists to create and distribute interactive augmentations, forming new relationships between artists and viewers. This class explores the developing language of social media portraiture enhanced by Augmented Reality.

Students will:
- study masks in art history, leading up to today
- ideate, design and develop interactive masks, starting from physical objects and moving towards real-time distributed digital masks (aka filters)
- learn to use the Spark AR Studio software and other tools

TEXTILE INTERFACES
ITPG-GT 2030
1.0 unit
Want to make an interface that can be squished, stretched, stroked, or smushed? This course will introduce the use of electronic textiles as sensors. Focus will be placed on physical interaction design—working with the affordances of these materials to create interfaces designed to invite or demand diverse types of physical interaction. This course does not require knowledge or love of sewing—a variety of construction methods will be introduced. It will rely on a physical computing approach, with Arduino being used to read sensor values. Working with a breadth of conductive and resistive materials, students will learn to design and create bespoke alternative interfaces that can live in our clothing, furniture, and built environments.

ART TOY DESIGN
ITPG-GT 2196
1.0 unit
Is it a plaything? Sculpture? Nostalgia? A Product? Art toys exist at the center of a unique Venn diagram. Each student in this class will develop an original limited-edition art toy. We will cover toy fabrication, character design, material selection, packaging design, and art toy culture. The class will be fabrication heavy, there will be weekly assignments, and a final project.

DESIGN RESEARCH
ITPG-GT 2997
2.0 units
This course will focus on different design research and innovation workshop methodologies including Design Thinking, LEGO Serious Play, Service Design and Systems Design. The format will be a combination of seminar, presentation and practical application with students leading workshops both in and out of class. Students will learn how to create deliverables such as roadmaps, journey maps and service blueprints along the way. The workshop methodologies and exercises will we cover include: Futurecasting and scenario planning, Life Design, Google Ventures Design Sprints and Gamestorming. The course will ask students to consider practical applications in a variety of contexts from personal to group to community to country to global and beyond. Students will be required to apply one or more of these workshop methodologies to an issue they've identified in one area of their daily life.

DESIGNING CLUB CULTURE
ITPG-GT 2047
2.0 units
How can light, sound and design transform the human experience within a given space? How can psycho-geography be manipulated through audio-visual techniques? In what ways have and will technology allow spaces for sonic entertainment to be more immersive and experimental? Through an exploration of audio-visual techniques (i.e. VJing, MIDI-ing devices, sound synthesis, projection mapping, experiments with spatial sonic composition) along with discussions on how counterculture movements have used music and design as a vehicle for political dissent and community building, students will be invited to imagine new club spaces for social contexts beyond pure aesthetics. Assignments will include the development of different forms of interactive spaces for expression. Ableton (and free DAWs), MaxMSP, Isadora, and Unity will be used within this course.

FAKING THE NEWS
ITPG-GT 2151
2.0 units
Lies. Hoaxes. Conspiracies. Rumors. Propaganda. Fake news is an age-old phenomenon—but the internet is...
making targeted misinformation cheap and scalable. That is affecting politics, public opinion, and the everyday experience of the internet.

In this 6-week class, we will explore the cutting edge of “fake news” by engaging in ethical research and fabrication. Participants will manufacture and observe a controlled “fake news” event. We will experiment with command-line tools for doing virtual video, neural nets and deepfakes to fabricate reality, Twitter bots, behavioral psychology, and the dark underbelly of the ad economy.

IMMERSIVE LISTENING: DESIGNING SOUND FOR VR
ITPG-GT 2022
2.0 units

Until recently 3D sound was a novelty reserved for special uses and reaching a limited audience, no medium in popular culture has been as inherently dependent upon spatial audio as virtual reality. The widespread and standardized implementation of surround sound in film brought cinema to a new level of immersion, but is limited to theatrical exhibition and home theater systems. Today a considerable amount of content is consumed on mobile devices and laptops which excludes the cinematic experience of spatial sound. With the current rise of cinematic VR and the blurring line between gaming and experiential VR, spatial audio is no longer just an added bonus, but rather a necessity in designing immersive VR experiences. In this course, we will explore the emerging field of 3D sound design and for both 360 video and game engine-built VR using a digital audio workstation, game engines, and 3D audio plugins.

INTRO TO FABRICATION
ITPG-GT 2637
2.0 units

Time to get your hands dirty. Prototypes need to be created, motors have to be mounted, enclosures must be built. Understanding how things are fabricated makes you a better maker.

But hardware is hard. You can’t simply copy and paste an object or working device (not yet anyway), fabrication skills and techniques need to be developed and practiced in order to create quality work. You learn to make by doing.

In this class, you will become familiar and comfortable with all the ITP shop has to offer. We will cover everything from basic hand tools to the beginnings of digital fabrication. You will learn to use the right tool for the job.

There will be weekly assignments created to develop your fabrication techniques. There will be in class lectures, demos, and building assignments. Emphasis will be put on good design practices, material choice, and craftsmanship.

LISTENING MACHINES
ITPG-GT 2043
2.0 units

This course will provide students with an introduction to the area of machine listening. Machine listening is the general field of studying algorithms and systems for audio understanding by machine. It deals exclusively with general audio as opposed to speech recognition.

The most basic goal of all machine listening systems is to reliably recognize and react to very specific sounds. Over the course of the semester, we will create our own unique machine listening systems that provide us with new and interesting ways to interact with our projects. We will use live coding and real-time data visualization to demystify some of the more daunting underlying topics like digital signal analysis, music information retrieval, and machine learning.

MINDFULNESS AND TRANSFORMATIVE TECHNOLOGIES
ITPG-GT 2145
2.0 unit

Transformative technologies (a.k.a. Transtech) are the wave of the future, yet many challenges remain before their use can become as effective and widespread as that of personal computers and cell phones today. This course will introduce students to this exciting field, starting with the examination of the potential for optimizing experience through mindfulness and meditation, the understanding of basic issues in obtaining and interpreting physiological signals, toward the aim of generating ideas for wearable transtech projects.

Students will examine the ideas behind efforts to optimize human experience; practice different meditation techniques to experience the variety of cognitive and affective strategies they use and the varied effects they generate; explore the basic issues in obtaining and interpreting physiological data, and the use of brain stimulation methods such as TMS, DTCS, etc., and use this info to come up with ideas for wearable transtech devices.

The class will be mix of lectures, exercises and demos.

PERFORMATIVE AVATARS
ITPG-GT 2153
2.0 units

Whether it’s through photo realistic scans found in current-gen video games or the cartoonish and low-fi aesthetic of Bitmoji there is no limit to ways in which the body and the self are represented in digital spaces.

This 2-credit class will look at how avatars have been historically used in the realm of art, commerce, and entertainment and utilize existing avatar creation tools to develop projects that examine identity, body politics, and contemporary performance. In class, we will cover the basics of Unreal Engine, photogrammetry, 3D scanning, and model rigging although students will be encouraged to use existing skill sets and creative thinking to complete some of the smaller week-by-week assignments. The class will culminate with a short performance, small installation or single/multi-channel video piece using one or more of the techniques covered in class. This can be a solo project or a group project.

In this class students will:

—Explore how avatars have been utilized in your creative practice
—Gain an introductory understanding of Unreal Engine, photogrammetry, model rigging, and 3D scanning.
—Learn how to recontextualize digital spaces for the purposes of art, installation, and performance.
—Broaden your thinking of what performance can be, both in a physical setting and digital setting.
—Think critically about how physical bodies inhabit digital spaces and how the hardware and software we use reinforces the acceptance and value of certain kinds of bodies.

PERFORMING REALITY
ITPG-GT 2032
2.0 units

Time-based art, performance - and theater most specifically - should be perfect manipulators of experience. Many creators of time-based art look for the “universal” in content and overlook what we all have in common in form: brains. What happens in the minds of all truly happens (what happens in the lobby also
truly happens). How can we use art to make our brains experience the same things? What behind-the-scenes work can we employ to manipulate experience. Film scoring works on us in ways we don’t perceive in the moment. Can we pay closer attention to this when making work? Sometimes what we have for lunch effects our experience of art more than the hours of labor that went into the most minuscule of decisions when making that art. Is empathy always ethical?

Show don’t tell. How does the art take place in the room in front of us? How can public performance not be awkward? How do we experience a performance rather than watch it?

POPULATION INFINITE: THE FUTURE OF IDENTITY
ITPG-GT 2041
2.0 units

“Being a person is not the essence of humanity, only—as the world’s history suggests—one of its masks.”—John Gray

“my main concern with someone stealing my identity is that they would be a better me”—@BrandyLJensen

“A caterpillar who seeks to know himself would never become a butterfly.”—André Gide

We are currently living in a society that operates under the principle that one body equals one agent, one vantage point, one identity. But emerging technologies may create a future in which the notion of a single personal identity becomes outdated. That future includes: machine learning techniques that make emulating the style and behavior of other people fast and easy; widely available AR/VR headsets that get people to identify with however many faces and bodies they choose, instead of just those they were born with; cryptocurrencies enabling the use of pseudonymous economic identities to transact across the planet in a permissionless manner. This is a course where we will get to explore and anticipate the utopian and dystopian aspects of this weird future of identity, by: designing weekly interventions for obfuscating, simulating, multiplying, and merging ourselves online and offline, using tools like Puppeteer and Runway; looking at projects that seek to redefine, expand, or dissolve concepts of personal and social identity, from artists such as Lynn Hershman Leeson and Stelarc; and reading widely about the historical, philosophical, and psychological underpinnings of identity.

PREDICTION AS PLANNING: WAYFINDING FOR FUTURE THINKERS
ITPG-GT 2033
2.0 units

In an age of pressing and complex problems like climate change, extreme inequality, and surveillance capitalism, “problem solving” is a central feature of innovation, design, and planning. But can these wicked problems actually be “solved”? And why does the cutting edge of problem solving look so limited?

Machine learning. Predictive analytics. Algorithmic decision-making...Is planning for the future being outsourced to machines? In this class, we'll take back control of the future by learning how it has historically been predicted, planned, and produced in board meetings, think tanks, writers' rooms, and policy circles, and how those methods are being impacted by new technologies. During a series of discussions and hands-on workshops, we will learn specific, tangible, and collaborative practices for prediction and planning that can augment and transcend computational capabilities, making for marketable future-proof skills that can help redefine the future for humanity.

SOCIAL INNOVATION DESIGN
ITPG-GT 2990
2.0 units

This course will challenge students to reflect on the concept of value creation, specifically the growing intersection of economic, social, and environmental value in the context of an interconnected and interdependent global society, and the role that technology and design can play in the advancement of social good. In the tradition of ITP, this class will take a deeply interdisciplinary and cross-sector lens. Students will survey a breadth of innovations that represent an exciting new toolkit for creating and scaling social value including social entrepreneurship, business-minded NGOs, impact investing, venture philanthropy, and public-private partnerships. These innovations are being used to tackle the world's biggest problems in a variety of fields – education, healthcare, financial empowerment, poverty alleviation, climate change, civics, and so on.

Students will learn to identify motivations and pathways for traditional private and public-sector actors to develop social impact strategies, as well as motivations and pathways for social sector actors to access and leverage the capital markets and private sector methodologies. In particular, students will focus on how the application of design and technology principles can advance leading-edge work in these contexts.

The class will be structured as a 7-week seminar. Each week will be a module featuring a major concept or Social Innovation. Students will learn about the innovation mechanics and evolution, modern examples, and will consider problems and opportunities for design and technology-driven interventions. We will also aim for at least one expert guest speaker per module.

Final Project: Business Plan, Product

SPATIAL JUSTICE: DESIGN + TECH FOR EQUITY
ITPG-GT 2034
2.0 units

Designers are at the forefront of shaping space and have the power to reinforce or destabilize inequitable power relationships with space.

With that context, how can we design for human equity? What does it look like to co-create spaces/projects under the pressure of gentrifying forces? How might technology and design be anchors for safe and equitable spaces/projects of the future?

This course will explore these questions and the multiple facets that complicate and enrich design processes within communities. We will learn about models of community design center practices, civic vs. community participatory engagements, and the systems, tools and actors needed to produce legible works within a place to design for an inclusive future.

TALKING AND STORYTELLING: THE ART OF EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION
ITPG-GT 2157
2.0 units

Successfully communicating is a critical skill not only for a graduate thesis, but also in the career that will follow. It boils...
down to this question: Are you persuading, influencing, or communicating your thoughts and ideas effectively, to any audience be it three people or three hundred? In this class, we will systematically work our way through a four-step method to improve your ability to connect with your audience. We will explore the science that explains why stories work. We will tackle a basic framework for what a story is, using a process and foundation to develop any talk or presentation. Now that we have what you are going to say, we will also focus on how you say it, along with strategies to give you confidence to be your best self when speaking in front of a crowd. This is a particularly good class to take in preparation for your thesis in the Spring. This seminar examines and deconstructs verbal storytelling as a discipline in its own right. It is an exploration of speaking and storytelling as a fundamental building block of human evolution and innovation. We will look at the learnings from ancient times through modern scientific research—looking at theories attempting to explain what happens physiologically and psychologically when we are moved by a spoken narrative. This is a contextual approach that will focus on both the theory and the application in the marketplace of developing and delivering narrative as it relates to presenting oneself, a product or a service. As such, we seek to understand what drives current trends toward narrative education and storytelling as a competitive advantage in learning, communicating, persuading and influencing. Students will also contribute to designing a collaborative verbal communication template for the class and for the Final Project: a presentation that applies some of the concepts learned to themselves or their projects, products, ventures and/or service concepts.

THE USES OF DISCOMFORT
ITPG-GT 2159
2.0 units
Meaningful growth involves discomfort. For individuals, in relationships, for communities it can be a key aspect in the process of reaching a desired outcome, in what Isabella Benedetto calls "patterns of transformation". Our unique insights as designers, artists, and creative technologists can lead to innovative applications of this unorthodox tool.

The Uses of Discomfort is an experience design course where we will spend six weeks delving into how this response functions, why it's of interest to us, and what we might be able to do with it. We'll look at four broad categories (visceral, intimacy-related, control-related, and cultural) through assigned readings, in-class lectures, and creative challenges. These challenges will ask you to manage safe risks for yourself and others, putting your ideas to the test as you critically explore the course content.

Conceptual in nature, you will be expected to explore how you can apply your favored skills, technical approaches and design tools to the questions and opportunities presented. At the end of the session, you will be empowered to incorporate the course learnings into your ongoing work as designers, artists, and creative technologists. You will benefit from some prior familiarity with one or more of the following: speculative design, art-practice, concept development, or user-experience design.

Note: this class was previously called Design for Discomfort.

THESIS PART I: RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT
ITPG-GT 2098
2.0 units
We are experimenting with a change to Thesis with this pilot class. The idea is to extend thesis over both semesters, each with a 2-point class that meets every other week.

Part 1 focuses on research and concept development. Students will have the time to explore deeply into their areas of interest, narrow their focus and, finally, develop a concept and plan for their final thesis project. They will be structured assignments throughout on research methodologies and concept development techniques. They will end the semester with a paper and a plan for design and production.

WORLD IN A BOX: FROM THE AQUARIUM TO THE TERRARIUM AND BEYOND
ITPG-GT 2035
2.0 units
This open studio class is for students wishing to explore the design and construction of living systems: both terrestrial and aquatic. The labs and lectures are designed to lend clarity to the individual's pursuit, as they create their chosen 'World in a Box.' For those endeavoring to create 'smart' systems; instructor developed infrastructure will be made available to support and accelerate project velocity. Our toolkit for exploration and expression will include Raspberry Pi, building and deploying applications on Google Cloud Platform (authored in python), designing systems in Fusion 360, remote system monitoring, and motor control.

CULINARY PHYSICS
ITPG-GT 2569
3.0 units
This studio and seminar course explores the basic principles of food biochemistry, enzymology and food processing and how they relate to memory, the senses and the processing of information.

Students will also learn basic principles of molecular gastronomy and modernist cuisine as framing devices for understanding how food also functions in the context of bodily health, environmental health as well as cultural and political narratives. Our food system consists of more than food production and consumption and this class will address how science and food science plays a more integral role in this system and how this knowledge can be mined for work that creatively and functionally contributes to this emerging field.

Assignments for the class will be based on the incorporation of food science into design and technology projects that uses food as a substrate to explore and illuminate information within the food system. Workshops involve using liquid nitrogen + hydrocolloids as well as creating performative food objects and a Futurist meal.

CITIZEN SCIENCE: BIOTECHNOLOGY
ITPG-GT 2995
4.0 units
Genospace is collaborating on this course with ITP so that students can learn science literacy through several specialized workshops that will take place Genospace – topics include Biohacking (with an introduction to CRISPR) + Biomaterials. Students will create projects throughout the semester utilizing both Genospace and ITP resources. Additionally, students will learn the basics of biodesign and bioinformatics to help them frame and conceptualize their research and their projects and how best to use these skills ethically and responsibly in aesthetic and scientific ways.

Since 2009 Genospace has operated a community biology laboratory in Brooklyn stemming from the hacking, biohacking, and DIYbio movements. It currently supports citizen science and public access to biology, biotechnology, synthetic biology, genetic engineering, citizen science, open source software, open source hardware.
COMPUTATIONAL APPROACHES TO NARRATIVE
ITPG-GT 2198
4.0 units
Beginning with the release of Crowther and Woods’ “Colossal Cave Adventure” in 1977, the potential and unique affordances of computation as a means of storytelling have become more and more apparent. Combining approaches from literary theory, anthropology, computational creativity and game design, this class considers how narrative structure can be represented as data and enacted through computation, and invites students to implement practical prototypes of their own interactive and procedurally-generated narratives using a variety of technologies.

Topics include (but are not limited to) hypertext fiction, “choose your own adventure”-style branching narratives, text adventures, visual novels, story generation from grammars and agent-based simulations. Students will complete a series of bite-size weekly assignments to present for in-class critique. Each session will also feature lectures, class discussion, and technical tutorials.

Prerequisites: Introduction to Computational Media or equivalent programming experience

DATA ART
ITPG-GT 2571
3.0 unit
Fascinating and terrifying things are happening at the intersection of data and culture. Our lives are being constantly measured, and information about us is being surveilled, stolen, and commodified. Dialogue around this data revolution has been dominated by corporations, governments, and industry - but what about the arts? In this class, we’ll investigate the means by which artists can engage (and are engaging) in the collection, processing, and representation of data. Using a research-focused, prototype-based approach, we’ll build a series of collective and individual projects to interrogate the ‘new data reality’. Students will use p5.js, along with a variety of analog media or open-source data tools (such as D3.js, Miso, OpenRefine, MapBox & Leaflet).

DESERT OF THE REAL: DEEP DIVE INTO SOCIAL VR
ITPG-GT 2461
4.0 units
The virtual expansion of screens began during the 1960’s with the exploration of head-mounted displays. Since the 60’s, virtual reality has been explored in a multi-disciplinary context including philosophy, design, arts, behavioral therapy.

Baudrillard, with his publication of Simulacra and Simulation (1981), declared that human experience is being replaced by a simulation of reality (HyperReality). His theories brought the dystopian narrative of the virtual to mainstream pop-culture, as seen in films such as The Lawnmower Man and The Matrix.

Contrary to Baudrillard, Canadian VR Pioneer Char Davies brings a more positive perspective to Virtual Reality, “facilitating a temporary release from our habitual perceptions and culturally biased assumptions about being in the world, to enable us, however momentarily, to perceive ourselves and the world us freshly.”

Throughout the class, the friction between Baudrillard and Davies will create the foundation of our exploration of Virtual Reality, where we will use inverse kinematics, raycasting and face tracking technologies to explore questions such as “how does the viewer become part of the experience?” and “how does the real space relate to the virtual worlds we design?”

In the second half of the class, students will work in groups to build a final social VR project based on their exploration of the above framework.

DESIGNING FOR DIGITAL FABRICATION
ITPG-GT 2890
4.0 units
The ability to digitally fabricate parts and whole pieces directly from our computers or design files used to be an exotic and expensive option not really suitable for student or designer projects, but changes in this field in the past 5 years have brought these capabilities much closer to our means, especially as ITP students. ITP and NYU now offer us access to laser cutting, CNC routing, and 3D stereolithography. In this class, we will learn how to design for and operate these machines. Emphasis will be put on designing functional parts that can fit into a larger project or support other components as well as being successful on a conceptual and aesthetic level.

In this class, we will discover methods to design projects on CAD applications for total control of the result, and we will develop algorithmic ways to create designs from software (Processing) to take advantage of the ability to make parts and projects that are unique, customizable, dependent on external data or random. The class will include 5 assignments to create projects using the three machines (laser, router, 3D) and the opportunity to work on a final project.

DESIGNING FOR LIVE PERFORMANCE
ITPG-GT 2521
4.0 units
For centuries, great works of music, theater, and dance, have combined art and science to make integrated performances that move audiences. Today, we are seeing exciting changes as artists experiment with video and real-time interactivity to draw audiences even deeper into the performance, and enhance the shared experience of the moment. This class explores conceptual approaches to design, industry-standard software, prototyping frameworks, and data flow programming to provide student designers with the cutting-edge tools necessary to confidently collaborate with writers, directors, and performers. Structured as a studio course, students will make designs for contemporary performance pieces, and collaborate with working artists to design original projects.

ELECTRONICS FOR INVENTORS
ITPG-GT 2036
4.0 units
Today we no longer solely connected to the digital world through computers. The result of this push to connect the digital and the analog world is the increasing necessity for low cost, low power, and self-contained electronics. This course is an applications-driven intro to electronics for inventors.
Through a hands-on approach, students will learn basic concepts about analog circuits, Boolean logic, digital devices interfaces, and low-cost code-free electronics.

Topics will include basic principles of electricity, as well as an understanding of electronics components such as resistors, capacitors, diodes, transistors, audio amplifiers, and timers.

This class will use as a backbone the book "Practical Electronics for Inventors - 4th Edition" by Paul Scherz and Simon Monk.

Format: Lectures + In-class LABs + Readings

EXPERIMENTS IN AUGMENTED REALITY
ITPG-GT 2037
4.0 units
Is augmented reality technology about to enter the mainstream? AR platforms have finally become widely accessible to artists, designers, and technologists thanks to recent advances in mobile performance and a new collection of powerful computer vision techniques. As such, the medium offers rich possibilities for experimentation and a chance to rethink how we experience the intersection of the physical and digital.

In this course, students will acquire an understanding of basic concepts and techniques necessary to prototype and build simple AR experiences - with a consideration of not just visual but also aural AR. We’ll supplement practical exercises with an overview of the history of AR, and discuss the ethical, legal, and societal considerations cropping up around this topic.

Our tool of choice will be Unity, but we will go over prototyping techniques outside of the platform to speed up the design process. If there is interest, we will cover how to get started building projects in openFrameworks, mobile, or web AR - and discuss why or when you might want to work within other platforms.

Even though code samples will be provided, students are highly encouraged to have a basic understanding of Unity or at least have taken an introductory programming course. A working knowledge of Unity can be gained through Unity tutorials (https://unity3d.com/learn/tutorial/) or Lynda (https://www.lynda.com/lynda).
interactive content for live participants.

In this course, we'll focus on the types of content and interaction that can be supported through web-based and live interactive technologies as well as explore new concepts around participation. Specifically, we'll look at new and emerging platforms on the web such as HTML5, WebSockets and WebRTC using JavaScript and Node.js.

Experience with web technologies are (HTML and JavaScript) are helpful but not required. ICM level programming experience is required. (Social Software, Internet, Video)

MACHINE LEARNING FOR THE WEB
ITPG-GT 2465
4.0 units
Libraries like TensorFlow.js and ml5.js unlocked new opportunities for interactive machine learning projects in the browser. The goal of this class is to learn and understand common machine learning techniques and apply them to generate creative outputs in the browser.

This class will start with running pre-trained models and re-training models in the browser using high-level APIs from ml5.js, as well as explore the Layer APIs from TensorFlow.js to create models from scratch using custom data. This class will also cover preparing the dataset for training models.

At the completion of this course, students will have a better understanding of common and popular machine learning models, how they work, how to train these models, and their use case to creative projects. The output of the class will be examples of interactive ML web applications.

The topics that will be covered are Image/Sound/Doodle Classification, Face/Pose Recognition, Image Style Transfer, pix2pix Image Transformation, and Image Synthesis. The techniques and neural networks we will use and build include Transfer Learning, Convolutional Neural Network, Generative Adversarial Network, Reinforcement Learning, and more.

Prospective students are expected to have taken an ICM (Introduction to Computational Media) course, or have equivalent programming experience with JavaScript, HTML, CSS.

NEW INTERFACES FOR MUSICAL EXPRESSION
ITPG-GT 2227
4.0 units
In this course students create digital musical instruments and do a live performance using them. Over the semester, we look at examples of current work by creators of musical interfaces, and discuss a wide range of issues facing technology-enabled performance - such as novice versus virtuoso performers, discrete versus continuous data control, and the relationship between musical performance and visual display. Readings and class cases provide background for discussions on the theory and practice of designing controllers for musical performance. Students design and prototype a musical instrument - a complete system encompassing musical controller, algorithm for mapping input to sound, and the sound output itself. A technical framework for prototyping performance controllers is made available. Students focus on musical composition and improvisation techniques as they prepare their prototypes for live performance. The class culminates in a musical performance where students (or invited musicians) will demonstrate their instruments. Prerequisites: ITPG-GT 2233 (Introduction to Computational Media) and ITPG-GT 2301 (Physical Computing)

PERFORMING THE INTERNET
ITPG-GT 2989
4.0 units
This class seeks to use the internet and web browsers in new and disruptive ways. Rather than the traditional use of websites as static means of one-to-many communication, we will use websites as stages to perform and intervene in front of a live audience. Students will learn HTML/JavaScript as a means of making interactive websites/instruments to be played for an audience and chrome extensions, which will allow them to modify the content of existing websites to political or dramatic ends. We will draw on the art historical traditions of detournement and culture jamming to study what it means to make art out of other material with received authority. The class will also include readings and discussions on digital performing arts, and the implications of digital tools on the aesthetics of theater and performance art.

Students will learn HTML and JavaScript with a focus on interaction design with themselves or another skilled performer as the intended user, a departure from traditional user experience design. They will read and discuss critical theory and artistic examples of digital performing arts, culture jamming, mashup culture and performance art. Students will create digital instruments and performances and thoughtfully workshop the work of their classmates. Students will perform their work in front of strangers and learn to do so confidently.

The first-third of the course will be focused on making single-page instruments, first in p5js and then in HTML/JavaScript. The next third of the course will focus on chrome extensions, both applying the same interactive principles onto existing web pages and making site-specific interventions for dramatic effect. In the final third of the class students will create and rehearse a larger more polished performance using the techniques practiced thus far in the course and culminating in a public performance night for the larger ITP community.

PROTOTYPING ELECTRONIC DEVICES
ITPG-GT 2845
4.0 units
The most difficult part of prototyping is not the building process, but the process of deciding how to build. If we choose proper technology for prototypes, we can improve their robustness and simplicity.

This course will cover available and affordable technologies for ITP students to build prototypes. The course will start with soldering, wiring and LED basics. Then students will design an Arduino compatible board in Eagle, get it fabricated, assembled. And then using the debugger to dig deeper to understand how a microcontroller works.

The class will also cover multitasking, signal processing, communication, document writing and advanced skills beyond the Intro to Physical Computing class.

Each session will have lectures followed by in-class practices with guidance. The 14-week long assignment is called Do It Once—Do It Again. Bringing an idea or ongoing projects is highly encouraged.

REALITY CAPTURED
ITPG-GT 2045
4.0 units
This class focuses on the exciting creative possibilities of emerging ambisonic, photogrammetric, volumetric, and depth capture technologies including their respective applications within XR.

Instead of creating scenes, objects, and characters on a computer, more compelling and resonant opportunities for experiential storytelling can now be produced by recording real environments, things, and people.
Students will be asked to stretch their imaginations, embrace the distinct technical and aesthetic affordances of each capture technology, and then weave them together into experiential montages.

The format of the class will change week-to-week but combine lectures on experiential storytelling, group critiques, and hands-on workshops diving into ambisonic audio recording, monoscopic and stereoscopic 360 video, DSLR photogrammetry, and volumetric video capture. All of these tools are becoming part of a greater developmental ecosystem for evolving immersive and social media platforms. Students will then stylize and blend captured assets within Unity to create a demo or project based on an original idea.

While various exercises will help familiarize students with capture technologies presented in class, as well as how to utilize captured assets in Unity, experiential design will still be paramount. A major component of the curriculum will be the discussion and critique of student ideas as well as a presentation of a final project. This combined conceptual and technical focus will challenge students to experiment with an expanded sense of possibility, while also preparing them to pitch ideas for labs, residencies, and festivals.

RESEARCH METHODS IN ART AND DESIGN
ITPG-GT 2046
4.0 units
This course is intended for students planning to conduct qualitative research in a variety of different operational settings. Its topics include- case studies, data, documentary evidence, participant observation, surveys, and supportive technologies. The primary goal of this course is to assist students in preparing their thesis proposals/projects.

Description: A survey of creative and qualitative research methods applicable to the design, media and visual arts in practice.

Purpose: To assist current graduate students in comprehensive research processes and practices and, additionally, to initiate students’ preparation for executing scholarly activities and descriptive analysis. A third objective is for aspirants in the field to learn to critically unpack both quantitative and qualitative research.

Methodologies: Research requires persistence, creativity, ingenuity, and refinement. There are several different types of design-based research directions that include experimental, analytical, investigative, and etc. Students will be introduced to a full range of possibilities and world-views. The course supports advanced students at ITP to evaluate and develop novel methods and methodologies specific and appropriate to their personal research projects at this level and in the context of a practice-led research environment. A key objective is to promote innovative, experimental and ambitious research that relates to academic study and creative practice at the forefront of the field of contemporary art/media/design and related disciplines.

SENSING MACHINES
ITPG-GT 2039
4.0 units
A programming course where we’ll explore various techniques and solutions for tracking and sensing people or objects in space. Students will get familiar with the terminology and algorithms behind many sensing topics such as computer vision, depth cameras, positional tracking, coordinate mapping, machine learning, and pattern recognition. As these subjects are explored, we will also dig into communication, and how this information can be transmitted from one tool to another, for example using OSC, Spout/Syphon, MIDI, DMX/ArtNet. The goal being to use the right tool for the job and not limit ourselves to a particular piece of software.

The first classes will consist of theory and in-class exercises covering these techniques, and remaining classes will be dedicated to a special project, which should use a combination of what we’ve learned to create a new work. Students will work in small groups to build this special project, but we’ll review proposals, milestones, and work in progress collectively on every class, encouraging discussion and collaboration.

SOCIALLY ENGAGED ART AND DIGITAL PRACTICE
ITPG-GT 2156
4.0 units
Digital tools of all kinds are deeply embedded in how our society operates. Innovations in basic communication, data processing, and image manipulation and have transformed our social worlds and our artistic practice. This course will explore how digital tools are and can be used in socially engaged art practice, where art and creative work intersect directly with people and civic life, looking at artists like Stephanie Dinkins, Meredith Lackey, and Mimi Onuoha. Students will be asked to propose several projects as thought experiments, and fully realize one online/digital socially engaged project. We will review and discuss the different definitions of “socially engaged practice”, including discussions about “best practices” to use for working with different communities, and the politics of how we interact socially and how we approach the physical as well as social space around us. We will work on how digital tools have been used in socially engaged art and how they could be used further, and experiment with how online life can functions as a public space, guided by the understanding that working digitally with socially engaged concepts means both using digital tools within projects AND interrogating the inner workings of how digital practice operates socially and culturally. We will have some meetings and activities in public spaces, field trips to organizations such as Eyebeam, and practical applications of methodology, as well as two or three guest lecturers.

THE CODE OF MUSIC
ITPG-GT 2653
4.0 units
This course explores music through the lenses of computation and interactivity.

The first part of the semester is a structured exploration of rhythm, melody, timbre, and harmony. We will look into each of these elements from the standpoint of music, code, and design: each class, we will listen to examples from different periods and styles, manipulate the element programmatically, and create an interactive study around it.

During the second half of the semester we will cover algorithmic composition techniques such as Markov Chains, Neural Networks and L-systems. As students work toward their final projects, the class takes on a more self-directed approach. Final projects might be digital applications, spatial installations, or physical devices.

In-class coding and exercises will be done in P5.js, but students will be free to use other languages and frameworks for their final projects. ICM or equivalent programming experience is required.
THE NEURAL AESTHETIC  
ITPG-GT 2994  
4.0 units  
This course introduces machine learning for art and creativity. It is a broad survey of the tools, techniques, and theory needed to understand emerging AI technologies and re-appropriate it for critical inquiry and creative exploration. The contents include an accessible introduction to how modern neural networks function and their real-time and non-real-time applications, as well as an overview of current state-of-the-art techniques in deep learning. We'll build interactive systems which incorporate real-time learning into creative code environments such as Processing, p5.js, openFrameworks, Max/MSP, and PureData, as well as control software instruments which produce music and visual art. We will also explore the frontiers of generative models such as GANs and autoencoders, showing how these methods can learn to synthesize complex and information-rich images, sounds, and text.

Course materials will be based on the tools and instructional guides being developed on ml4a.github.io, along with a suite of deep learning libraries that perform important and novel tasks. A high-level, non-comprehensive introduction to coding machine learning in Python using Keras and Tensorflow will be included. Students will be provided with all of the code and supporting materials, integrated into a cloud-based computational environment ahead of time.

Although this course has no official pre-requisites, students will find it useful to catch up on fundamental computer science skills, including using a terminal and coding basic Python. One or more optional sessions for students who wish to catch up on or refresh these skills will be offered within the first two weeks.

TIME  
ITPG-GT 2040  
4.0 units  
Time is at once fundamental and mysterious. From the 2000-year-old Antikythera Mechanism to modern cesium-fountain clocks, humans have long sought to understand temporal patterns in nature, and build mechanisms to measure, reflect and predict those patterns. We're at a unique moment, one in which we've developed the ability to perceive relativistic effects on time at the smallest scales, while struggling to think and plan across generations. In this course, we'll reflect on the deep mysteries of time while also gaining hands-on skills applicable to temporal media and technologies. Topics will range from historical clock and orrery design through modern computer architecture ("A computer is a clock with benefits" writes Paul Ford in Bloomberg's issue dedicated to code).

Practically, we'll build mechanical and software clocks; experiment with time-series data and time protocols; and survey techniques for digital signal processing and real-time operating systems. Students will execute several short assignments and a final project.

