

Cinema, BA

Academic Plans

Four-Year Graduation Plan

The following checkpoints list the minimum requirements students must complete by certain semesters in order to stay on the university's Four-Year Graduation Plan. Courses in the major are those required to complete the major; they may be offered by departments other than the major department.

CINE:1100 The Art of Smartphone Filmmaking will not count toward the 20 s.h. of required elective cinematic arts credit.

Students must take CINE:1602 Introduction to Film Studies before or with CINE:1834 Modes of Film and Video Production; both courses require grades of C or higher.

Before the fifth semester begins: at least two courses in the major, including CINE:1602 Introduction to Film Studies and CINE:1834 Modes of Film and Video Production; students must earn grades of C or higher in both courses.

Before the seventh semester begins: at least five more courses in the major (total of seven), including CINE:2615 Introduction to Film Theory, and at least 90 s.h. earned toward the degree.

Before the eighth semester begins: at least three more courses in the major, preferably including CINE:3195 Undergraduate Seminar.

During the eighth semester: enrollment in all remaining coursework in the major, all remaining GE CLAS Core courses, and a sufficient number of semester hours to graduate.

Sample Plan of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

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Course	Title	Hours
Academic Career		
Any Semester		
Students may count a maximum of 56 s.h. of Department of Cinematic Arts coursework (prefix CINE) toward the 120 s.h. total required for the Bachelor of Arts degree.		
GE CLAS Core: Sustainability ^a		
Hours		0
First Year		
Fall		
CINE:1602	Introduction to Film Studies ^b	3
Major: cinematic arts (prefix CINE) elective course ^c		3
RHET:1030	Rhetoric: Writing and	3 - 4
	or ENGL:1200 Communication	
	or The Interpretation of Literature	
GE CLAS Core: Understanding Cultural Perspectives ^{d, e}		3
CSI:1600	Success at Iowa	1
Hours		13-14

Spring		
CINE:1834	Modes of Film and Video Production ^b	4
Major: cinematic arts (prefix CINE) elective course ^c		3
ENGL:1200	The Interpretation of Literature	3 - 4
	or RHET:1030 or Rhetoric: Writing and Communication	
GE CLAS Core: Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts ^{e, f}		3
Elective course ^g		3
Hours		16-17

Second Year		
Fall		
Major: cinematic arts (prefix CINE) elective course ^c		3
GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences with Lab ^e		4
GE CLAS Core: World Languages First Level Proficiency or elective course ^h		4 - 5
Elective course ^g		3
Elective course ^g		2
Hours		16-17

Spring		
CINE:2615	Introduction to Film Theory	3
Major: cinematic arts (prefix CINE) elective course ^c		3
GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences without Lab ^e		3
GE CLAS Core: Social Sciences ^e		3
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Second Level Proficiency or elective course ^h		4 - 5
Hours		16-17

Third Year		
Fall		
Major: cinematic arts (prefix CINE) elective course ^c		2
GE CLAS Core: Quantitative or Formal Reasoning ^e		3
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Third Level Proficiency or elective course ^h		4 - 5
Elective course ^g		3
Elective course ^g		3
Hours		15-16

Spring		
CINE:3195	Undergraduate Seminar	3
GE CLAS Core: Historical Perspectives ^e		3
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Fourth Level Proficiency or elective course ^h		4 - 5
Elective course ^g		3
Elective course ^g		3
Hours		16-17

Fourth Year		
Fall		
Major: advanced film studies course ⁱ		3
GE CLAS Core: International and Global Issues ^e		3
Elective course ^g		3
Elective course ^g		3
Elective course ^g		3
Hours		15

Spring		
Major: advanced film studies course ⁱ		3
GE CLAS Core: Values and Society ^e		3
Elective course ^g		3
Elective course ^g		3

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Degree Application: apply on MyUI before deadline (typically in February for spring, September for fall) ^j	
Hours	15
Total Hours	122-128

- a Sustainability must be completed by choosing a course that has been approved for Sustainability AND for one of these General Education areas: Natural Sciences; Quantitative and Formal Reasoning; Social Sciences; Historical Perspectives; International and Global Issues; Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts; or Values and Society.
- b CINE:1602 and CINE:1834 can be taken in any order but should be completed during the first year.
- c CINE:1100 will not count toward the 20 s.h. of required elective cinematic arts credit.
- d CINE:1625 fulfills the GE CLAS Core Understanding Cultural Perspectives requirement and also counts as semester hours toward the major requirements.
- e GE CLAS Core courses may be completed in any order unless used as a prerequisite for another course. Students should consult with an advisor about the best sequencing of courses.
- f Options include CINE:1610.
- g Students may use elective courses to earn credit towards the total s.h. required for graduation or to complete a double major, minors, or certificates.
- h Students who have completed four levels of a single language or two levels of two different languages in high school or college have satisfied the GE CLAS Core World Languages requirement. Students who have completed three levels of a single language may complete a fourth-level course in the same language or may choose an approved World Language and Cultural Exploration course. Enrollment in world languages courses requires a placement exam, unless enrolling in a first-semester-level course. Contact your academic advisor or CLAS Undergraduate Programs Office with questions concerning the World Languages requirement.
- i Students must select at least 6 s.h. in advanced film studies courses from CINE:3195, CINE:3750, CINE:4610, CINE:4618, CINE:4620, CINE:4705. Note: students receive advanced film studies credit for CINE:3195 only if they take the course a second time.
- j Please see Academic Calendar, Office of the Registrar website for current degree application deadlines. Students should apply for a degree for the session in which all requirements will be met. For any questions on appropriate timing, contact your academic advisor or Degree Services.