

VISUAL AND DRAMATIC ARTS

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Visual and Dramatic Arts

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The Department of Visual and Dramatic Arts welcomes the full spectrum of Rice University undergraduate students. Scientists, architects, historians, engineers and economists, among many others, augment our core of arts majors to create a diverse, lively forum of artists and thinkers. We believe this composite community is a vital asset to majors and non-majors alike: art thrives in contact with new and varied perspectives, and the risk-taking and critical thinking necessary to making art are crucial in many other fields. Beyond a dynamic artistic practice, we aim to cultivate an artistic frame of mind.

Students may focus their education in one of three major concentrations: film and photography, studio art, or theatre. Courses draw on the resources of Rice's active and accomplished faculty, extensive on-campus facilities, and Houston's vibrant artistic community. The department boasts a state-of-the-art cinema, as well as a 500-seat proscenium-style theater. Immediately next door, the Moody Center for the Arts hosts interdisciplinary arts courses and mounts exhibitions by internationally acclaimed artists. Rice campus is within walking distance of the Museum of Fine Arts Houston and the Contemporary Arts Museum Houston, and a short drive from the renowned Menil Collection. Distinguished speakers, visiting artists, film series, field trips, student exhibitions and performance opportunities all contribute to an immersive arts education that extends well beyond the classroom.

Bachelor's Program

- Bachelor of Arts (BA) Degree with a Major in Visual and Dramatic Arts
 - [and a Major Concentration in Film and Photography \(https://ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/visual-dramatic-arts/visual-dramatic-arts-ba-film-photography-concentration/\)](https://ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/visual-dramatic-arts/visual-dramatic-arts-ba-film-photography-concentration/)
 - [and a Major Concentration in Studio Art \(https://ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/visual-dramatic-arts/visual-dramatic-arts-ba-studio-art-concentration/\)](https://ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/visual-dramatic-arts/visual-dramatic-arts-ba-studio-art-concentration/)
 - [and a Major Concentration in Theatre \(https://ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/visual-dramatic-arts/visual-dramatic-arts-ba-theatre-concentration/\)](https://ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/visual-dramatic-arts/visual-dramatic-arts-ba-theatre-concentration/)

Visual and Dramatic Arts does not currently offer an academic program at the graduate level.

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For Rice University degree-granting programs:

To view the list of official course offerings, please see [Rice's Course Catalog \(https://courses.rice.edu/admweb!/SWKSCAT.cat?p_action=cata\)](https://courses.rice.edu/admweb!/SWKSCAT.cat?p_action=cata)

To view the most recent semester's course schedule, please see [Rice's Course Schedule \(https://courses.rice.edu/admweb!/SWKSCAT.cat\)](https://courses.rice.edu/admweb!/SWKSCAT.cat)

Visual and Dramatic Arts (ARTS)

ARTS 103 - CREATIVE 2-D DESIGN

Short Title: CREATIVE 2-D DESIGN

Department: Visual and Dramatic Arts

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Course Type: Studio

Credit Hours: 3

Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.

Course Level: Undergraduate Lower-Level

Description: Study of the elements and principles of design and drawing using traditional and digital means. The emphasis in the class is on a foundation to culture practice and the critical approaches to art and technology. Students will be required to participate in class discussions and critiques. This course has limited enrollment. The roster is formatted on the first day class by the instructor, who may allow additional registration for majors. It is necessary to attend the first class meeting to confirm your place on the class roster.

ARTS 165 - BEGINNING SCULPTURE

Short Title: BEGINNING SCULPTURE

Department: Visual and Dramatic Arts

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Course Type: Lecture/Laboratory

Distribution Group: Distribution Group I

Credit Hours: 3

Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.

Course Level: Undergraduate Lower-Level

Description: Introduction to the concepts and forms of contemporary sculpture. Exploration of materials (including plaster, clay, cardboard, fabric, wood, and found objects) and sculpture techniques such as mold making and woodworking. Shop and studios are available days and evening throughout the week. This course has limited enrollment. The roster is formalized on the first day class by the instructor, who may allow additional registration for majors. It is necessary to attend the first class meeting to confirm your place on the class roster.

ARTS 200 - SPECIAL PROBLEMS IN STUDIO ART I

Short Title: SPECIAL PROB IN STUDIO ART I

Department: Visual and Dramatic Arts

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Course Type: Independent Study

Credit Hours: 1-6

Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.