UNDERSTANDING NETWORKS  
ITPG-GT 2808  
4.0 units  
Interactive technologies seldom stand alone. They exist in networks, and they facilitate networked connections between people. Designing technologies for communications requires an understanding of networks. This course is a foundation in how networks work. Through weekly readings and class discussions and a series of short hands-on projects, students gain an understanding of network topologies, how the elements of a network are connected and addressed, what protocols hold them together, and what dynamics arise in networked environments. This class is intended to supplement the many network-centric classes at ITP. It is broad survey, both of contemporary thinking about networks, and of current technologies and methods used in creating them. Prerequisites: Students should have an understanding of basic programming (Intro to Computational Media or equivalent). Familiarity with physical computing (Intro to Physical Computing or equivalent) is helpful, but not essential. Some, though not all, production work in the class requires programming and possibly physical and electronic construction. There is a significant reading component to this class as well.

Possible topics include:
- topologies: how to think about them (nodes and links), how few workable ones there are, and how there's no topology so stupid it isn't in use some place.
- addressing and routing: what a namespace is, three ways to generate a name (nesting, serial uniqueness, random pseudo- uniqueness), the difference between smart and dumb networks, why the phone network and the internet differ even though they use the same wires
- protocols: envelopes and contents, the stack and the reference lie, end-to-end principles, reliability vs. speed tradeoffs
- scale: more is different, scale breaks otherwise workable systems, makes redundancy and degeneracy critical, tends to push systems
- a discussion of security and its effects

Possible exercises include:
- Basic socket communication, both software and embedded hardware versions
- Client-server programming
- A group protocol/messaging exercise
- An HTTP/RESTful model exercise

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INTERACTIVE TELECOMMUNICATIONS/INTERACTIVE MEDIA 198
We’ll examine the basic principles of UI motion, cover how to create loopable animated states with fluid transitions between them.

**INTRO TO DESIGN FOR DIVERSITY**

**ITPG-GT 2062**

**1.0 unit**

As demographics in consumer markets and the global labor forces shift rapidly, diverse, equitable and inclusive (DEI) designers are necessary in all facets of business, from product and service design, to organizational and business design. In this multimedia and interactive Intro to Design for Diversity (D4D), students will be provided with critical thinking skills to begin viewing diversity, equity and inclusion as design processes necessary for the future wellbeing of humans. D4D is a design framework that marries design thinking with diversity, equity and inclusion best practices and frameworks to illuminate cultural and racial biases. D4D is not only a means to harm reduction, but also a way-finding tool for better business. Students will be provided with historical context and case studies of racially biased practices that are now prevalent in biased algorithms in tech, as well as the lineage of culturally biased media narratives and how that plays a central part in today’s design practices, as well as their negative impacts. Students will be provided with a shared language and the outline of the D4D framework’s 5 Key Areas to enable them to design away from dominant culture, and instead, design for all people.

**PRODUCT DESIGN: DESIGNING FOR PEOPLE**

**ITPG-GT 2479**

**2.0 units**

In this course, students will learn the process of developing products that address user needs. Students will go through the process of identifying a user need, developing a product prototype, evaluating the product with the target user, and outlining the next development steps. Topics will include such elements as need finding, archetype development, user journey maps, ideation, prototyping, user evaluation and validation.

**RECURRING CONCEPTS IN ART**

**ITPG-GT 2586**

**2.0 units**

What is the relationship between new media art and the art that preceded it? Has the revolutionary impact of digital media produced entirely independent spaces of art making and creativity? Thinking around such questions tends toward historical dialectic, or the idea that the present is always in dialogue with the past. There is a long history of ties between the making of art and technological advancement. Taking this history as its foundation, this course will explore how digital technologies have produced new arenas for artistic expression and interpretation, while focusing on how 20th-century artists working before the digital boom utilized other media, techniques and approaches to effect comparable formal, conceptual and experiential dynamics. The course has been designed to enhance perception and understanding of art through a variety of channels - from sustained, close looking to exploratory conversations to more rigorous thinking and discussions informed by readings, projects (including making projects) and written assignments.

**AUTO FICTION**

**ITPG-GT 2066**

**2.0 units**

Auto Fictions is a studio class focusing on the creation of immersive, multi-path and interactive experiences based on personal narrative. Documentary Art has included the Art of the installation for decades, but now with all the new technologies it has exploded. In this collaborative class, Grad Film students and ITP students will team up -- but each one will make a project with the help of the other. The intention here is to practice collaboration between different practices, values, and artistic cultures. to create a work of immersive fiction based on materials gathered from the past, filmed in the present or imagined for the future. The course will be taught on the 3-Legged Dog Immersive Interactive Platform a cross platform, multi modal system for immersive design and creation.

We will look at several possible approaches to the creation of immersive media works for room-sized spaces like the new Media Commons space on the second floor of 370 Jay Street -- including multiplexing software tools like Isadora, Touch Designer, Q Lab and Ableton Live. Students with the requisite knowledge may use the gaming engines, Unity or Unreal Engine for the creation of their works, but it is not required. There may be an opportunity for building intuitive interactivity into some of the experiences.

We will meet for one long day at the beginning of the semester in a workshop setting to experience the platform, create teams, and review the coming assignments. Then we will start meeting and working together on the second half of the semester.

The class will be co-led by Professor of Film and documentarian Carol Dysinger and Interdisciplinary producer, writer, director and designer Kevin Cunningham of 3-Legged Dog Media and Theater Group.

*** Please note, this is a 6-seat cross-listed course with Grad Film and TV.***

*** Students must attend the mandatory workshop***

**BIODESIGNING THE FUTURE OF FOOD**

**ITPG-GT**

**2.0 units**

We’ve been tinkering with the living systems that generate our foodstuffs for millennia. But climate change is radically and rapidly shifting these food landscapes, and the impacts include the extinction of many of the foods we love: chocolate, wine, beer, coffee and more importantly starvation for those in the world who are already food insecure.

In this class, we’ll explore biotechnologies and bioengineering along with microbes and mushrooms to design and create pathways for the restoration of some of the damage we’ve wrought on our food system. We’ll also use art and design and systems thinking to build speculative and actionable projects that will focus not just on the future of food but the future of our planet and all of its inhabitants.

This class is part of the Biodesign Challenge.

**OPEN SOURCE CINEMA**

**ITPG-GT 2865**

**2.0 units**

The medium of motion pictures will be transformed by virtual reality technologies. But the emerging hybrid form will likely have less to do with the iconic VR headset, than in the new possible flow of expression in the other direction, out of the participant. This class looks at the true potential of virtual reality as its malleability, to put ordinary users in the role of a generator of visual media as they already are in their dreams and fantasies. Democratizing media by breaking it down into discrete more easily remixable parts has historically, from DNA to alphabets to movable type led to an explosion of expression and knowledge creation. Motion pictures, perhaps our most convincing medium, is
now undergoing such a transformation thanks to virtual reality technologies. Specifically, we will look at how tools like depth cameras, motion capture, and machine learning can treat a scene as a collection of elements instead of a collection of pixels. We will work with the real-time 3D rendering capabilities available, even in your phone, for the instant contrivance of visual reality using compositing, the transformation of images and models as well as virtual camera moves. The class will also consider how the more conceptual break down of film by cinema scholars and psychologists into a thing like plots and character types might be templated into reusable formulas for non-experts to create emotionally satisfying dramatic arcs. Most importantly if cinema is made more out of open-source reusable, shared elements and templates, it becomes comparable and conversational. Instead of just having metadata such as title and genre that you use to find movies in Netflix, you have the data about the actual elements within the scene. You could find exactly how your story overlaps and intersects with others in a shared "space" of stories. In particular, AI technology shows promise in finding clusters of similar compositions across the many permutations of possible stories. This would make it more fun to share your construction of reality with friends but also potentially more responsible that your construction of reality has to be put in the context of others. Big film directors who have already discovered these new tools for especially for science fiction and fantasy films but this class is not for them. The aesthetic will be rough juxtapositions in the traditions of comics, cubism, collage, storyboards and previs that quickly capture your interior space and less concerned with meticulous verisimilitude to external physical space. Most importantly the output must be delivered in the unflattened open-source formats of the web where every element remains discrete and addressable with a URL. For these reasons, the class examples will be in internet tools like javascript, three.js, mongodb, ml5, posenet and kinectron. Students can possibly use Unity or Unreal, supported by online resources, and will find easier visual compositing and manipulation but then the backend connection and interface for comparison to other worlds less easily integrated.

REST OF YOU
ITPG-GT 2975
2.0 units
We live with illusions. The nature of these illusions has long been described in mystical practices but is now increasing corroborated by modern research such as neuroscience, behavioral economics, social psychology, embodied cognition, and evolutionary psychology. What does this have to do with computational media? With technology, we have the ability to revisit some of these vestigial illusions that made sense in ancient environments but that might limit our personal happiness or the overall functioning of modern society. Will the computer’s ability to run more objective statistical analysis on data gathered tirelessly over time, across individuals and locations allow us to more accurately see ourselves and the world as it is? Can we build computer interfaces that give a fuller expression of our experience when we are not limited by an illusory view of ourselves? The insights into how to reach people more fully come with a responsibility to then ask what should say to them. As the computers are able to understand us better than we understand ourselves will we relinquish control to them?

At a practical level, the class starts with the low hanging opportunities for finding insights in from patterns in the mounds of already digitized expression you have produced every day for years, for instance in email. We move on to creating data by digitizing signals from the less consciously controlled parts of your body using things like biosensors and cameras. We then look at the possibility of bypassing consciousness with techniques like subliminal priming to speak directly to the unconscious and affect behavior. Finally, we will look at how to manipulate shared media using things like browser extensions to fight the divisive illusions of moral reasoning that seem to just be intensified by customizable interactive media. This class will use skills from Physical Computing and ICM.

ESCAPE ROOM
ITPG-GT 2491
2.0 units
Over 7 weeks students in this course will explore different game mechanics, puzzle mechanics, group dynamics, and narrative structures and work in groups to design and build a room sized escape game. We will explore how to design immersive and participatory experiences through play and problem solving. Students will construct weekly puzzles and narratives and in the final week build and operate an "escape room" experience. Prerequisites: Physical Computing and ICM. Comfort with fabrication strongly encouraged.

MAGIC WINDOWS AND MIXED-UP REALITIES
ITPG-GT 2122
2.0 units
Magic windows that allow us to peek into different realities without leaving our physical space, lenses that reveal hidden layers of objects or navigating new universes within the same room. More than ever, mobile devices are getting a human-scale understanding of space and motion allowing us to create more intimate interactions with our surrounding spaces, leveraging them as a canvas to experience other realities. We now have the potential to give life to inanimate objects, tell stories through space, customizing private views of public spaces and recognize places we’ve never been.

We’ll question what it means and how can we blend reality exploring themes such as: augmented space and new paradigms in social interaction, public space and privacy; storytelling and navigating the physical space like turning pages in a book; tangible interfaces, mixed objects and animism; Magic windows, x-ray vision, time-machines and impossible universes; Far away so close: telepresence and remote collaboration.

The course will survey the past, current and up and coming technologies and experiences in Mixed Reality including environmental augmented reality and interactive projection mapping, handheld devices while fostering a strong user experience perspective on the affordances and constraints of each. We’ll research and discuss the design principles and guidelines for creating mixed reality experiences focusing on the links between real and virtual objects, interaction space and asymmetries between physical and digital worlds, environmental semantics and multimodal and tangible interaction.

Technologies explored will be focusing on mobile platforms (phones, tablets) including Vuforia, SLAM, image and object recognition, depth sensing, projection mapping.

Unity3D will be the development platform: students must have previous
working knowledge of Unity3D and feel comfortable with independently developing using this platform.

A working knowledge of Unity3D may be gained by going through the Unity 3D Essential Training Lynda Course prior to the course (log in to Lynda for free via http://www.nyu.edu/lynda).

PRO CAPTURE
ITPG-GT 2065
2.0 units
This advanced experiential production course will introduce students to the latest techniques for stereoscopic 360 video, manual 360 video stitching and depth map creation, camera-paired Depthkit volumetric video, and mixed-format photogrammetry. Techniques introduced in the class will presume some working knowledge of more basic forms of these capture methods as well as how to integrate them into Unity. Alongside an intense technical focus, the course will also deconstruct recent groundbreaking experiential works that utilize similar experimental production designs.

The format of each class will combine lectures and workshops with the ultimate goal of introducing students to the expectations demanded by professional productions. All of the techniques introduced are being employed by top experiential creators and creative studios. The course will try to show viable paths for students to engage with immersive media pipelines, at an expert level, with an expanded sense of possibility and inspiration.

Topics heavily examined throughout the course include: surveillance, race, socioeconomic, carceral capitalism and technoscience, algorithmic bias and oppression, and post-work societal structures.

The class assumes some experience in capture but there are no official prerequisites for this class - anyone with Comm Lab experience is a suitable candidate for the class.

100 DAYS OF MAKING
ITPG-GT 2793
2.0 units
Iteration and its impact on your creative process is the theme of this class. The format of the course turns its head on the traditional class structure and instead of focusing on syllabus that builds to a final project, the course is focused on a daily, iterative practice. Students will identify a theme, idea or topic they would like to explore over the course of 100 days and must commit to making or producing a variation on that idea and posting social evidence of their work every day for 100 days. Projects can focus on building, writing, drawing, programming, photographing, designing, composing or any creative expression. In parallel to the making, in-class lectures will examine the work of artists whose work has been defined by iteration and discuss the role of discipline and routine in the creative process.

Please note this class will have two meetings in December (dates TBD) with Katherine Dillon to establish the ground rules and to help students identify projects.

**This class meets every other week during the semester for 7 sessions, across 14-weeks).***

DESIGNING MEANINGFUL INTERACTIONS
ITPG-GT 2805
2.0 units
This class will focus on the skills and frameworks for putting the user at the center of the design process and ensuring the products and experiences we create meet user needs and expectations. The course will cover the full design process including strategies for conducting design research, methods for creating journey and experience maps, wireframing, ideating, prototyping and user testing. Students will be active participants in the class and should come to every class with a computer and sketchbook. The class format will include lecture, in-class design exercises and a final design project.

SOUND IN SPACE
ITPG-GT 2485
2.0 units
Stereo (2-speaker) sound is the default way we produce and distribute most audio. This class challenges the stereophonic-centricity of digital sound and instead focuses on the context of listening, interfacing and interacting with audio beyond 2 speakers. Students will learn how to work with multichannel speaker systems to create room-scale interactive music and sonic environments. We will explore conventional and unconventional loudspeaker arrangements starting first with mono (one channel) and working our way up to 40 speakers.

Together, we will examine the affordances and limitations of spatial and multichannel sound using Javascript (Tone.js) and Max/MSP. Students will perform/install their final on the 40-channel speaker array at Dave & Gabe’s studio in Bushwick.

COMICS
ITPG-GT 2925
2.0 units
Open to anyone who wants to create comics regardless of drawing experience. Drawing experience UNNECESSARY!

In this course students will learn the building blocks of comics – the myriad ways to pair words and images, panels, borders and color – by doing weekly assignments, in class drawing exercises and studying specific graphic novels, comics books and digital/interactive comics.

The last two weeks of class will be devoted to a specific project that can be combined with work in another class. Comics are a powerful medium to tell personal stories, narrative medicine stories, as a tool for advocacy, and for producing a riveting tale of your choosing. We will discuss how comics can be used for entertainment as well as a tool for change. Mostly we will MAKE COMICS.

Please bring:
A notebook of your choosing to class.
A uni ball black pen, fine tip.

PAPER ENGINEERING 101 AND DESIGNING FOR CHILDREN
ITPG-GT 2187
2.0 units
The class will focus on the many overlooked aspects of paper and how it can be used as a three-dimensional material. We will review the disciplines of pop-ops, origami, paper craft, as well as visual design. Using these methods as a starting point, students will then build prototypes exploring new ways to tell stories, inform, interact, play with, engage, and challenge a younger audience. Most classes are hands-on; the rest are dedicated to critique (including from children), analysis, and refinement, both technical and conceptual. We will discuss how projects can be mass produced and distributed. Students will build three prototypes during the semester. From these, each student will select a favorite to fully develop as the final.
think of these connections; but the connections are there. Digital security is much more than an industry buzzword—it encompasses technosocial idealism, open source development, and symbiotic coordination between sectors in tech, the humanities, and civic society.

Certainly, we’re going to talk about Signal, Tor, VPNs, and OTR. But let’s dig even deeper. In this course, students will learn the principles of digital security; from end-to-end encryption, to circumvention technology, resilient communications, and beyond. Part lab exploration, part oral history, and part prototyping workshop, students will come away with the tools they need to undertake development projects with end-user security in mind; and foster an appreciation for digital security’s integral, timely, and often life-saving role in human rights struggles across the globe.

**DIGITAL SECURITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS**
ITPG-GT 2188
2.0 units
What do WhatsApp and Nelson Mandela have in common? How about Mr. Robot and the UN Council for Human Rights? When most people think “digital security”, they rarely
AUTONOMOUS ARTIFICIAL ARTISTS
ITPG-GT 2497
2.0 units
Autonomous Artificial Artists (AAA) is a class to explore ways of making artworks “autonomous.” In this context, “autonomy” brings together three independent but related criteria: 1) artificial intelligence being a primary determinant in an artwork's aesthetics 2) autonomous software principles culled from peer-to-peer network design, blockchain and decentralization technology, serverless and federated machine learning, cryptoeconomics, and agent-based multiplayer simulation. 3) crowd-sourced art where mass, unbounded cooperation of many participants creates novel artworks which represent the “have mind” or collective input.

The goal of this class is to learn a little bit about each of these seemingly disparate fields, and see how they may interact in interesting new ways. The idea of autonomous artworks is very new, and is being actively discussed by a small group of interdisciplinary researchers and artists since 2016/2017. Although the topic is highly experimental, it is nevertheless based on concrete technologies, making simultaneous use of several techniques which are under active development and have potentially far-reaching ramifications well outside the domain of art. The time is ripe for people within more design-oriented fields to begin thinking about how they might be used in a broader context.

The class has both a theoretical component (learning about each of the individual technologies and their interplay) as well as a practical component: training and deploying generative models on computational environments that are as close to decentralized or autonomous as possible. In addition, we will explore prior notions of crowd-sourced or mass-collaborative art, touching on older principles and strategies such as Oulipo, exquisite corpse, and crowd-sourced computational artworks like Electric Sheep, Exhausting a Crowd, and others.

INTRODUCTION TO SYNTHETIC MEDIA
ITPG-GT 2054
2.0 units
Generative machine learning models open new possibilities for creating images, videos, and text. This class explores the idea of how artists, designers and creators can use machine learning in their own design process. The goal of this class is to learn and understand some common machine learning techniques and use them to generate creative outputs. Students will learn to use pre-trained models, and train their own models in the cloud using Runway. For each week, we will discuss the history, theory, datasets, application of the machine learning models, and build experiments based on the model. In addition to Runway, we will be using JavaScript libraries like the p5.js, ml5.js, and TensorFlow.js, and software like Photoshop, Unity and Figma. Students are expected to have taken ICM (Introduction to Computational Media), or have equivalent programming experience with Python or JavaScript. A list of ML models we will be covering includes: Image generation, Style Transfer, Fast-style-transfer, Semantic Image Segmentation/Synthesis, DeepLab, Image-to-Image Translation, pix2pix, pix2pixHD, Text Generation and LSTM.

BIG LEDS
ITPG-GT 2481
2.0 units
This course will cover the process of creating large LED systems. The main goal of this course will be to explain the hardware related to large LED arrays, and how to interface it with software like touch designer, mad mapper, and processing. We will go through every major part of the hardware - different styles of LED arrays, drivers and gateways, cables, data protocols, and how to safely power all of them. We will also cover what paperwork it takes to furnish a professional LED installation - creating the riser diagram, plan view, section view, elevation, bill of materials, and instructions.

CONNECTED DEVICES AND NETWORKED INTERACTION
ITPG-GT 2565
2.0 units
The World Wide Web no longer stops at the edge of your screen. When it comes to products, if it powers up, it talks to another device. This class present an overview of methods for connecting the physical world to web-based applications. We'll consider what the emerging interaction patterns are, if any, and we'll develop some of our own as needed. This class can be seen as a narrower and more interaction design-based complement to Understanding Networks. The latter class provides a broader overview of the dynamics of data networks, while this class focuses specifically on the challenges of connecting embedded devices to web-based services. Neither class is a prerequisite for the other, however. The 2-point version of this class will introduce network connection techniques for devices using microcontrollers like the MKR1000 or ESP8266 and processors running an embedded operating system like the Raspberry Pi or BeagleBone.

You will have 4 assignments in this class. Weeks 4 and 5 are the same assignment, on different platforms. You'll be assigned a platform by coin toss or volunteer in week 4, so that we have an equal number of projects on each platform.

CRITICAL COMMUNICATIONS
ITPG-GT 2056
2.0 units
The ways in which we communicate has changed radically in the last 100 years. As the communication systems we use have increased in complexity, so has the effort it takes to understand how they work. Most of us use protocols like LTE, HTTP, TCP/IP, and BLE every day. We take them for granted, almost like we do the laws of nature. But there are more than the laws of physics, more than techniques of engineering, embedded in the design and implementation of our protocols of communication. To understand their role in our lives, we need to look into the societal and economic contexts in which they came to be.

In this class, we will examine communication protocols using Raspberry Pi’s, Arduinos, Software Defined Radios, and other connected devices. We will look closer at organizations like iSOC, ICANN and IEEE to better understand how protocol designs are implemented and standardized. Through readings, research and hands-on work we will build an understanding of how these protocols work, how their designs incorporate the physical, technical, cultural, corporate
and political assumptions of the actors behind them.

In the first half of the class readings and assignments will help familiarize students with some of the different protocols we rely on every day. In the second half, students will work in groups to investigate a communications protocol and consider its impact from a technical, societal and environmental perspective. Final projects will communicate their findings in whatever form students deem appropriate - explanatory blog posts, physical or digital installations, or even videos and podcasts.

DEVICE TO DATABASE
ITPG-GT 2473
How do you process data from connected devices? This class examines how to build systems to collect, process, store, and visualize data from connected devices. The class will review and discuss real world IoT systems using case studies and actual projects. We will build system using Arduino hardware and open source software. We will discuss how to IoT systems are built on commercial cloud infrastructure. Students will learn about IoT devices and the data pipelines for processing data. They will build an Arduino based device to send and receive data over WiFi via MQTT. Students will write code to move data from MQTT into a database. Students will learn how to query the database and present data as tabular data and graphs.

To gain an understanding of an entire IoT system from device to application, we will start at a high level and then drill into each of the pieces—we will:

- Discuss sensor hardware and wireless options (WiFi, Cellular, LoRa, LTE-M, etc) for moving data to the server
- Discuss transport options MQTT, CoAP, AMQP, HTTPS, etc.
- Examine SQL, NoSQL, and Time Series Database
- Look at tools and techniques for querying and visualizing data.

Prerequisite:

- Introduction to Physical Computing
- Introduction to Computational Media (suggested)

The class will be a mix of lecture, discussion, and building IoT systems. Real world examples and case studies will be used to demonstrate how IoT can be built.

EXPLORING CONCEPTS FROM SOFT ROBOTICS
ITPG-GT 2125
(2.0 units)
The dirty, open secret of soft robotics is that no one has monetized it yet. Precisely because the full potential of emerging field of soft systems, particularly soft actuators, is unrealized, there are countless opportunities for curious innovators to discover or develop novel soft systems. This course teaches hands-on fabrication techniques for constructing simple pneumatic actuators from cast silicone and heat-sealed mylar, and challenges participants to design and build their own. Lectures and discussion center on concepts from soft innovation history, the current state-of-the-art, and sister disciplines of bio-inspired and hybrid (soft/hard) robotics. Consideration of both brand new soft materials, from a class visit to Material ConnXion, and everyday overlooked soft mechanisms, found in average retail stores, will require participants to look at softness through a new lens. Final projects will be the development of an original soft/flexible/hybrid research concept presented with context, material swatches with justifications for choices, and physical or modeled proof-of-concept.

This course will discuss ideas from simulations and control systems, but will not be hands-on in these topics.

*** This class meets every other week during the semester for 7 sessions, across 14-weeks. ***

MACHINE LEARNING FOR PHYSICAL COMPUTING
ITPG-GT 2050
2.0 units
With Machine Learning models getting smaller, and microcontrollers are getting more computing power, Machine Learning is moving towards edge devices. This class explores the idea of how machine learning algorithms can be used on microcontrollers along with sensor data to build Physical Computing projects.

In this class, we will learn about TensorFlow Lite, a library that allows you to run machine learning algorithms on microcontrollers. We will talk about common machine learning algorithms and techniques and apply them to build hands-on interactive projects that enrich our daily lives.

Students will learn to use pre-trained models, and re-train the models with sensor data. We are going to talk about Image Classification, Transfer Learning, Gesture and Speech Detection. For each topic, we will discuss its history, theory, datasets, and applications, and then build simple experiments based on the topic.

Prospective students are expected to have taken Introduction to Physical Computing and Introduction to Computational Media course, or have equivalent programming experience with Arduino and JavaScript.

TECHNOLOGY, MEDIA AND DEMOCRACY: ADDRESSING CHALLENGES TO AN INFORMED ELECTORATE
ITPG-GT 2184
3.0 units
Across the City's universities, the Technology, Media and Democracy program will bring together journalism, design, and technical disciplines to understand the various threats to journalism and media, and attempt to address these challenges using technical and computational methods and techniques. The free press, journalism and the media are some of the most critical elements of our democracy, but have been increasingly under attack by political and market forces. These challenges include: dwindling resources and support for deep investigative journalism; smear, law and technical and even physical assaults of media organizations and journalists; challenges to credibility and reliability including fake news and discrediting campaigns; and shifting business models and income sources that threaten both local and national news organizations and coverage. This course will include various elements that will help frame the problem and build/prototype solutions.

*** This class is cross-listed with DM-GY 9103—B (16549). Only 9 seats will be offered via the Lottery. There are mandatory Monday evening field trips which take place off-campus. ***

LOOKING FORWARD
DM-GY 9103—B
3.0 units
This course surveys assistive technologies for people with low vision and blindness, from historical, contemporary, and forward-thinking perspectives. Guest lectures from leaders in the field and people with lived experience will help students learn about low-vision and blindness accessibility across several domains (web, wayfinding, literacy, socialization, etc.). In the second half of the class, students will partner with each other and clients/community members
to develop their own projects that transform and advance these technologies.

* * * This is an IDM course only. Only 6 seats will be offered via the Lottery. All post-Lottery registration inquiries should be directed to IDM administrator Eric Maiello (em1680@nyu.edu). * * *

ACCESSIBILITY AND ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY IN HISTORICAL SITES AND MUSEUMS
DM-GY 9103—M
3.0 units
This multidisciplinary course allows students from a variety of backgrounds to work together to learn about and develop assistive technology for historical sites and museums. Students will work in teams to develop prototypes for individuals with diverse motor, cognitive, sensory, and behavior-emotional abilities.

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ELECTRONIC RITUALS, ORACLES AND FORTUNE-TELLING
ITPG-GT 2120
4.0 units
According to anthropologists Filip de Boeck and Rene Devisch, divination 'constitutes a space in which cognitive structures are transformed and new relations are generated in and between the human body, the social body and the cosmos.' In this class, students will learn the history of divination, engage in the practice of divination, and speculate on what forms divination might take in a world where the human body, the social body, and even the cosmos(!) are digitally mediated. Starting with an understanding of ritual and folk culture, we will track the history of fortune-telling from the casting of lots to computer-generated randomness to the contemporary revival of Tarot; from reading entrails to astrology to data science; from glossolalia to surrealist writing practices to the "ghost in the machine" of artificial intelligence. Weekly readings and assignments culminate in a final project.

MATERIAL OF LANGUAGE
ITPG-GT 2051
4.0 units
Language is more than just words and meanings: it's paper and ink, pixels and screens, fingertips on keyboards, voices speaking out loud. Language is, in a word, material. In this course, students will gain an understanding of how the material of language is represented digitally, and learn computational techniques for manipulating this material in order to create speculative technologies that challenge conventional reading and writing practices. Topics include asemic writing, concrete poetry, markup languages, keyboard layouts, interactive and generative typography, printing technologies and bots (alongside other forms of radical publishing). Students will complete a series of weekly readings and production-oriented assignments leading up to a final project. In addition to critique, sessions will feature lectures, class discussions and technical tutorials. Prerequisites: Introduction to Computational Media or equivalent programming experience.

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT STUDIO
ITPG-GT 2564
4.0 units
This is an environment for students to work on their existing project ideas that may fall outside the topic areas of existing classes. It is basically like an independent study with more structure and the opportunity for peer learning. This particular studio is appropriate for projects in the area of interactive art, programming, physical computing and digital fabrication. There are required weekly meetings to share project development and exchange critique. Students must devise and then complete their own weekly assignments updating the class wiki regularly. They also must present to the class every few weeks. When topics of general interest emerge, a member of the class or the instructor takes class time to cover them in depth. The rest of the meeting time is spent in breakout sessions with students working individually or in groups of students working on related projects.

SUBTRACTION
ITPG-GT 2719
4.0 units
Subtractive fabrication is a common manufacturing process that produces durable and functional objects. This class will cover multiple techniques on machining and milling raw material into custom parts. We will focus on both traditional and digital fabrication tools: lathe, CNC router, 4 axis mill, etc. We will cover CAD, CAM, and machine setups as well as research affordable desktop milling solutions for personal shops.

The class will be hands on and fabrication heavy, paying close attention to precision, accuracy, and craftsmanship.

There will be weekly fabrication exercises, a midterm, and a final project. It’s mill-er time.

THE NEW ARCADE
ITPG-GT 2065
4.0 units
With platforms like Steam and Itch.io making independent games more accessible to the public, we’re starting to see a movement toward physical installations of indie games as well. The New Arcade pays tribute to arcade cabinet designs of the 80’s and 90’s, but infuses them with new interfaces, LED lighting, and digitally fabricated components.

In this class, students will learn how to use the Unity game engine to design a simple arcade game. They’ll learn about aspects that separate an arcade game from other types of games, and interface their game with different kinds of hardware using microcontrollers.

In the second half of the class, they will construct a new arcade experience using digital fabrication tools like laser cutters, 3D printers, and CNC machines. The class will culminate in a physical installation that showcases their game in a public gallery.

THE WORLD, PIXEL BY PIXEL
ITPG-GT 2273
4.0 units
This class focuses on the art of computer graphics and image processing. We explore the concepts of pixilation, image representation and granularity and the tension between reality and image. Students are introduced to the tools and techniques of creating dynamic and interactive computer images from scratch, manipulating and processing existing images and videos, compositing and transitioning multiple images, tracking and masking live video, compositing and manipulating live video as well as manipulating depth information from Kinect. The class uses Processing.

PLAYFUL EXPERIENCES
ITPG-GT 2467
4.0 units
Forget the screen. People want to be part of the action. They don’t want to
watch detectives and control superhero avatars. They want to solve the mystery and be the hero. They want to experience it. We see this craving for playful experience in everything from immersive theater to escape rooms to the Tough Mudder to gamified vacation packages. Designing live experiences for large audiences that demand agency offers a distinct set of challenges, from how much choice you give each participant to how many people you can through the experience. We'll look at examples from pervasive games to amusement parks to immersive theater, examining both the design choices and technology that make the experiences possible. Along the way we'll create large, playful experiences that put the participant at the center of the action.

**EXPERIMENTS IN AUGMENTED REALITY**
ITPG-GT 2037
4.0 units

Is augmented reality technology about to enter the mainstream? AR platforms have finally become widely accessible to artists, designers, and technologists thanks to recent advances in mobile performance and a new collection of powerful computer vision techniques. As such, the medium offers rich possibilities for experimentation and a chance to rethink how we experience the intersection of the physical and digital.

In this course, students will acquire an understanding of basic concepts and techniques necessary to design, prototype, and build simple AR experiences - with a consideration of not just visual but also aural AR. We'll focus on the design/UX of AR experiences as well as the technical foundations necessary to actually code these experiences. We'll supplement design/coding exercises with an overview of the history of AR and discuss a broad range of use cases. Our tool of choice will be Unity and the web stack, but we will go over prototyping techniques outside of these platforms to speed up the design process.

**IN AND OUT OF REALITY: INTEGRATIVE MIXED-REALITY (XR) STUDIO**
ITPG-GT 2060
4.0 units

There is a substantial gap between what AR/VR is capable of today and the future that enthusiasts envision. The hardware is progressing, yet there are lack of design tools and methodologies. Effective augmented and virtual reality games and experience require good storytelling, animation, production and solid graphics. Students will learn a myriad of processes including spatial interface design, volumetric capture, working with spatial audio, porting animations and game programming.

This course presumes no prior knowledge and is intended to jump start a career in AR/VR development and interaction design. The goal is to have relevant portfolio projects for entering industry. Students will create content in Unity 3D to agnostically deploy on headsets, mobile phones or tablets. Students will have access to a wide range of available hardware.

In the beginning of the course, students will learn to implement the most important AR/VR interaction concepts – concepts such as selection, manipulation, travel, wayfinding, menus and inputting text in Unity 3D. In the latter part of the course, students will implement prototypes that will be periodically critiqued by experts at Oculus, Magic Leap, Google, and other top companies.

*You do not need to be a programmer. This is intended for students interested in interaction design, sound design and game development. All are important for immersive development*

**LIVE IMAGE PROCESSING AND PERFORMANCE**
ITPG-GT 2422
4.0 units

This course teaches the ins and outs of using imagery in real-time within a performance context. The class will use Max/MSP/Jitter to study various ways of manipulating visual media (video, still imagery, live camera feeds) in integration with various interactive elements (sound, physical interfaces, sensors) in order to create dynamic and replicable performance systems. We will look at ways in which images are represented by a computer in order to increase our understanding of these systems and expand our visual/digital palette. We will then apply that understanding to a variety of different performance formats and contexts while discussing strategies and techniques for creating compelling performances.

Students will be assigned a short solo performance based on the ideas of video collage, remix, and expanded cinema as well as a group project based on concepts of object theater & experimental animation. Students will propose and perform a longer form performance as part of a final presentation in the form of a group show that will be arranged by the instructor.

In depth in class workshops centered around Max + performance practice and critique.

**SYNTHETIC ARCHITECTURES**
ITPG-GT 2177
4.0 units

For better or worse humanity is heading down the virtual rabbit hole. We’re trading an increasingly hostile natural environment for a socially networked and commercially driven artificial one. Whether it’s the bedrooms of YouTube streaming stars, the augmented Pokéstops of Pokémon Go, the virtual tourism of the latest humanitarian crisis or even the “airspace” of Airbnb; we are witnessing a dramatic transformation of what occupying space means.

