Film and Video Production A.A.S.

Career Community: Art, Design, and Media
Curriculum Code: 1868
Effective: Fall 2026 – Summer 2031

Purpose of the Major

This is an integrated curriculum that prepares students seeking an associate's degree for a career in the field of film and video production. Students will apply technical knowledge and skills to all facets of production including pre-production, production, and post-production. This curriculum prepares students to function in careers such as camera operators, videographers, video editors, production crew, and grips. Students completing this degree have the option to complete courses that will satisfy the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) between two-year and four-year institutions in Michigan. Not all courses in this program transfer to all colleges. Students planning to transfer should see an academic advisor before enrolling in any course.

Milestone

In addition to the required General Education courses in Math and English, completion of DMAC 120, DMAC 130, and DMAC 140 with a 2.0 or higher is a key component for success in completing this program. Knowledge obtained in these courses is the foundation for learning in other required courses. Students are encouraged to contact their faculty if they need additional assistance with learning the concepts presented in these courses.

Contact Information

For further information, including career options, course substitutions and waivers, etc., contact the Communication, Media and the Arts Department, Gannon Building, Room 1222, telephone number 517-483-1546 or the Academic Advising Department, Gannon Building – StarZone, telephone number 517-483-1904.

Major Required Courses – *A minimum grade of 2.0 is required for General Education courses.*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ACAD 100	First-Year Experience	1 / 1
COMM 120	Dynamics of Communication	3 / 3
COMM 130 or	Fundamentals Public Speaking	3 / 3
COMM 200 or	Small Group Communication	3 / 3
COMM 240 or	Interpersonal Communication	3 / 3
COMM 260 or	Nonverbal Communication	3 / 3
ENGL 122 or	Composition II	4 / 4
ENGL 132	Honors Composition II	4 / 4
DMAC 120	Intro to Audio Production	4 / 4
DMAC 130	Intro to Video Production	4 / 4
DMAC 140	Pre-Production Design	3 / 3
DMAC 141	Ethics and Impact of the Media	3 / 3

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
DMAC 260	World Cinema	4 / 4
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131	Composition I Honors Composition I	4 / 4 4 / 4
MATH 119 or MATH 120 or STAT 170	Math - Applications for Living College Algebra Introduction to Statistics	4 / 4 4 / 4 4 / 4

Notes:

ACAD 100 may be waived when students meet one of the following College-approved waiver criteria:

- Completion of 12 college-level credits with minimum grades of 2.0 shown on the LCC transcript (including transfer, if applicable), or
- Employment in the field of, or a field related to, the degree being sought, or
- For Health Careers students, successful completion of CHSE 100.

Students wishing to waive ACAD 100 should contact their advisor.

For future transfer to:

- Central Michigan University (Media Arts or Cinema Arts) choose ENGL 122 or ENGL 132 and, MATH 119 or MATH 120.
- Eastern Michigan University choose ENGL 122.
- Ferris State University choose COMM 130 or COMM 200 or COMM 240 and, MATH 119 or MATH 120.
- Grand Valley State University (BS in Journalism, Broadcasting, and Digital Media) choose COMM 120 and STAT 170.
- Michigan State University (BA in Film Studies) choose any COMM and, MATH 119 or MATH 120.
- Western Michigan University (Film, Video, and Media Studies) choose ENGL 122 and, MATH 119 or STAT 170.

Major Required Courses, Limited Choice – Natural Sciences or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab

Select one course from LCC General Education - Applied Degrees Natural Sciences or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab. If transferring, select a course from the MTA Natural Sciences list. For specific transfer requirements, see the notes below.

For future transfer to:

- Central Michigan University choose BIOL 120.
- Grand Valley State University choose from ASTR 201, CHEM 135, GEOG 206, ISCI 131, or PHYS 120.
- Michigan State University choose BIOL 120.

Major Required Courses, Limited Choice – *Select 29 credits*

Transfer students – In addition to the courses below, select one course from LCC General Education Transfer Degrees MTA Natural Sciences from a different discipline than selected for the Natural Sciences or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab listed above. A minimum grade of 2.0 is required for General Education courses.