Course Level: Undergraduate Lower-Level

Description: Study of problems at the introductory level in creative art. Topics may vary. Please consult with your faculty advisor for additional information. This class may be used in awarding transfer credit. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.

ARTS 225 - BEGINNING DRAWING

Short Title: BEGINNING DRAWING

Department: Visual and Dramatic Arts

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Course Type: Studio

Distribution Group: Distribution Group I

Credit Hours: 3

Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.

Course Level: Undergraduate Lower-Level

Description: This course introduces students to the basic techniques, materials and processes of drawing. Students will explore line, tone, space, form, composition, and content through a variety of drawing assignments in dry and wet media. Students learn how to draw from direct observation. No previous drawing experience is required.

ARTS 230 - COMICS AND SEQUENTIAL ART

Short Title: COMICS AND SEQUENTIAL ART

Department: Visual and Dramatic Arts

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Course Type: Studio

Distribution Group: Distribution Group I

Credit Hours: 3

Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.

Course Level: Undergraduate Lower-Level

Description: An introduction to the art of combining words and pictures: diverse applications such as storyboarding for stage and screen, comic books and graphic novels, and serial or multiples in a variety of media all fall under the umbrella of Sequential Art. Through instruction, demos, readings and practice, students will learn the history and implementation of linear visual narratives utilizing the Comics Art Teaching and Study Workshop as a resource. Students in this class will also participate in the construction and establishment of a permanent research center for the study of Comic Book Art within the Department of Visual and Dramatic Arts. This course has limited enrollment. The roster is formatted on the first day class by the instructor, who may allow additional registration for majors. It is necessary to attend the first class meeting to confirm your place on the class roster. Cross-list: FILM 275.

ARTS 238 - SPECIAL TOPICS

Short Title: SPECIAL TOPICS

Department: Visual and Dramatic Arts

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Course Type: Seminar, Lecture, Laboratory, Internship/Practicum

Credit Hours: 1-4

Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.

Course Level: Undergraduate Lower-Level

Description: Topics and credit hours vary each semester. Contact department for current semester's topic(s). Repeatable for Credit.

ARTS 262 - ART OF DIY: PROBLEM SOLVING AND MAKING**Short Title:** ART OF DIY: PROBLEM SOLVING**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level

Description: The utilization of D.I.Y. (Do It Yourself) communities will be a centralized resource used to guide and complete audio work within the class. Keeping in mind the question: within contemporary society, how has the ability to produce and problem solve on an individual basis changed? The focuses of this class are to produce diverse technically proficient works of art that draw from and inform the student's current research. The class will also, during the course of the semester, build and implement a large, open-source DIY laser cutter. This course has limited enrollment. The roster is formatted on the first day class by the instructor, who may allow additional registration for majors. It is necessary to attend the first class meeting to confirm your place on the class roster. Instructor Permission Required.

ARTS 263 - ART OF DIY: PROBLEM SOLVING AND MAKING II**Short Title:** ART OF DIY: PROBLEM SOLVING II**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level

Description: The focus of this class will be to first build a DIY 3-D printer. We will utilize the laser cutter built in the previous DIY course to make the necessary components for the printer. We will then focus our attention on utilizing these tools to construct works of art that draw from and inform the students current research and interests. This course has limited enrollment. The roster is formatted on the first day class by the instructor, who may allow additional registration for majors. It is necessary to attend the first class meeting to confirm your place on the class roster. Instructor Permission Required.

ARTS 270 - BIG PAINTING: MATERIALS AND TECHNIQUES FOR THEATRICAL PAINTING**Short Title:** BIG PAINTING FOR THEATRE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level

Description: Big Painting: Materials and Techniques for Theatrical Painting will examine the materials and techniques usually associated with scenic and theatrical painting but as applied to the context of 21st century contemporary art practices. Students will learn how to make big paintings. This course has limited enrollment. The roster is formatted on the first day class by the instructor, who may allow additional registration for majors. It is necessary to attend the first class meeting to confirm your place on the class roster. Cross-list: THEA 270.

ARTS 280 - HISTORY & AESTHETICS OF FILM**Short Title:** HISTORY & AESTHETICS OF FILM**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level

Description: Introduction to the art and aesthetics of film as an artifact produced within certain social contexts. Includes style, narration, mise-en-scene, editing, sound, and ideology in classical Hollywood cinema, as well as in independent, alternative, notification, and Third World cinemas. Cross-list: FILM 280, HART 280.