So where are these dramatic spatial paradigm shifts occurring? Who owns and occupies these spaces? Who are the architects and what historical and ethical foundations are they working from? What world do they want to build for humanity and where does the creative individual fit into it? Will it be a walled garden, a role-playing adventure or a tool for creating more worlds?

The course will ask students to embrace the role of virtual architect, not in the traditional brick-and-mortar sense of constructing shelter, but in terms of the engagement with the raw concept of space. However, this virtual space must be considered and evaluated as a “site” that is activated and occupied by real people and all the limitations of physical space that they bring with them from the real world. This is the foundation of synthetic architecture; simulated space met with biological perception.

This conceptual architecture is free from the confines of physics but host to a whole new set of questions: How do we embrace the human factors of a dimensionless environment? How do we make or encourage meaningful interactions within the limits of current technology? New models of interaction must inform and shape the architecture of virtual space - what does that look like? How can architecture and aesthetics inform the creation of virtual environments and immersive narratives? How do we acutely consider the psychological and social impacts of the worlds we design and what is the metaphorical ground plane to make sense of this virtual world, unbound by physics?
**VIDEO SCULPTURE**  
ITPG-GT 2193  
4.0 units  
Sculpture is defined as a three-dimensional form of artistic expression concerned with space: occupying it, relating to it, and influencing the perception of it. In this class, we will look at new ways of implementing video mapping, interactive time-based media and augmented reality as a medium for creating engaging interactive physical and virtual sculptures. How do we create video sculptures that move, emote and react to our presence? The course will focus on taking video off the screen and into three-dimensional space in the form of site-specific and or physical installation. Through a series of weekly experiments and assignments, students will work with projection, video mapping, mixed reality and physical sensors to hack video into meaningful works of art. Class will be divided between lectures, guest speakers and critical discussion/presentation of work.

**MUSIC INTERACTION DESIGN**  
ITPG-GT 2475  
4.0 units  
This class is a project development studio for interactive music projects — that is, pieces of music that are not linear, but rather offer multiple elements. This work will inform the gathering aural and visual references, tools and techniques. The project will work with projection, video mapping, mixed reality and physical sensors to hack video into meaningful works of art. Class will be divided between lectures, guest speakers and critical discussion/presentation of work.

**CHOREOGRAPHIC INTERVENTIONS**  
ITPG-GT 2175  
4.0 units  
This course re-conceives interactive media as a form of choreographic intervention. Instead of asking how moving bodies can control media, we will ask how interactive systems can influence movement. How do you make someone feel soft inside? How do you shake an entire room? How do you orchestrate duets between strangers? To accomplish this, the class facilitates a semester-long collaboration between ITP students and dancers from the Barnard/Columbia Dance Department. Choreographers will learn to apply computational thinking to choreography and creative coders will learn to apply choreographic thinking to computation. To whatever extent possible, we will attempt to embody code.

Using computer vision and visual media, we will look at directing both how people move (quality of movement) as well as where they move (pathways and spatial relationships). We will evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of the various sensing technologies available to us today. How wide is the gulf between what we can see and feel (strength, hardness, contortion) and what a computer can see and interpret (locations, contours, velocity, acceleration)? Class time will be split between movement exercises, playing with examples and deconstructing code. The class will culminate in a final showing of student work.

**COLLECTIVE PLAY**  
ITPG-GT 2176  
4.0 units  
Rules of play shape competitive games from checkers to football. But how do the rules of interaction shape non-competitive play? In this course, we will explore, code and test design strategies for playful group interactions while at the same time interrogating both what it means to play and how individual identities and group behaviors.

Some of the questions we will ask and attempt to answer:
- What motivates participation? What hinders it?
- When does participation become oppressive?
- What’s the difference between self-consciousness and self-awareness?
- Who has power? Who doesn’t?
- Are leaders necessary?
- What’s the difference between taking turns and engaging in conversation?
- What happens when the slowest person sets the pace?

Interaction inputs we will play with will include: mouse, keyboard, mobile device sensors, and microphone. Outputs will include, visuals, text and sound. We will use p5, websockets and node.js for real-time interaction. Class time will be split between playing with and critiquing examples and translating design strategies into code and logic.

**CABINETS OF WONDER**  
ITPG-GT 2470  
4.0 units  
If you were inventing a museum today, what would it look like? Who would be there? What would its main purpose be? What would the audience experience? The first museums were called Cabinets of Wonder. Usually, a viewer with a guide, often the collector, would open doors and drawers to see what was inside—amazing things from different parts of the world, different times. They were windows on the world to places the visitors would probably never be able to go; to see things they would never otherwise be able to see. And now there’s television, movies, the internet and travel. Why do people go to museums now? Will they in the future? Today, most museums seek to educate and to include more and more diverse visitors than they used to. How do people learn in public spaces? How do we know that they do? How can they make use of the...
new interactive technologies and not lose what’s special about them? The class is an exploration, observation, theory, and design class for you to imagine the future of museums. Museum and exhibit visits are your primary assignments for the first half of the course—usually accompanied by a reading. You will also make some record of your visit (including a sketchbook, a diorama, reviews). There will be guest speakers from Museums and exhibit design firms, and several field trips. In the second half of the course, you begin to imagine how you might reinvent a museum and develop a full-scale presentation of your own Cabinet of Wonder.

PLAYFUL COMMUNICATION OF SERIOUS RESEARCH
ITPG-GT 2974
4.0 units
Exhibition design is the art of marrying experience and information. The best does so seamlessly; the very best surprise and delight you along the way. In this class, you will explore the craft of interactive exhibition design through practice. Working in small groups, you will select an NYU researcher whose work is of interest to you and create an interactive experience that presents this research to a broader, public audience. In the process, you will learn to interrogate content and form, audience and environment, medium and message to create a meaningful and playful exhibit experience.

CRITICAL OBJECTS
ITPG-GT 2496
4.0 units
Art, design and experimental electronics can be great tools for inciting discussions of complex issues such as privacy, sexism, racism, economic inequality and climate change. This course aims to provoke thoughtful discussions of pressing issues through the combination of Art, Industrial Design and Embedded Electronics (sensors, actuators, Wi-Fi enabled microcontrollers - ESP32, raspberry pis). Topics will include technological disobedience, adversarial design and critical engineering. In this 14-week class, students will combine technology, design, and critical theory to build Art Objects / Interactive Sculptures that are aesthetically intriguing while socially relevant.

This is a production heavy four-credit course, where students will learn about industrial design and tangible interactions.

MOBILE LAB
ITPG-GT 2180
4.0 units
One of the most transformative consumer products in history, the iPhone remains the standard bearer for great design and user experience. With the latest versions of iOS and iPhone, Apple puts depth sensing and augmented reality in our pockets. How do we take advantage of this incredible platform to produce our own compelling experiences?

This course will be a hands-on workshop where we explore the world beyond generic apps and push the boundaries of what’s possible on iOS hardware. Each week, you’ll be asked to complete a programming exercise meant to foster your understanding of iOS application development. While the exercises will vary in difficulty from week to week, we will always challenge you to explore some novel aspect of experience/interaction / interface design in your solution.

Students should expect to spend additional time outside of class learning Swift and other related programming concepts. Full-time access to an iOS device and a Mac laptop running the latest operating systems are required.

As part of the design process, we’ll host workshops and guest critiques with designers from top studios around New York City.

At the end of the class, students will have a strong basis for future mobile design and application work.

DESIGNING THE ABSURD
ITPG-GT
4.0 units
Inspired by the Japanese art of Chindōgu, this class will introduce a playful and whimsical approach to learn industrial design.

In this 14-week studio format class, students will develop gadgets, inventions, and electronic devices that present absurd solutions to problems, while learning concepts and techniques of design ideation, prototyping, model making, CMF (color, material, and finishes), and manufacturing.

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VEILLANCE
ITPG-GT 2469
4.0 units
The course title, “Veillance” is a reference to the root of “surveillance” and “sousveillance”, watching from above and watching from below respectively. As digital media becomes a greater part of our everyday lives, it is important to understand the new forms of surveillance that it enables as well as to harness these capabilities and perhaps to create systems of sousveillance.

Through the course, we’ll critically examine technologies that have become integral part of our lives; the technologies that drive the internet, the capabilities of web browsers, mobile phones, and the emerging class of networked devices such as IP cameras and Amazon’s Alexa and Google Home. Through the course of this examination, we’ll look at how this technology works, the policies that govern their use, what their benefits are, and finally look at what we are giving up by embracing them. This will be a hands-on endeavor; we’ll develop software to illustrate their use and misuse as well as looking for ways that we can harness their “veillance” capabilities for creative, educational, and possibly subversive purposes. Of course, in this process, we’ll pay particular attention to ethical and moral concerns.

The course will have weekly reading and technical assignments, encompasses group work, and will culminate final projects.

ARTIST’S LIFE
ITPG-GT 2057
4.0 units
This class will introduce the basic skills and resources required to pursue a career as an artist. Students will learn the day to day tasks of working artists, such as writing critically about their own work, drafting grant proposals, and planning the business administration of their studios. They will also learn how to balance commercial and experimental projects, collaboration and community work, and teaching and studio practice. They will engage in the critical text about ethical dilemmas of working with art institutions, corporations and academia. By the end of class, students will write a personal statement, update an art portfolio, and apply for an artist residency. While the class will focus on contemporary art and artists, students who are interested in other disciplines may benefit from learning about entrepreneurship, authorship and cultural industry.
DATA AND PUBLICS
ITPG-GT 2053
4.0 units
In this course, we'll investigate two closely related ideas: public data and data publics. We'll learn how to access and represent data from an assortment of existing public data sources, how to liberate currently obfuscated data sets, and how to create our own useful/whimsical/critical APIs from scratch. We'll also investigate the act of putting data into public space - through sculpture, projections, performance, and participatory interventions. Particular attention will be paid to methods which bring data back to communities from which it was collected, and to tactics which build grassroots literacies, respect local ways of knowing and reinforce capabilities for stewardship and sovereignty.

MATH FOR ARTISTS
ITPG-GT 2058
4.0 units
In this class students will learn math tools to boost their digital practice, fix common problems, and understand the math behind our human perception of the physical world. This course spans different branches of math including geometry, linear algebra, logarithmic thinking, and statistics as they relate to a programmer making digital art with our contemporary media ecosystem. The aim of this course isn't to become calculators, rather strengthen our intuition through historical and ethnemathematics perspectives and foster a new relationship to math. The prerequisites to this class are basic arithmetic skills and an introduction to programming. We will create applications using free and open-source software, including Python and p5.js.

THE NATURE OF CODE
ITPG-GT 2480
4.0 units
Can we capture the unpredictable evolutionary and emergent properties of nature in software? Can understanding the mathematical principles behind our physical world help us to create digital worlds? This class focuses on the programming strategies and techniques behind computer simulations of natural systems. We explore topics ranging from basic mathematics and physics concepts to more advanced simulations of complex systems. Subjects covered include physics simulation, trigonometry, self-organization, genetic algorithms, and neural networks.

Examples are demonstrated in JavaScript using p5.js (https://p5js.org). Much of the class time will be dedicated to in-class exercises and self-study as the course is available online through a video series (https://www.youtube.com/user/shiffman/playlists) and textbook (http://natureofcode.com/book).

Prerequisite: ITPG-GT 2233
Introduction to Computational Media or equivalent programming experience.

ENERGY
ITPG-GT 2466
4.0 units
Energy has been called the "universal currency" (Vaclav Smil) but also "a very subtle concept… very, very difficult to get right" (Richard Feynman). Building on skills developed in physical computing, we will, through generating and measuring electricity, gain a more nuanced and quantitative understanding of energy in various forms. We will turn kinetic and solar energy into electrical energy, store that in batteries and capacitors, and use it to power small projects. Several sessions will include hands-on labs. We will develop skills useful in a variety of undertakings, from citizen science to art installations, and address a range of topics through the lens of energy. Students will build a final project using skills learned in the class.

HOMEMADE HARDWARE
ITPG-GT 2767
4.0 units
Hardware is not hard, and new tools at ITP make it easier than ever to make custom circuit boards for your projects. Students will learn how to grow from a breadboard to their own surface mount PCB, all without leaving the floor. This class is about artists and designers taking control of their hardware, and exploring the potential of embedding their projects into the world around them.

Students will learn Eagle CAD, micro-milling machines, drawing schematics, electronics theory, ordering parts, surface-mount components, solder paste, stenciling, reflow, pick-and-place, and more.

Two projects will be assigned. The first is a class project, where each student will make their very first surface-mount PCB. The second project is the final, and we will be spending the rest of the semester focused on iterating through prototypes and final designs.

INTANGIBLE INTERACTION
ITPG-GT 2055
4.0 units
Have you noticed that we don't need to "touch" anything while using bathrooms in our new home at 370 Jay Street? The toilets, faucets, dryers, even paper towel dispensers, all have sensors that allow them to detect when they are needed. Have you seen interfaces that allow people to type with different body postures? How about musical instruments that you can play by waving your hands in the air?

This course will focus on researching and designing intangible interactions. Intangible interactions are those that we engage in without involving direct physical contact. Intangible interfaces don't have a tangible form that explicitly instructs us how to interact with them; and these interactions utilize other forms of feedback than those we feel through touch. While technologies used for intangible interaction--such as computer vision and sensors--are now more accessible, knowledge around the design and implementation of effective intangible interactions is a much less documented subject.

We will explore practical, artistic, and whimsical applications of intangible interaction and look at the ways it can enhance human-computer interactions in our everyday lives. For example, it can allow new ways to interact with educational exhibits, artifacts, and artworks. We will explore intangibility as a poetic medium that can open up possibilities for creating work that challenges human senses and perception. We will also question and discuss what it means for an interaction to be "intuitive" and what are the cultural and social implications that we need to consider in designing these.

Technical topics that will be discussed in the class include: non-touch-based sensors including optical sensors; proximity sensing; optimizing sensor readings on Arduino; extending capability of sensors with light pipes and lenses; object tracking with cameras and depth-sensing cameras; radios and signals; and intangible feedback such as temperature and sound.

INTRO TO WEARABLES
ITPG-GT 2189
4.0 units
With emerging research and development with soft circuit technologies and its integration into textile and clothing design, the garment as a reactive interface opens up new
This class will be production-intensive throughout the course of the spring semester. Second-year students will not be able to combine the assignments in this class with their thesis projects, though some of the skills may be complementary.

**TANGIBLE INTERACTION & DEVICE DESIGN**

ITPG-GT 2061

4.0 units

Tangible interfaces are interfaces that you touch. You control them with your hands, feet, and other body parts. Their shape, feel, and arrangement provide feedback. This is where interaction design meets industrial design. In this class, you’ll design, program, and build devices with tangible controls in order to better understand how humans understand and control technical systems through our sense of touch.

We’ll discuss physical interaction concepts such as expressive interfaces and utilitarian ones, real-time control vs. delayed control, and implicit vs. explicit interactions. You’ll learn programming and electronic techniques to sense state change, thresholds, peaks, and other signs of user action. You’ll also learn how to design, shop for, and construct housings for the devices you build.

On the electronics side, the primary tools will be the microcontroller and common tangible controls: pushbuttons, switches, rotary encoders, rotary and slide potentiometers, force sensors, and touch sensors. The class will also cover on-device feedback through LEDs, speakers, and force-feedback actuators. On the fabrication side, you’ll work with the tools of the shop and VectorWorks CAD program.

You’ll design and build three projects in the course of the semester. Projects will be designed (and parts specified). Projects will build on the skills learned in Intro to Physical Computing and Intro to Fabrication.

Prerequisites: Intro to Physical Computing and Intro to Computational Media, or a working knowledge of microcontroller programming in Arduino, Intro to Fabrication or basic knowledge of laser cutting.

**INTERNSHIP**

ITPG-GT 2100

1.0–6.0 units

Internship can fulfill a Tier 2 (elective) requirement. An internship is done with an outside agency that provides a student with opportunities to work on projects that enable the student to develop and demonstrate his or her practical abilities, and involve both new interactive technologies and their users. Internship requires a minimum of three hours per week per credit.

**TIER 3—THESIS / FINAL PROJECT**

**THESIS PART 2: PRODUCTION**

ITPG-GT 2099

2.0 units

This course focuses on the Design, User Testing, and Production of the final Thesis project. Students will meet with the Thesis Advisor bi-weekly, often in small studio groups or 1:1 meetings.

Prerequisite: Thesis Part 1: Research and Development. All other students will take the traditional 4.0-unit Thesis course.

*** This class meets every other week during the semester for 7 sessions, across 14-weeks. ***

**THESIS**

ITPG-GT 2102

4.0 units

This course is designed to help students define and execute their final thesis project in a setting that is both collegial and critical. It is structured as a series of critique and presentation sessions in which various aspects of individual projects are discussed: the project concept, the elaboration, the presentation, the process and time-table, the resources needed to accomplish it, and the documentation. Critique sessions are a combination of internal sessions (i.e., the class only) and reviews by external guest critics. Students are expected to complete a fully articulated thesis project description and related documentation. Final project prototypes are displayed both on the web and in a public showcase either in May or the following semester.
Interactive Media Arts—IMA Global Low Residency Program—M.A. Graduate Program

The Global Low Residency M.A. degree in Interactive Media Arts is a unique and exciting graduate school experience that aims to challenge the norms for accessibility in higher education. Rooted in a maker culture of “learning by doing,” this new program offers students a degree focused on the production, application, and understanding of interactive media for creative expression and critical engagement. By participating in this program, graduates will be empowered to more thoughtfully engage with the interactive media technologies, systems, materials and actors informing our world today.

The year-long degree involves 3 site-specific sessions at NYU Shanghai (Summer), NYU Berlin (January), and NYU New York (Summer) interspersed with 2 online semesters in the Fall and Spring. A curricular emphasis on context and connectivity along with a spirit of experimentation, collaboration and community will be infused across the entire experience. By traversing a series of locations and environments, both physical and digital, the program is designed to provide students with an active understanding of the current global landscape of computational media and technology.

Admission—Graduate

IMA Global Low Residency graduate admissions is open to students from diverse academic and professional backgrounds. Acceptance into the program is competitive; enrollment is limited to full-time applicants who show exceptional promise and are interested in collaboration and experimentation. Admission for graduate degree candidates is to begin in the Summer term only. Prospective students can access the online application at the Graduate Admissions Website: www.tisch.nyu.edu/admissions/graduate-admissions.

Those with additional questions about the application may contact the Office of Graduate Admissions, Tisch School of the Arts, New York University, 726 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10003-6807; 212-998-1900; e-mail: tisch.gradadmissions@nyu.edu; or Web: www.tisch.nyu.edu.

All students entering the graduate program must hold a bachelor’s degree, though neither a technical nor visual design background is required. No entrance examination is required; however, international applicants must complete the TOEFL or IELTS English language proficiency exams. Admissions and departmental questions may also be addressed to the ITP admissions coordinator by way of email: itp.admissions@nyu.edu. The deadline for all applications is November 15. The contact email is lorraine@itp.nyu.edu.

Program and Distribution Requirements

Shanghai—5 Weeks Summer
- 9 credits
- 4 Two-Credit Courses
- Concepts, Culture & Critique
- Creative Coding
- Design for Communication
- Interface Lab
- 1 One-Credit Course
- Conversations Shanghai
- Establish core fundamentals in programming, electronics, data, interaction design, user experience and media production
- Emphasis placed on conceptual frameworks to facilitate critical engagement and practice-based research

Fall Online Term
- 7 credits
- 2 faculty-led courses involving self-directed learning and collaborative project work
- 1 Four-Credit Course
- Connections Lab
- 1 Three-Credit Course
- Critical Experience Studio
- Emphasis on creating connected applications, critical making and user experience
- Continued development of technical skills and practice-based research

Berlin—10 Days During January Term
- 3 credits
- 1 Two-Credit Elective Course (students choose one)
- Design for Change
- Radical Networks
- 1 One-Credit Course
- Conversations Berlin
- Spring Online Term
- 7 credits
- 3 faculty-led courses involving self-directed learning and collaborative project work
- 1 Three-Credit Course
- Thesis Development Studio
- 2 Two-Credit Courses
- Challenges Lab (Weeks 1 – 7)
- 50 Days of Making (Weeks 8 – 14)
- Emphasis on larger global issues paired with an individualized focus on personal thesis project development, technical skill building and creative practice.

New York City Summer
- 6 credits
- 1 Four-Credit Course
- Thesis
- 1 One-Credit Elective Course (students choose one)
- Design for the Future
- Conversations New York
- Primary focus on completing and sharing individual thesis projects
- Secondary elective to complement thesis work
**Graduate Courses**

**Low Residency**

**SHANGHAI SUMMER TERM**

**CONCEPTS, CULTURE & CRITIQUE**
IMALR-GT 101
2 units
An introduction to the concepts, questions, and terminology that encompass interactive media arts as it relates to creative expression and critical engagement. This course serves to establish a theoretical and historical foundation to inform creative practice, cultivate a common vocabulary for analysis and critique, and foster a culture of makers capable of thoughtful reflection and awareness.

**CREATIVE CODING**
IMALR-GT 102
2 units
A hands-on introduction to programming and software engineering for creative applications. This course will introduce and explore fundamental coding concepts, such as logic sequencing, data structures, data flow and event-drive interactions in the context of screen-based projects. Iterative assignments will facilitate the development of a final creative code-driven experience.

**DESIGN FOR COMMUNICATION**
IMALR-GT 103
2 units
This course will provide students with practical skills and theoretical frameworks for making and assessing both audio and visual communication. Design principles, tools and techniques will be covered in class, coupled with hands-on experience making and critiquing both 2D and 3D work. An emphasis will be placed on leveraging communication applications for narrative-driven storytelling.

**INTERFACE LAB**
IMALR-GT 104
2 units
This production course will survey alternative interfaces with an emphasis towards embodied interactions. Incorporating aspects of physical and tangible computing, students will be exposed to the internal machinations of systems, networks and sensors that underlie these interfaces. Areas covered include microcontrollers, connected devices, computer vision, virtual reality and augmented reality amongst others.

**CONVERSATIONS SHANGHAI**
IMALR-GT 105
1 unit
A class where the entire program will gather to engage in dialogue with local leaders drawn from across the fields of emerging media. Each week, special guests representing a variety of backgrounds and interests including artistic, commercial, non-profit, civic and academic, will address a theme or topic related to the socio-technical landscape of Shanghai. Students will be expected to engage in reading and writing assignments, class discussions, interactive exercises, site visits and collaborative presentations.

**FALL ONLINE TERM**

**CONNECTIONS LAB**
IMALR-GT 201
4 units
From intelligent chat-bots and gif-sharing apps to social media platforms and virtual reality hubs, our world is infused with mediated networked systems for communication. In this course, students will collaborate (at a distance) to design and develop their own creative connected web applications. By working in teams to produce online experiences that bring people together in playful yet meaningful ways, students will gain valuable insight into the inner-workings and implications of our connected world.

**CRITICAL EXPERIENCE STUDIO**
IMALR-GT 202
3 units
This course will combine “critical making” and “user experience” to direct personalized practice-based research. Students will engage in a variety of applied research exercises, readings, and ethnographic activities that will encourage thinking and prototyping across a range of media and materials. Specific subject matter will depend on individual student interests, allowing for more personalized areas of focus.

**BERLIN JANUARY TERM**

**DESIGN FOR CHANGE**
IMALR-GT 301
2 units
This course will examine the psychology of human behavior and apply that insight as a framework to analyze and affect change. A primary focus will be on persuasive design with aspects of participatory and life-centered design integrated throughout. Time will be spent exploring case studies of how behavioral theories have been applied in the context of emerging media along with designing systems of our own to address real-world problems in meaningful ways.

**RADICAL NETWORKS**
IMALR-GT 302
2 units
This course will critically engage with the networking technologies we readily use for ourselves and our communities. Questions around the control of data, software, hardware and infrastructure will be tied to larger themes of access, power, resilience and sustainability. An ethos of artistry and activism will be infused throughout the course as students experiment with peer-to-peer networks and DIY methodologies.

**CONVERSATIONS BERLIN**
IMALR-GT 303
1 unit
A class where the entire program will gather to engage in dialogue with local leaders drawn from across the fields of emerging media. Each week, special guests representing a variety of backgrounds and interests including artistic, commercial, non-profit, civic and academic, will address a theme or topic related to the socio-technical landscape of Berlin. Students will be expected to engage in reading and writing assignments, class discussions, interactive exercises, site visits and collaborative presentations.

**SPRING ONLINE TERM**

**THESIS DEVELOPMENT STUDIO**
IMALR-GT 401
3 units
This course is designed to help students conceptualize, define and implement their final thesis project. A series of practical assignments, readings and structured activities complemented by presentations and synchronous feedback sessions will facilitate the development of individual projects. The course will also provide space for technical skill building necessary to realize the project.

**CHALLENGES LAB**
IMALR-GT 402
2 units
This course will explore opportunities for distributed collaborative problem
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solving and collective inquiry. Through the lens of future scenario planning and forecasting methodologies, students will work in teams (at a distance) for the first half of the semester to produce creative work that addresses an issue of common interest. Potential areas of focus, such as the environment, education or social justice, will be relevant at a global scope but accessible at a local scale. Students will be encouraged to identify and leverage salient points of contact at their respective homes and integrate local insights into their project work.

50 DAYS OF MAKING
IMALR-GT 403

2 units

Iteration and its impact on creative process is the theme of this class. Inspired by ITP’s “100 Days of Making” course, the format of the course turns its head on the traditional class structure and instead of building towards a final project, the course will focus on daily, iterative practice. Students will identify a theme, idea or topic they would like to explore over the course of 50 days and must commit to making or producing a variation on that idea and posting social evidence of their work every day for 50 days. Projects can focus on building, writing, drawing, programming, photographing, designing, composing or any creative expression. In parallel to the making, lectures will examine the work of artists whose work has been defined by iteration and discuss the role of discipline and routine in the creative process.

NEW YORK CITY SUMMER TERM

THESIS
IMALR-GT 501

4 units

Students will use this class as a vehicle to complete, share and reflect upon their final thesis project. Production support, critique sessions, and formal presentations will be incorporated. Students will also be expected to complete a fully articulated thesis project description and related documentation.

DESIGN FOR THE FUTURE
IMALR-GT 502

1 unit

This course will combine the fields of “design-fiction” and “speculative design”. Students will be tasked to create imaginative works, conjure alternative worlds and write fictional stories that will inspire design discussions and have the capacity to influence our collective futures.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP & THE FUTURE OF WORK
IMALR-GT 503

1 unit

This course will explore and analyze current approaches to entrepreneurial and commercial pursuits in the context of the Fourth Industrial Revolution. Readings, assignments and discussions will focus on emerging media products and services with an emphasis on issues involving labor, materials, automation, AI and digital economies.

FUTURE OF MEDIA
IMALR-GT 504

1 unit

This course will examine the current state of the media industry with attention directed towards journalism, media ethics, and public policy. Taking into account topics such as algorithmic feeds, surveillance capitalism and deep fakes, student will attempt to investigate and speculate upon the future of transparency, censorship, privacy and accountability.

CONVERSATIONS NEW YORK
IMALR-GT 505

1 unit

A class where the entire program will gather to engage in dialogue with local leaders drawn from across the fields of emerging media. Each week, special guests representing a variety of backgrounds and interests including artistic, commercial, non-profit, civic and academic, will address a theme or topic related to the socio-technical landscape of New York. Students will be expected to engage in reading and writing assignments, class discussions, interactive exercises, site visits and collaborative presentations.
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The NYU Game Center in the Institute of Emerging Media at New York University Tisch School of the Arts offers an intensive two year graduate studio program and a four year undergraduate program that focuses on games as a cultural form and game design as a creative practice. Organized along a studio model, the programs feature hands-on game creation within a context of advanced historical, critical and theoretical literacy. The program confers a Master of Fine Arts degree and a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree.

Established in 2008, the NYU Game Center opened its doors to the first MFA class in 2012 and the first BFA class in 2015. Working in close collaboration with other NYU schools and departments, the program encourages students to explore new directions for the creative development and critical understanding of games across disciplines. Game development is an inter-disciplinary process, and students can guide their studies to focus on game design, game development, programming, visual design, or other concentrations. Both programs culminate in a thesis or capstone intended to be an ambitious project that can reach beyond the walls of the program and make an impact on the larger world of games.

The NYU Game Center extends beyond the department to the larger New York City based game community. Through guest lectures, informal talks, curated exhibitions, conferences and competitive tournaments, it has become a hub for game designers, studios and passionate players alike. Our faculty are working professionals in the industry who are committed to developing the best game designers of the next generation.

Curriculum

The curriculum offers an intensive and detailed study in several core areas of game design. Note that regardless of primary role all students working on a project will have substantial input into the game’s overall creative direction and will share the responsibility for collaboratively making the important creative decisions about the game. Game Design: Game design can be system design, interaction design, level design, information architecture, experience flow, playtesting, storytelling, economy balancing, communication, writing, and other aspects of designing the player experience. Game Development: Game development focuses on the fundamentally integrated technical processes of digital game development, by rolling together elements of visual art and design, sound design, music composition, systems design, interaction design and code. Programming: Game programming can mean general game coding as well as a wide variety of specialties, including graphics, A.I., network, database, tool creation, and many others. Visual Design: Visual design means many things relating to the visual aspects of games, from character design and animation to architecture and world building, to logo and interface design. Criticism: Criticism is centered on understanding the design and play of games from a critical point of view and expressing these ideas through writing and other means. The NYU Game Center curriculum also includes courses in audio design, the business of games, games history, and critical play.

Program of Study

M.F.A. DEGREE IN GAME DESIGN

First-year students are immersed in the foundational classes of game literacy, design, development and critical study. By the second semester students begin to branch off into more advanced core courses, skill-building lab electives in programming, art or business, or into other departments and disciplines with adviser approval. In their second year, MFA students begin their intensive thesis work, working collaboratively to develop a complete game project from concept through design and execution. Thesis is an opportunity for the students to develop groundbreaking projects that propel them into leadership roles within a rapidly-changing game industry.
B.F.A. DEGREE IN GAME DESIGN
The BFA in Game Design is a well-rounded, interdisciplinary degree that includes coursework in game studies, game design and game development, as well as the option to specialize in game programming, visual or audio design, and the business of games and rounded out with a strong liberal arts foundation. Students begin their freshman year with hands-on foundational courses in the core areas. During sophomore and junior years, students further develop their design and development skills through intermediate level classes and production studios. During the final year, in addition to advanced-level electives, each student will complete a full-year senior capstone project. A Game Design BFA Capstone can take a variety of forms, from an individual or group game to a game-related research paper or exhibition.

Facilities
The NYU Game Center is located in downtown Brooklyn in the brand-new Media, Technology and Arts building as part of the Media and Games Network or MAGNET, New York University’s hub for digital media and games. The state-of-the-art facility includes dedicated computer labs, hi-tech classrooms and meeting spaces, flexible space for lectures, presentations and exhibitions, a crafting room with laser cutters, plotter and 3D printers, a motion capture studio, audio recording studio, and cutting-edge VR prototypes. The Game Center Open Library houses a catalog of over 2500 digital and table top games, spanning over 14 consoles and systems. Its purpose is to provide access to digital and non-digital games within a context of critical analysis, research and discussion. Students have access to the Game Innovation Lab in the Tandon School of Engineering.

Admission
Admission to both the BFA and MFA programs is based on potential creative ability as evidenced through a creative portfolio. The portfolio does not require game related projects, but must demonstrate talent and experience in one or more disciplines relevant to games. Applicants may submit visual samples, audio, creative writing, film, photography, digital or non-digital games, and more. The standard for admission is competitive; the strongest portfolios will demonstrate a passion and talent for creating interesting, expressive, and personal work.

BFA applicants will submit one creative project and answer five short answer questions related to their interest in the field. BFA applicants must also meet NYU’s Admission standards which may be found beginning on page 233. MFA applicants will submit two creative projects, a critical game analysis and a detailed personal statement. For a description of the creative portfolio requirements please visit our website at www.gamecenter.nyu.edu.

Program and Degree Requirements
All members of the MFA and BFA programs are expected to be in full-time attendance. MFA participants who complete the program of study are eligible to receive the degree of Master of Fine Arts provided they have the prerequisite bachelor’s degree and have submitted a satisfactory thesis. MFA students must complete a minimum of 60 credits of graduate coursework.

BFA students must complete a minimum of 50 credits of Game Design coursework and a liberal arts General Education requirement of 44 credits. Students are eligible to receive the degree of Bachelor of Fine Arts upon completion of 128 total credits and the submission of a satisfactory senior capstone.

Academic Standards and Continuance
Graduate students must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 to be in good standing; any student falling below 3.0 is placed on academic probation.

Undergraduate students must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 to be in good standing; any student falling below 2.0 is placed on academic probation.

Grades of Incomplete must be completed by the following semester. Failure to make up an Incomplete within the designated time may be cause for being placed on probation. Academic records are reviewed each semester.

Time Limit for Degrees
Graduate students are expected to complete their course work within the two years of the program. Undergraduate students must complete all requirements for the degree within eight years of the date of initial matriculation.

Leaves of Absence
Leaves of absence are granted only under the most extreme circumstances. A request for a leave must be made in writ-
Ownership Policy

The creative works produced by students at the Tisch School of the Arts in fulfillment of class assignments, or as individual study projects, whether made on Tisch School of the Arts premises or elsewhere, with or without Tisch School of the Arts equipment, and with or without extra funds, are subject to certain restrictions until the educational experience associated with such works has been completed. These restrictions are spelled out in the Ownership Policy section on page 261.

Laboratory Fees

A laboratory fee is required of all students enrolled in the department. This fee is payable at the time of registration each semester. The fee is subject to yearly increase.

Full-Time Faculty

A listing of faculty from the Department of Game Design, Institute of Emerging Media is below. For full biographies on departmental faculty, visit www.tisch.nyu.edu/game-center

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Will Hall
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Jenny Jiao Hsia
Daniel Kimsey
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Courses

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES

GAMES 101
GAMES-UT 101
4 units
Games 101 is the foundational course for the NYU Game Center. The focus of Games 101 is game literacy—a shared understanding of games as complex cultural and aesthetic objects. The class will incorporate lectures, discussion, readings, and writing assignments, but the primary activity of the class is critical play—playing games in order to better understand and appreciate them. The class will cover games on and off the computer, including classic and contemporary board and card games, sports, and games on the PC, internet, and consoles.

