



Module Specification

Production 1

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Part 1: Information

Module title: UALAV3-30-3 Production 1

Module code:

Level: Level 6

For implementation from: 2020-21

UWE credit rating: 30

ECTS credit rating: 15

Faculty: Faculty of Arts Creative Industries & Education

Department: ACE Dept of Creative & Cultural Industries

Partner institutions: None

Delivery locations: Bower Ashton Campus

Field: Lens and Moving Image

Module type: Project

Pre-requisites: None

Excluded combinations: None

Co-requisites: None

Continuing professional development: No

Professional, statutory or regulatory body requirements: None

Part 2: Description

Overview: This is one of two final year modules designed to support the development and production of a range of creatively brave and technically ambitious major film and media projects in any identified form.

Features: Not applicable

Educational aims: See Learning Outcomes.

Outline syllabus: Students undertake and complete work that demonstrates consolidation of their own filmmaking practice and critical awareness of contemporary media practice. Emphasis is placed on students' development and realization of appropriate narrative strategies for the effective communication of ideas to an identified audience, on their ability to work creatively with sound and images and their ability to apply critical judgment in order to edit and present ideas in a coherent and expressive narrative form.

Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

Teaching and learning methods: A short series of lectures, seminars and screenings support students' understanding of their own work within a contemporary context by showcasing and discussing inspirational examples of contemporary film and media practice that expand on a variety of approaches to as well as theories and methods of creative production. Alongside, students initiate ideas, treatments and scripts. Students organize themselves into creative teams with individuals taking specific Heads of Department roles in order to undertake appropriate research and development as well as early pre-production planning as necessary to creatively develop the projects they are attached to.

Working in teams, students pitch their major projects to a panel of industry professionals and tutors. Projects are selected and green-lit for production on the basis of how persuasive the pitch is in convincing the panel that it is bold and clear in its vision as well as well-formed and achievable. Students are expected to work on one major piece as a Head of Department. However, by negotiation, they may also take a minor role on other projects during this period. Projects are usually executed in production teams that mirror professional film and media practice. Those projects not green-lit for production in this module are supported to overcome identified issues through further development so they can be pitched again in second semester module, Production 2. Alternatively, they may be pursued as a minor project in another first semester module Specialist Practice.

A range of advanced level workshops is on offer to enable students to further

develop their skills and techniques in relation to professional requirements. In addition, significant technical support is offered to students during production. A final teaching day enables the presentation of completed projects to the whole cohort for the purpose of a live critique. This reflects on the quality of the finished product as well as team's and personal professional performance in the context of academic critique and industry practice.

Module Learning outcomes:

MO1 Initiate and develop ideas for a project, by making effective use of research techniques and a wide range of sources that demonstrate a breadth and depth of contextual understanding and appreciation of relevant ethical responsibilities

MO2 Carry out creative development, using appropriate scripting methods, to shape the concept into a coherent narrative for an identified audience

MO3 Pitch a project in a compelling manner, clearly demonstrating its narrative and creative strengths and viability for production as well as identifying audiences and distribution plans

MO4 Research and plan for a specific role in a chosen specialist area in pre-production and demonstrate resourcefulness and flexibility in production

MO5 Work within a chosen specialist area, undertaking practical pre-production and prototyping activity and implementing industry standard technical and production skills to achieve the production with strong aesthetic and narrative qualities

MO6 Work effectively as a member of a team, contributing good judgment, creative thinking and decision-making, using high level communication and people skills and responding professionally to pressures and unpredictable events

MO7 Contribute to the delivery of a project to an agreed specification in terms of narrative intentions, quality of production, budget and schedule

MO8 Critically analyse the aesthetic and production qualities of the work and their own performance in the broader context of film and media production and professional practice

Hours to be allocated: 300

Contact hours:

Independent study/self-guided study = 228 hours

Face-to-face learning = 72 hours

Total = 300

Reading list: The reading list for this module can be accessed at [readinglists.uwe.ac.uk](https://uwe.rl.talis.com/modules/uav3-30-3.html) via the following link <https://uwe.rl.talis.com/modules/uav3-30-3.html>

Part 4: Assessment

Assessment strategy: The assessments in this module are designed to mirror industry standard practice while supporting brave filmmaking and creative problem solving. They are also designed to reward clear professional activity in all areas of production from the early planning stage through to post production. The assessment strategy also enables the assessment of both individual and group work. It will be possible to weigh the balance of each students' contribution to the Final Film via their contribution to the production 'deliverables' pack, the materials submitted in their Individual Portfolio and their engagement with Professionalism and this may allow for marks to vary from individual to individual. This strategy ensures a balance between process and product, and between the crucial elements of teamwork and individual contribution.

Formative assessment:

Regular individual and production team group tutorials are set up with specialist tutors to monitor progress and offer formative assessment, advice and support. Group seminars may be used to allow students to present work in progress to their tutors and their peers. This activity enables students both to test their ideas on an audience and to continue to develop their skills within a context of academic and professional practice critique.

Summative assessment:

Component A1: Individual Portfolio (100%)

Guidance as to the approach and detailed requirements for each element are fully explained in the Module Handbook. Indicatively:

The Individual Portfolio will evidence student work on a short film project in an agreed narrative form with a crew working in specific Head of Department roles and a 'deliverables' production pack, including festivals strategy. It must demonstrate a high level of creative skills in the team's technical approach to all areas of the production including story telling, editing, sound design, camera, production design and production management.

The Individual Portfolio (individual mark) will consist a selection of supporting materials such as relevant film research and analysis, research, planning and development appropriate to the student's specific crew role. This will also provide proof of professionalism demonstrated throughout the pre-production, production, and post-production process.

Professionalism (individual mark) will be evidenced via the Final Film and Individual Portfolio and informed by observed engagement with the teaching and learning and peer evaluation.

Assessment criteria (as related to learning outcomes). Students will be assessed using the following criteria:

Research and Creative Development: the level of advanced research and creative development as applied to a project and specialist production role; the level of engagement with the subject: the work should convey a sense of experience and discovery (LO1, LO2, LO4);

Audience Engagement and Storytelling: the level of ability to pitch and produce a project with a narrative that effectively engages an identified audience (LO2, LO5);

Craft and Technical Skills: the level of execution of appropriate skills applied through the production process that enhances the creative realization of a project (LO5, LO6, LO7);

Professional Practice: the level of professionalism in planning, self-management and self-initiative, communication and teamwork (LO4, LO6, LO7);

Contextual Understanding and Critical Analysis: the level of ability to judge work in progress and critically evaluate it at completion, situating practice within wider film and media production, professional practice and academic critique (LO1, LO8).

Assessment components:

Portfolio - Component A (First Sit)

Description: Individual portfolio

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4, MO5, MO6, MO7, MO8

Portfolio - Component A (Resit)

Description: Individual negotiated portfolio

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested:

Part 5: Contributes towards

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study:

Filmmaking [Sep][FT][Bower][3yrs] BA (Hons) 2018-19