ARTS 294 - SPECIAL PROBLEMS IN STUDIO ART: JUNIOR FIELD TRIP**Short Title:** JUNIOR FIELD TRIP**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Independent Study**Credit Hour:** 1**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level

Description: This course is designed to help visual & dramatic arts majors, in their third year of study, focus on the upcoming senior year of intensive work. The destination city may be national or international and will offer students the opportunity to visit cultural centers, museums, galleries, artist studios, theaters, and participate in meetings with creative professionals in their fields of study. Travel takes place during one of the University's official recess periods. Course may not be used in awarding transfer credit. Instructor Permission Required. Mutually Exclusive: Cannot register for ARTS 294 if student has credit for ARTS 387.

ARTS 300 - SPECIAL PROBLEMS IN STUDIO ART II**Short Title:** SPECIAL PROB IN STUDIO ART II**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Independent Study**Credit Hours:** 1-6**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level

Description: Study of problems at the intermediate level in creative art. Topics may vary. Please consult with your faculty advisor for additional information. This class may be used in awarding transfer credit. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.

ARTS 301 - BEGINNING PAINTING

Short Title: BEGINNING PAINTING
Department: Visual and Dramatic Arts
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Studio
Distribution Group: Distribution Group I
Credit Hours: 3

Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.

Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level

Description: This course introduces students to the basic language, tools, and materials of painting. Students will learn painting techniques and concepts, starting with painting from observation and ending with more student-directed projects. Lectures and field trips will explore painting through an art historical context as well as a contemporary one.

ARTS 311 - BEGINNING PRINTMAKING

Short Title: BEGINNING PRINTMAKING
Department: Visual and Dramatic Arts
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Studio
Distribution Group: Distribution Group I
Credit Hours: 3

Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.

Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level

Description: This course will give an introduction to prints and printmaking through the study of original works on paper and the opportunity to produce printed works of art. Works will include etchings, lithograph, linocut, and monoprints. Enrollment is limited. The instructor will formulate the course roster and may allow additional majors and underclassmen to enroll.

ARTS 312 - RELIEF I

Short Title: RELIEF I
Department: Visual and Dramatic Arts
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Studio
Credit Hours: 3

Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.

Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level

Prerequisite(s): ARTS 225

Description: Instruction in black-and-white linoleum prints. Includes advanced color methods. This course has limited enrollment. The roster is formatted on the first day class by the instructor, who may allow additional registration for majors. It is necessary to attend the first class meeting to confirm your place on the class roster.

ARTS 314 - SCREEN PRINTING I

Short Title: SCREEN PRINTING I
Department: Visual and Dramatic Arts
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Lecture/Laboratory
Credit Hours: 3

Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.

Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level

Prerequisite(s): ARTS 101 or ARTS 225

Description: Instruction in color screen-printing processes. Emphasis will be on figurative/narrative work with strong print experimentation. This course has limited enrollment. The roster is formatted on the first day class by the instructor, who may allow additional registration for majors. It is necessary to attend the first class meeting to confirm your place on the class roster.

ARTS 315 - LINO + MONOPRINTING

Short Title: LINO + MONOPRINTING
Department: Visual and Dramatic Arts
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Lecture/Laboratory
Credit Hours: 3

Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.

Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level

Prerequisite(s): ARTS 101 or ARTS 225

Description: Introduction to Monotype. Includes black-and-white and color Monotype printing. This course has limited enrollment. The roster is formatted on the first day class by the instructor, who may allow additional registration for majors. It is necessary to attend the first class meeting to confirm your place on the class roster.

ARTS 320 - MONOTYPE I

Short Title: MONOTYPE I
Department: Visual and Dramatic Arts
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Studio
Credit Hours: 3

Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.

Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level

Description: Includes black-and-white, color, chine-colle, and additional monotype printing techniques to produce one of a kind prints. Creative and personal imagery is emphasized.

ARTS 322 - 3-D PRINTMAKING

Short Title: 3-D PRINTMAKING
Department: Visual and Dramatic Arts
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Laboratory
Credit Hours: 3

Restrictions: Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.

Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level

Prerequisite(s): ARTS 225

Description: This course will produce 3-dimensional works utilizing the traditional and non-traditional print processes of linocut, photocopy, transfer, vinyl cutter, and monoprinting techniques. This course has limited enrollment. The roster is formatted on the first day class by the instructor, who may allow additional registration for majors. It is necessary to attend the first class meeting to confirm your place on the class roster.