AMERICAN COMPUTER GAMES OF THE 1980S
GAMES-UT 104
4 units
This survey course covers a selection of the computer games that were produced and played in the United States in the 1980s. The political, cultural, and technological context of the United States in the 1980s provides a lens to analyze a corpus of games that, while often forgotten in contemporary American games culture, has imposed a powerful influence over our practices, and remains a rich ore of quirky ideas and never-explored byways to mine. The course encourages students to play games critically, to understand different game design strategies as well as the technological constraints that often led to them, and to develop an understanding of the ways in which European, Japanese and American games diverged through the 1980s. While the primary focus of the course is computer—as opposed to console or arcade—games, the latter will also be discussed to a extent; partly because they provide an effective coun-
greater need for informed perspectives on video games are diversifying and growing art and activist communities, would be missing a large part of how recognizing them as artist or critic.

Identity and representation are two of the most pressing and complex issues for contemporary video games, that without understanding them as an artist or critic would be missing a large part of how games are important in culture. With growing art and activist communities, video games are diversifying and grappling with a wide range of topics rarely seen before in the genre, and with it a greater need for informed perspectives on the topic of how marginalized people are depicted in media. This course discusses foundational theories of identity and encourages students to contribute their own ideas towards the design and interpretation of representation in games.

**INTRODUCTION TO GAME DEVELOPMENT**
**GAMES-UT 120**

*4 units*

Introduction to Game Development is a practical course that introduces students to the methods, tools and principles used in developing digital games. Over the course of the semester, students will work alone and in pairs to create a series of four digital prototypes or ‘sketches’, culminating in a final polished game building on the lessons learned in the earlier sketches. This is a hands-on, primarily lab-based course, and so the focus is on learning-by-doing rather than on reading and discussion.

**INTERMEDIATE GAME DEVELOPMENT**
**GAMES-UT 121**

*4 units*

This course reflects the various skills and disciplines that are brought together in modern game development: game design, programming, asset creation, and critical analysis. Classroom lectures and lab time will all be used to bring these different educational vectors together into a coherent whole; the workshop will be organized around a single, long-term, hands-on, game creation project. At the completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Describe typical work practice in game development.
2. Demonstrate competency through actual implementation of code and assets.
3. Work with a game engine, and understand the basics of how to build a game in the engine.

**BROWSER GAME STUDIO**
**GAMES-UT 125**

*4 units*

Recent developments in web standards technology have begun a second wave of innovation in the space of browser games. The open web is the most accessible publishing platform in history, and browser games inherently focus on free-access business models, which makes browser games the most accessible, democratized form of game development. This class is about learning to harness that creative form, developing games for the broadest possible audience, that can disseminate themselves in the most rapid, viral of ways. Students will learn technical aspects of developing games for the web, but also focus on gaining a deep understanding of what kind of games are made possible by the platform.

Unlike most of the studio classes in the Game Center, this class culminates in the publication of student projects to the open web, either on department servers or on the students’ own servers. Like nearly all of the most popular browser games in the history of the medium, the games will be developed by one person working alone, producing systems, code, visual and sound design for the game.

The course meets twice per week. The lecture meeting will be used for training in the game engine, discussion and critique, along with some structured exercises and facilitated interviews with successful developers of browser games. The lab focuses on solo work time, including some one-on-one meetings with the TA and the instructor. Students should expect to put in 10 hours of work per week outside of these meetings.

**PROCEDURAL GENERATION FOR GAMES**
**GAMES-UT 126**

*4 units*

“Procedural generation” describes the broad category of techniques by which elements of digital games that have traditionally been designed by hand (e.g. levels, characters, puzzles, and narrative) can be designed by automated processes. In recent years, these techniques have been a major topic of interest for computer science research as well as a core design component of many commercially successful games. The course will teach students to understand and implement these techniques, and explore how to best combine procedural generation techniques with good design practice to produce interesting and novel experiences (rather than just using procedural generation techniques for technical curiosity). Emphasis is also placed on how procedural generation can uniquely harness the affordances of computers for designing games. The course is fundamentally practical. While students will study existing games and techniques, they will also produce games of their own across the three assignments.
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Intro to Game Design is a one-semester
4 units
GAMES-UT 150
INTRO TO GAME DESIGN

There are a large number of games to
play in this class, but we will not be
aiming to play them to completion;
rather, we will focus in detail on the
action mechanics, playing and replaying
short segments of the games to under-
stand how they are constructed.

PIXEL PROTOTYPE STUDIO
GAMES-UT 128
4 units
Professional game development frequently
involves a "rapid prototyping" phase,
wherein developers work feverishly to
implement a large number of small ideas to
test their potential before embarking on the
more rigid and costly processes involved in
full production. Many of the most famous
games in history began with a minimalistic
prototype created in less than a week. Pixel
Prototype Studio is an intensive course
which aims to build up a student's reper-
toire of fast-prototyping skills and provide
the student with invaluable experience in
starting and finishing games. The course
consists almost entirely in the creation of
playable prototype games, one per week.

INTRO TO GAME DESIGN
GAMES-UT 150
4 units
Intro to Game Design is a one-semester
course that explores the fundamentals of
game design. The focus of the class is the
actual creation of several non-digital (off
the computer) games. Just as art stu-
dents might take "fundamentals" classes in
figure drawing or color theory as part of
t heir education to become visual
artists, this class remains rooted squarely
in the basics. It focuses on the elements
common to all games that are fundamen-
tal for a game designer working in any
format, from sports to board games to
computer and videogames. Although the
focus of the course is on the creation of
non-digital games, digital games will
also be discussed and one of the assign-
ments is the creation of a digital game
concept pitch.

INTERMEDIATE GAME DESIGN
GAMES-UT 151
4 units
Intermediate Game Design builds on the
foundation of Introduction to Game
Design to help build students' under-
standing of how game design works in a
practical context. While Introduction to
Game Design acquaints students with
basic foundational concepts and ideas,
Intermediate Game Design puts those
ideas into action across four very differ-
ent kinds of projects. These projects
emphasize the professional context of
digital game design.

GAME DESIGN: PROFESSIONAL
PRACTICE
GAMES-UT 152
4 units
Formerly "Advanced Game Design," this
course focuses on the practical skills that
working game designers need to get a
job - and what they do at a company
once they are there. Over the course of
the semester, students will work on two
full project proposals - each proposal
including design documentation, pro-
duction and schedule planning, and a
prototype specification. In addition, stu-
dents will take a handful of "game
design tests" - based on actual game
industry tests that are part of the hiring
process. Along the way, we will be visit-
ing a few NYC-based game companies,
as well as discussing issues relevant to
working game designers today. The goal
of the course is to work on our commu-
nication, design, and planning skills, and
get a sense for what it means to be a
working game designer.

INTRO TO NARRATIVE DESIGN
GAMES-UT 161
4 units
Narrative Design is an advanced game
design course where students learn a
variety of strategies to bring together
game design and storytelling, both in
table-top and digital games. Every
assignment covers a different challenge
when it comes to integrating systems
design with storytelling. Students will
also learn some of the basics of story-
telling, such as character development,
dramatic action, generating conflict, and
world-building.

INTRO TO VISUAL
COMMUNICATION FOR GAMES
GAMES-UT 201
4 units
Intro to Visual Communication for
Games builds a foundation for visual lit-
eracy and visual design thinking. The
class focuses squarely on the fundamen-
tals of visual communication—line, color, composition, typography, and
other basic components of visual design.
Although the class takes place in the
Game Design department, we will be
less concerned with visuals as they are applied to games and instead will look at visual communication across a wide range of disciplines, from visual art to graphic design to web and interface design.

**INTERMEDIATE VISUAL DESIGN**
**GAMES-UT 202**  
4 units  
Intermediate Visual Design builds on the foundation for visual thinking and literacy that begins in the introduction course. While that class focuses on the fundamentals of 2D design, Intermediate Visual Design expands to look at dynamic visual systems on and off the computer, with a special emphasis on visual design for digital games.

The philosophy of the class is learning by doing. Each week, in class and out of class, you will be creating visual projects on and off the computer. Sometimes you will be drawing in a sketchbook or making paper collages. Other times you will be using visual design software, such as Illustrator and Photoshop.

The goal of the course is to connect the visual exercises to skills and issues related directly to games. Sometimes we will be working on fundamental skills. Other times, we will be applying those skills to game-related problems.

**2D ART & ANIMATION**  
**UT 204**  
4 units  
2D Art and Animation builds fundamental skills around the design and production of art assets for games. Through a series of individual design assignments, critiques, and exercises, students will explore concepts like art direction, color theory, animation principles, and UI design while building a working knowledge of prominent industry tools.

**3D MODELING FOR GAMES**  
**GAMES-UT 206**  
4 units  
This course is an introduction to 3D graphics for video games, starting with the foundations of 3D modeling and texturing in industry-standard tools. It focuses on building fluency with basic tools and techniques, as well as developing experience with aesthetic issues of look, style, and critical judgement in visual art.

**INTRO TO 3D ANIMATION FOR GAMES**  
**GAMES-UT 207**  
4 units  
Intro to 3D Animation for Games builds a foundation for animating in interactive media. From a basic overview to a deep dive into the animation process, this course will teach students how to craft a performance to create unique characters and tell a story. Students will be taught to look through the eyes of an animator, investigate how successful games utilize animation principles, and how these principles and techniques functionally serve overall game design.

This class encourages students learn through practical experience, reaching familiarity with the animation principles in a 3D environment.

This class is beneficial for an artist seeking to be an animator. This class will also benefit developers and designers by providing them a better understanding of the importance of animation and how it fits into the game development pipeline, providing a comprehensive understanding of the game industry as a whole.

**SHADER LAB**  
**GAMES-UT 208**  
4 units  
Shader Lab is an introduction to shaders for game designers that are artists first, and technicians second. This course attempts to bridge gaps in the necessary knowledge and establish a contextual foundation that allows students to make sense of the disparate sub-disciplines necessary to meaningfully express themselves aesthetically in a rendered environment. Ultimately, Shader Lab is a primer for students seeking to create unique and expressive aesthetics for their digital games. The course empowers designers by providing a conceptual and functional understanding of 3D rendering in order to enable the design and implementation of their personal style.

**AUDIO FOR DIGITAL GAMES**  
**GAMES-UT 212**  
4 units  
This course investigates aesthetic and technical aspects of sound for video games and interactive 3-D environments. Artistic implications of the technology are also explored from the perspective of the electronic composer and performer. Students will work with a game engine to create an immersive interactive environment. Additional topics include: Csound, Java and other relevant technologies. Completion of a final project, class presentation, as well as several weekly assignments is required.

**MUSIC AND GAMEPLAY**  
**GAMES-UT 213**  
4 units  
Music and Gameplay is an intensive course concerned with games in which the gameplay is fundamentally influenced by or oriented around a musical system. In this course, students will engage with music games through critical play, design practice, and hands-on development. This multifaceted approach will foster a deep understanding of how interactive mechanics can be linked to music.

**UI/UX FOR GAMES**  
**GAMES-UT 241**  
4 units  
This course explores the intersection of UI/UX thinking and game experience/interface design. Students will be introduced to UI/UX concepts and methods, and then supported in adapting them for game specific contexts. Game design—in fact all interactive design—is a conversational undertaking. Students will become better conversationalists both by adding to their store of experience design knowledge and by learning to focus on, empathize with, and draw out their conversation partners—the players.

**MATH FOR GAME DESIGNERS**  
**GAMES-UT 242**  
4 units  
Games have an intrinsic relationship with almost every branch of mathematics. From the randomness described by probability theory to formal logic for puzzles, games of every type are built out of math. However, for many designers without a formal education in a quantitative discipline, these areas can be esoteric and difficult to relate to games at first glance. This can handicap a designer's scope, or force them to rely on external help or tools. This course is designed to remedy that by providing a toolkit of mathematical concepts, with an emphasis on their direct applicability to game design and development. Students will gain a grounding in mathematical concepts useful in game development, with a focus on individual adaptation and implementation, not memorization. This course of study is designed to empower game designers with backgrounds in the arts or humanities with a core framework for understanding math concepts to apply in games of all types.
People Games: Social Simulation and AI
GAMES-UT 243
4 units
The technology of games has evolved to very effectively simulate physics, and photorealistic representations—however, simulations of people and their interactions remain underexplored, particularly in mainstream practice. Seminal game designer Chris Crawford infamously dubbed these as ‘people games’. The pursuit of games which address this requires not only technological understanding of the problem space, but also a critical and humanistic one.

This is a mixed game development and critical play focused course, looking mainly at games which feature simulated autonomous characters (or “agents”). Students will examine existing games spanning the last thirty years, and, use this to inform their own practical projects. This will further students’ practice with game development tools such as Unity and C#, and begin to introduce AI techniques.

BIZ LAB
GAMES-UT 261
4 units
This course provides students who are looking to work in the games industry with a basic understanding of its economic components and drivers, so that they may better understand their role within it, whether as an employee of a larger company, a partner in an independent studio, an individual developer, or a freelance contractor. The goal of the class is to provide the practical knowledge and conceptual understanding students need to achieve the greatest degree of success and creative freedom throughout their career.

Games & Players
GAMES-UT 312
4 units
Game & Players gives students an overview of player-focused approaches to understanding game play, from a variety of methodological and theoretical frameworks. The class combines readings and analysis with exercises that give students hands-on experience with the methods discussed.

Mobile Game Studio
GAMES-UT 323
4 units
Mobile Game Studio is a class where students learn to make games for modern touchscreen-based ‘smartphones’: either on the Android or iOS operating systems and hardware. The class is focused on practicing game design and development within the particular constraints imposed by the hardware, software and other relevant externalities on these platforms.

Designers of games for mobile phones have four particular problems: first, the touchscreen affords unique opportunities for input design but also poses unique limitations (most obviously, that the user’s finger occludes the screen). Second, the portable, interruptible nature of phone use means that games must be designed to fit around a player’s life, rather than expecting that the player will make time and place for playing games. Third, the audience for cellphones is unusually diverse and non-technical, which means that successful phone games have higher demands in terms of simplicity and conveyance of instructions. Finally, a commercially viable cellphone game must typically be designed from ground up with a business model in mind, taking into account the rapidly changing landscape of publishing and monetization on mobile platforms. This class addresses each of these problems through short practical prototyping assignments, in-class lectures and discussion.

Board Game Design
GAMES-UT 352
4 units
Board game design is a one-semester course for students who want to dig deeper into table-top games, from design to history to manufacturing. The first half of the course looks at the world of mass market games, which focus heavily on commercials, trends, plastics, licenses, low prices, and casual rules. The second half focuses on hobby games, designed for the dedicated game player, and the different styles of games in that world. The course is hands-on with at least one published game played in every class. There are multiple assignments where students bring these concepts to life through their own designs. Throughout the course, there is a focus on understanding players and designing games for a target audience.

Roleplaying Games on the Margins
GAMES-GT 402
2 units
Dungeons & Dragons, first published in 1974, remains one of the most unavoidable influences on authored games; concepts it popularized, from the mechanics of hit points and “leveling up” to themes of conflict ridden exploration in detailed fantasy worlds, have spread from the tabletop role playing games that flourished in Dungeons & Dragons’ wake to first person shooters, massively multi-player online games, and even games on social networks intended for the broadest of audiences. In the roots of table top roleplaying games, we can also find the beginnings of other, less widely adopted currents of experience and design: collaborative storytelling structured by process and rules; game dynamics that steer towards moral dilemmas that intertwine with competitive and cooperative mechanics; asymmetrical power structures that assign participants very different roles and blur the line between player and designer, and many more.

This course will examine the history, practice, and current state of the art of independent role playing games, focusing on non digital role playing games generally played by two or more participants in person. Selected games will be played in class as well as assigned for out-of-class play, and will emphasize works that explore themes, mechanics, and play dynamics beyond the most familiar and popular forms of fantasy role playing game.

Modern Tabletop Game Literacy
GAMES-UT 404
2 units
Modern Tabletop Games are undergoing a renaissance, with designers building upon each other’s innovations at a bewildering rate. The cornucopia of concepts in modern boardgaming can be daunting to a newcomer, yet any digital game designer is well advised to familiarize themselves with this parallel world, both to expand their “bag of tricks” and their notion of what a game can be. This class aims to familiarize students with a wide variety of “gateway games”: relatively straightforward exemplars that will give the student a solid foothold when further exploring their respective genre in our extensive library of boardgames. While doing so, we will be discussing related short readings in Characteristics of Games, in order to give the design strategies being engaged a broader context.

The Evolution of Narrative Immersive Sims: Looking Glass
GAMES-UT 405
2 units
This course covers the works and legacy of Looking Glass Studios, one of the most influential video game studios of the 1990s. Through a series of seminal works including Ultima Underworld...
Digital games like Slay the Spire and specifically as modern board games boom. Video game designers are constantly assessed of a wide selection of games that historically situated and which complicates their relationship with horror fiction in Western cultures, while Go is part of Japanese traditions. The representations of these games in literature and other media helps us understand the cultural status of these games, as well as provide a lens to understand a variety of socio-historical contexts—a practice much needed for contemporary game designers.

**GAMES IN NARRATIVE: POKER, CHESS AND GO**

**GAMES-UT 411**

2 units

Poker, Chess and Go represent three cultural pillars which are continually represented in media. While Poker is predominantly associated with North-American culture, the centuries-long tradition of chess bridges Eastern and Western cultures, while Go is part of Japanese traditions. The representations of these games in literature and other media helps us understand the cultural status of these games, as well as provide a lens to understand a variety of socio-historical contexts—a practice much needed for contemporary game designers.

**CONTEMPORARY CONCEPTS IN BOARD GAME DESIGN**

**GAMES-UT 408**

2 units

Video game designers are constantly taking inspiration from board games, especially as modern board games boom. Digital games like Slay the Spire and Hearthstone wear their analog influences proudly on their sleeves.

But the board game industry is growing at an enormous pace. With that growth, trends and design techniques emerge and become embraced at a dizzying speed. It’s incredibly intimidating to someone who doesn’t have perspective in the board game rabbit hole. This class will go through modern tabletop mechanisms and techniques, enabling the student to quickly follow and digest the past few years in board and tabletop game design. It is assumed that the students understand more proven and fundamental concepts in board game design, like area control, worker placement, and deckbuilding.

**ETHICS**

**PLAYING WELL: MASTERY AND ETHICS**

**GAMES-UT 414**

2 units

With the rise of esports, and the resurgence of local multiplayer games, a burgeoning part of the video game industry is concerned with designing competitive games and fostering competitive communities. And while there is plenty of advice on how to design these kinds of games, there is less examination of what it means to be a good player, in both the agonic and ethical senses.

In Playing Well students will explore what it means to be a ‘good’ player, in both the sense of mastering a set of skills and in the sense of being an ethical member of a community. They will read and discuss the cutting edge research on skill acquisition, drawn from studies done of master level musicians, negotiators, and even athletes, as well as the social science behind common cognitive biases. Parallel to these readings will be a dive into moral philosophy, from Aristotle to David Parfit, a look at global models of educational equity and pedagogy, and commentary on the toxic cultures of video games. Importantly, none of this will be happening in the abstract. Students will be applying what they learn by actively practicing the techniques and strategies of the 10 player arcade game, Killer Queen, while participating and investigating the community of Killer Queen players in NYC and the rest of the country, occasionally joining in local tournaments and practice sessions.
GAME PRODUCTION PRACTICUM
GAMES-UT 504
2 units
The Game Production Practicum focuses on the skills for managing the production of games. The course is designed specifically for students concurrently working on a larger game project, such as an MFA thesis project, a BFA capstone project, or the MFA Studio 2 semester-long project. Using this larger project as a case study, the Game Production Practicum will offer techniques for efficiently and effectively managing the realization of a creative vision as a completed game; including articulating goals, estimating time and resources, efficient documentation, and working with project ‘stakeholders’.

As a 2 credit course, the Game Production Practicum plays the role of a “support class” in which students interested in focusing on their meta-development skills can use a larger project as the occasion to refine their project and product management skills.

MAJOR STUDIO FALL
GAMES-UT 601
4 units
Major Studio Fall is the first of two Major Studio classes, which are taken by all Junior students majoring in Game Design at NYU. These classes are designed to prepare students for their Capstone projects by giving them time to work independently producing games, first alone on small prototype projects, and then in larger groups, on projects of larger scope. The primary aims of Major Studios are to give students more experience in conceiving and developing games, and to build up a set of work which could be used in a portfolio or developed into a Capstone project.

The spring class has a phased structure, beginning with a playable pitch session & culminating in a solid alpha or feature complete build. In the first phase, students form groups of 3-4 around particular pre-existing playable prototypes, developed in an earlier class, usually Major Studio Fall. In the next phase, these groups work in 2 week sprints, devoted to improving & fleshing out their selected playable prototype. This phase will incorporate industry standard production processes, such as agile & scrum. In the final phase, students mount a polish & usability sprint to ensure their finished work is playable & show-ready.

This class is designed to mimic the production processes in a contemporary game studio, familiarizing students with these practices & readying them for participation in the games industry.

CAPSTONE
GAMES-UT 1001 & 1002
4 units
A capstone project is the culminating work of an undergraduate’s time at the NYU Game Center. In this class students will be guided through a flexible but structured process in which they bring their vision for their final projects from prototype to finished state. Each project will be held to a series of milestones that will lay out a roadmap for its development as well as provide students with junctures at which they can reflect and course correct. Students will plan and document their development process from beginning to end, setting expectations for each milestone and laying out possible directions for art, audio, and public relations. Finally, projects will be refined with constant feedback and playtesting throughout the semester from colleagues, instructors, and outside guest critics. A capstone project is a student’s first step in their career beyond college, and this class is designed to help them make an impressive and exciting first impression on the world.

GRADUATE COURSES

GAMES 101
GAMES-GT 101
4 units
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EUROPEAN VIDEO GAMES OF THE 1980S
GAMES-GT 103
4 units
This survey course covers a selection of the video games that were produced and played in Europe in the 1980s and early 90s. During this particularly relevant period, game developers were mostly self-taught hobbyists, who invented mechanics and conventions within the limitations of early home computers. Game creators also had to create their own channels of distribution, in an environment similar to that of current independent developers, but with limited access to digital delivery.

The socio-historical and technological context of Europe in the 1980s provides a lens to analyze a corpus of games that is not well known within contemporary American game culture, but which has imposed a powerful influence over contemporary commercial and independent games practice. The course encourages students to play games critically, to understand the different game design strategies as well as technological approaches to developing games, and to develop an understanding of the ways in which European, Japanese and American games diverged through the 1980s and 1990s.

This course is directed to students of game design and game studies, as well as those with an interest in the study of video games as a cultural form and/or digital media history and development.
AMERICAN COMPUTER GAMES OF THE 1980S
GAMES-GT 104
4 units
This survey course covers a selection of the computer games that were produced and played in the United States in the 1980s. While developers often started out in their bedrooms mailing out individual disks in ziplock bags, development and publishing companies sprang up from their early success; when the console game industry of the early 80s crashed in 1983, the relatively high-end computer game market continued to innovate and sometimes even greatly prosper, albeit with a more narrowly targeted idea of its customers. The most popular games of the era retailed for an average of $30-$40 (around $70-$90 in today’s money), often with stylish, lush presentation (thick manuals, cloth maps, scencesetting “feels”) that often doubled as a physical form of copy protection. Cultivating an aura of expense and novelty allowed American game designers to project pop personas, explore new ways of creating meaning via play, and add genuine depth to game worlds.

The political, cultural, and technological context of the United States in the 1980s provides a lens to analyze a corpus of games that, while often forgotten in contemporary American games culture, has imposed a powerful influence over our practices, and remains a rich ore of quirky ideas and never-fully explored byways to mine. The course encourages students to play games critically, to understand different game design strategies as well as the technological constraints that often led to them, and to develop an understanding of the ways in which European, Japanese and American games diverged through the 1980s. While the primary focus of the course is computer—opposed to console or arcade—games, the latter will also be discussed to a extent; partly because they provide an effective counterpoint to what was going on in home computers, but also because there are more than enough interesting obscured games and touchstones for any game designer to at least be passingly aware of.

This course is directed to students of game design and game studies, as well as those with an interest in the study of video games as a cultural form and/or digital media history and development.

GAME STUDIES 1
GAMES-GT 110
4 units
An introduction to the critical and analytical approaches to the subject of digital games. Though the history of video games spans roughly fifty years, and although more than half of the population plays them, video games have only recently emerged as a field of serious study. This class introduces students to the theory of video games, and answers questions such as: How are video games structured? What types of experiences to video games give? Who plays video games, when and why?

GAME STUDIES 2
GAMES-GT 111
4 units
This course is a research-focused course that examines methodological and foundational issues in the study of video games. In addition, a current topic relating to video game culture, design, or theory will be explored every semester. The class is thereby focused on allowing students to actively participate in the development of video game theory, with specific attention to how video game studies evolve as a theoretical field, and how it interacts with changes in the design and culture of video games.

GAMES & PLAYERS
GAMES-GT 112
4 units
Game and Players gives students an overview of player-focused approaches to understanding game play, from a variety of methodological and theoretical frameworks. The class combines readings and analysis with exercises that give students hands-on experience with the methods discussed.

GAME STUDIO 1
GAMES-GT 120
4 units
Game studio 1 is the Game Design M.F.A. program’s introductory game development course. Students will gain experience with two game engines with complementary strengths and capabilities, working in teams on a series of four game development project cycles.

GAME STUDIO 2
GAMES-GT 121
4 units
In Game Studio 2, students will work individually or in teams to create a single digital game or other game project. Over the course of the semester, students will brainstorm, research, design, and develop a digital game. The philosophy of the course is learning through doing, and the majority of student work time will be spent in actual design and production, which will be structured and guided by the instructors. This production time will be supplemented by in-class exercises, readings and discussion, and talks from visiting game developers. At the end of the semester, each group will have produced a playable digital game.

PROTOTYPE STUDIO
GAMES-GT 122
4 units
Professional game development frequently involves a “rapid prototyping” phase, wherein developers work feverishly to implement a large number of small ideas to test their potential before embarking on the more rigid and costly processes involved in full production. Many or most of the most famous games in history began with a minimalistic prototype created in less than a week. Prototype Studio is an intensive course which aims to build up a student’s repertoire of fast-prototyping skills and provide the student with invaluable experience in starting and finishing games. The course consists almost entirely in the creation of thirteen playable prototype games, one per week. Each prototype will be confined within a certain genre, conceptual theme, or within unique technical constraints.

NARRATIVE GAME STUDIO
GAMES-GT 123
4 units
The creation of novel storytelling strategies for digital games is one of the key issues in current game development. Narrative games build bridges between dramatic writing for theatre and film and game design, and opens new avenues for new types of writing for digital media.

The Narrative Game Studio is a hands-on course that focuses on games that include a strong storytelling component, providing the opportunity to do interdisciplinary work. This course introduces students to the design of narrative games, including conceptualization, foundational narrative design strategies, and writing. Students will learn how to use three different tools/engines to develop narrative games; they will work individually at first and then in teams. The course uses the adventure game genre as a gateway to the general strategies used to incorporate narrative in games.
X R STUDIO
GAMES-GT 124
4 units
The spectrum of Extended Reality (XR)—encompassing Virtual Reality (VR), Augmented Reality (AR) and Mixed Reality (MR)—brings with it several opportunities for new possibilities for game design, interactive storytelling, and more. While implementations of these technologies and associated theory have existed for a number of years, the recent technical and commercial resurgence means that developing skills in critical thinking and creative aptitude with regards to AR and VR is incredibly timely. To this end, rather than studying only contemporary discourse around XR technologies which frames it as a new development or passing fad, this class will also look at more well-established principles of both AR and VR—as such object presence and other aspects of existing theory. Furthermore, it analyses such technologies through a theoretical and critical lens, placing them within the wider history of the arts. In doing so, students will examine ideas of distance and disinterestedness going back to the 19th century.

At the same time, students will develop skills in the latest technical and design paradigms around AR and VR, and develop skills in building VR and mobile AR applications. Students will learn to use the Unity 3D game engine to create AR games for Android, iOS, and Windows platforms by using Vuforia/ARKit/ARCore, Oculus/ OpenVR and the Unity XR API. They will also learn best practices in VR and AR user experience, software design patterns, and 3D graphics.

PROJECT STUDIO
GAMES-GT 129
4 units
In Project Studio, students will work alone or in teams to complete a single game over the course of the semester. Those wishing to take Project Studio must propose a concept or prototype to the instructor for approval. Priority will be given to students who propose a clear game concept or provide an interactive prototype. Teams, where applicable, should be formed before the start of the semester. The philosophy of the course is learning through doing, and the majority of student work time will be spent in actual design and production, which will be structured and guided by the instructor. This production time will be supplemented by in-class exercises, student presentations, critiques, playtesting, discussion, and visits from professional game developers.

GAME DESIGN 1
GAMES-GT 150
4 units
Game Design 1 explores the fundamentals of game design. The focus of the class is the actual creation of several non-digital (off the computer) games. Just as art students might take "fundamentals" classes in figure drawing or color theory as part of their education to become visual artists, this class remains rooted squarely in the basics. It focuses on the elements common to all games that are fundamental for a game designer working in any format, from sports to board games to computer and video games. Although the focus of the course is on the creation of non-digital games, digital games will also be discussed and one of the assignments is the creation of a digital game concept pitch.

GAME DESIGN 2
GAMES-GT 151
4 units
Game Design 2 is a one-semester course that builds directly on the class Game Design 1. Like the introductory course, the focus in the class is the actual creation of several non-digital games. However, Game Design 2 goes quite deep into advanced topics in game design, as students wrestle with more complex and challenging problems, such as formal playtesting procedures, balancing game economies, and designing games for real-world impact. The class will cover both the craft and the culture of making games, and has a particular emphasis on how designers communicate their ideas, with multiple assignments and exercises focused on the visual communication of dynamic systems. Although most of the projects will take the form of non-digital design, the course will address the application of ideas and procedures to digital games.

BOARD GAME DESIGN
GAMES-GT 152
4 units
Board game design is a one-semester course for students who want to dig deeper into table-top games, from design to history to manufacturing. The first half of the course looks at the world of mass market games, which focus heavily on commercials, trends, plastics, licenses, low prices, and casual rules. The second half focuses on hobby games, designed for the dedicated game player, and the different styles of games in that world. The course is hands-on with at least one published game played in every class. There are multiple assignments where students bring these concepts to life through their own designs. Throughout the course, there is a focus on understanding players and designing games for a target audience.

TABLETOP ROLEPLAYING GAME DESIGN
GAMES-GT 154
4 units
Roleplaying games represent one of the most important design spaces in modern gaming. Beginning in the early 70s, these games quickly took root and influenced games far beyond their own sphere. Mechanisms like levels, classes and hit points have been adopted in a far-reaching swath of board, card, digital and mobile games. But despite their influence, the design of RPGs is largely unexamined. This class will walk students through the design process from concept, to testing, to writing and production. At the same time, students will engage in meaningful play with historically significant games. The combination of design and play will allow us to examine these living games for their trends, tropes and strengths.

From week to week the students will experiment with and design systems for roleplaying games with the ultimate goal of designing a complete game as part of a team. The class will operate on discussion, play, design, test cycle: We will discuss historical RPG design; students will play these designs; they will then design their own; and test them with each other in class.

GAME DESIGN: PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE
GAMES-GT 155
4 units
Formerly "Advanced Game Design", this course focuses on the practical skills that working game designers need to get a job - and what they do at a company once they are there. Over the course of the semester, students will work on two full project proposals - each proposal including design documentation, production and schedule planning, and a prototype specification. In addition, students will take a handful of "game design tests" - based on actual game industry tests that are part of the hiring process. Along the way, we will be visiting a few NYC-based game companies, as well as discussing issues relevant to working game designers today. The goal
of the course is to work on our communication, design, and planning skills, and get a sense for what it means to be a working game designer.

LEVEL DESIGN STUDIO
GAMES-GT 162
4 units
This course focuses on the theory and practice of level design for 3D video games. Students will develop fluency in conveying experience design goals and building 3D spaces, gaining a practical understanding of architecture, lighting, and CG texturing for digital spaces — as well as a more abstract awareness of architectural theory — culminating in a long-term hands-on level design project.

VISUAL LAB 0
GAMES-GT 200
2 units
Visual Lab Zero is a fundamentals course that introduces MFA Game Design students to the basics of visual design and communication. Following in the tradition of Code Lab Zero, which plays a similar role with game programming, Visual Lab Zero helps students gain a basic understanding of the visual aspects of game creation.

The course is meant to be taken alongside Studio 2, and in a sense serves as visual design tutorial for that class. However, there will also be lessons and exercises that exist independently of Studio 2 and focus on students learning concepts that might not immediately apply to their concurrent work in other classes.

The class activities consist of in-class and take home visual exercises that embody fundamental visual thinking. Through design and critique, students learn to look at and talk about the visual world. Lectures and presentations also introduce students to visual culture both inside and outside of games.

VISUAL SYSTEMS: ADVANCED VISUAL DESIGN FOR VIDEO GAMES
GAMES-GT 202
4 units
Visual systems are forms of graphic presentation governed by rules. All mediums (forms and materials) have inherent qualities that we endeavor to explore and ultimately seek to exploit. The computer, as a visual medium and tool, offers the unique ability to impose ultra fast order and structure to a dynamic presentation process. From elegant and simple to tediously complex, systematic processes lay at the very heart of computer graphics and interactive art. This course will examine both the technical and aesthetic qualities, affordances and limitations of several low and high end visual systems. Students will be encouraged to explore new tools, and even consider developing their own, as they engage with class assignments. Two weeks will be given for each assignment, followed by a presentation of the work and a constructive group critique. Additionally, this course will provide a time and place for students to bring forward specific visual design problems from their thesis projects for critique and discussion.

TECH ART STUDIO
GAMES-GT 203
4 units
Tech Art Studio builds on the innovations of modern designers and developers, which have enabled individuals and small teams to develop complex asset systems within games that, until recently, were out of the grasps of those without the benefit of a larger traditional studio. The course will explore and support these concepts. Firstly, the class has a technical component, similar to general programming courses, but focused on programming and mathematical concepts as they apply and relate to 3D game development problem solving. Secondly, it is a techniques class, intended to familiarize students with tools and concepts from which they can grow their own personal workflows and styles. Lastly, the course has a studio component, intended to give students continuous peer and instructor feedback with respect to style and execution as students explore the affordances of the tools.

Tech Art Studio is intended to prepare students to gain a generalist’s understanding of working in a 3D space. This includes tools like shader development, and 3D modeling software, but more importantly, it will attempt to contextualize what students already know as it relates to the specific challenges of working in 3D, then fill in the gaps between what they know and what they still need in order to work with these concepts. The course is inspired by a collection of talks by prominent independent developers and how they were able to overcome these seemingly expensive development challenges, and the insight that these concepts all largely leverage a concise core skillset and body of knowledge.