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ARTS 102	2D Design	3 / 4
COMM 270	Mass Communication	3 / 3
COMM 280	Intercultural Communication	3 / 3
DMAC 131	Digital Cinematography I	4 / 4
DMAC 132	Video Post-Production I	4 / 4
DMAC 150	Lighting for Film and Television	3 / 3
DMAC 231	Digital Cinematography II	4 / 4
DMAC 232	Video Compositing & Animation	4 / 4
DMAC 234	Studio Production Techniques	4 / 4
DMAC 246*	Workshop: Video	2 / 2
DMAC 295	Media/Cinema Portfolio	2 / 2
DMAC 296	Media/Cinema Internship	3 / 3
PSYC 200	Introduction to Psychology	4 / 4
SOCL 120	Introduction to Sociology	4 / 4

Notes:
Career students select DMAC 131, DMAC 132, DMAC 150, DMAC 231, DMAC 232, DMAC 234, DMAC 246, DMAC 295, and DMAC 296. *DMAC 246 must be repeated for a total of 4 credits.

Transfer students select courses as indicated below. For future transfer to:

- Central Michigan University (Media Arts or Cinema Arts) choose ARTS 102, COMM 270, DMAC 231, DMAC 232, DMAC 234, and PSYC 200 or SOCL 120,
- Eastern Michigan University choose ARTS 102, COMM 280 and a non-COMM course.
- Ferris State University choose ARTS 102, COMM 270, DMAC 131, DMAC 132, DMAC 234, and PSYC 200 or SOCL 120.
- Grand Valley State University choose ARTS 102, COMM 270, DMAC 131, DMAC 132, DMAC 232, and PSYC 200 or SOCL 120. In addition, choose a second course from ASTR 201, CHEM 135, GEOG 206, ISCI 131, or PHYS 120.
- Michigan State University choose ARTS 102, COMM 270, DMAC 131 and 2 other DMAC courses, PHYS 120, and PSYC 200 or SOCL 120.
- Western Michigan University choose ARTS 102, COMM 270, DMAC 131, DMAC 231, DMAC 234, and PSYC 200 or SOCL 120.
- Other transfer schools, ARTS 102 will satisfy the MTA Humanities and Fine Arts requirement, and COMM 270 or COMM 280 or PSYC 200 or SOCL 120 will satisfy the MTA Social Sciences requirement. For other course options, see your program advisor regarding a course substitution.

General Education – Applied Degrees

- English Composition or Applied English
  Major Required Courses meet this requirement.
- English Composition (second course)/Communication or Applied Communication
  Major Required Courses meet this requirement.
- Humanities and Fine Arts or Social Sciences or Applied Social Sciences
  Major Required Courses meets this requirement.
- Mathematics or Applied Mathematics
  Major Required Courses meet this requirement.
- Natural Sciences or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab
  Major Required Limited Choice Courses meet this requirement.

Additional Credits

After completing the course and credit requirements as noted on this pathway, students who fall short of the 60-credit minimum required for an Associate Degree may select any course(s) needed to reach 60 credits, except those courses noted in number 7 in the Institutional Requirements for Associate Degrees. Students are encouraged to use Degree Works and meet with an Advisor to ensure all requirements are met and for course recommendations.

Minimum Total Credit Hours

61 credits / 61 billing hours

Recommended Course Sequence – Career students

Semester I – Fall
ACAD 100
COMM 120 or COMM 130 or COMM 200 or COMM 240 or COMM 260 or ENGL 122 or ENGL 132
DMAC 120 – Milestone course
DMAC 130 – Milestone course
DMAC 140 – Milestone course
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131

Semester II – Spring
DMAC 131
DMAC 132
DMAC 150
DMAC 234
MATH 119 or MATH 120 or STAT 170

Semester III (Summer)
DMAC 231

Semester IV - Fall
DMAC 141
DMAC 232
DMAC 246
Limited Choice Natural Sciences or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab

Semester V – Spring
DMAC 246
DMAC 260
DMAC 295
DMAC 296

Recommended Course Sequence – Transfer students

Semester I - Fall
ACAD 100
DMAC 120 – Milestone course
DMAC 130 – Milestone course
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131
DMAC 140 – Milestone course

Semester II – Spring
ARTS 102
COMM 120 or COMM 130 or COMM 200 or COMM 240 or COMM 260 or ENGL 122 or ENGL 132
DMAC 260
MATH 119 or MATH 120 or STAT 170

Semester III - Fall
DMAC 141
Limited Choice
Limited Choice – Natural Sciences
Limited Choice

Semester IV – Spring
Limited Choice
Limited Choice

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