ARTS 323 - DRAWING STUDIO**Short Title:** DRAWING STUDIO**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** ARTS 225**Description:** A continuation of Beginning Drawing, where students continue to investigate the concepts, materials, and possibilities of drawing. Students will explore further drawing in all its permutations, experimenting with scale, new materials, and new techniques. Assignments will continue focusing on working from life while also offering opportunities to work more subjectively.**ARTS 325 - LIFE DRAWING****Short Title:** LIFE DRAWING**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** ARTS 101 or ARTS 225**Description:** This course introduces students to drawing from the model. Students will work from short and long poses on exercises emphasizing gesture, proportion, composition, and character. A variety of media and approaches will be introduced. Homework and required visits to museums and galleries will build on what students practice in class.**ARTS 326 - COLLAGE****Short Title:** COLLAGE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This course introduces methods and theories of collage. Lectures, museum visits, and projects examine both the historical precedents for collage and its contemporary possibilities. Students explore collage through experimentation with diverse materials, approaches, and critiques. Students will work with frottage, photomontage, and assemblage, both independently and collaboratively.**ARTS 327 - DOCUMENTARY PRODUCTION****Short Title:** DOCUMENTARY PRODUCTION**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Study of the expressive possibilities of documentary production using digital systems. Space in studio classes is limited. Registration does not guarantee a place in class. The class roster is formulated on the first day of class by the individual instructor. Cross-list: ANTH 324, FILM 327.**ARTS 328 - FILMMAKING I****Short Title:** FILMMAKING I**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Dramatic film production class that requires the making of one digital video and one 16mm film. Space in studio classes is limited. Registration does not guarantee a place in class. The class roster is formulated on the first day of class by the individual instructor. Cross-list: FILM 328.**ARTS 329 - FILM FORM****Short Title:** FILM FORM**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Viewing, analysis, and discussion of modern and classic films. Space in studio classes is limited. Registration does not guarantee a place in class. The class roster is formulated on the first day of class by the individual instructor. Cross-list: FILM 329.

ARTS 332 - CRITICAL STUDIES OF MULTIMEDIA ARTS**Short Title:** CRITICAL STU OF MULTIMEDIA ART**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Critical Studies for Multimedia Arts is a course designed to familiarize art and non-art majors with key theories and core concepts in modern and contemporary multimedia art. Students will examine a broad spectrum of specific topics in contemporary artwork related conceptually to: space/time; bodies and performance; "sculptural" studies in an expanded field and video & film space. This is a multi-dimensional class consisting of guest lectures, artist-speakers, and field trips to local museums, galleries and alternative art spaces. This course will include discussions on readings, writings and special projects. This promises to be a fun and thought-provoking class and is designed to enhance studio practice and encourage interest in the visual arts. Cross-list: FILM 332, FOTO 332, THEA 332.**ARTS 349 - PRINTMAKING STUDIO****Short Title:** PRINTMAKING STUDIO**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** ARTS 225**Description:** Exploration of etching, lithography, photo gravure, and monoprinting. Enrollment is limited. The instructor will formulate the course roster and may allow additional majors to enroll.**ARTS 358 - GROTESQUE, IMPURE, AND HYBRID PRACTICES IN ART****Short Title:** MONSTER STUDIO**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This course should be taken in conjunction with Monster (HUMA 368 or BIOC 368). Topics discussed in that seminar will act as prompts for studio projects. Students will work independently and in groups on assignments addressing the monstrous in art, culminating in a final exhibition. Intended for all skill and experience levels.**ARTS 366 - SCULPTURE STUDIO****Short Title:** SCULPTURE STUDIO**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** ARTS 165**Description:** Study of advanced problems in various sculptural media. Limited enrollment. The roster is formulated on the first day of class by the instructor, who may allow additional registration for majors and under-classmen. It is necessary to attend the first class meeting to confirm your place on the class roster. Cross-list: ARCH 367.**ARTS 368 - PHYSICAL COMPUTING FOR ART****Short Title:** PHYSICAL COMPUTING FOR ART**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This class will explore how we relate to other humans and our environment through digital technology. We will begin constructing projects on traditional computers; however, the projects in the class will expand beyond these confines. The class will focus on a hands-on experience of making interactive art projects, performance installations, interactive moving images, and sound within the context of contemporary art. Space in studio class is limited. Registration does not guarantee a place in class. The class roster will be formulated on the first day of class by the individual instructor. Repeatable for Credit.**ARTS 370 - OUTSIDE CONTEXT: ART, ARTISTS AND AUDIENCES BEYOND THE WHITE CUBE****Short Title:** OUTSIDE CONTEXT**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Outside Context: Art, Artists, and Audiences beyond the White Cube concerns the history and practice of making artwork in mass media forms. Contexts that are traditionally the baliwick of advertising and entertainment, and now more often, a place where artists implement work that engages wider audiences. Combining lectures and practice, students will participate in the development of new artworks in mass media and public forms. This course has limited enrollment. The roster is formatted on the first day class by the instructor, who may allow additional registration for majors. It is necessary to attend the first class meeting to confirm your place on the class roster.