2D ART & ANIMATION
GAMES-GT 204
4 units
2D Art and Animation for Games is a 1-semester, 4-credit class that builds fundamental skills around the design and production of art assets for games. Through a series of individual design assignments, critiques, and exercises, students will explore concepts like art direction, color theory, animation principles, and UI design while building a working knowledge of prominent industry tools.

3D MODELING FOR GAMES
GAMES-GT 206
4 units
This course is an introduction to 3D graphics for video games, starting with the foundations of 3D modeling and texturing in industry-standard tools. It focuses on building fluency with basic tools and techniques, as well as developing experience with aesthetic issues of look, style, and critical judgement in visual art.

INTRO TO 3D ANIMATION FOR GAMES
GAMES-GT 207
4 units
Intro to Game Animation builds a foundation for animating in interactive media. From a basic overview to a deep dive into the animation process, this course will teach students how to craft a performance to create unique characters and tell a story. Students will be taught to look through the eyes of an animator, investigating how successful games utilize animation principles, and how these principles and techniques functionally serve overall game design.

This class encourages students learn through practical experience, teaching familiarity with the animation principles in a 3D environment. This class is beneficial for an artist seeking to be an animator. This class will also benefit developers and designers by providing them a better understanding of the importance of animation and how it fits into the game development pipeline, providing a comprehensive understanding of the game industry as a whole.

AUDIO FOR DIGITAL GAMES
GAMES-GT 212
4 units
This course investigates aesthetic and technical aspects of sound for video games and interactive 3-D environments. Artistic implications of the technology are also explored from the
perspective of the electronic composer and performer. Students will work with a game engine to create an immersive interactive environment. Additional topics include: Cosound, Java and other relevant technologies. Completion of a final project, class presentation, as well as several weekly assignments is required.

MUSIC AND GAMEPLAY
GAMES-GT 213
4 units
Music and Gameplay is an intensive course concerned with games in which the gameplay is fundamentally influenced by or oriented around a musical system. In this course, students will engage with music games in a variety of ways, through critical play, design practice, and hands-on development. This multifaceted approach will foster a deep understanding of how interactive mechanics can be linked to music.

BIG GAMES
GAMES-GT 234
4 units
This class focuses on the particular design problems of large-scale games and playful systems. In this class students develop a foundation in game design fundamentals from which to approach the specific issues particular to big games. We will analyze existing digital and non-digital large-scale games and playful experiences, taking them apart to understand how they work. We will also work on a series of design exercises that explore the social, technological, and creative possibilities of large-scale games and play.

MATH FOR GAME DESIGNERS
GAMES-GT 242
4 units
Games have an intrinsic relationship with almost every branch of mathematics. From the randomness described by probability theory to formal logic for puzzles, games of every type are built out of math. However, for many designers without a formal education in a quantitative discipline, these areas can be esoteric and difficult to relate to games at first glance. This can handicap a designer’s scope, or force them to rely on external help or tools.

This course is designed to remedy that by providing a toolkit of mathematical concepts, with an emphasis on their direct applicability to game design and development. Students will gain a grounding in mathematical concepts useful in game development, with a focus on individual adaptation and implementation, not memorization. This course of study is designed to empower game designers with backgrounds in the arts or humanities with a core framework for understanding math concepts to apply in games of all types.

GAMEPLAY PROGRAMMING PATTERNS
GAMES-GT 251
4 units
Gameplay programming is a mess. Once you’ve factored out engine level systems like graphics and physics, what remains is a complex tangle of concepts and relationships often unique to your game that can be difficult to express clearly in code. The goal of this class is to provide students with a set of techniques applicable across different languages, genres and game engines that can help tame that complexity. To achieve that goal student will develop a game in Unity over the course of the semester. Most weeks we will introduce a new technique and add a feature to the game that highlights the utility of the technique. Along with developing new features students will also be responsible for reviewing each other’s code, as well as maintaining and revising their codebase. There will also be guest lectures by experienced developers who will discuss common issues they face during development and the techniques they use to resolve those issues.

CODE LAB 1
GAMES-GT 302
4 units
Processing is a great tool for learning the fundamentals of programming. Based on Java, one of the most popular programming languages, Processing simplifies Java to help creatives to develop programming literacy. With the mission of allowing visual artists develop interactive systems, Processing provides a language, libraries, and a development environment. You can use it to export applications for the Web, Windows, Mac OS X, Android, and Linux. Processing is completely free and open source. Many game developers learned to program with it and the concepts it teaches are useful for many programming languages and game engines. We will explore Processing beyond the Processing IDE, working with Processing in Eclipse, peeling back a layer to see how professional developers work with Processing and Java.

Beyond simply learning to program, students in this class will explore models and algorithms useful for developing games. We will discuss how platforms, libraries, frameworks, and engines affect game design, in both empowering and limiting ways. Finally, we will discuss the history of digital games, how new tools have democratized the process of game development, and the costs and benefits of those trends.

CODE LAB 2
GAMES-GT 303
4 units
Code Lab 2 is a continuation in exploring how to craft game with programming. In Code Lab, we examined how to make games in openFrameworks, starting from scratch. This class will be a workshop, building off of that knowledge, but focusing on learning how to work with code that is already written. Students will learn to work with a new Integrated Development Environment (IDE), eclipse, learn to work with a version control system, and work in depth with Java and Processing.

Over the course of the class, students will be given several versions of classic
games (Pong, Space Invaders, Asteroids, etc.) that are incomplete or have an obvious bug. They will learn to read the code, identify how to correct the issue with the game, and then eventually modify it to make their own new version of the game. These skills are essential to work with code from other developers, whether they are members of the same team, open source projects, or examples provided in tutorials and readings.

**DESIGNING FOR THE MUSEUM**

**GAMES-GT 310**

4 units

The American Museum of Natural History (AMNH) is one of the world’s largest museums and a preeminent scientific and cultural institution. In this class, student groups work with several departments at AMNH to create prototypes (either digital or analog) that serve the museum’s primary goal:

“To discover, interpret, and disseminate—through scientific research and education—knowledge about human cultures, the natural world, and the universe.”

With the Digital Learning Department acting as the primary point of contact, students first learn how to communicate with clients, market themselves, and gather requirements for a project. Experienced designers guest lecture on best practices for producing meaningful creative projects by collaborating with clients.

Students then develop several concepts to present to the museum, pitch them to AMNH staff, and iterate on the concept based on feedback. Finally, students develop a prototype to present to the client and demonstrate at a public expo, where they will convey their concept to a broad audience.

**DIVERGENT EXPERIMENTS: ROLEPLAYING GAMES ON THE MARGINS FROM DUNGEONS TO DO…**

**GAMES-GT 402**

2 units

Dungeons & Dragons, first published in 1974, remains one of the most unavoidable influences on authored games; concepts it popularized, from the mechanics of hit points and “leveling up” to themes of conflict ridden exploration in detailed fantasy worlds, have spread from the tabletop role playing games that flourished in Dungeons & Dragons’ wake to first-person shooters, massively multiplayer online games, and even games on social networks intended for the broadest of audiences. In the roots of table top roleplaying games, we can also find the beginnings of other, less widely adopted currents of experience and design: collaborative storytelling structured by process and rules; game dynamics that steer towards moral dilemmas that intertwine with competitive and cooperative mechanics; asymmetrical power structures that assign participants very different roles and blur the line between player and designer; and many more.

This course will examine the history, practice, and current state of the art of independent role-playing games, focusing on non digital roleplaying games generally played by two or more participants in person. Selected games will be played in class as well as assigned for out-of-class play, and will emphasize works that explore themes, mechanics, and play dynamics beyond the most familiar and popular forms of fantasy role playing game.

**THE EVOLUTION OF NARRATIVE IMMERSIVE SIMS: LOOKING GLASS**

**GAMES-UT 405**

2 units

This course covers the works and legacy of Looking Glass Studios, one of the most influential video game studios of the 1990s. Through a series of seminal works including Ultima Underworld (1992), System Shock (1994), and Thief (1998), they defined and pushed the limits of first-person 3D gaming. In contrast to first-person shooters, Looking Glass’ first-person games were experiments in simulation, storytelling, and interface that were years ahead of their time, and formed a vocabulary still used today for building stories in real-time virtual worlds.

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**TRADITIONAL CARD GAME LITERACY AND DESIGN**

**GAMES-UT 407**

2 units

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**MODERN TABLETOP GAME LITERACY**

**GAMES-GT 404**

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**CONTEMPORARY CONCEPTS IN BOARD GAME DESIGN**

**GAMES-GT 408**

*2 units*

Video game designers are constantly taking inspiration from board games, especially as modern board games boom. Digital games like Slay the Spire and Hearthstone wear their analog influences proudly on their sleeves. But the board game industry is growing at an enormous pace. With that growth, trends and design techniques emerge and become embraced at a dizzying speed. It’s incredibly intimidating to someone who doesn’t have perspective in the board game rabbit hole.

This class will go through modern tabletop mechanisms and techniques, enabling the student to quickly follow and digest the past few years in board and tabletop game design. It is assumed that the students understand more proven and fundamental concepts in board game design, like area control, worker placement, and deckbuilding.

**LET’S PLAY: VIDEO GAMES ON VIDEO**

**GAMES-GT 413**

*2 units*

This course focuses on the culture and performance of video game streaming on popular video networks like YouTube or Twitch. Students will analyze certain streamers’ videos and read ethnographic research / case studies on streaming communities, in preparation for running their own schedule of weekly game streams. Altogether, this class is intended as an introduction to performing game streams and video-based game criticism, as well as an acknowledgement that academic games programs have a public obligation to critically engage with streaming culture — to promote a more respectful and more inclusive community discourse around video games.

**PLAYING WELL: MASTERY AND ETHICS**

**GAMES-GT 414**

*2 units*

With the rise of esports, and the resurgence of local multiplayer games, a burgeoning part of the video game industry is concerned with designing competitive games and fostering competitive communities. And while there is plenty of advice on how to design these kinds of games, there is less examination of what it means to be a good player, in both the agonic and ethical senses.

In Playing Well students will explore what it means to be a ‘good’ player, in both the sense of mastering a set of skills and in the sense of being an ethical member of a community. They will read and discuss the cutting edge research on skill acquisition, drawn from studies done of master level musicians, negotiators, and even athletes, as well as the social science behind common cognitive biases. Parallel to these readings will be a dive into moral philosophy, from Aristotle to David Parfit, a look global models of educational equity and pedagogy, and commentary on the toxic cultures of video games. Importantly, none of this will be happening in the abstract. Students will be applying what they learn by actively practicing the techniques and strategies of the 10 player arcade game, Killer Queen, while participating and investigating the community of Killer Queen players in NYC and the rest of the country, occasionally joining in local tournaments and practice sessions.

**GAME PRODUCTION PRACTICUM**

**GAMES-GT 504**

*2 units*

The Game Production Practicum is a 1-semester course that focuses on the skills for managing the production of games. The course is designed specifically for students concurrently working on a larger game project, such as an MFA thesis project, a BFA capstone project, or the MFA Studio 2 semester-long project. Using this larger project as a case study, the Game Production Practicum will offer techniques for efficiently and effectively managing the realization of a creative vision as a completed game; including articulating goals, estimating time and resources, efficient documentation, and working with project stakeholders.

As a 2 credit course, the Game Production Practicum plays the role of a “support class” in which students interested in focusing on their meta-development skills can use a larger project as the occasion to refine their project and product management skills.

**THESIS 1**

**GAMES-GT 1001**

*4 units*

Thesis 1 is the first of two related courses, Thesis 1 and Thesis 2, in which Game Center MFA students create their thesis projects. The thesis classes are focused on supporting the students work towards creating a finished project during their second year. A thesis project can take many forms, including a digital game, a game that exists off the computer, such as a card game or a sport, a game that combines digital and non-digital components, such as a game that is played in real spaces incorporating the use of smartphones, a series of smaller games that represent the exploration of a set of related ideas, a game-related website, curated exhibition, or other criticism-oriented project, and a traditional research paper.

Students will be encouraged to work in groups to create their thesis projects, but the possibility also exists for students to work by themselves. Because of the wide range of forms that a thesis can take, the thesis courses do not present a...
specific curriculum. Instead, they provide a context and structure to support and guide the students’ research. The thesis process begins during the second semester of the MFA students’ first year, as they generate thesis concepts and form into teams. These project concepts and teams must be approved during the spring semester of the students’ first year by a Game Center faculty. Students will begin the Thesis 1 course with approved project concepts and teams.

**THESIS 2**
GAMES-GT 1002
8 units

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Admission to the Tisch School of the Arts is highly selective. Admission is based on a careful evaluation of secondary school records, scores on standardized tests, personal essay, recommendations from guidance counselors, teachers, and others; and a creative review in the form of an audition or a portfolio. Evidence of character and maturity are regarded as essential in potential students who hope to benefit fully from the unique offerings of the University and its urban environment. Participation in meaningful school and community activities is also an important factor. A student applying to the Tisch School of the Arts must indicate the particular department that they wish to enter and may only apply to one program. Prospective students wanting more information about undergraduate admission should visit the admissions Website at admissions.nyu.edu. Students wanting specific information on the Tisch School of the Arts may email Tisch.Recruitment@nyu.edu.

RECOMMENDED HIGH SCHOOL PREPARATION
The high school students most competitive for admission will take mathematics and foreign language in their senior year and exceed the following requirements:

- Four years of English with heavy emphasis on writing
- Three to four years of mathematics
- Three to four years of laboratory sciences
- Three to four years of social studies
- Two to three years of foreign language

The Admissions Committee pays particular attention to the number of honors, advanced placement, and/or international baccalaureate courses completed through the junior year. The list of advanced-level courses in progress during the senior year will also be included in the application review, especially for early decision applicants.

The remainder of your program may include further work in the above subjects or elective work in other areas, including music and art.

Please refer to the departmental sections of this bulletin for information about specific departmental admission requirements.

THE UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION PROCESS
All candidates for undergraduate admission to the university should apply online at https://apply.commonapp.org and follow the step by step instructions:

1. The Common Application including the NYU Supplement.
3. Nonrefundable application fee ($80.00).
4. Official high school and/or college records for courses for which academic credit has been earned (and General Educational Development test scores, if applicable).
6. Applicants to programs requiring an audition or portfolio are not required to submit standardized testing for consideration and doing so is entirely optional.

7. All undergraduate departments at the Tisch School of the Arts except IMA require an audition or the submission of a creative portfolio or writing sample. Creative material should only be submitted directly to the specific department at the Tisch School of the Arts. Departmental details are below.

An artistic review is required. It is the student’s responsibility to make an appointment for the required artistic review via the department’s Website.

Artistic reviews are held in New York and several other cities. Complete instructions and location information will be included in your appointment confirmation. You may participate in only one of the following artistic reviews:

- Acting: two contrasting, contemporary monologues, each under 90 seconds
- Music Theatre: two contrasting, contemporary monologues, each under 90 seconds, and 32 bars each of two songs, one must be from the musical theatre canon and one may be from a published contemporary piece or from the musical theatre canon, all musical theatre candidates must participate in a dance evaluation.
- Directing: one 90 second monologue and a portfolio of directing work from a production you would like to direct.
Production and Design: a written statement of purpose and portfolio of work (designs, drawings, photographs, or stage manager’s prompt book)

All monologues and songs must be from published plays and musicals. Each applicant must provide a résumé and photograph. Please do not bring or send supplementary materials such as CDs, DVDs, programs, or plays to the department. Additional material will not be reviewed or considered in the admissions process. For comprehensive information regarding the artistic review process, please visit drama.tisch.nyu.edu.

Deadlines for both the artistic review and NYU application are strictly enforced. For deadlines and more details about NYU’s admission requirements, please visit admissions.nyu.edu.

Departmental Address: New York University, Tisch School of the Arts, Department of Drama, Undergraduate, 721 Broadway, 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10003-6807. The artistic review telephone number is 212-998-1870. Visit our Website at drama.tisch.nyu.edu.

Dance: 111 Second Avenue, 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10003-8382; 212-998-1980; dance.tisch.nyu.edu.

An audition is required. Auditions will be held in New York City in December, January and February, and in Chicago, Miami, and Los Angeles in January. Applications must be received by January 1. If you would like to audition in Chicago, Miami, or Los Angeles, we strongly suggest your application be submitted by December 15. Transfer applicants are encouraged to apply by February 15.

The Department of Dance will contact you with information about reserving an audition time after the Undergraduate Admissions Processing Center has processed your application. The audition consists of a 90-minute combination ballet and modern dance technique class. Those who pass this first part of the audition will be asked to perform a short (two- to three-minute) solo dance in any style. You may choreograph the solo or have someone else choreograph it for you. A personal interview will follow the solo performance.

1. 8”x 10” color dance photo in any position with your name on the back.
2. dance resume
3. ballet shoes and form fitting dancewear
4. pointe shoes is you plan to do your solo on pointe
5. music for your solo (ie: iPod, iPhone, MP3 player with CD as a backup). Please remove your passcode from your phone before the audition.

A detailed résumé listing your prior dance experience, including types of training, names of teachers and schools, years studied, and the number of lessons per week.

Digital Auditions. Please note that, with the exception of international students, digital auditions will not be accepted. Digital audition requirements will be sent to applicants after their application has been processed by the Office of Admissions.

Film and Television: 721 Broadway, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10003-6807, Attn.: Undergraduate Portfolio; 212-998-1702; www.tisch.nyu.edu.

PART 1. Creative Resume
- Format: 1 PAGE
  - Highlight your creative works, activities in and out of school, and relevant employment. We also welcome information about any community service you've done or part time jobs you've held. Your list of activities do not have to be strictly creative if they illustrate an engagement with your community and/or a significant time commitment from you.
  - Must also include:
    - Your full name
    - home address
    - date of birth
    - the name of your high school (or college for transfer students)
- Save as a pdf and name the file LastName_FirstName_Resume before uploading it to SlideRoom.

PART 2. Tell us a story
- Format: Up to 4 typed, double-spaced 8.5” x 11” pages, written in prose format
  - We are looking for the next generation of storytellers. Select one of the following opening lines and finish the short story:
    - Can I sit here?
    - I love opening nights.
    - Is this our new house, daddy?
    - Let’s keep looking.
  - Save as a pdf and name the file LastName_FirstName_Story before uploading it to SlideRoom.

PART 3. Tell us about your selfie
- Format: Upload a 1-2 minute video where you show and tell us about yourself.
- We encourage you to share information that we cannot get from other aspects of your portfolio submission.

Your video should be in your own voice, in your own format, and not a reiteration of why you want to be admitted to NYU’s film program. Be creative and have fun; what you choose to say and how you say it is up to you.

- If you do not have the ability to submit a film, email admissions.ugftv@nyu.edu for alternative instructions.

PART 4. What’s in your backpack?
- Format: 1 page, double spaced
  - Pick five items, including 1 book, 1 DVD, and 3 (non-essential) items of your choosing to take with you to a deserted island. What would they be and are they important to you? You do not need to worry about food and water. Leave your laptops and cell phones at home.
  - Your essay should be no longer than 1 page in length. You can list your items and provide thoughtful descriptions for each or write your essay in prose format.
  - Save as a pdf and name the file LastName_FirstName_Backpack before uploading it to SlideRoom.

PART 5. Creative submission
- A creative submission that showcases visual storytelling and imaginative expression of thought.
- The applicant must be the principle creative force of the creative work submitted.
- Choose ONLY ONE of the following:
  A. Film or video
  B. Artistic Portfolio
  C. Writing
- Format: Up to five minutes total running time): Your submission should be a complete work which represents your best effort and one which engages your audience. Video footage of staged plays or theatre performances is not acceptable. You must be the principle creative force of the piece (i.e. the director, writer, editor, or cinematographer). We strongly discourage you from submitting co-directed or co-written projects, however if you choose to submit a co-created work, you must clearly state your specific contributions to the project. Be sure to test your video prior to submission. We would like to see your best single work as opposed to a compilation of shorter films.
- If you are submitting a link, please be sure no downloads or passwords are required.
B. Artistic Portfolio (10-15 images): A portfolio of photographs, drawings, paintings, sculpture or set design work; please do not include films if you are submitting an artistic portfolio. Your submission should reflect clearly developed ideas and themes and convey a clear and imaginative visual sense. You may upload up to fifteen photographic or scanned images of your work. (Still images and scans should be a minimum of 72 dpi).

C. Writing: Up to six pages of creative writing consisting of either a complete short story, film script or stage play. Do not submit excerpts.

FORMAT: Double spaced, prose or screenplay format where applicable.

(Save as a PDF)

• The applicant must be the principle creative force of the creative work submitted. Exact credits must be specified. Please send the requested items only; no substitutions, variations, or extraneous materials. Failure to comply with these guidelines will be grounds for automatic disqualification.

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Exact credits must be specified; the applicant must be the principal creative force of the creative work submitted. Please make sure your name and date of birth or University ID number are on all pieces of portfolio materials you upload.


Successful candidates to the Department of Photography and Imaging are passionate and committed to the study and production of images, curious about the world, and have a desire to push personal and social boundaries.

All applicants must complete the Common Application and provide the required academic documentation and supporting credentials. The application may be obtained from the NYU undergraduate admissions Website.

All applicants must submit a creative portfolio according to the undergraduate application deadlines: November 1 for early decision I applicants; January 1 for regular decision and early decision II applicants; March 1 for internal (NYU) transfer applicants; and April 1 for non-NYU transfer applicants.

Creative Portfolio
• Submit 15-20 images via tisch-photo.slideroom.com
• 10 images should be on a single, cohesive theme.
• You may include all examples of work in digital form – photographs, videos, animations, gifs, websites, etc.
• You may include up to 5 non-photo based images (fine art, drawing, etc.)

Tips for Developing a Portfolio
• Avoid compiling a disjointed group of images better considered individually. Include images that expand on the same theme (or a series of themes and ideas) rather than images that are thematically unrelated.

Consider what the work tells the viewer about you. Your portfolio is an opportunity to share your opinions, passion for ideas, and personal vision of the world with your viewer.

For more details and deadlines on the admission and artistic review requirements, visit admissions.nyu.edu.

Cinema Studies: 721 Broadway, 6th Floor, Room 603, New York, NY 10003-6807; 212-998-1600; www.tisch.nyu.edu.

You must prepare a two-part portfolio and submit via the Department online application system, Slideroom. Please note that, upon submitting your portfolio, Slideroom does charge a $12.00 fee for applicants to use this service (you may pay this fee with credit or debit card). Your portfolio must be uploaded via Slideroom on or before the application deadline. Part I is a 5- to 10-page essay on a film, a director, or any film-related topic. Part 2 is a one-page statement that addresses the following questions: (1) Have you had any previous cinema-related course work, (2) What areas of cinema studies are you most interested in exploring (e.g., film genres, directors, theoretical issues, etc.), and (3) What are some of your career aspirations (e.g., film journalist/critic, film museum or archive worker, film industry professional, screenwriter, filmmaker)?


In addition to the NYU Undergraduate Application, all applicants for the Goldberg Department of Dramatic Writing must submit a portfolio submission packet via the Department online application system, Slideroom. Please note that, upon submitting your creative portfolio, Slideroom does charge a $5.00 fee for applicants to use this service (you may pay this fee with credit or debit card). Your creative portfolio must be uploaded via Slideroom on or before the application deadline.

This packet must include the following items:

1. Cover Sheet
   Name (Last, First, MI)
   Date of Birth
   Deadline (EDI or EDI or Transfer***)
   Program (undergraduate)
   Type of Writing Samples (script for television, play script, screenplay, short story, etc.)

2. Statement of Purpose
   Identify a work of film, television, or theater you’ve read or seen in the past year, which has had an impact on your identity as a dramatic writer. Tell us why. (500 words)

3. Writing Portfolio
   Portfolio Requirements:
   Submit 3-4 separate writing samples that together total at least 15 pages and that do not exceed 25 pages. At least one of these samples MUST be a sample of dramatic writing (Screenplay, Stage Play, or Script for Television). The other 2-3 samples may be, but are not limited to, additional dramatic writing samples, memoirs, short stories, fictional material, and adaptation based on fact. Choose material that is dramatic and self-contained, with an inherent conflict, a strong protagonist, and a beginning, middle, and end.

Unacceptable Submissions:
Do not submit: Co-written material (the work must be yours and yours alone), Poetry, Elevator Pieces (i.e. two people, total opposites, get stuck in an elevator), Journalism, or “writing prompts” from other colleges or universities. Do not submit DVDs or CDs of any kind. Please label all pages of the Statement of
Purpose and Writing Portfolio with: Last Name, First Name of the applicant (i.e., Smith, Susan).


You must prepare a creative portfolio and submit via the institute’s online application system, Slideroom. Please note that, upon submitting your final creative portfolio, Slideroom does charge a $12 fee for applicants to use this service (you may pay this fee with credit or debit card).

In preparing your creative portfolio, please note that you do not necessarily need to have experience in the music industry, nor do you necessarily need to have access to resources to demonstrate your vision, creativity and passion and your potential for success in the music industry. Be creative!

Your creative portfolio must include the following 7 clearly labeled components (#1 through #6 to be uploaded by you, #7 to be uploaded by your recommender):

1. Statement of Intent

At the Clive Davis Institute, we’re looking for self-starters aiming to launch unique creative enterprises. Review our holistic curriculum and our areas of entrepreneurship. Based on your experiences so far, what kinds of skills do you possess—or do you hope to develop—that will allow you to succeed in the music industry when you graduate?

We would also like you to identify why the Clive Davis Institute is the right fit for you: how does our holistic curriculm help you develop toward your educational and career goals? What do you, in turn, expect to contribute to the culture of the Clive Davis Institute and NYU as a whole?

2. Creative Sample

All applicants are required to submit a creative sample that demonstrates evidence of the skills you possess—or evidence of your potential to develop the skills—that will allow you to achieve your career goals as the entrepreneur type outlined in your Statement of Intent.

Your submission may be one sample or multiple samples that together total five minutes of review. You may submit audio, video, a sample of articles you’ve written or published, a business plan you’d like to implement, designs for a home studio, flyers or promotional materials you’ve designed, evidence of live event production, evidence of experience with new media or online entrepreneurship, films you’ve scored, etc. The sample(s) you submit for your Creative Portfolio should be specific to the kind of entrepreneur you are interested in pursuing while at The Clive Davis Institute.

If you’re applying as a performer entrepreneur, you must submit a sample that showcases your raw talent to the committee. In other words, if your songs/voice are heavily produced, we’d like to hear you without those production elements. This may be as simple as you sitting in front of your computer camera and performing 60-90 seconds of your favorite song or rap. You’re also highly encouraged to submit a video that highlights your stage presence and live performance. Use this as a means to demonstrate your personality and level of experience as a performer. This should be included as part of the five minutes for your Creative Sample.

In all cases, the material submitted must show evidence of your original work and you must be the primary contributor to or creator of the work. Work that involves sampling or previously copyrighted material may be submitted only if your creativity is displayed through the use of the sampled material.

3. Detailed Statement About the Creative Sample

We’d like to know more about your creative process. To that end, each applicant is also required to submit a brief WRITTEN statement as well as record and submit an equally brief VIDEO statement that explains the following:

1. WRITTEN: HOW you made the work - identify the full extent of your creative involvement, and, if necessary, all credits due to other contributors. You must provide, as applicable, the name of the composition, contributor, mixer, arranger, programmer, location of recording, date of recording, full list of performers, and software used. (1 page or less, .pdf format)

2. VIDEO: WHY you made the work—identify your creative process, your artistic influences, your inspiration. Using a webcam or mobile camera to record yourself, describe your behind-the-scenes process in putting together your creative sample. What inspired you to create the sample or submit the specific samples that you selected? Quality is not important, as long as we can see and hear you clearly. Just keep it simple, and talk to us about you and your sample—show us your personality. (2 minutes)

4. Artistic Resume

Please list your previous creative and entrepreneurial experience. Experience may include promotional activities, internships, volunteer work experience, musical skills, church choir, school chorus, band involvement, and amateur or professional performances. It may also include formal training on an instrument, voice training, technology (such as MIDI), or technical skills in music performance and recording, such as arranging and composition, DJ-ing, and producing. Please include instructors, courses taken, and the duration of study or engagement.

1-2 pages, .pdf format

5. Current Personal Photograph

Please include one photo that best represents your aesthetic as your selected type of entrepreneur, or best represents who you are.

.jpg format

6. Critical Essay

You have been selected by NASA to join a one-way mission to Mars aboard Galaxy One. There is only room for ten songs per colonist on the onboard computer. What ten songs are you bringing? Organize those songs into a customized, accessible playlist via any suitable streaming service (i.e. Spotify, Tidal, YouTube, etc.) of your choosing. Paste the playlist link and then write about any one of those songs or artists. Explain why you’ve chosen that song or artist and specifically address aspects of the recording that strike you in terms of production, artistry/performance, marketing, or promotion.

2 pages, double-spaced, .pdf format

7. One Letter of Recommendation

This letter must be from someone who knows you well and can speak of not only your creativity and innate talent, but also your potential to succeed as a leader in the music industry. Your recommender should speak to the following qualities—entrepreneurial ambition, leadership, confidence, maturity, self-initiative, drive/hustle, innovativeness, ability to collaborate, star quality/charisma, and passion. It is advisable for recommenders to provide specific examples and anecdotes that speak to the aforementioned qualities.

**Please note that Slideroom will allow you to upload a minimum of 6 components as outlined above, and a maximum of 25 components should you feel that it is necessary to include supplemental information with your creative portfolio. Please just make sure that all supplemental information is labeled as such.
Once you have registered to start a creative portfolio via Slideroom, you may step away and come back at any time, until the final deadline. Please make sure that you save your progress after each visit, and do not click to submit until you are sure that you have properly uploaded the required components outlined above. Once you click submit, you may no longer edit your creative portfolio.

Performance Studies: 721 Broadway, 6th Floor, New York, NY 10003, 212-998-1620, email: performance.studios@nyu.edu.

Successful B.A. candidates are curious students with strong writing and critical thinking skills, who are interested in performance as an object of study. This includes students who enjoy thinking and writing about performance. We are not a performing arts department—we don’t train students to do performance—but we welcome students who are excited about analyzing and understanding it in a disciplinary context that includes anthropology, ethnic and gender studies, religious studies, philosophy, etc.

Admission is based on previous academic achievement and evidence of strong skills in writing and cultural analysis.

For the Portfolio, please submit a 750-1000 word statement that addresses your interest in performance studies, why you think you are a good fit for this department, and what you hope to gain from the experience of studying with us. What do you hope to study and write about in the field of Performance Studies? Why are you applying to this program and not a more traditional program such as anthropology, dance, or theatre?

NYU Game Design: 379 Jay Street, 6th Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11201, 646-997-0708, email: gamecenter@nyu.edu.

Creative Portfolio

In addition to the common application, the NYU Game Center requires a creative portfolio. All portfolios are submitted digitally via nyugamecenter.slideroom.com. There is a $10 submission fee through Slideroom. Late portfolios will not be accepted.

The components of the creative portfolio are:

1. Short Essay Questions. Respond to all of the following questions:
   - Why do you want to come to the Game Center? What excites you most about game design?
   - We want you to write about a game that is NOT a computer or video game (a board game, a sport, etc) that you like to play. What do you like about it? What about the game makes it enjoyable to play?
   - Videogame designers usually work in teams. What is it about you that makes you a good team member?
   - Tell us about a game you know well. What is something that an average player might not know or understand about it?
   - What are your hopes for the future of games?

2. Creative Project. A creative project could be: a game you’ve made (digital or non-digital), a computer program you’ve written, a film you created, a piece of music, a creative writing sample, a portfolio of artwork, visual design, sculptures, photography or other creative pieces. We are looking for your talent and creativity in whichever medium you choose, so choose an example that you think best shows off your strengths and ideas. While you are welcome to submit more than one project, especially if you’d like to showcase diverse talents, we recommend that you curate your portfolio carefully and show only your best work. Please upload your pieces individually—zipping your files is heavily discouraged. Below are some guidelines to submitting your work:
   - If a project is a digital game or software application: Detailed instructions for installation and interaction, including platform requirements, must be included. You will not be able to upload any game files, so please provide a link to your online game or downloadable game files, and include the link in your design statement.
   - If a project is a board game, performance, game event, or other physical project: Include detailed documentation of the project, such as photographs, a short video, script, rules of play, etc.
   - If a project is a visual artwork or series: Include detailed visual documentation of the project (3-5 images and/or up to 5 minutes of video).
   - If a project is a video: You may upload the video directly to Slideroom or as well as a link to the video itself. Be sure that the link does not require a special login.
   - If a project is a written paper or essay: Please upload the paper itself in PDF format. Include at the start an abstract or summary of the essay.
   - If a project is a website or other online-accessible project: A link to the online project is sufficient.
   - If your project does not fit into any of these categories and you do not know how best to submit or document the project, contact the Game Center at gamecenter@nyu.edu directly for advice.

Collaborative Arts: 665 Broadway, 6th Floor, New York, NY 10012-2331

The Collaborative Arts program is ideal for students with a rich diversity of talents who crave a wide variety of experiences. We’re looking for independent minded students, who are motivated to challenge themselves and work with other artists to generate interdisciplinary projects. Our students are curious, willing to take risks, and interested in exploring the wonderful possibilities of working between disciplines.

Creative Portfolio

You must prepare a three-part creative portfolio and submit via the Artistic Review portal (NOTE: a couple of days after you submit the Common App, you will receive an email from NYU with a personalized link to the Artistic Review portal).

Part 1—Resume

Please submit a one-page resume that includes:
1) creative and academic work
2) special skills
3) activities and hobbies

Part 2—Essay Part A and B

A. In one essay no more than two pages in length, please answer the following two questions:
1. Our program is unique in that it has interdisciplinary, co-authored arts practice at its core. Students will share authorship and develop artistic work as a group in collaborative arts workshops that include writing, movement, acting, film, visual arts, and emerging media. In the core collaborative workshops there is no traditional sole director, writer, performer, etc.

   Why would you like to be a part of this collaborative program?

2. Our students receive foundational training in five different areas of artistic practice. Because of this broad-based approach, our students—unlike in other BFA’s—do not focus on one specific discipline. We are training versatile, multi-faceted artists of tomorrow.

   Why would you like to be a part of this multi-disciplinary program?
The IMA program, an interdisciplinary program, introduces students to the study of interactive media, which is the multimedia technology that combines physical and digital interactions. The ability to code, learn new software, manipulate data, and create physical + digital interactions is an essential creative capability, and that students who master those capabilities will be well-placed to invent the future.

