

FLPA 331 – Directing Film and Video

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Film and Performing Arts 331, 3 Credits, **University of Alaska Fairbanks.**

Meets: Wednesdays 1:00-2:00pm & Fridays, 10:30am-2:00pm in Fine Arts Theatre 101 (and often KUAC TV studio)

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Course Description:

Introduction to the history, theory and basic concepts of film direction. Includes interpretative script analysis, creative visualization, conceptualization, use of space, working with actors and designers, and direction of short scenes and videos.

Special fees apply. Prerequisites:

ART/FLPA 172; FLPA 271 or FLPA 280; FLPA 290 Recommended: FLPA 217;

FLPA F121; or permission of instructor. (1+4)

***Non-linear video editing skills required for full success in this course.**

Required Media:

Reading as assigned; none you need to purchase. Articles will be shared.

Required Materials:

- **SDHC card Class 6** or better – **16GB Class 10** recommended, **8GB** minimum required, and the cameras we'll be using **don't like cards over 32GB.** Having your own SD card will enable you to back up your own footage and have copies of your original material.
- **1.5" 3-ring binder.** *Get a good one!*
- USB "Jump Drive" at least 8GB or external

Methods:

This course will be taught by lecture and demonstration, with students meeting outside of class as required to fulfill the course requirements. Course information, assignments, and updates will be posted on Blackboard. Each student is responsible for communications and assignments on blackboard: <http://www.classes.uaf.edu>.

Vimeo: Students will also be required to join Vimeo.com and join the group: <https://vimeo.com/groups/uafscr/ckbe7jimeo>

Important selections from the UAF Student Code of Conduct:

“UAF requires students to conduct themselves honestly and responsibly, and to respect the rights of others. Conduct that unreasonably interferes with the learning environment or that violates the rights of others is prohibited.... Honesty is a primary responsibility of you and every other UAF student. The following are common guidelines regarding academic integrity:

- Students will not collaborate on any quizzes or exams that will contribute to their grade in a course, unless permission is granted by the instructor of the course. Only those materials permitted by the instructor may be used to assist in quizzes and examinations.
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- Suggests a lack of understanding of the assignment.

"F" Production:

- Work is incomplete, unedited, or
- Unorganized for production
- Reveals the director's unawareness of the kind of production suitable for the audience, or
- Reveals a pattern of errors in mechanics on multiple levels
- Complete lack of understanding or disregard of the assignment.

Student Protections and Services Statement:

Every qualified student is welcome in my classroom. As needed, I am happy to work with you, disabilities services, veteran's services, rural student services, etc to find reasonable accommodations. Students at this university are protected against sexual harassment and discrimination (Title IX), and minors have additional protections. As required, if I notice or am informed of certain types of misconduct, then I am required to report it to the appropriate authorities. For more information on your rights as a student and the resources available to you to resolve problems, please go to the following site: www.uaf.edu/handbook/

Support Services:

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- Student Support Services <https://uaf.edu/sss/>
- Rural Student Services <https://uaf.edu/ruralss/>
- Military and Veteran Services: <https://uaf.edu/veterans/>
- UAF Writing Center <http://www.uaf.edu/english/writing-center/>

Wed. 1/30 Discussion

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