ARTS 378 - EXHIBITION DESIGN**Short Title:** EXHIBITION DESIGN**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This course will explore the world of museums and galleries through exhibition design. Students will study the curatorial process and exhibition preparation including concept development, educational goals, budget, installation, and publicity. Discussions, workshops, museum visits, and guest lectures will provide students the opportunity to gain practical experience in museum/gallery work.**ARTS 383 - STUDIO ART INTERNSHIP****Short Title:** STUDIO ART INTERNSHIP**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Internship/Practicum**Credit Hours:** 1-6**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This course is a field-based, supervised, professional learning experience designed to enhance classroom learning. Students will be responsible for identifying and securing internship positions and must obtain permission from the department chairman and have a department faculty sponsor. All interns are required to keep an internship journal recording duties and activities; the journal will be used as the basis of a five-page paper summarizing the internship experience. Documentation of the work produced during the internship is required, portfolio, CD, DVD, etc. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.**ARTS 384 - TEXT AND IMAGE****Short Title:** TEXT AND IMAGE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This interdisciplinary course will explore the relationship between language, text, and the visual arts. The class will examine poet/artist collaborations, text-focused artistic movements such as Dada, Surrealism, and the early text-based works of the 1960s, along with contemporary artists and writers who push the boundaries of their fields. Field trips, readings, group discussions, and class critique will all be integral to this course. Students will develop projects, either through individual investigation or group collaboration, examining how words and images might intersect. The semester will culminate in a publication of these projects. This course has limited enrollment. The roster is formatted on the first day class by the instructor, who may allow additional registration for majors. It is necessary to attend the first class meeting to confirm your place on the class roster.**ARTS 387 - JUNIOR PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES SEMINAR AND FIELD TRIP****Short Title:** JUNIOR SEMINAR**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This seminar is to help majors in the Department of Visual and Dramatic Arts establish a frame of reference for professional practices in the fields of Studio Art, Film/Photography and Theater. (Please note: this course will not include a travel component due to COVID-19 during the 2020-2021 academic year) Instructor Permission Required. Mutually Exclusive: Cannot register for ARTS 387 if student has credit for ARTS 294.**ARTS 388 - CRITICAL STUDIES FOR STUDIO PRACTICE****Short Title:** CRIT STUDIES STUDIO PRACTICE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Critical Studies for Studio Practice is a course designed to familiarize art and non-art majors with key theories and concepts in modern and contemporary art. This is a multi-dimensional class consisting of guest lectures, artist-speakers, and art field trips to local museums, galleries, and alternative art spaces. The course will include discussions on readings, writing, and special projects. This promises to be a fun and thought-provoking class and is designed to enhance studio practice and encourage interest in the visual arts.**ARTS 396 - SPEC PROBLEMS: MOBILE ARTS PROJECT****Short Title:** SPEC PROB: MOBILE ARTS PROJECT**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Independent Study**Credit Hours:** 1-3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** The focus of this special problems/independent study class will be on the practical conversion of a 30' transit bus into a multi-purpose mobile arts platform. Students will work one-on-one with Professor Sperandio and visiting artists on the development and fabrication of a variety of mechanical systems, including HVAC, electrical and plumbing. Participants will develop a more comprehensive understanding of alternative art practices through targeted readings and discussions, as well as participate in the development of new uses for this mobile arts space once it's completed. This project is funded in part by the Humanities Research Center, Rice Office of Parking and Transportation, and the Department of Visual and Dramatic Arts. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.