B. Using a phone or laptop, record a headshot video telling us about yourself. Your video can be no longer than one minute.

**Part 3—Artistic Submission**
Please submit TWO samples of work from any of the following categories that you think best express your strengths as an artist:

a) **Performance:** Submit a video monologue drawn from a contemporary play or movie (i.e., 20th century - present). The monologue must be under two minutes in length. Please introduce the monologue with title and author.

b) **Movement:** Submit a video consisting of one movement piece. You should either be a featured dancer or the piece should be choreographed by you. Please provide a brief statement about the piece explaining your goals and participation in the work.

c) **Visual Imagery:** (Choose one of the following):
   1. One short film, or excerpts from a longer piece, up to five minutes in length. The sample can be live action, animation, fictional, experimental, or documentary.
   2. A portfolio of images of your original work from other visual arts disciplines, such as photography, drawing, painting, sculpture, set design, or mixed-media art. The minimum number of images is 5 and the maximum 10. Include a brief statement explaining the work and documenting your process.

d) **Writing:** a 5-8 page sample of a stage play, screenplay or script for television. Ideally, this excerpt will demonstrate an ability to propel traditional narrative storytelling through characters in conflict.

e) **Emerging Media:** write a brief statement explaining and documenting your process in the creation of an application, game, website design, or other digital media. Include a url for the actual work.

**Interactive Media Arts—IMA**,
370 Jay Street, 4th Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11201

The IMA program, an interdisciplinary undergraduate Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) degree in Interactive Media Arts (IMA), starts from the proposition that computation—the ability to code, learn new software, manipulate data, and create physical + digital interactions—is an essential creative capability, and that students who master those capabilities will be well-placed to invent the future.

All undergraduate applicants need to fill out the NYU Common application. Applicants are encouraged to submit optional creative materials via http://sip.nyu.edu/ima/apply/ to supplement the Common application. Feel free to submit anything that shows your skills, creativity, curiosity, or generosity. If you have questions or are unable to send your materials via the online form, please email it to ima.info@nyu.edu. If you want to submit anything in hardcopy (CD, DVD, portfolio book etc), please mail it to IMA, NYU, NEW ADDRESS. Please do not send originals as we will not be able to return any items.

**CAMPUS VISITS**
All prospective students and their parents are invited to visit the New York University campus. Opportunities to tour the University, to meet students and faculty, and to attend classes, where feasible, are available to interested students. Arrangements may be made to attend selected classes in the College of Arts and Science while visiting the University. No practical classes in the Tisch School of the Arts can be visited, with the exception of the Department of Dance. Please contact them directly at 212-998-1980.

Both high school and college students wishing to discuss the choice of a college, the transfer process, or academic programs are invited to attend an information session conducted by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions at the Undergraduate Admissions Processing Center, 383 Lafayette Street.

Tours of the campus and information sessions are conducted daily, Monday through Friday, except during University holidays and on selected Saturdays each fall. To make an appointment for an information session and tour, visit the undergraduate admissions Website at admissions.nyu.edu. It is suggested that arrangements be made well in advance of your visit to the campus.

Special tours of the Undergraduate Division, Kanbar Institute of Film and Television, and Drama Information Sessions are available during the academic year. To sign up for a film tour or drama information session, please see website at www.tisch.nyu.edu.

**ADMISSION APPLICATION FILING DEADLINES**
We urge you to complete and file your application by November 1 for Early Decision I admission and by January 1 for Early Decision II or regular decision. You will be informed if any of the required credentials are missing from your file. If your application is complete and your file is, however, your responsibility to make certain that we receive all of the supporting information required to complete your application file.

If NYU is your first-choice college, we encourage you to apply for admission as an early decision candidate. If admitted, you will be asked to withdraw your applications to other colleges and enroll in NYU. Early decision candidates will be notified of the admission decision starting in the middle of December for Early Decision I or after the middle of February for Early Decision II. Regular decision candidates will receive notification on or around April 1.

**FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION**
All students applying for financial aid must file the College Scholarship Service/Financial Aid profile (CSS Profile) and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). We recommend that students apply electronically; see our NYU Website at www.nyu.edu/financialaid. Students must include the NYU federal school code number 002785 in the school section of the FAFSA to ensure that their submitted information is transmitted by the processor to New York University.

New York State residents should also complete the separate application for the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP); for information visit www.nyu.edu/financialaid/tap.html. Students from other states may be required to complete separate applications for their state programs if their state grants can be used at New York University.

**TYPES OF ADMISSION**

**Regular Admission**
The Tisch School of the Arts admits students to full-time degree programs of study. Most undergraduate students enter the University after completion of the traditional four years of high school study. There are, however, a number of special undergraduate programs of admission, as described below.

**Early Decision Plan for High School Seniors**
Under the Early Decision Plan, students should submit their application, supporting credentials, and standardized test scores no later than November 1 for Early Decision I and January 1 for Early Decision II. Applicants will also be required to submit creative materials or to audition for the performance areas.

In addition, each applicant must complete on the application a signed state-
ments agreeing that they will withdraw any applications submitted to other colleges if accepted by New York University. Another form must be signed by the student, parent, and counselor agreeing to the early decision commitment to enroll if admitted to NYU. Action on these applications will be taken by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions beginning in mid-December.

Early decision candidates who are also applicants for financial aid must submit the NYU Early Decision Financial Aid Application by November 1 for Early Decision I and by January 1 for Early Decision II, so that the University will be able to provide a financial aid estimate by the early decision notification date. Information about this application can be found online at admissions.nyu.edu. Early decision applicants must also file the College Scholarship and Service profile (CSS) and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as early as October 1 and no later than February 15.

TRANSFER APPLICANTS

A student may transfer from another college in September, with the exception of Film and Television applicants. Transfer students admitted to Film and Television must begin their studies during one of the two summer sessions. Credit will be granted for most collegiate work completed with a grade of C or better within the past 10 years that satisfies degree requirements and that falls within the residency requirement, with the exception of certain courses of a vocational nature or courses not consistent with the educational objectives of the Tisch School of the Arts. Within these provisions, applicants from regionally accredited colleges are eligible for admission. Except where specifically noted, the general procedures described for entering freshmen also apply to all applicants seeking to transfer from other regionally accredited two-year and four-year institutions. Transfer applicants must submit official credentials from all institutions attended, including secondary school transcripts. Transfer applicants who took the SAT or ACT examinations while in high school should submit their test results as part of their application. Transfer applicants who did not take these examinations while in high school and have been in college less than one year must follow the testing requirements, listed on the admissions Website at admissions.nyu.edu. An audition, interview, or creative portfolio is required for all programs.

Specific entrance requirements for each department, such as auditions, interviews, and creative portfolios, are described in the Undergraduate Admission Process section (page 233).

TRANSFER APPLICANTS WITHIN THE UNIVERSITY

Students who wish to transfer from one school to another within the University must file an Internal Transfer Application online at admissions.nyu.edu prior to the application deadline (March 1 for the summer and fall terms). Students must be enrolled in the school or college to which they were originally admitted for one full year before they may transfer.

CHANGE OF MAJOR WITHIN THE TISCH SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

Tisch students who wish to change their major within the Tisch School of the Arts must file a Change of Major Application with the Tisch Office of Student Affairs, 726 Broadway, 2nd Floor. Students applying for a change of major must meet the admission requirements of the new department. This will involve an audition or submission of a portfolio. Students must be enrolled in the department to which they were originally admitted for one full year before they can change their major to another department. The change of major application can be found at: http://tisch.nyu.edu/student-affairs/forms

APPLICANTS WITH INTERNATIONAL CREDENTIALS

Applicants to New York University who are neither U.S. citizens nor permanent residents of the United States must complete the application for admission to undergraduate study for international students available online at admissions.nyu.edu. Please indicate on the application for admission your country of citizenship and, if currently residing in the United States, your current visa status. Freshman applicants (those who are currently attending or who previously completed secondary school) seeking to begin studies in the fall (September) semester must submit an application and all required credentials on or before January 1. The Early Decision I deadline is November 1 and the Early Decision II deadline is January 1. Transfer applicants (those currently or previously attending a university or tertiary school) must submit an application and all required credentials on or before April 1 for the fall term. Applications will not be processed until the Undergraduate Admissions Processing Center receives all supporting credentials.

All freshman applicants are required to submit official test results. Please visit the admissions Website at admissions.nyu.edu to learn about the admissions requirements.

If the applicant’s secondary education culminates in a maturity certificate examination, they are required to submit an official copy of the grades received in each subject of his or her examinations. All documents submitted for review must be official; that is, they must be either originals or copies certified by authorized persons. A “certified” photocopy or other copy is one that bears either an original signature of the registrar or other designated school official or an original impression of the institution’s seal. Uncertified photocopies are not acceptable. If these official documents are in a foreign language, they must be accompanied by an official English translation.

In addition, every applicant whose native language is not English must take the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language). Information concerning this examination may be obtained by writing directly to TOEFL/ETS, P.O. Box 6131, Princeton, NJ 08541, U.S.A., or by visiting the Website at www.toefl.org. Each student must request that his or her official score on this examination be sent to the Undergraduate Admissions Processing Center code 2562.

Applicants residing in the New York area may take, in lieu of the TOEFL, the English proficiency test of the University’s English Language Institute, located at 48 Cooper Square, Room 200, New York, NY 10003-7154, U.S.A. An appointment to take the test may be made by telephoning 212-998-7040.

In lieu of the TOEFL, acceptable results on the IELTS (International English Language Testing System) examination administered by the British Council will also be considered. For information on this test, visit the Website at www.ielts.org.

Financial documentation is not required when filing an application. If the applicant is accepted, instructions for completing the Application for Certificate of Eligibility (AFCOE) online will be included in the acceptance packet. Appropriate evidence of financial ability must be submitted with the AFCOE to the Office for Global Service.
in order for the appropriate visa document to be issued. If the applicant’s studies are being financed by means of his or her own savings, parental support, outside private or government scholarships, or any combination of these, they must arrange to send official letters or similar certifications as proof of such support. New students may wish to view the multimedia tutorial for new international students at www.nyu.edu/oiss/documents/tutorial/home/index.htm.

The English Language Institute

The English Language Institute of the School of Professional Studies at New York University offers The Academic English Program. Designed for students who are enrolled in undergraduate and graduate degree programs at New York University and other universities. It emphasizes critical thinking, persuasive writing, public presentation, and class participation—skills essential for success at an U.S. university. Some students study full-time in preparation for degree studies; others, who are already enrolled in degree programs, study on a part-time basis. Courses are offered at each ALL English proficiency level. Please contact the ALL office for information at 212-998-7040. Website: http://www.cps.nyu.edu/academics/departments/all/academic-offerings/academic-english.html

READMISSION OF FORMER UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Any former Tisch student wishing to return to the school who has been out of attendance between one term to 3 years without an approved leave of absence, and who has not attended another university in the interim must apply for readmission through Admission at www.nyu.edu/admissions/undergraduateadmissions.html.

Requests for readmission should be received by the following dates: July 1 for the fall term, November 1 for the spring term, and April 1 for the summer term.

A student who has attended another institution since enrolling at New York University must apply as a transfer student and submit transcripts from all other institution(s) attended and may be required to audition or submit a creative portfolio for admission to a specific department. Transfer application are available online only at admissions.nyu.edu.

THE SPRING SEMESTER AT TISCH PROGRAM

Undergraduate students at other institutions may study at Tisch for the spring semester through specialized tracks of study. Students enroll full time and take 12-18 credits from one of five core areas, including cinema studies, drama, dramatic writing, film production, as well as photography and imaging. Dormitory housing is available.

For complete information and an application for the Spring at Tisch Program, please visit our Website at www.tisch.nyu.edu or contact the Office of Special Programs, Tisch School of the Arts, New York University, 721 Broadway, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10003-6807; 212-998-1500; e-mail: tisch.special.info@nyu.edu.

ADVANCED STANDING

Credit may be awarded for satisfactory work completed at another regionally accredited university to the extent that the curriculum and requirements of each department of the school allow. Students should refer to the departmental sections of this bulletin for details.

When a transfer applicant is admitted to the school, the applicant’s records are examined carefully to determine how much, if any, advanced standing will be granted. Each individual course completed elsewhere is evaluated. In granting advanced standing, the suitability of courses taken elsewhere for the program of study chosen here and the student’s grades are considered. Transfer students must fulfill course and residency requirements for their departments. A tentative statement of advanced standing is provided to each transfer student on notification of admission to the school. A final statement of advanced standing is provided during the student’s first semester of matriculation. Requests for reevaluation of transfer credit must be made within the semester during which the final statement of advanced standing is received.

For undergraduate students admitted as freshmen, credit for courses taken at other Universities prior to matriculation at Tisch is awarded using a different set of standards. No credit is granted for college writing or expository writing courses taken while in high school, nor for courses taken on a pass/fail basis. Additionally, credit is not granted for college courses that satisfied high school graduation requirements.

PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS

Foreign Language: a student who wishes to continue in a language previously studied in high school or in college must take a language placement test or submit the scores from a College Entrance Examination Board SAT Subject Test or receive a recommendation for placement from the appropriate language department. A schedule of placement exams can be found online at www.nyu.edu/cas/placementexam.

THE ENROLLMENT PROCESS

To be enrolled, an admitted undergraduate candidate must do the following:

1. Accept the University’s offer of admission and pay the required nonrefundable tuition and housing (if applicable) deposit.
2. Submit all final high school and college transcripts to the New York University Undergraduate Admissions Processing Center.
3. Register for classes (as per Department’s guidelines)
4. Complete all mandatory health requirements, tasks, and deadlines
5. Pay balance of tuition and/or housing fees by the stipulated deadline.

CREDIT BY EXAMINATION (INCLUDING INTERNATIONAL MATURITY EXAMS)

The Advanced Placement (AP) Program (College Entrance Examination Board), the International Baccalaureate (IB) Program, and the results of some foreign maturity certificate examinations enable undergraduate students to receive credit toward the bachelor's degree on the basis of performance in college-level examinations or proficiency examinations related to the Tisch School of the Arts degree.

The maximum number of credits that can be counted toward the degree from college courses taken while in high school, Advanced Placement subject tests, and International Baccalaureate higher level examinations is 32. A maximum of 8 test credits may be applied toward the general education requirement; the remainder may only be applied to the elective requirement. The exception is the dance program, where credit is not granted by examination. Once a student has enrolled, all credits toward the degree must be taken as course work. The Advanced Placement (AP) Program (College Entrance Examination Board), the International Baccalaureate (IB) Program, and the results of some foreign
maturity certificate examinations enable undergraduate students to receive credit toward the bachelor's degree on the basis of performance in college-level examinations or proficiency examinations related to the Tisch School of the Arts degree.

**International Baccalaureate (IB)**

Tisch School of the Arts recognizes, for advanced standing credit, higher-level examinations passed with grades of 6 or 7. No credit is granted for standard-level examinations. Official reports must be submitted to the Undergraduate Admissions Processing Center for review. See the chart below concerning those IB test scores for which credit is given. Maturity Certificate Examinations

Tisch School of the Arts will consider the results of certain foreign maturity certificate examinations for advanced standing credit. Credit is awarded on the basis of scores on part one (a test of written Italian) and part two (one subject tested in depth, which rotates from year to year). Each of these two sections can yield 4 points, with a minimum score requirement of 13 (out of a possible 15). Neither part three of the written test nor the oral portion of the exam yields any points.

### Minimum scores for receiving credit are:
- A Levels: B
- Cambridge Pre-U: M2
- CAPE: II (out of VII)
- French Baccalauréat: 12 (out of 20) with coefficient of 5 or better
- German Abitur: 10 (out of 15)
- Italian Maturità: 90 (out of 100)*
- Swiss Matura: 4.5 (out of 6)

* Policy on the Italian Maturità: Students must earn a 90 or higher on the final Maturità exam to be considered for advanced standing credit. Credit is awarded on the basis of scores on part one (a test of written Italian) and part two (one subject tested in depth, which rotates from year to year). Each of these two sections can yield 4 points, with a minimum score requirement of 13 (out of a possible 15). Neither part three of the written test nor the oral portion of the exam yields any points.

### ADVANCED PLACEMENT CREDIT

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ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM

Tisch School of the Arts participates in the Advanced Placement (AP) Program of the College Entrance Examination Board. In accordance with New York University policy, students may receive college credit toward their degree for test results of 5 or 4, depending on the subject examination. Tisch awards AP credit in liberal arts subjects that correspond to the disciplines taught in the College of Arts and Science (CAS). Some AP exams are deemed the equivalent of specific CAS courses and are approved to count toward the College's majors and minors. Other exams do not have a specific course equivalent and cannot count toward a major or minor, but award elective credit that students can count toward the 128 points required for the baccalaureate degree. Students receiving AP credit toward their degree may not take the corresponding college-level course for credit. If they do, they will lose the AP credit. See the chart below concerning these AP test scores for which credit is given. The chart also lists those tests for which College Core Curriculum equivalencies and exemptions are granted, which pertains to certain Tisch School of the Arts undergraduate majors.
1. Students cannot earn credit for the same subject matter in any combination of AP, IB, A Level, and/or other international exams. No credit is awarded for the AP Seminar and Research courses in the AP Capstone program.

2. Does not count towards the major or minor in art history or exempt students from either ARTH-UA 1 or 2.

3. Students who major in art history are exempt from both ARTH-UA 1 and 2, and the AP credit counts as one course for the major. AP credit never counts toward the minor.

4. Prebachelors students cannot use AP credits to place out of BIOL-UA 11, 12. Students who are not prebachelors can apply these credits towards majors and minors in the Department of Biology.

5. Economics majors cannot use AP credit in calculus for any or all of the Mathematics for Economics I, II, III sequence (MATH-UA 211, 212, 213).

6. Does not count toward any majors or minors in the Departments of Biology and Chemistry, and cannot serve as a co- or prerequisite to any course in either department. Prebachelors students cannot use AP credits to place out of CHEM-UA 125, 126/127, 128.

7. AP credits in Chinese and Japanese satisfy the Core Requirement in foreign language but cannot be used for placement in the correct level of study. Students who plan to register for Chinese or Japanese at NYU must take the CAS placement exam. Credits cannot be applied to the East Asian studies major or minor.

7A. Does not count toward any major or minor in Computer Science.

8. Credit does not count toward the major or minor in environmental studies.

9. Credit can count as an elective toward the history major but not toward the history minor. No more than 4 AP credits can be applied toward the major.

10. Credit does not reduce the number of courses required for the German major.

11. Students wishing to continue Latin must consult the classics department for proper placement. AP credit will not reduce the number of courses required for the major or minor.

12. AP credit in economics satisfies the ECON-UA 1 and 2 requirements of: the major and minor in economics; the major in international relations (but only for students who enter CAS in and after fall 2016); and the minor in business studies.

13. Students cannot receive credit for both Physics B and Physics C, or for either or both of Physics 1, 2 and Physics 1. Prebachelors students cannot use AP credits to place out of PHYS-UA 11, 12. Physics B and Physics 1 and/or 2 do not count toward any majors or minors in the Department of Physics. Potential physics majors may discuss their Physics C credits with that department for possible placement out of PHYS-UA 91 and 93 (but not out of the associated labs PHYS-UA 71 and 72). Physics majors granted this exemption are required to take one or more additional advanced PHYS-UA electives. Students who are not prebachelors may apply Physics C credits toward one or both semesters of the Department of Chemistry's General Physics I and II requirement.

14. Students may count eight AP points (the equivalent of two courses) toward the majors and minors in the Department of Physics. Potential physics majors may discuss their Physics C credits with that department for possible placement out of PHYS-UA 91 and 93 (but not out of the associated labs PHYS-UA 71 and 72). Physics majors granted this exemption are required to take one or more additional advanced PHYS-UA electives. Students who are not prebachelors may apply Physics C credits toward one or both semesters of the Department of Chemistry's General Physics I and II requirement.

15. Students who intend to enroll in Spanish must register for Advanced Grammar and Composition (SPAN-UA 100) and on the first day of classes take an in-class exam to finalize proper course placement. This may result in dropping to a lower level and losing the AP credit. AP scores over 18 months old cannot be used for placement.

16. Students who intend to enroll in Italian must take an advanced placement exam at the Spanish department (not the online placement) and consult with the director of the Spanish language program. AP scores over 18 months old cannot be used for placement.

17. Students may only receive credit for SPAN-UA 200 with approval of the director of the Spanish language program. Students who intend to enroll in Spanish must take an advanced placement exam at the Spanish department (not the online placement) and consult with the director. AP scores over 18 months old cannot be used for placement.

18. Satisfies the first semester of the psychology major's statistics requirement and counts toward the major.

19. Credit counts toward the major in sociology, but does not count toward the majors in economics and international relations or toward the minor in business studies.

20. Counts as elective credit toward the baccalaureate degree, but the credits do not count toward the music major or minor.
1. Credit is only awarded for High Level (HL) exams, never for Standard Level (SL). Students cannot earn credit for the same subject matter in any combination of AP, IB, A Level, and/or other international exams.

2. IB HL 6, 7 in any foreign language satisfies certain language proficiency requirement. Please consult with your major advisor.

3. Students who intend to register for this language at NYU must take the CAS placement examination; the IB credits cannot be used for placement.

4. Spanish IB scores over 18 months old cannot be used for placement.

5. IB credit in chemistry will not count towards any majors or minors in the Departments of Biology and Chemistry, and cannot serve as a co- or prerequisite to any course in either department. Prehealth students cannot use IB Chemistry to place out of CHEM-UA 125, 126/127, 128.

6. No credit is awarded for any English B exam.

7. Students planning a major or minor in computer science must consult with the department about proper placement and possible counting of IB credits towards departmental requirements.

8. Students who present creditable results in more than one IB mathematics exam cannot receive the full 8 credits for each exam.

9. IB credit in economics satisfies the ECON-UA 1 and 2 requirements of: the major and minor in economics; the major in international relations (but only for students who enter CAS in and after fall 2016); and the minor in business studies.

10. IB credit can count as one elective toward the history major but not toward the history minor. No more than 4 of the 8 IB credits can be applied toward the major.

11. Satisfies the Core Quantitative Reasoning requirement. Students majoring in economics cannot use credits for any of the Mathematics for Economics I, II, III sequence (MATH-UA 211, 212, 213). For Further Mathematics, students must consult with the Department of Mathematics for exact course equivalencies.

12. Japanese A or B . . . . . .6, 7 . . . . .8  . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .No course equivalent3

13. Satisfies the Core Physical Science and Life Science in the Core. Cannot count toward any major or minor in the Department of Physics or the Department of Chemistry.

14. Majors and minors in psychology can use four of the points to exempt from PSYCH-UA 1 and to count as one of the ten courses required for the major or as one of the four courses required for the minor. The other four points cannot be applied towards the major or minor.

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**INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE EQUIVALENCIES**

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1. Students cannot earn credit for the same subject matter in any combination of AP, IB, A Level, and/or other international exams. No credit is awarded for Advanced Subsidiary (AS) Level examinations or for the Seminar and Research courses in the Mathematics for Economics I, II, III sequence (MATH-UA 211, 212, 213). For Further or Pure Mathematics, consult the Department of Mathematics for course equivalencies. Students who present creditable results in more than one mathematics exam (including statistics) cannot receive the full 8 credits for each exam.

2. Students planning a major or minor in computer science must consult with the department about proper placement and possible counting of A Level/Pre-U credits towards departmental requirements.

3. A Level credit in economics satisfies the ECON-UA 1 and 2 requirements of the major and minor in economics; the major in international relations (but only for students who enter CAS in and after fall 2016); and the minor in business studies.

4. No credit is awarded for Chinese Studies.

5. Students who intend to register for Chinese at NYU must take the CAS placement examination; the A Level/Pre-U credits cannot be used for placement. Credits cannot count toward the majors in economics and international relations or toward the minor in the Department of Economics.

6. Students who enter CAS in and after fall 2016 are exempt from the requirement of passing the A Level in economics.

7. Students who enter CAS in and after fall 2016 are exempt from the requirement of passing the A Level in business studies. Students who enter CAS in and after fall 2016 are exempt from the requirement of passing the A Level in psychology.

8. Students who enter CAS in and after fall 2016 are exempt from the requirement of passing the A Level in statistics.

9. Students who enter CAS in and after fall 2016 are exempt from the requirement of passing the A Level in life sciences.

10. Students who enter CAS in and after fall 2016 are exempt from the requirement of passing the A Level in physical science.

11. Students who intend to register for Chinese at NYU must take the CAS placement examination; the A Level/Pre-U credits cannot be used for placement. Credits cannot count toward the majors in economics and international relations or toward the minor in the Department of Economics.

12. Students planning a major or minor in computer science must consult with the department about proper placement and possible counting of A Level/Pre-U credits towards departmental requirements.

13. A Level credit in economics satisfies the ECON-UA 1 and 2 requirements of the major and minor in economics; the major in international relations (but only for students who enter CAS in and after fall 2016); and the minor in business studies.

14. No credit is awarded for Chinese Language.

15. Students who present creditable results in more than one mathematics exam (including statistics) cannot receive the full 8 credits for each exam.

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19. Majors and minors in psychology can use four of the credits to exempt from PSYCH-UA 1 and 2 to count toward the major or minor. The other four points cannot be applied to major or minor requirements.

20. A Level/Pre-U credits cannot be counted towards the religious studies major or minor.

21. Sociology majors need departmental approval to count four of the eight credits toward the major as an elective. The credits never exempt students from any of the introductory courses in Sociology (SOC-UA 1, 2, 3).

22. Students who present creditable results in more than one A Level mathematics exam (including statistics) cannot receive the full 8 credits for each exam.

ADVANCED LEVEL ("A LEVEL") EQUIVALENCIES (WITH PRE-U)²

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<td>Biology</td>
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<td>CHEM-UA 125, 126/127, 128</td>
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1. Tisch awards 8 credits for many of the Cambridge Pre-U examinations in liberal arts and science subjects that parallel the A Level offerings. The range of acceptable scores (lowest to highest) is: M2, M1, D3, D2, D1.

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The graduate departments of the Tisch School of the Arts offer advanced course work to qualified students who have received an accredited baccalaureate degree. Specific entrance requirements vary according to the program of graduate study. Please read the departmental sections of the bulletin carefully.

Prospective students wanting more information about graduate admission may visit the Office of Graduate Admissions at the above address or inquire through email. Walk-ins are welcomed. Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**THE ADMISSION PROCESS**

The graduate application must be completed online. Visit the above Website for further information.

The following materials are required:
1. Current online graduate application for admission.
2. Nonrefundable application fee.

Applicants are advised to plan the application well in advance of the filing deadline by contacting potential recommenders and gathering all required post-secondary academic transcripts.

Supporting credentials including transcripts, the personal statement, the résumé, and academic writing samples (where required) should be uploaded to the online application.

Letters of recommendation should be submitted at the same time as the application deadline.

Audition arrangements for the Graduate Acting Program and the Department of Dance, as well as required interviews for the Department of Design for Stage and Film, the Goldberg Department of Dramatic Writing, the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television, and graduate Musical Theatre Writing are initiated directly by the department or program after the application has been submitted to the Office of Graduate Admissions. Interviews are granted at the discretion of the Department and abide by specific timetables.

Applicants filing for admission to the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television, the Goldberg Department of Dramatic Writing, the Interactive Telecommunications Program, and the Musical Theatre Writing Program should deliver by electronic means all required creative materials such as portfolios, writing samples, musical compositions, and other creative materials directly to the appropriate department by following the guidelines in the online application.

All documents submitted in support of applications become part of the permanent records of the school and are not returned or duplicated for any purpose. All admissions are provisional until final official transcripts, showing the Bachelor's degree (and, if necessary, the Master’s degree) awarded, are received.

**TYPES OF ADMISSION**

Graduate students enter the University having received an undergraduate degree from an accredited College or University.

The Tisch School of the Arts admits students to full-time M.A., M.F.A., and M.P.S. programs of study for the fall semester only.

**APPLICANTS WITH INTERNATIONAL CREDENTIALS**

Applicants to New York University who are neither U.S. citizens nor Permanent Residents of the United States must complete the application for admission to graduate study as described above in the Admission Process section. Academic credentials should be presented preferably in English or accompanied by certified translation.

Application processing begins when the Office of Graduate Admissions receives all supporting documentation.

The University expects all students to demonstrate the ability to understand and communicate in English, both orally and in written form. To evaluate proficiency, the school requires applicants whose native language is other than English to take any one of the following four testing organizations:

1. The Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). Information may be obtained directly from the Educational Testing Services at www toeif org. When requesting official score reports, each student should list the Tisch School of the Arts, 9633. A departmental code is not needed. To expedite processing, international students may upload their own copy of the TOEFL results to the Office of Graduate Admissions with the application materials provided the official copy is sent by ETS soon after.
2. The Test of the International English Language Testing System (IELTS). Information regarding test dates and testing centers around the world may be obtained directly by visiting the Website at www.ielts.org.
3. Pearson Test of English, Pearson PTE. For more information visit pearsontpte.com

Financial documentation is not required when filing an application although students should provide a reasonable estimate as to the expected sources of funding including personal savings, assistance from family, home government, home country lenders, and transnational agencies, foundations and organizations that provide this type of assistance. International students are not excluded from consideration for scholarships awarded directly by the department they are applying to but they should take into consideration that financial aid is limited for the most part. If the applicant is accepted, instructions for completing request for the I-20/DS-2019 will be included in the acceptance letter.

Appropriate evidence of financial ability must be submitted with the request for I-20/DS-2019 to the Office of Global Services (OGS) in order for the appropriate visa document to be issued. Prospective as well as newly accepted students should view the OGS website at https://www.nyu.edu/students/student-information-and-resources/student-visa-and-immigration.html.

**READMISSION OF FORMER GRADUATE STUDENTS**

Any former student who has been out of attendance for one term or more without an approved leave of absence and who wishes to return to the school must apply for readmission by obtaining an online application from the Office of Graduate Admissions via e-mail at tisch.gradadmissions@nyu.edu. Applicants for readmission must complete and submit the application prior to the semester in which they wish to return. A one-page statement explaining their absence and defining their goals for completion of the degree must be enclosed. In some cases a copy of the transcript from the applicant’s undergraduate work is required.

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An application for readmission will be carefully reviewed by the Department. The decision to readmit will be made in accordance with school as well as departmental policy governing: time limit to complete the degree; re-validation of all completed course work and its relevance with current academic requirements; and the likelihood that the candidate will be able to successfully meet all remaining requirements for the degree. Readmitted students should also be aware of accrued charges in connection with maintenance of matriculation, fees, lab, fees, and other changes normally assessed for candidates completing thesis or thesis project requirements.

Please consult page 259 for specific information on time limits for completion of a degree.

ADMISSION APPLICATION

FILING DEADLINES

Applications with all supporting credentials are due as follows*.

- Admission is for the fall semester only except as noted:
  - Graduate Acting: January 1
  - Arts Politics: January 15
  - Graduate Cinema Studies: December 1

- Dual M.B.A./M.F.A.
  - degree Program in Film Producing: December 1

- Dual M.F.A/M.A.
  - degree Program in Dance and Dance Education: February 1

- Interactive Telecommunications: December 1

- Interactive Telecommunications (Low Residency Program): November 15

- Game Design: January 1

- Graduate Kanbar Institute of Film Production: December 1

- Moving Image Archiving and Preservation: January 15

- Graduate Musical Theatre Writing: February 1

- Performance Studies: *Subject to change. Consult current application.

FINANCIAL AID

APPLICATION

Prospective applicants interested in receiving financial aid should consult the financial aid section beginning on page 255.

Students needing financial aid should place a check in the “yes” box on the financial aid question in the application for admission. New York University requires U.S. students to submit only the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Applicants are strongly encouraged to file the FAFSA no later than February 15 in order to prevent delays in the award package issued to all accepted students by the New York University Office of Financial Aid.

The link to the FAFSA application, which also provides information on financing alternatives and types of available aid, is www.nyu.edu/financial.aid.

THE ENROLLMENT PROCESS

The enrollment process for graduate students is the same as for undergraduates. See page 240.

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The Departments of Performance Studies and Cinema Studies are administered through the Tisch School of the Arts. However, with the exception of the M.A. in Moving Image Archiving and Preservation, which is conferred by New York University through the Tisch School of the Arts, New York University confers the degrees through the Graduate School of Arts and Science. The information in this section includes guidelines from the Graduate School of Arts and Science and should be read in conjunction with the departmental sections of this bulletin as well as the admissions information above.

Admission is offered only to applicants who hold the bachelor’s degree (or equivalent foreign credentials) and who show promise of superior scholarly achievement. An applicant is judged by the following criteria: academic record; recommendations of instructors and others qualified to evaluate academic ability, character, interest, and potential; and academic or professional honors. Where relevant, an applicant may also be judged by test scores and practical experience. Applicants are considered regardless of sex, race, color, religion, national origin, or sexual orientation.

Admission to the Ph.D. Programs is offered only to those who hold a Master’s Degree. Students who withdraw, or who do not register within the time for which the offer of admission is valid, must file a new application. Students who have not registered for one academic year and who have not obtained a leave of absence must reapply.

No student is permitted to register unless they have been notified of acceptance by the Office of Graduate Admissions. Admission to study does not imply admission to degree candidacy. Further requirements, as outlined in other sections of this bulletin, must be met for degree candidacy.

Applicants with international credentials and/or nonimmigrant visas should see the special section that applies to them, below, for further information.

THE ADMISSION PROCESS

The graduate application must be completed online. Visit www.tisch.nyu.edu for further information.

The following are required:
1. Current online graduate application for admission.
2. Nonreturnable application fee.
4. Writing Sample
Applicants are advised to plan the application well in advance of the filing deadline by contacting potential recommenders and gathering all required postsecondary academic transcripts. Supporting credentials such as transcripts, the personal statement, the résumé, and academic writing samples should be uploaded to the online application.

Letters of recommendation should be uploaded directly online by the recommender on or before the application deadline.

In general, notification of the admission decision is made some time after February 1 and usually no later than April 15.

Applications submitted after the filing deadlines will only be considered in rare cases and in the order received as long as space in the department of the applicant’s choice is available.

ADMISSION CREDENTIALS

An applicant must provide final, official transcripts from the institution that awarded the bachelor’s degree and from all graduate schools attended. In the case where an applicant is currently completing a program of study leading to a degree, a provisional official transcript is acceptable as long as the final copy showing the degree awarded is sent upon completion of studies. Transcripts must also be submitted for undergraduate course work done at institutions other than the one that granted the bachelor’s degree. Students who have not received the bachelor’s degree at the time of application may apply and be accepted provisionally into the programs of the school. Such students should submit transcripts showing course work completed at the time of application.