ARTS 400 - SPECIAL PROBLEMS IN STUDIO ART III**Short Title:** SPECIAL PROB IN STUDIO ART III**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Independent Study**Credit Hours:** 1-6**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Study of problems at the advanced level in creative art. Topics may vary. Please consult with your faculty advisor for additional information. This class may be used in awarding transfer credit. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.**ARTS 401 - PAINTING STUDIO****Short Title:** PAINTING STUDIO**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** ARTS 301**Description:** A continuation of practices and concepts introduced in Beginning Painting. Individual expression will be encouraged through a series of assignments that explore scale, subject matter, and process. Experimentation in different, painterly media will be encouraged. Students will continue to learn how to discuss painting through in-class critique. Mutually Exclusive: Cannot register for ARTS 401 if student has credit for ARTS 303.**ARTS 425 - ADVANCED DRAWING****Short Title:** ADVANCED DRAWING**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** (ARTS 225 or ARTS 101) and (ARTS 323 or ARTS 325)**Description:** This advanced course uses students to further uncover and articulate the possibilities of drawing. Students will continue to learn drawing techniques while developing their own individual drawing vocabularies. Assignments will be more open in structure, allowing the opportunity for more individually driven projects, specific to each student's interests.**ARTS 428 - FILMMAKING II****Short Title:** FILMMAKING II**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** 16mm film production course utilizing handmade cinema techniques. Space in class is limited. Registration does not guarantee a place in class. The class roster is formulated the first day of class by the individual instructor. Cross-list: FILM 428.**ARTS 430 - ARTS RESEARCH AND PRACTICE****Short Title:** ARTS RESEARCH AND PRACTICE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Research**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Independent Study with a faculty member in Visual and Dramatic Arts in a specified art practice and field of research. The student will devise and work upon a chosen artistic practice. Instructor Permission Required.**ARTS 432 - FILM GENRE: THE WESTERN****Short Title:** FILM GENRE: THE WESTERN**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Survey of the essential American film experience spanning all the years of U.S. cinema, with emphasis on the western and its mythic function in society. Space in studio classes is limited. Registration does not guarantee a place in class. The class roster is formulated on the first day of class by the individual instructor. Cross-list: FILM 432.**ARTS 435 - SEMINAR ON FILM AUTHORSHIP: THE NEW HOLLYWOOD****Short Title:** SEMINAR ON FILM AUTHORSHIP**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This seminar covers the concept of authorship in Hollywood cinema since 1968. Topics include: the auteur theory, biography, voice, the implied author, intention, and others. Cross-list: FILM 435, HART 480.**ARTS 444 - HANDMADE FILM****Short Title:** HANDMADE FILM**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** 16mm film production course utilizing handmade cinema techniques, 4 required 16mm films made using surface treatments, shooting with a 16mm film camera, hand developing, classic animation, crating soundtracks and digital editing. Space in class is limited. Registration does not guarantee a place in class. Cross-list: FILM 444.

ARTS 447 - SPECIAL PROBLEMS IN LIFE DRAWING**Short Title:** SPECIAL PROBLEMS LIFE DRAWING**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Independent Study**Credit Hours:** 1-6**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Study of advanced problems in creative art. Topics may vary. Please consult with the department for additional information. May be used in awarding transfer credit. Prerequisite: permission of instructor. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.**ARTS 449 - PRINTMAKING STUDIO****Short Title:** ADVANCED PRINTMAKING**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** ARTS 311 and ARTS 349**Description:** Advanced exploration of etching, lithography, photo gravure, and monoprinting. Enrollment is limited. The instructor will formulate the course roster and may allow additional majors to enroll.**ARTS 450 - SPECIAL PROBLEMS IN PRINTMAKING****Short Title:** SPECIAL PROBLEMS PRINTMAKING**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Independent Study**Credit Hours:** 1-6**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Study of advanced problems in creative art. Topics may vary. Please consult with the department for additional information. May be used in awarding transfer credit. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.**ARTS 457 - SPECIAL PROBLEMS IN SCULPTURE****Short Title:** SPECIAL PROBLEMS-SCULPTURE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Independent Study**Credit Hours:** 1-6**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Study of advanced problems in creative art. Topics may vary. Please consult with the department for additional information. May be used in awarding transfer credit. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.**ARTS 460 - ADVANCED COMPUTER GRAPHICS****Short Title:** ADV COMPUTER GRAPHICS**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This project-based class involves teams of 2-4 CS and Visual Arts students designing and building computer games suitable for Xbox Live Arcade using C# and XNA. For CS students, COMP 160 or COMP 360 is recommended as a prerequisite. For Visual Arts students, previous experience in drawing using Photoshop is suggested. Instructor Permission Required. Cross-list: COMP 460.**Course URL:** www.owl.net.rice.edu/~comp460 (<http://www.owl.net.rice.edu/~comp460/>)**ARTS 465 - ADVANCED SCULPTURE****Short Title:** ADVANCED SCULPTURE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** ARTS 165 or ARTS 365**Description:** Study of advanced problems in various sculptural media. This course has limited enrollment. The roster is formatted on the first day class by the instructor, who may allow additional registration for majors. It is necessary to attend the first class meeting to confirm your place on the class roster.**ARTS 475 - ADVANCED PAINTING****Short Title:** ADVANCED PAINTING**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** ARTS 301 and (ARTS 303 or ARTS 401)**Description:** Students will further advance their painting skills while beginning to develop a personal painting vocabulary. Students will have the opportunity to experiment with new materials, at new scales, and with new subject matter. Assignments will be more open in structure, allowing for more individually driven projects, specific to student interest.**ARTS 477 - SPECIAL TOPICS****Short Title:** SPECIAL TOPICS**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory, Seminar, Lecture, Laboratory, Internship/Practicum**Credit Hours:** 1-4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Topics and credit hours vary each semester. Contact department for current semester's topic(s). Repeatable for Credit.