Acceptance will remain conditional until the bachelor’s (and, if necessary, the master’s) degree has been awarded and final official transcripts showing conferment of the degree have been submitted to the Office of Graduate Admissions.

Two letters of recommendation are required, preferably from faculty members who have instructed the applicant in the same field in which graduate study will be pursued or in the major field of study up to the time of application.

All documents submitted in support of applications become part of the permanent records of the school and are not returned or duplicated for any purpose. All admissions are provisional until final official transcripts, showing the B.A. (and, if necessary, the M.A.) awarded, are received.

TYPES OF ADMISSION

The Tisch School of the Arts admits students to full-time degree programs of study. On the Master’s level, the Department of Cinema Studies can accept part-time students. Admission is granted for the fall term only. Graduate students enter the University having received an undergraduate degree from an accredited college.

NONDEGREE STUDENTS/NONMATRICULANTS

Though it is very rare, applicants may be accepted under a non-degree classification, with or without conditions of admission. Normally, non-degree status is accorded at the discretion of the department, and these applicants not seeking degrees must meet the same standards and application deadlines as students who are seeking degrees, both for admission and during enrollment. Non-degree students are considered non-matriculants, and courses taken under this designation are normally, but not necessarily, applicable toward a degree should the non-degree student subsequently decide to pursue a degree. No more than 12 units may be taken under non-degree status. Because of this point limitation, international students are not eligible for non-degree status except in special circumstances. Students with non-degree status are not eligible for university, departmental, school or federal financial aid.

VISITING STUDENTS

Applicants wishing to enroll as visiting students in the fall or spring may obtain a Visiting Student Permit to Register from the Office of Graduate Admissions, Tisch School of the Arts, New York University, 726 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10003. These forms are to be completed and signed by the applicant and the dean of the student’s home institution. The student must submit the permit at registration to the department offering the course. Such registration is on a non-matriculated basis and is restricted to the Departments of Cinema Studies and Performance Studies.

Visiting students may take no more than a cumulative total of 12 units within one semester. All satisfactorily completed courses are awarded full credit by the school. No supplementary credentials are required for visiting student status. If a registered visiting student subsequently decides to apply for admission as a regular student in the school, the usual application for admission with supporting credentials must be submitted.

READMISSION OF FORMER GRADUATE STUDENTS

Any former student who has been out of attendance for one term or more without an approved leave of absence and who wishes to return to the school must apply for readmission by obtaining an on-line application from the Office of Graduate Admissions via e-mail at Tisch.gradadmissions@nyu.edu. Applicants for readmission must complete and submit the application prior to the semester in which they wish to return. A one-page statement explaining their absence and defining their goals for completion of the degree must be enclosed. In some cases a copy of the transcript from the applicant’s undergraduate work is required.

An application for readmission will be carefully reviewed by the department. The decision to readmit will be done in accordance with school as well as departmental policy governing: time limit to complete the degree; re-validation of all completed course work and its relevance with current academic requirements; and the likelihood that the candidate will be able to successfully meet all remaining requirements for the degree. Readmitted students should also be aware of accrued charges in connection with maintenance of matriculation, fees, lab, fees, and other changes normally assessed for candidates completing thesis or thesis project requirements. Please consult page 259 for specific information on time limits for completion of a degree.
Prospective applicants to the Cinema Studies and Performance Studies Departments (M.A. and Ph.D.) should consult the financial aid section beginning on page 255.

Students needing financial aid should place a check in the “yes” box on the financial aid question in the application for admission. New York University requires U.S. students to submit only the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Applicants are strongly encouraged to file one or both no later than February 15 in order to prevent delays in the award package issued to all accepted students by the New York University Office of Financial Aid.

The link to the FAFSA application, which also provides information on financing alternatives and types of available aid, is www.nyu.edu/financial.aid. Likewise, applicants can access the FAFSA directly at fafsa.org.

Please refer to page 245.

Following is the schedule of fees established by the Board of Trustees of New York University for the year 2019-2020. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to alter this schedule without notice.

Holders of New York State Tuition Assistance Program Awards will be allowed credit toward their tuition fees in the amount of their entitlement, provided they are New York State residents, enrolled on a full-time basis, and present with their schedule/bill the Award Certificate for the applicable term.

Students who receive awards after registration will receive a check from the University after the New York State payment has been received by the Office of the Bursar and the Office of the University Registrar has confirmed eligibility.

The following is an explanatory schedule of fees for 2019-2020.

B.A., B.F.A.

Tuition for Full-Time Study 2019-2020

Tuition, 12 to 18 credits, per term...............................$27,964.00
Nonreturnable registration and services fee, per term........$1,312.00
Additional tuition per credit, per term, 19 or more credits (includes a nonreturnable registration and services fee of $67.00)..............................$1,749.00

Part-Time Study, 2019-2020

Tuition, per credit, per term…$1,749.00
Nonreturnable registration and services fee, first credit Fall term 2019:..........................$498.00
Spring term 20120:.........................$498.00
Nonreturnable registration and services fee, per credit, for registration after first credit, per term..............................$67.00

M.F.A., M.P.S., AND M.A.

Tuition for Full-Time Study, 2019-2020

Tuition, 12 to 18 credits, per term...............................$30,383.00
Nonreturnable registration and services fee, per term........$1,338.00
Additional tuition per credit, per term, 19 or more credits (includes a nonreturnable registration and services fee of $67.00)..............................$1,749.00

Part-Time Study, 2019-2020

Tuition, per credit, per term…$1,799.00
Nonreturnable registration and services fee, first credit Fall term 2019:..........................$498.00
Spring term 2020:.........................$498.00
Nonreturnable registration and services fee, per credit, for registration after first credit, per term..............................$67.00

Tuition, Fees, and Expenses for M.A. and Ph.D. (through GSAS)

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All fees are payable by the payment deadline date found at www.nyu.edu/bursar/paymentsdeadlines. Students can pay at the StudentLink Center-Bursar located at 383 Lafayette Street, online (www.nyu.edu/bursar/check), or by mail. Information from the Office of the Bursar is available online at www.nyu.edu/bursar. Checks and drafts should be drawn to the order of New York University in the exact amount of tuition and fees required.

Holders of New York State Fellowship Awards and Tuition Assistance Program Awards will be allowed credit toward their tuition fees in the amount of their entitlement, provided they are New York State residents, enrolled on a full-time basis, and present with their schedule/bill the Award Certificate for the applicable term.

Students who receive awards after registration will receive a check from the University after the New York State payment has been received by the Office of the Bursar and the Office of the University Registrar has confirmed eligibility.

Tuition, per credit..................$1,901.00
Fall term 2019: Nonreturnable registration and services fee, first credit......$509.00
Spring term 2020: Nonreturnable registration and services fee, first credit......$509.00
Nonreturnable registration and services fee, per credit, for registration after first credit..............................$71.00
Maintenance of matriculation, per term (Cinema Studies and Performance Studies only)...........$509
Nonreturnable registration and services fee: ....................................$509

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Special Fees Applicable to All New York University Students

Basic Health Insurance Benefit Plan1,2,3 (full-time undergraduate students registering for 9 credits or more per term or graduate students enrolling for 6 credits or more per term are automatically enrolled; all others can select):

An annual payment may incur additional production costs. In general, each full-time undergraduate student must supplement the fee. All nonmajors are assessed lab fees each semester of enrollment. For the 2019-2020 academic year, the anticipated lab fee is $360 (subject to change). Each year there is a small increase to the fee.
2. Each graduate student must pay a nonreturnable laboratory fee, per semester: $670 (subject to annual increase)
3. Mandatory nonreturnable equipment insurance fee, per semester: $95.00 (subject to annual increase)
4. Mandatory nonreturnable liability insurance fee, per semester: $56.00 (subject to annual increase)

Note: Laboratory fees (except for cinema studies) will increase commensurately with tuition.

**Policies on Payment**

The University reserves the right to deny registration and withhold all information regarding the record of any student who is in arrears in the payment of tuition, fees, loans, or other charges (including charges for housing, dining, or other activities or services) for as long as any arrears remain.

Diplomas of students in arrears will be held until their financial obligations to the University are fulfilled, and they have been cleared by the Bursar.

Graduates with a diploma hold may contact the Office of the Bursar at 212-998-2806 to clear arrears or to discuss their financial status at the University.

**DEFERRED PAYMENT PLAN**

The Deferred Payment Plan allows you to pay 50 percent of your net balance due for the current term on the payment due date and defer the remaining 50 percent until later in the semester. This plan is available to students who meet the following eligibility requirements:
- Matriculated and registered for 6 or more units
- Without a previously unsatisfactory university credit record
- Not in arrears (past due) for any University charge or loan

The plan includes a nonrefundable application fee of $50.00, which is to be included with the initial payment on the payment due date.

Interest at a rate of one percent per month on the unpaid balance will be assessed if payment is not made in full by the final installment due date.

A late payment fee will be assessed on any late payments.

A separate deferred payment plan application and agreement is required for each semester this plan is used. The Deferred Payment plan will be available in July at www.nyu.edu/bursar/forms for the fall semester and in December for the spring semester.

For additional information, please visit the Office of the Bursar Website: www.nyu.edu/bursar/paymentplans or contact (212) 998-2806.

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### Estimate of Expenses for Full-Time Entering Undergraduate Tisch Students for 2019-2020

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¹Based on double occupancy and 19 meal-per-week dining plan per year.


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¹Based on Single Room (private room in suite) for the 2019-2020 academic year. Please consider dining, books and supplies, clothing, laundry, transportation, and other incidentals when computing your additional expenses.
MAINTENANCE OF MATRICULATION FOR M.F.A., M.P.S., AND M.A. (MOVING IMAGE ARCHIVING AND PRESERVATION) STUDENTS

Please note: Students enrolled for the M.A. or Ph.D. degree through the cinema studies and performance studies departments should consult the GSAS Bulletin concerning maintenance of matriculation and equivalency policies and fees, which differ from those listed below.

Graduate students who have completed all course work, but have yet to complete final thesis requirements, must maintain matriculation each fall and spring semester until all degree requirements are fulfilled. To maintain matriculation, students must complete a registration form in their department using the appropriate course number. In addition to the maintenance of matriculation fee, students are charged a registration and services fee by the University. Student health insurance fees are charged for those who opt to enroll in one of the available plans.

Special Note on Graduate Film and Interactive Telecommunications: Because students are eligible to use equipment while maintaining matriculation to complete their thesis, students are assessed mandatory lab and equipment insurance fees in addition to those listed above.

Equivalency
Certification of full-time or half-time equivalency status can be important for one or more of the following reasons: (1) eligibility for financial aid; (2) renewal or fulfillment of the terms of a student visa; (3) deferral of student loan repayments; (4) eligibility for certain health insurance plans.

Full-time equivalency: A student may be judged by her or his department as full-time if they are engaged in at least 40 hours of work on the thesis project each week of the semester.

Half-time equivalency: A student may be judged by her or his department as half-time if they are engaged in at least 20 hours of work on the thesis project each week of the semester.

Time limits on equivalency: A student maintaining matriculation may be certified as full-time equivalent for a maximum of two consecutive semesters. A student may be certified as half-time equivalent for a maximum of four consecutive semesters.

CHANGE OF PROGRAM (DROPPING/ADDING CLASSES)
Note: The Change of Program Form is commonly referred to as a Drop/Add Form.

There may be a number of reasons why you might need to change your course of study before or during the semester. Be sure to read and follow these procedures carefully.

The following information applies only to the fall and spring semesters. Although the same procedure for withdrawing from summer classes is applicable, the refund schedule is accelerated as shown below.

REFUND RESULTING FROM A COURSE WITHDRAWAL
If you withdraw from a course or withdraw completely, your registration is subject to the university Refund Schedule policy.

REFUND RESULTING FROM TITLE IV AID
If the receipt of your TITLE IV aid (Stafford, PLUS, PELL, SEOG, etc.) results in a credit balance, a refund check in your name will automatically be mailed to you. If your account is paid partly by a Parent PLUS Loan and results in a credit balance, the check is drawn to the borrower to the extent of the PLUS loan proceeds.

Note: TITLE IV aid can only be credited towards institutional charges. Non-institutional charges such as finance charges, late payment fees, etc., cannot be paid from your TITLE IV aid. This may result in a refund being generated leaving an outstanding balance on your account for which you are responsible.

Students receiving TITLE IV aid who withdraw completely may be billed for remaining NYU account balances resulting from the mandatory return of funds to the U.S. government.

There are a number of regulations and a strict calendar of deadlines governing changes in your program. Please consult the drop/add and refund schedule at www.nyu.edu/bursar/refund. You will be notified that your refund and the notation appearing on your transcript are affected.

The process of changing your program begins in your department. Although you can drop/add using the online Albert registration system during the first two weeks of classes, you are responsible for adhering to the academic program approved by your departmental adviser. Please note: Rules for the school in which a student is registered apply when dropping or adding a class, not the school in which the course is offered. For example, TSOA drop/add policy applies to TSOA students who may be enrolled in CAS courses.

After Albert registration ends (at the end of the second week of the term), you must fill out a drop/add form and have it signed and stamped by your department approving your change of program. After the third week of the semester, the drop/add period is considered over. Any program change after the end of the third week requires three separate approvals: (1) written permission of the instructor (if you are adding a course); (2) departmental approval; (3) approval by the associate dean for student affairs.

Courses cannot be dropped after the ninth week of the semester. Remember that if you stop attending a class, it is not an official withdrawal; if you do not officially withdraw, you will be graded accordingly.

Students who wish to drop all classes for a current semester must complete the online withdrawal form, available on the registrar’s website at www.nyu.edu/registrar.

REFUND RESULTING FROM STUDENT AID OR OVERPAYMENT
If your tuition account has a credit balance because of excess aid or overpayment, you must complete the Refund Application.

FASTEST WAY TO RECEIVE YOUR REFUND
Direct Deposit is the fastest and most secure way to receive your refund. By selecting an option from the drop-down menu, the financial aid office will deposit your refund into your checking account, at the financial institution of choice, which will ultimately be faster than waiting for the check to arrive in the mail.

University Refund Policy
Refund Schedule For Fall and Spring—Undergraduate
Dropping Courses But Remaining Enrolled

The following schedules are based on the total applicable charges for tuition. Refund schedules for all terms can be found at the Bursar website: www.nyu.edu/bursar/refunds/schedule.html.

FALL 2019
First day of Classes: September 3, 2019
Prior to 9/4/2019 ...............100% of Tuition & Fees
9/4/2019 to
9/9/2019 .................100% tuition only
9/10/19 to
9/16/2019 ...............70% tuition only
9/17/2019 to
9/23/2019 ...............55% tuition only
9/24/2019 to
9/30/2019 ...............25% tuition only
10/1/2019—
forward ........................NO REFUND

SPRING 2020
First day of Classes: January 27, 2020
Prior to 1/28/2020 ...............100% of Tuition & Fees
1/29/2020 to
2/2/2020 .......................100% tuition only
2/3/20 to
2/9/2020 .......................70% tuition only
2/10/2020 to
2/16/2020 .......................55% tuition only
2/17/2020 to
2/23/2020 .......................25% tuition only
2/24/2020—
forward ........................NO REFUND

Refund Schedule For Fall and Spring—Graduate and Undergraduate
Making a Complete Semester Withdrawal

Please note that ALL fees (including school related fees) are non-refundable after the Second Calendar Week of the semester.

FALL 2019
First day of Classes: September 3, 2019
Prior to 9/4/2019 ...............100% of Tuition & Fees
9/4/2019 to
9/9/2019 .................100% tuition only
9/10/19 to
9/16/2019 ...............70% tuition only
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9/24/2019 to
9/30/2019 ...............25% tuition only
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First day of Classes: January 27, 2020
Prior to 1/28/2020 ...............100% of Tuition & Fees
1/29/2020 to
2/2/2020 .......................100% tuition only
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2/16/2020 .......................55% tuition only
2/17/2020 to
2/23/2020 .......................25% tuition only
2/24/2020—
forward ........................NO REFUND
New York University awards financial aid in an effort to help students meet the difference between their own resources and the cost of education. All awards are subject to availability of funds and the student's demonstrated need. Renewal of assistance depends on annual reevaluation of a student's need, the availability of funds, the successful completion of the previous year, and satisfactory progress toward completion of degree requirements. In addition, students must meet the published filing deadlines:

Financial Aid

Please visit Financial Aid and Scholarships at www.nyu.edu/financial.aid for complete details about the information summarized here. Particular attention should be given to (1) Types of Financial Aid (for scholarships, grants, loans) and (2) Applications and Forms; these topics are located on the navigation bar.

The Most Important Deadlines Are:

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Eligibility for Financial Aid

A majority of students are not required to apply to renew their NYU scholarship; however, the NYU Office of Financial Aid will notify students whose specific scholarships require the FAFSA for renewal. The FAFSA is required every year for U.S. citizens, permanent residents, and eligible non-citizens who want to be reviewed for federal financial aid eligibility.

Withdrawal

Students receiving federal student aid who withdraw completely may be billed for remaining balances resulting from the mandatory return of funds to the U.S. government. The amount of federal aid "earned" up to that point is determined by the withdrawal date and a calculation based upon the federally prescribed formula. Generally, federal assistance is earned on a pro-rata basis.

How to Apply

All undergraduate students are advised to apply every year for financial assistance. In the initial application to NYU, all undergraduate applicants should complete the CSS Profile application to be reviewed for renewable NYU scholarship and if eligible for federal aid, should also complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Residents of New York State are also encouraged to complete the New York State Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) application (for undergraduates only). The NYU school code for the FAFSA is 002785 and the NYU school code for the CSS Profile is 2785.

To be assured of full consideration for all available support, students must apply for financial aid by the appropriate deadline. The CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE can be submitted in the fall as early as October 1, but not later than February 15 (12:00 midnight EST). For more information, please visit the website, http://www.nyu.edu/admissions/financial-aid-and-scholarships/financial-aid-at-nyu.html.
SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS
Eligibility for merit-based and/or need-based scholarships at NYU is determined for incoming freshman upon entrance to the University based on prior academic strengths and, if you apply for financial aid, your demonstrated financial need, based on submission of the FAFSA and CSS Profile application.

University-Sponsored and University-Administered Programs
Through the generosity of its alumni and other concerned citizens, as well as from funds supplied by the federal government, the University is able to provide an extensive financial aid program for its students. Awards are competitive and are based on a combination of academic achievement, applicable test scores, and, in most cases, financial need. No separate application is necessary.

Federal Scholarships and Grants
Eligibility for incoming freshman is based on submission of the FAFSA and CSS Profile application.

State Grants
New York State offers a wide variety of grants and scholarships to residents, subject to the annual availability of funds. Application is made directly to the state and grants are awarded by the state. New York State programs are listed at www.nyshecd.gov.

Some students from outside New York State may qualify for funds from their own state scholarship programs that can be used at New York University. Contact your state financial aid agency (call 1-800-433-3243 to get its telephone number and address) to ask about program requirements and application procedures. When you receive an eligibility notice from your state program, you should submit it immediately to the NYU Office of Financial Aid.

Scholarships and Grants from Other Organizations
Students may be eligible for a private scholarship or grant from an outside agency. Some sources to explore are employers, unions, professional organizations, and community and special interest groups. A number of extensive scholarship search resources are available free online, and several are featured at www.nyu.edu/financialaid. Students must notify the Office of Financial Aid if they receive funds from any of these sources.

Tisch School of the Arts Scholarships
In addition to the scholarship and grant awards made through the Office of Financial Aid (described above), a number of Tisch School of the Arts scholarships are given each year to students who are deemed exceptionally talented and who have demonstrated need. The scholarships normally are awarded to incoming and returning students upon faculty recommendation. These scholarships are made possible by the generosity of private donors. Awards include the following:

UNDERGRADUATE
Alec Baldwin Drama Scholarship
Robert Colesberry Scholarship
Chris Columbus Family Scholarship
William Grant Crosby Memorial Scholarship
Dalio Family Foundation Scholarship
Robert A. Daly Scholarship
Seymour Epstein Television Writing Scholarship
Jay Eisenstat Memorial Scholarship
Emerson Scholarship
Matthew Fleece Scholarship
The Friars Foundation Scholarship
Paulette Goddard Scholarships
Michael and Anna Havas Film Institute Scholarship
Ron and Cheryl Howard Family Foundation Scholarship
Gareth B. Hughes Memorial Scholarship
Willard T. C. Johnson Fellowships
Bahoric Meisel Scholarship for Women Cinematographers
Corinn A. Miller Memorial Scholarship
Arthur and Sydelle Meyer Scholarship
Eric and Mark Myers Scholarship
Brett Ratner Scholarship
Dennis Riese Scholarship
Manus Salzman Scholarship
Martin Scorsese Young Film Makers Scholarship
J. S. Seidman Scholarship
Sam Shahid Scholarship
Irvin Shapiro Scholarship
Peter Stark Memorial Scholarship
Jean Stein Scholarship
Lee Stevens Scholarship
Lee Strasberg Centennial Scholarship
Lew and Edie Wasserman Scholarship
Alexis Ficks Welsh Scholarship

GRADUATE
ASCAP Foundation/Max Dreyfus Scholarship
ASCAP Foundation/Frederick Loewe Scholarship
Bernie Brillstein Scholarship
Iris and B. Cantor Scholarship
Batima Tene Cochran Memorial Scholarship
Dalio Family Foundation Scholarship
Olympia Dukakis Scholarship
Ettinger Scholarship
Beryl Green Fischhoff Troupers Scholarship
Paulette Goddard Scholarship in Playwriting
Burton A. Goldberg Fellowship
David Golden Scholarship
Peter D. Gould Scholarship
Michael and Anna Havas Film Institute Scholarship
Alma and Alfred Hitchcock Scholarship
Willard T. C. Johnson Fellowships
Gary Kalkin Memorial Fellowship
Maurice Kanbar Scholarship
Sylvia Deutscher Kushner Memorial Scholarship
Ang Lee Scholarship
Walter Manley Scholarship
Felicia Montalegre Scholarships
Eric and Mark Myers Scholarship
Leigh Rand Scholarship
Steven J. Ross Scholarship
Manus Salzman Scholarship
May and Samuel Rudin Scholarship
J. S. Seidman Scholarship
Mel Silverman Scholarship
Oliver Smith Scholarship
Jean Stein Scholarship
Lee Stevens Scholarship
Ron Van Lieu Scholarship
Paul Walker Scholarship
Lew and Edie Wasserman Scholarship
Alexis Ficks Welsh Scholarship
Ora Laas Witte Scholarship

**Tisch School of the Arts Production Awards**

A number of production awards are granted annually to students in the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television. The following production awards are made possible by the generosity of private donors and are generally awarded to returning juniors and seniors or graduate students working on film projects of exceptional merit as determined by the faculty.

**UNDERGRADUATE**

Clive Davis Award for Excellence in Music in Film
Thomas William Gidro-Frank Film Production Award
George A. Heinemann Film Production Award
Haig Manoogian Memorial Film Production Award
Richard Protovin Animation Scholarship
Malcolm Ross Film Production Award
Richard Vague Film Production Award

**GRADUATE**

Clive Davis Award for Excellence in Music in Film
Sara Driver Post-Production Award
Spike Lee Fellowships
Haig Manoogian Memorial Film Production Award
Riese Award
Martin E. Segal Prize
Richard Vague Film Production Award

**Loan Programs**


**Student Employment**

Wasserman Center for Career Development.
133 East 13th Street, 2nd Floor;
212-998-4730
www.nyu.edu/careerdevelopment/

Most financial aid award packages include work-study. This means that students are eligible to participate in the Federal Work-Study Program and may earn up to the amount recommended in their award package. Work-study wages are paid directly to the student on a biweekly basis and are normally used for books, transportation, and personal expenses.

**Resident Assistantships.** Resident assistants reside in the residence halls and are responsible for organizing, implementing, and evaluating social and educational activities. Compensation is room and/or board, and/or a stipend.

Applications and further information may be obtained from www.nyu.edu/life/living-at-nyu.html

**Tuition Remission**

Members of the NYU staff, teaching staff, and officers or administrators and their dependents who are eligible for NYU tuition remission are eligible for other forms of financial aid administered by the University (including merit awards). Eligibility can be reviewed for undergraduates only for other types of aid including: Federal Direct Loans, Federal Unsubsidized Loans, Federal Direct Plus loans for the parents of dependent children and for graduate and professional students, TAP Grants, Federal Pell Grants (undergraduate only), and some private (non-federal) alternative loan programs if the appropriate Free Application for Federal Student Aid is completed. Details about tuition remission eligibility information can be obtained at www.nyu.edu/employees/benefit.html.

**Employee Education Plans**

Many companies pay all or part of the tuition of their employees under tuition refund plans. Employed students attending the University should ask their personnel officers or training directors about the existence of a company tuition plan. Students who receive tuition reimbursement and NYU employees who receive tuition remission from NYU must notify the Office of Financial Aid if they receive this benefit.

**Financial Aid Renewal and Academic Review**

To be considered for financial aid each year, students must make satisfactory academic progress toward completion of their degree requirements.

**Undergraduate Students**

Undergraduate students must earn a passing grade (A, B, C, D, or P; including accepted credits from Advanced Placement, Advanced Standing, and Transfer Student status) in a minimum of 76 percent of the courses in which they are enrolled each academic year (fall, spring and summer semesters). The required cumulative G.P.A. is 3.0.

Normal progress requires completing all courses for which you are registered and progressing toward your degree at a level that compares favorably with other registrants working toward the same degree in the same academic program.

Generally, full-time students register for and complete 12 credits or more per semester, achieving a master's degree in two years and a doctorate degree in five years. The maximum time for completion of degree requirements is available in the Office of the Registrar.

**Optional Payment Plans**

Payment plans can help manage your educational expenses. Options are described at www.nyu.edu/bursar/payment.info/plans.html. The following payment plans are summarized. Details may be obtained by calling the Office of the Bursar at 212-998-2806 and asking about financing alternatives.

**New York University Deferred Payment Plan**

If you determine that your family resources combined with your financial aid award will allow you to meet most but not all of your expenses, you may elect to participate in our short-term
payment plan program. The Deferred Payment Plan allows you to pay 50 percent of your net balance (i.e., less financial aid) due for the current term and defer the remaining 50 percent until later in the semester. Fall semester payments are due in October and November; spring semester payments are due in March and April. All matriculated NYU undergraduate and graduate students who are registered for 6 or more units and have a satisfactory University credit record are eligible for this program.

**Tuition Management Systems**

New York University offers a 4-month, semester-based payment plan in partnership with Tuition Management Systems (TMS). This allows for all or a portion of college costs to be spread out over 4 months without interest. There is a flat enrollment fee for setting up the plan each semester.

- Fall semester plan due dates begin August 1 to November 1.
- Spring semester plan due dates begin January 1 to April 1.

There is an enrollment fee of $50.00 per semester due upon enrollment. Online enrollment is simple and easy at nyu.afford.com. You may also contact Tuition Management Systems directly at 1-800-722-4867 (Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. ET).

**New York University Fixed Payment Plan**

This plan may be used to fix the cost of tuition/fees and room/board. The full payment for all semesters must be made at the start of joining the plan. The tuition pre-payment is computed on the basis of tuition, registration and service fees plus other fees or the amount of room/board that is in effect at the first semester of registration multiplied by the number of semesters at the current rate. Eligibility requires that you be a full-time undergraduate student that is not receiving any form of financial aid, loans or scholarships. This plan does not cover summer semesters or part-time study.

Students must join this plan in the fall semester for a minimum of 2 years/4 semesters and a maximum of 4 years/8 semesters.

**STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES**

To be considered for most financial aid at NYU, be sure to complete the CSS Profile required for all new freshman and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by the deadline applicable to you. The best way to file is online at www.fafsa.gov.

- Once complete, be sure to review the results (known as the Student Aid Report, or SAR), and make changes or corrections if necessary.
- Use NYU Albert at albert.nyu.edu to accept your financial aid awards.
- If you submit documents to the Office of Financial Aid, please put your University I.D. number on each page and keep a copy for yourself. Do not submit originals.
- Be certain that you understand the conditions of the awards you accept. Contact the Office of Financial Aid if you have any questions.
- Adhere to deadlines and satisfactory academic progress standards. The Office of Financial Aid will send reminders, but it is the student’s responsibility to know and adhere to the information.
- Notify the Office of Financial Aid immediately if you receive an award or financial aid from any other source. A change in your resources may affect your eligibility for student aid.
- Respond immediately to all requests from the Office of Financial Aid. Failure to comply may result in the cancellation of your aid.
- Consult with the Office of Financial Aid immediately if you reduce your academic program to fewer points, or if you are enrolled full-time (at least 12 points) but intend to begin part-time (less than 12 points). Also contact the Office of Financial Aid if there is a change in your housing status. A change in enrollment or housing status may affect the financial aid you receive.
- Be sure to notify the Office of the University Registrar if you move by updating your contact information via NYU Albert at albert.nyu.edu. We use the records of the Office of the University Registrar to administer financial aid.
- Remember that you must reapply for financial aid each year.

Continuing students and graduate students should consult www.nyu.edu/financial.aid for financial aid deadlines. Failure to meet the NYU deadline may result in a reduction of your aid eligibility.
Each year the Tisch Handbook of Policies and Procedures is published by the Office of Student Affairs. The school's academic and administrative policies are described in considerable detail, and all students are expected to familiarize themselves with the information. The policies given here are of a general nature and should be supplemented with materials provided by the student’s department and the school’s policy handbook, which can be downloaded from www.tisch.nyu.edu. Questions regarding academic policies or procedures should be directed to the Office of Student Affairs, 212-998-1900.

AdviseMENT and Registration
Students are advised individually in their departments. Newly admitted students will receive detailed instructions about registration, orientation, and advisement after the school has been informed that the tuition deposit has been received. Continuing students are advised and register in November and April for the following spring and fall terms, respectively.

To receive credit for a course, a student must register before attending class. No student may attend any course for which they have not paid fees.

Time Limits for Degrees
All requirements for the B.A. and B.F.A. degrees must be met within eight years from the date of initial matriculation.

For graduate students, the maximum time limit for completing all requirements for the M.F.A. and M.P.S. is five years from the date of initial matriculation with the exception of the Graduate Division of the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television. Extensions to these time limits are granted on a year-by-year basis only with the recommendation of the department and the approval of the dean. Such extensions can only be granted in highly exceptional circumstances. Because of production schedule constraints, the Graduate Division of the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television requires completion of the degree in nine semesters. Graduate film and television students are advised to contact the institute directly for information on time limit regulations.

Maintenance of Matriculation and Equivalency for M.F.A., M.A. (Moving Image Archiving and Preservation), M.P.S. Students, and Ph.D.
Graduate students who have completed all course work but have not completed final thesis requirements pay a matriculation fee each semester until they complete all degree requirements. This involves all graduate departments in Tisch where there is a requirement beyond course work for a master’s or Ph.D. degree: Interactive Telecommunications Program, Department of Design for Stage and Film, Rita and Burton Goldberg Department of Dramatic Writing, Graduate Musical Theatre Writing Program, the Graduate Division of the Kanbar Institute of Film and Television, the Department of Cinema Studies, and Performance Studies. This maintenance of matriculation fee, due at registration, entitles students to use the libraries and other University facilities, consult members of the faculty, and participate in University activities. Graduate film and interactive telecommunications students pay additional lab and insurance fees.

Maintenance of matriculation by fee does not constitute full-time or part-time status. However, students maintaining matriculation by fee who are spending half or full time in the completion of degree requirements may be certified as half- or full-time equivalent by submitting an equivalency form, approved by the departmental chair, to the Office of Student Affairs. Students should consult the Tisch Handbook of Policies and Procedures for additional details on maintaining matriculation and certification of equivalency, including time limits.

Permission to Register Off Campus
Students enrolled for degree programs at New York University are expected to take their courses, including summer courses, at New York University. Exceptions are granted only for compelling educational reasons. The Dean’s office will consider these requests on a case-by-case basis and must be approved in advance by the department chair. Generally, exceptions are limited to study abroad courses with unique academic merit or courses and programs unavailable at New York University. Permission to study abroad through off-
campus programs will not be granted if NYU offers similar programs. There is one exception to these criteria. Students may enroll in a maximum of eight summer credits at another institution for any reason during their undergraduate career. Permission to register off campus is obtained by filing a Permit to Register Off Campus application with your department chair. This form is available in your department office or online at www.tisch.nyu.edu/student-affairs/forms.

Special conditions apply to any permitted off-campus registration:
1. You must have a grade point average of 3.0 at the time of application.
2. Permission for the specific course work to be taken is granted in advance by both the department chair and the Office of Student Affairs.
3. You cannot exceed the maximum number of transfer credits allowed by your department.
4. You must attend a regionally accredited college or university.
5. A grade of C or better must be attained in each course.
6. Your last 32 units for the B.F.A. must be taken in residence at Tisch.

After completion of your study, you must have an official transcript of completed work sent to the attention of Anita Gupta, assistant dean of academic services, in Tisch Office of Student Affairs. Credit will be granted only after receipt of an official transcript.

EXAMINATIONS AND REPORTS OF GRADES
All students must comply with the course requirements at the end of each term. In professional courses, performance, portfolio assignments, and special projects will constitute final examinations. Examinations must be taken at the scheduled time. Exceptions must be approved in writing in advance. When final examinations are missed because of illness, satisfactory evidence of the disability must be presented to the department chair before a makeup examination will be approved. Rules regarding final examinations in other divisions of the University are governed by the school in which the course is offered.

GRADERS AND CREDITS
To receive credit for a course, a student must be in regular attendance and satisfactorily complete all examinations and other assignments prescribed by the instructor. Students at Tisch School of the Arts earn the following grades:

A Excellent
B Good
C Satisfactory
D Lowest passing undergraduate grade
F Failure
P Pass (used only for classes with pass/fail grading and when approved for elective credit)
R Audit (no credit)
I Incomplete
W Official withdrawal

Grades may be awarded plus or minus grades from A to D+. Plus and minus grades from A to D+ may also be awarded. Grades ranging from A to F earned at New York University are used to calculate the grade point average. All grades except I are terminal grades; i.e., they may not be changed once they have been recorded.

The grade of P or Pass is used for assigned courses in the Graduate Musical Theatre Writing Program, the Graduate Acting Program, and the Department of Dance. Undergraduate students may elect to take one course on a pass/fail basis per semester only if the course is being taken for elective credit. Students must submit a form to their department for approval.

A designation of R indicates that the student officially registered for the course as auditor. Audited courses do not count toward degree requirements or affect the grade point average.

Official withdrawal from a course is indicated by a W.