ARTS 494 - SPECIAL PROBLEMS IN PRINTMAKING**Short Title:** SPECIAL PROBLEMS PRINTMAKING**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Independent Study**Credit Hours:** 1-6**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Study of advanced problems in creative art. Topics may vary. Please consult with the department for additional information. May be used in awarding transfer credit. Prerequisite: permission of instructor. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.**ARTS 499 - SENIOR STUDIO****Short Title:** SENIOR STUDIO**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment limited to students with a class of Senior. Enrollment is limited to students with a major in Visual and Dramatic Arts. Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Required seminar for all studio track majors. This course is designed to guide the senior major in focused preparation of their work of the annual senior exhibition. Classes will consist of lectures, visits and critiques by artists and curators, and intensive independent studio work. Prerequisites: Students must receive permission from their faculty advisor or department chair to register for this class; only department majors who have senior academic standing will be allowed to register for this course. Department Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.

Film (FILM)

FILM 180 - 14 FILMS YOU SHOULD SEE BEFORE YOU GRADUATE FROM RICE UNIVERSITY**Short Title:** 14 FILMS BEFORE YOU GRADUATE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** Featuring the important, but less familiar works of American and European directors from the 1930s - 1960s. This class represents an ideal mixture of modernist auteur cinema and shameless viewing pleasure. Cross-list: HART 180.**FILM 215 - MYSTIC CINEMA: KABBALAH IN FILM****Short Title:** MYSTIC CINEMA**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** This course explores uses by the film industry of ideas drawn from Jewish mysticism. We will examine themes such as monsters, spirits, numerology and the paranormal, as portrayed in classic film and through to contemporary Hollywood. Emphasis will be placed on the medieval textual and folkloric traditions behind such portrayals. Cross-list: RELI 215. Mutually Exclusive: Cannot register for FILM 215 if student has credit for FILM 114/FSEM 141/RELI 114.**FILM 218 - HISTORY THROUGH FILM IN EAST AND NORTHEAST ASIA****Short Title:** EAST/NORTHEAST ASIA FILM HIST**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** Can we learn history by analyzing movies? Using documentary and feature films from Asian film culture's beginnings, we view 19th-20th century Chinese, Japanese, and Korean history. Collective in-class film viewing, discussion and reading required. Cross-list: ASIA 218, HIST 218.**FILM 225 - INTRODUCTION TO FILMMAKING AND EDITING****Short Title:** INTRO TO FILMMAKING & EDITING**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** This course introduces the student to filmmaking in general through specific techniques of digital video production. The emphasis in this class will be the medium as a means of effective storytelling through the craft of filmmaking. All aspects of production will be discussed, including preproduction and postproduction. Core topics will include the basic principles and operation of digital video cameras, lighting instruments, and audio recording gear; concepts and practical use of nonlinear digital editing gear, planning and scripting using applications of various filmmaking techniques; and delivery of a finished project.