PROBATION
Graduate students are required to maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 and achieve a GPA of 3.0 in each semester in order to remain in good academic standing. Students in departments that grade on a Pass/Fail basis must receive grades of Pass in all courses to remain in good standing. In addition, students must earn at least half of their attempted credit hours in a given semester - that is, receive final, passing grades, with no grades of I or W.

Undergraduate students are required to maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 and achieve a GPA of 2.0 in each semester in order to remain in good academic standing. Students on academic probation are not eligible for grades of I. Students who fail to meet these standards are subject to dismissal.

In some cases, undergraduate students who show improvement in their records, but still do not meet the School's academic standards (such as the cumulative GPA of 2.0), may be continued on academic probation for an additional semester.

Except in the most extenuating circumstances (such as students returning on probation from an academic dismissal), students are not eligible for more than two semesters of academic probation during their undergraduate career.

POLICY ON GRADES OF INCOMPLETE
Students are expected to complete all coursework by the end of each semester. If, for compelling reasons, such as illness or a family emergency, a student is unable to complete coursework by the end of the semester, they may request a grade of Incomplete. To do so, the student must fill out an Incomplete Request Form, which can be obtained in his or her department’s office, the Office of Student Affairs, or online at www.tisch.nyu.edu/student-affairs/academic-services/forms, and bring it to the instructor for his or her approval before the last day of classes. The awarding of a grade of
Incomplete is at the discretion of the instructor and is not guaranteed. If the instructor agrees that a grade of Incomplete is warranted, they will specify on the Incomplete Request Form the deadline by which outstanding work must be completed, not to exceed the end of the semester following the course, as well as the final grade the student will receive if the outstanding work is not completed by the deadline. The Incomplete Request Form will be registered with the department sponsoring the course and a copy will be provided to the Office of Student Affairs. If the incomplete work is not completed within the designated period, the grade will lapse to the final grade indicated by the instructor. Final grades cannot be changed except in cases of faculty or administrative error.

TISCH SCHOOL OF THE ARTS DEAN'S LIST
The Dean’s List is compiled at the end of each academic year. The list comprises matriculated students who have achieved a grade point average of 3.65 or higher for the academic year (September to May) in at least 28 graded points. To be listed, a student must not have any grade of Incomplete at the time the list is compiled. Students receive a letter from the Dean and a notation is made on the student’s transcript.

TISCH HONORS
Undergraduate Tisch School of the Arts students of exceptional achievement are recognized by a TSOA honors designation upon graduation. Criteria for honors vary from department to department as explained below. (To be eligible, all students must complete a minimum of 60 “averageable” units at NYU.)

Undergraduate Division; Kanbar Department of Undergraduate Film and Television: 3.65 grade point average
Department of Dance: top 10 percent of graduating class
All other departments: 3.5 grade point average

Students who meet the standard have the designation “with honors” added to their final transcript.

LATIN HONORS
To be graduated with Latin honors (summa cum laude, magna cum laude, cum laude), a student must have earned at least 64 points at NYU. All graded NYU courses taken while enrolled either in Tisch or in another school of NYU will be used in computing the grade point average on which Latin honors are based.

The GPA cutoffs for each category are determined by the combined GPA distribution from the preceding academic year, all graduation moments included. Summa cum laude: the GPA included within the top 5 percent of the previous year’s graduating class. Magna cum laude: the GPA included within the next 10 percent of the previous year’s class. Cum Laude: the GPA included within the next 15 percent of the previous year’s class.

For example, the necessary GPA level for summa cum laude for students graduating in September 2017 to May 2018 will be based on the GPA cutoff for the top 5 percent of the combined graduates from September 2016, January 2017, and May 2017.

RESIDENCE REQUIREMENT
Degree candidates must be in attendance at the school while completing the last 32 units for the degree. All students should consult their departments regarding department-specific requirements.

DEPARTMENTAL ACADEMIC STANDARDS
All undergraduate students are required to earn a grade of C or better in courses taken in their major. Students who fail to earn a C or better must repeat the course in order for the credit to count toward major requirements. Only the second grade will be computed in the grade point average, although both the first and second grades will continue to appear on the transcript.

DISCIPLINE
Students are expected to familiarize themselves and to comply with the rules of conduct, academic regulations, and established practices of the University and the Tisch School of the Arts. Tisch-specific rules of conduct are published in the Tisch School of the Arts Policies and Procedures Handbook. University rules are published on the NYU website. It is considered the student’s responsibility to familiarize himself or herself with both Tisch and University rules of conduct. If, pursuant to such rules, regulations, or practices, the withdrawal of a student is required before the end of the term for which tuition has been paid, a refund will be made only in accordance with the standard schedule for refunds.

UNIVERSITY POLICY ON PATENTS
Students offered research opportunities are reminded that inventions arising from participation in such research are governed by the University’s Statement of Policy on Patents, a copy of which may be found in the Faculty Handbook or obtained from the dean’s office.

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS
All newly admitted students must provide evidence of vaccination with two doses of the combined Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR) vaccine or show immune status by history of disease or laboratory titer. All newly admitted students must also complete a medical history form, and undergraduate students are required to provide proof of completion of the alcohol and other drug health module.

All newly admitted undergraduate students must provide evidence of vaccination for meningococcal meningitis. Graduate students must complete and provide the meningococcal meningitis response form.

Failure to comply with requirements will prevent NYU students from registering for classes. In addition to these requirements, the NYU Student Health Center recommends that students also consider hepatitis B and varicella immunizations. Students should discuss immunization options with their primary care provider. More information on immunization and health history requirements is available at www.nyu.edu/hs/about/healthRequirements.html.

TISCH SCHOOL OF THE ARTS OWNERSHIP POLICY
The creative works produced by students at the Tisch School of the Arts in fulfillment of class assignments, or as individual study projects, whether made on Tisch School of the Arts premises or elsewhere, with or without Tisch School of the Arts equipment, and with or without
extra funds (hereafter called “Student Works”), have a dual nature. First and foremost, the production of Student Works is intended as an educational experience. However, the product of that educational experience is an item of property that may have a market value for its creator(s).

The interest of the Tisch School of the Arts in any Student Work extends only through the completion of the educational experience associated with such Work—until its utility as an educational device or matrix has been exhausted. This is not necessarily the completion of the Work; many Student Works that are technically incomplete have nonetheless satisfied the educational purposes for which the creation of such Works was intended.

But, if certain students were to market, distribute, or work for private profit on a Student Work prior to the termination of that Work’s usefulness as an educational device, it could deprive other students of the opportunity to work in or with such Work and hinder the exercise of proper faculty supervision of such Work, thereby obstructing the educational purpose that the production of such Work is intended to serve.

Student Works are prepared for educational purposes, not as products for market, and the financial value of Student Works, if any, is at most a secondary benefit of their creation. Therefore, it is in the interest of the students at the Tisch School of the Arts and of the Tisch School of the Arts as a whole that each Student Work remains subject to certain restrictions until the educational experience associated with such Work has been completed. Following the completion of such experience, the Tisch School of the Arts has no interest in the marketing of any Student Work or any income derived therefrom. Therefore, all Student Works are subject to the following ownership policy:

1. All Student Works are owned by the student(s) who create them.
2. Any income from distribution of any Student Work shall be the property of the student(s) who create such work.
3. All students who create or participate in the creation of a Student Work are jointly and severally responsible for such Student Work, including without being limited to, for determining and ensuring that such Student Work does not violate or infringe on any copyright, any right of privacy, or any other right of any person, and that such Student Work is not libelous, obscene, or otherwise contrary to law. Such students shall also be jointly and severally responsible for obtaining any necessary permissions for the use of any copyrighted materials included in such Student Work.
4. Any advice or assistance given by any faculty member or other representative of the Tisch School of the Arts or of New York University to any student in relation to the foregoing responsibilities, or otherwise in relation to the preparation or production of a Student Work, shall not be construed (a) as the assumption of such responsibility or of any liability by such person, by the Tisch School of the Arts, or by New York University; (b) to deem the University, the School, or such person a joint venturer with such student; or (c) to grant such student the power, right, or authority to create any obligation or responsibility on behalf of, or otherwise, to bind the University, the School, or such person.
5. The student(s) who owns each Student Work grants New York University: (1) the right to purchase prints or other copies of such Student Work at cost, whenever, in the University’s sole discretion, such prints or other copies are needed for any University use; and (2) the right to reproduce, display, or perform such prints or other copies anywhere and for any reason, including, without being limited to, publicizing the Tisch School of the Arts or New York University, without any royalty or other payment of any kind to the student(s), provided that such prints or copies may not be rented or sold by the University. Such student(s) also agrees that they will not make any contract or commitment regarding the Student Work contrary to this policy or in derogation of the rights granted to the University by this policy, and that they will sign any document reasonably requested by the University to confirm or enforce any of the rights granted to the University by this policy.
6. The Tisch School of the Arts will decide whether or not to put its name on a given Student Work. If so requested by the dean of the Tisch School of the Arts, the student(s) who owns each Student Work agrees to credit in such Student Work, in a manner satisfactory to the dean, any donor to the Tisch School of the Arts whose donation contributed in any way to the production of such Student Work.

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS

Official copies of your University transcript can be requested when a stamped and sealed copy of your University records is required. Requests for official transcripts require the signature of the student requesting the transcript. Currently, the Office of the University Registrar does not accept requests for a transcript by e-mail. A transcript may be requested by either (1) completing the online request form at www.nyu.edu/registrar/transcript-form.html and mailing/faxing the signature page (recommended method) or (2) writing a request letter (see below) and mailing/faxing the completed and signed letter. The fax number is 212-995-4154; our mailing address is New York University, Office of the University Registrar, Transcripts Department, P.O. Box 910, New York, NY 10276-0910.

There is no charge for academic transcripts.
Writing a Request Letter: A request letter must include all of the following information:
• University ID number
• Current name and any other name under which you attend/attended NYU
• Current address
• Date of birth
• School of the University you attend/attended and for which you are requesting the transcript
• Dates of attendance
• Date of graduation
• Full name and address of the person or institution to which the transcript is to be sent

There is no limit for the number of official transcripts that can be issued to a student. You can indicate in your request if you would like the transcripts forwarded to your home address, but the Office of the University Registrar still requires the name and address of each institution.

Unofficial transcripts are available on Albert.

If you initiate your transcript request through the online request form, you will receive e-mail confirmation when the Office of the University Registrar has received your signed request form. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the office at 212-998-4280, and a representative will assist you.

Once a final examination period has begun, no transcript will be forwarded for any student who is currently enrolled in courses until all the student’s final grades have been received and recorded. Please notify the Office of the University Registrar immediately of any change of address.

Students are able to access their grades at the end of each semester via Albert. NYU’s Web-based registration and information system. Albert can be accessed via NYUHome at http://home.nyu.edu.

INFORMATION ON HOW TO REQUEST ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION

Students can also view/print their own enrollment certification directly from Albert using the integrated National Student Clearinghouse student portal. This feature can be accessed from the “Enrollment Certification” link on the Albert homepage. Eligible students are also able to view/print a Good Student Discount Certificate, which can be mailed to an auto insurer or any other company that requests proof of their status as a good student (based on the student’s cumulative GPA). This feature is available for students in all schools except the School of Law.

Verification of enrollment or graduation may also be requested by submitting a signed letter with the following information: University ID number, current name and any name under which you attended NYU, current address, date of birth, school of the University attended, dates attended, date of graduation, and the full name and address of the person or institution to which the verification is to be sent. Please address your request to Office of the University Registrar, Transcript and Certification Department, New York University, P.O. Box 910, New York, NY 10276-0910. Or you can fax your signed request to 212-995-4154. Please allow seven business days from the time the Office of the University Registrar is in receipt of your request. If you wish to confirm receipt of your request, please contact our office at 212-998-4280, and a representative will assist you. Currently, we are not accepting requests for certification by E-mail.

VETERANS’ BENEFITS

Various Department of Veterans Affairs programs provide educational benefits for spouses, sons, and daughters of deceased or permanently disabled veterans as well as for veterans and in-service personnel, subject to certain restrictions. Under most programs, the student pays tuition and fees at the time of registration but will receive a monthly allowance from Veterans Affairs.

Veterans with service-connected disabilities may be qualified for educational benefits under Chapter 31. An applicant for this program is required to submit to the Department of Veterans Affairs a letter of acceptance from the college they wish to attend. On meeting the requirements for the Department of Veterans Affairs, the applicant will be given an Authorization for Education (VA Form 22-1905), which must be presented to the StudentLink Center-Registrar, 383 Lafayette Street, 1st Floor, before registering for course work.

All Veterans. Allowance checks are usually sent directly to veterans by the Department of Veterans Affairs. Veterans and eligible dependents should contact the Office of the University Registrar each term for which they desire Veterans Affairs certification of enrollment.

All veterans are expected to reach the objective (bachelor’s or master’s degree, doctorate, or certificate) authorized by Veterans Affairs with the minimum number of units required. The Department of Veterans Affairs may not authorize allowance payments for credits that are in excess of scholastic requirements, that are taken for audit purposes only, or for which nonpunitive grades are received.

Applications and further information may be obtained from the student’s regional office of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Additional guidance may be obtained from the StudentLink Center-Registrar, 383 Lafayette Street, 1st Floor.

Since interpretation of regulations governing veterans’ benefits is subject to change, veterans should keep in touch with the Department of Veterans Affairs or with NYU’s Office of the University Registrar.

In accordance with Title 38 US Code 3679 subsection (e), this school adopts the following additional provisions for any students using U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Post 9/11 G.I. Bill® (Ch. 33) or Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Ch. 31) benefits, while payment to the institution is pending from the VA. This school will not:

• Prevent nor delay the student’s enrollment;
• Assess a late penalty fee to the student;
• Require the student to secure alternative or additional funding;
• Deny the student access to any resources available to other students who have satisfied their tuition and fee bills to the institution, including but not limited to access to classes, libraries, or other institutional facilities.

However, to qualify for this provision, such students may be required to:

• Produce the Certificate of Eligibility by the first day of class;
• Provide written request to be certified;
• Provide additional information needed to properly certify the enrollment as described in other institutional policies.

Yellow Ribbon GI Education Enhancement Program. NYU is pleased to be participating in the Yellow Ribbon GI Education Enhancement Program (Yellow Ribbon Program), a provision of the Post-9/11 Veterans
Educational Assistance Act of 2008. The program is designed to help students finance, through scholarship assistance, up to 100 percent of their out-of-pocket tuition and fees associated with education programs that may exceed the Post 9/11 GI Bill tuition benefit, which will only pay up to the highest public in-state undergraduate tuition.

NYU will provide funds toward the tuition of each qualifying veteran who has been admitted as a full-time undergraduate, with the VA matching NYU’s tuition contribution for each student.

To be eligible for the Yellow Ribbon benefits, an individual must be entitled to the maximum Post-9/11 benefit. An individual may be eligible for the Yellow Ribbon Enhancement if 1) they served an aggregate period of active duty after September 10, 2001, of at least 36 months; 2) they were honorably discharged from active duty for a service-connected disability and had served 30 continuous days after September 10, 2001; or 3) they are a dependent eligible for Transfer of Entitlement under the Post-9/11 GI Bill based on a veteran’s service under the eligibility criteria, as described on the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Website.

The Department of Veterans Affairs is currently accepting applications for the Post-9/11 GI Bill. To qualify for the Yellow Ribbon Enhancement, students must apply to the VA. The VA will then determine a student’s eligibility for the Post-9/11 GI Bill and issue the student a Certificate of Eligibility. Note: students can apply using the VA Form 22-1990 (PDF), and the form includes the instructions needed to begin the process.

After a student is issued a Certificate of Eligibility from the Department of Veterans Affairs, indicating that they qualify for the Yellow Ribbon Program, please contact Clara Fonteboa at clf1@nyu.edu or 212-998-4823.

The Department of Veterans Affairs must certify to the Department of Veterans Affairs that the eligible student is enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student in order for the funds to be paid under the Yellow Ribbon Program.

The University reserves the right to deny registration and withhold all information regarding the record of any student who is in arrears in the payment of tuition, fees, loans, or other charges (including charges for housing, dining, or other activities or services) for as long as any arrears remain.

Diplomas of students in arrears will be held until their financial obligations to the University are fulfilled, and they have been cleared by the Bursar. Graduates with a diploma hold may contact the Office of the Bursar at 212-998-2806 to clear arrears or to discuss their financial status at the University.

Students may officially graduate in September, January, or May. The Commencement ceremony for all schools is held in May. Students apply for graduation on Albert, accessed through www.home.nyu.edu. In order to graduate in a specific semester, students must apply for graduation within the application deadline period indicated on the calendar. Students may view the graduation deadlines calendar and general information about graduation on the Office of the University Registrar’s Web page at www.nyu.edu/registrar. It is recommended that application for graduation be made no later than the beginning of the semester in which students plan to complete all program requirements. Students who do not successfully complete all academic requirements by the end of the semester must reapply for graduation for the following cycle.
Summer Programs

Each summer the Tisch School of the Arts offers a full range of courses in the areas of dance, drama, games, performance studies, graduate musical theatre writing, design for stage and film, film and television, dramatic writing, photography and imaging, cinema studies, recorded music, and interactive telecommunications.

There are noncredit as well as undergraduate and graduate course options. Students may take courses in New York City, Los Angeles, or study abroad. Noncredit certificates in filmmaking, producing, and dramatic writing are also available.

Summer Programs

The summer programs are open to visiting, non-degree, and NYU students in good academic standing. Transfer students who have been accepted for the fall term are encouraged to register for courses during the summer session, and some Tisch departments may require transfer students to enroll for a summer session. Please see the departmental section. High School online and residential programs are offered for college credit. Eligibility varies by program. Tisch High School courses are eligible for credit toward the NYU Tisch School of the Arts undergraduate degree.

ACADEMIC YEAR

During the academic year, we offer full-time programs of study for undergraduate Tisch, NYU, and visiting students at the following sites. Some programs are only offered in either the fall or spring semester.

Berlin. Theater and actor training for advanced drama students offered by NYU Berlin in conjunction with the Tisch Department of Drama and in affiliation with faculty from the world-renowned Ernst Busch Academy of Dramatic Arts, The Berlin University of the Arts and the internationally acclaimed Berlin Schaubuhne. The overall goal of the program is to enable students to create and perform realistic and devised theater that balances full physical and emotional embodiment with critical distance and actively interfaces the dramatic story and the theatrical context.

Recorded Music has created a unique and groundbreaking study abroad program that focuses on pop music experimentalism and the avant-garde. Students learn about the fascinating past, present and future of music making in Germany and Europe at large, and will practice their craft and learn about the arts and emerging media scene while meeting and working with influential Berlin-based industry professionals.

Havana. In collaboration with the Ludwig Foundation of Cuba and the Cuban National Institute of Film and Television (ICAIC), the programs allow students to learn the art of video documentary production or photography, and also take an interdisciplinary course on the arts and culture of Cuba.

London. The Tisch School of the Arts London program currently offers three tracks of study: Shakespeare in Performance at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art, screenwriting, directing the actor, and playwriting.

Prague. The directing and cinematography program in Prague is designed in collaboration with the Prague Film and Television School of the Academy of Performing Arts (FAMU), the oldest film school in Europe. The program includes course work on screenwriting, directing, cinematography, and editing as well as master classes and workshops on 35 mm motion picture camera and lighting techniques.

Study Away

The Office of Special Programs offers a range of study away programs specially designed to draw on the strengths of major peer institutions and incorporate the rich artistic and cultural offerings of each country. The courses provide students the opportunity to train with master teachers who are industry professionals and able to offer unique education and training that may not be available anywhere in the United States. All courses are taught in English and are designed to teach practical skills and theoretical approaches, while placing the artistic techniques and traditions of each country in a cultural and historical context. Our programs encourage students to immerse themselves in the culture of their country of study, both inside and outside the classroom, with activities that may include field trips, attending performances, and interaction with professional artists.

We are continually working toward establishing study away programs in a variety of disciplines and locations throughout the academic year and summer semester. Please visit our Website at http://tisch.nyu.edu/special-programs for the most up-to-date study abroad information. Below are some highlights.

To request more information, contact the Office of Special Programs, Tisch School of the Arts, New York University, 721 Broadway, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10003-6807; 212-998-1500; fax: 212-995-4578; e-mail: tisch.special.info@nyu.edu. To learn more about our summer programs abroad and in New York, please visit our Website at http://tisch.nyu.edu/special-programs.
SUMMER
Summer study away programs are offered for undergraduate credit to Tisch, NYU, and visiting students.

Amsterdam
The International Theatre Workshop

Berlin
• Summer Dance Residency

Florence
• Writing in Florence
• Commedia dell’Arte

London
• Producing in London

Los Angeles
• Producing for Film and Television

Paris
• Experimental Production Workshop

Prague
• Master Class in 35 mm Filmmaking

For information, please contact Office of Special Programs, Tisch School of the Arts, 721 Broadway, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10003-6807; 212-998-1500; fax: 212-995-4578; e-mail: tisch.specialinfo@nyu.edu. To learn more about our study abroad programs, please visit our Website at http://tisch.nyu.edu/special-programs.

Minors
Tisch School of the Arts offers the following minors: Applied Theatre, Art and Public Policy, Cinema Studies, Dance, Documentary, Film Production, Game Design, Interactive Media Arts Performance Studies, and Producing. The academic requirement for minors range from 16 to 18 units. The minors consist of required and elective courses, as well as internship/practical experience opportunities. The minors are open to NYU undergraduate students at Tisch School of the Arts, College of Arts and Science, Gallatin School of Individualized Study, Leonard N. Stern School of Business, and Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development. Some minors are only open to Tisch students or majors from specific Tisch departments.

January Term
Tisch School of the Arts offers winter session courses to all NYU and visiting undergraduate and graduate students. This is an opportunity for students to take courses in various artistic disciplines to complete degree requirements or pursue personal interests. Areas of study include dance, filmmaking, recorded music, gaming, and theatre. Courses are offered in New York City and Los Angeles. There are also study abroad January Term offerings in Havana, Paris, and Sydney.
New York University has nearly 400 all-university clubs and organizations, a complete array of intercollegiate and intramural sports programs, and an extensive network of community service organizations on campus. In addition to the Tisch student clubs and organizations described on page 270, Tisch students have the opportunity to get involved in a tremendous variety of activities reflecting the diversity of talents and interests in the school and University community. For further information about all-university activities, call the Office of Student Activities, Kimmel Center for University Life, 60 Washington Square South, 7th Floor, 212-998-4700.

TISCH SCHOOL OF THE ARTS OFFICE OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

Please refer to page 270 for a summary of student services and activities provided within the Tisch School of the Arts. The Tisch Office of Student Affairs is the first place Tisch students should turn to if they are experiencing difficulty in any nonacademic area of student life.

Student Activities
Academic Resource Center (ARC)
18 Washington Place
Telephone: 212-998-2ARC
E-mail: arc.advising@nyu.edu
Website: www.nyu.edu/students/undergraduates/academic-services/undergraduate-advisement/academic-resource-center.html.

Center for Student Life
NYU Kimmel Center
60 Washington Square South, 7th Floor
Telephone: 212-998-4411
E-mail: student-life@nyu.edu
Website: www.nyu.edu/students.html

Program Board
Kimmel Center for University Life
60 Washington Square South, Suite 707
Telephone: 212-998-4987
E-mail: program.board@nyu.edu
Fraternity and Sorority Life
Kimmel Center for University Life
60 Washington Square South, Suite 704
Telephone: 212-998-4993
E-mail: osa.fsl@nyu.edu

Ticket Central Box Office
Kimmel Center for University Life
60 Washington Square South, Suite 206
Telephone: 212-998-4949
Website: www.nyu.edu/ticketcentral

Alumni Activities
Office for University Development and Alumni Relations
25 West Fourth Street, 4th Floor
Telephone: 212-998-6912
E-mail: alumni.info@nyu.edu
Website: alumni.nyu.edu

Athletics
Department of Athletics, Intramurals, and Recreation
404 Fitness
404 Lafayette Street
Telephone: 212-998-2021
Website: www.nyu.edu/athletics
Palladium Athletic Facility
140 East 14th Street
Telephone: 212-992-8500
Website: www.nyu.edu/palladiumathleticfacility

NYU Bookstore
726 Broadway
Telephone: 212-998-4678
Website: www.bookstores.nyu.edu

Career Services
Wasserman Center for Career Development
133 East 13th Street, 2nd Floor
Telephone: 212-995-3827
Fax: 212-995-3827
Website: www.nyu.edu/careerdevelopment

Computer Services and Internet Resources
Information Technology Services (ITS)
10 Astor Place, 4th Floor (Client Services Center)
Telephone Help Line: 212-998-3333
Website: www.nyu.edu/its

Counseling and Wellness Services
Counseling and Wellness Services
726 Broadway, Suite 471
Telephone: 212-998-4780
E-mail: wellness.exchange@nyu.edu
Website: www.nyu.edu/counseling

Dining
NYU Campus Dining Services
Telephone: 212-995-3030
Website: www.nyudining.com

Disabilities, Services for Students with Disabilities
719 Broadway, 2nd Floor
Telephone: 212-998-4980 (voice and TTY)
Website: www.nyu.edu/csd

Health
Wellness Exchange
726 Broadway, Suite 402
Telephone: 212-443-9999
E-mail: wellness.exchange@nyu.edu
Website: www.nyu.edu/999

Student Health Center (SHC)
726 Broadway, 3rd and 4th Floors
Telephone: 212-443-1000
Website: www.nyu.edu/shc

Emergencies and After-Hours Crisis Response
For a life- or limb-threatening emergency, dial 911 to reach New York City Emergency Medical Services. For a non-life-threatening emergency, call Urgent Care Services at SHC, 212-443-1111. When SHC is closed, call the NYU Department of Public Safety at 212-998-2222.
For mental health emergencies, call the Wellness Exchange hotline at 212-443-9999 or the NYU Department of Public Safety at 212-998-2222 to be connected to a crisis response coordinator.

Immunizations
Telephone: 212-443-1199

Insurance
Telephone: 212-443-1020
E-mail: health.insurance@nyu.edu
Website: www.nyu.edu/shc/about/insurance.html

Pharmacy Services
Telephone: 212-443-1050
Website: www.nyu.edu/shc/medservices/pharmacy.html

Residential Life and Housing Services
726 Broadway, 7th Floor
Telephone: 212-998-4600
Fax: 212-995-4099
E-mail: housing@nyu.edu
Website: www.nyu.edu/housing

Office of Global Services (OGS)
International Students and Scholars
383 Lafayette Street
Telephone: 212-998-4720
E-mail: ogs@nyu.edu
Website: www.nyu.edu/ogs

Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Student Services
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Telephone: 212-674-7236 or 212-998-1065
Website: washingtonsquarecatholic.org

Edgar M. Bronfman Center for Jewish Student Life–Hillel at NYU
7 East 10th Street
Telephone: 212-998-4114
Website: www.nyu.edu/bronfman

Protestant Campus Ministries
194 Mercer Street, Room 409
Telephone: 212-998-4711
Website: www.protestantministrynyu.com

Hindu Students Council
Website: www.nyu.edu/clubs/hsc

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60 Washington Square South, Room 207
New York, NY 10014
Website: www.icnyu.org

Spiritual Diversity Network
Telephone: 212-998-4956
E-mail: spiritual.diversity@nyu.edu

For a complete list of student religious and spiritual clubs and organizations at NYU, visit www.osa.nyu.edu/clubdocs/website.php

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14 Washington Place
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Website: www.nyu.edu/public.safety
The Tisch Office of Student Affairs provides a range of important services to Tisch undergraduate and graduate students. The office advises on a number of academic matters, including double majors, minors, permission to study off campus, leaves of absence, degree requirements, academic probation, AP credit, and transfer credit and helps students resolve issues involving central offices of the University, including the Office of the Bursar, Office of the University Registrar, Student Health Center, Counseling and Wellness Services, Office of Financial Aid, Office of Residential Life and Housing Services, and others. Two M.S.W. social workers provide free and confidential personal counseling to Tisch students. Student affairs staff members advise the Tisch Undergraduate Student Council, the Graduate Student Organization, and various student clubs that are active at the school. The Office of Student Affairs is also the home of the Tisch Office of Career Development, which sponsors workshops and career events, and maintains a career resource room. The staff of the Office of Career Development is available to meet with students individually to discuss career options, the job search process, and other career issues.

The Office of Student Affairs organizes an extensive orientation program for new students and sponsors special events of interest to all Tisch students. Graduate Admissions is also located in the Office of Student Affairs. Students are encouraged to contact the office with any student concern or question. The main phone number is 212-998-1900. The office is located on the 2nd floor of 726 Broadway and is open Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND WORKSHOPS

The Tisch School of the Arts hosts a variety of events and workshops for students throughout the year. Beginning in the fall and in conjunction with the New York University Welcome Week, Tisch hosts a comprehensive orientation program. Orientation includes a series of workshops and events that are designed to acquaint students with the workings of their academic department, Tisch faculty and administration, school and University offices, and student organizations, as well as the cultural, social, and day-to-day aspects of New York City. Throughout the remainder of the academic year, special workshops are presented on such matters as financial aid, housing, career development, and academic services. The Tisch School of the Arts participates in an annual Parents Day program, an opportunity for parents of new students to meet with deans, department heads, faculty, and staff at the school. Students at Tisch cap their experience with an all-school celebration: the Tisch Salute to the Graduating Class. This event is traditionally held during the same week as the NYU Commencement in May. Orientation and the Tisch Salute are merely bookends to the multitude of film screenings, performances, and programs offered throughout the year by students, faculty, and staff.

PUBLICATIONS

The Office of Student Affairs publishes the Policies and Procedures Handbook, the Freshman and Transfer Registration Handbooks (available online at http://tisch.nyu.edu/student-affairs/advisement-academic-services), and the Guide to Scholarships, Fellowships, and Grants for Students in the Arts (available online at http://tisch.nyu.edu/admissions/financial-aid/tisch-scholarship-guide).

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

The Tisch School of the Arts employs many of its students as Federal Work-Study employees. If a student’s financial aid package contains “recommended academic year earnings,” they may then be eligible for a position as a clerical assistant, film and photography equipment
students and organizations, contact the events coordinator in the Office of Student Affairs, Tisch School of the Arts, New York University, 726 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10003-6807; 212-998-1900.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADVISEMENT
The Tisch Office of Student Affairs staff supports Tisch international students in navigating the School and University, such as making referrals to the Office of Global Services, the Expository Writing program, and the Tisch Office of Career Development. The staff is always available to help answer any other questions or address concerns.

All International students, new and continuing, are invited to the Tisch International Student Coffee Hour. This weekly event is held in the Office of Student Affairs at 726 Broadway on the 2nd floor and provides Tisch international students an opportunity to meet one another and connect with Student Affairs staff.

OFFICE OF ALUMNI RELATIONS
Class Notes
This is an excellent way to brush up on what your former colleagues are up to, or even tout your own horn to key industry members who just might be fellow alumni. Class notes can be submitted via the NYU Alumni website at www.tisch.nyu.edu/alumni.

Tisch Alumni Connections Listserv
The Tisch Alumni Connections Listserv provides weekly electronic updates with national events listings and special alumni benefits and offers. This listserv is extended as a complimentary benefit to all of our alumni who subscribe. Please be sure to update your contact information via the Tisch Alumni Relations website to ensure you receive the Listserv.

Tisch West Alumni Council (www.TischWest.com)
The Tisch West Alumni Council is a working board that serves as (1) the link between L.A. alumni and TSOA; (2) the organizational arm for fundraising efforts in L.A. and (3) a bridge to ease the transition for alumni from East Coast to West—from the classroom to the entertainment business. The Council oversees a network of satellite groups, known as Tisch West. Tisch West is an alliance of L.A.-based alumni from NYU’s Tisch School of the Arts. Tisch West exists to increase the visibility of Tisch alumni working in the entertainment industry and to create professional interdepartmental collaborations and cross-generational relationships between alumni.
Tisch College Central.
Check out our listings for jobs, internships, creative submission calls, and grant opportunities on Tisch College Central, our online technology powered by the College Central Network. New opportunities are posted every day! Tisch College Central is also packed with tools for your career prep, including digital access to the TOCD resource library guides, resume samples, and videos on a range of industry topics. Register at www.collegecentral.com/tisch.

Career Resource Center
Drop by anytime during our office hours to check out the Career Resource Center. You can browse handouts on everything from resume tips to industry overviews at our office, along with digital databases and current issues of trade publications. From Studio System to Billboard Magazine to the Foundation Directory, TOCD has everything you need to be prepared.

Industry Network Database
Looking for firsthand insight or advice from a working professional? Housed on the Tisch College Central platform, our Industry Network Database is designed to promote students’ and recent graduates’ personal and professional development. Each industry connection has volunteered to share information about their experiences and help you explore the ins and outs of a career in the arts.

Tisch LA Mentor Program
Designed for recent Tisch graduates who are new to Los Angeles and pursuing a career in the arts, the Tisch LA Mentor Program places participants in small peer support groups, which are led by industry mentors. These groups are designed to facilitate conversation about experiences adjusting to LA. Topics will cover logistics (apartment hunting, car shopping, etc.) as well as acclimating to the world of work and local lifestyle. Each group will work together to get you settled, offering advice and guidance as you seek out your goals in Hollywood, as well as helping you plan and assess short- and long-term career goals. Please note this is not an internship or job placement program. Each mentee will be expected to work actively with their mentors and fellow mentees toward their specific and personal pursuits.

About Our Office
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New York, NY 10003
P: 212.998.1916
F: 212.995.4060
www.nyu.edu/tisch/career
Facebook/Twitter: TischCareer

Office Hours
Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

TISCH COUNSELING
All students are eligible to use the University’s counseling services either through the Counseling and Wellness Services, located at 726 Broadway, 4th Floor, or through our Tisch counselors. They are located at 721 Broadway, 12th Floor, and are available to all students at Tisch School of the Arts. Students can call the main number, 212-998-4780, to schedule appointments.

The University also offers The Wellness Exchange, a constellation of programs and services designed to address the overall health and mental health needs of our students. Students can access this service through a private hotline at 212-443-9999, available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, which will put them in touch with professionals who can help them address both day-to-day challenges as well as any other crises they may encounter.
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New York State Education Department
Office of Higher Education and the Professions
Cultural Education Center, Room 5B28
Albany, NY 12220
Telephone: 518-474-5851

†Certificate listed by SED under HEGIS Code 5008.
§M.A., M.Phil., and Ph.D. degrees in cinema studies and performance studies are registered with the Graduate School of Arts and Science under HEGIS Code 1010 for cinema studies and 1099 for performance studies.
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