FILM 238 - SPECIAL TOPICS**Short Title:** SPECIAL TOPICS**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Internship/Practicum, Lecture, Seminar, Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 1-4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** Topics and credit hours vary each semester. Contact department for current semester's topic(s). Repeatable for Credit.**FILM 250 - CONTEMPORARY EUROPEAN CINEMA****Short Title:** CONTEMPORARY EUROPEAN CINEMA**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** This class examines trends in European cinema of the last fifteen years. Particular attention will be given to the issues of history, memory and national identity in Europe's shifting geopolitical climate, and to the formal and aesthetic concerns with which filmmakers responded to these shifts. The discussion will include films by Michael Haneke, Fatih Akin, Christian Mingiu and others. Cross-list: HART 250.**FILM 275 - COMICS AND SEQUENTIAL ART****Short Title:** COMICS AND SEQUENTIAL ART**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** An introduction to the art of combining words and pictures: diverse applications such as storyboarding for stage and screen, comic books and graphic novels, and serial or multiples in a variety of media all fall under the umbrella of Sequential Art. Through instruction, demos, readings and practice, students will learn the history and implementation of linear visual narratives utilizing the Comics Art Teaching and Study Workshop as a resource. Students in this class will also participate in the construction and establishment of a permanent research center for the study of Comic Book Art within the Department of Visual and Dramatic Arts. This course has limited enrollment. The roster is formatted on the first day class by the instructor, who may allow additional registration for majors. It is necessary to attend the first class meeting to confirm your place on the class roster. Cross-list: ARTS 230.**FILM 280 - HISTORY & AESTHETICS OF FILM****Short Title:** HISTORY & AESTHETICS OF FILM**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** Introduction to the art and aesthetics of film as an artifact produced within certain social contexts. Includes style, narrative, mise-en-scene, editing, sound, and ideology in classical Hollywood cinema, as well as in independent, alternative, nonfiction, and Third World cinemas. Cross-list: ARTS 280, HART 280.**FILM 281 - THE BEGINNINGS OF CINEMA****Short Title:** THE BEGINNINGS OF CINEMA**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** This class studies the emergence of cinema in the context of cultural developments at the turn of the 20th century. Early films will be examined together with such contemporaneous issues as technologies of vision, modern mass culture, urban expansion and consumerism. Cross-list: HART 281.**FILM 284 - NONFICTION FILM****Short Title:** NONFICTION FILM**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** Introduction to the history and aesthetics of nonfiction film as both a social artifact and as a work of art. Includes discussions of actualities, the city film, the social documentary, surrealist cinema, propaganda, ethnography, the essay film, and the contemporary nonfiction film from around the world. Cross-list: HART 284.

FILM 285 - AUTEUR FILM: CASE STUDIES OF THREE AUTEURS**Short Title:** AUTEUR FILM**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** This course will explore the tradition of auteur filmmaking, with an emphasis on how this particular artistic mode situates itself within the evolving system of Hollywood institutional film. The auteur, in contrast to other filmmakers, exhibits unparalleled control over the production and post-production processes and is uniquely identifiable through the notable conventions of aesthetics, style, theme, content, atmosphere, etc. FILM 485/HART 481 (4 Credit Hours) will require completion of additional coursework for the additional credit than the FILM 285/HART 283 (3 Credit Hours). Credit may not be received for more than one of FILM 285 or FILM 485 or Hart 283 or HART 481. Cross-list: HART 283. Equivalency: FILM 485. Mutually Exclusive: Cannot register for FILM 285 if student has credit for FILM 485.**FILM 287 - INTRODUCTION TO EXPERIMENTAL VIDEO AND INSTALLATION ART****Short Title:** INTRO TO VIDEO AND INSTALL ART**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** Learn to create unique experiences by sculpting time and space. With an emphasis on production and practice, this course introduces students to installation art and non-traditional, experimental uses of video. Students will learn the basic tools and techniques of digital video production using Adobe Premiere and After Effects.**Course URL:** www.arts.rice.edu/ (<http://www.arts.rice.edu/>)**FILM 308 - IMPROVISATION FOR STAGE AND SCREEN****Short Title:** IMPROV FOR STAGE AND SCREEN**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This is a course in the practical training of comedic, long-form, improvisation. Students will learn how to craft scenes spontaneously using tools like character dynamic, status, comedic pattern, beat structuring, and agreement. Classic forms of scenic improv will be taught and the course will also examine the role of improvisation in comedy films, video, and the creation of sketch comedy. Students will get to practice their skills by crafting videos in the class' culmination run of improv shows. Cross-list: THEA 308.**FILM 321 - LIFE IN REAL-TIME****Short Title:** LIFE IN REAL-TIME**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This course explores digital video as a contemporary art medium rich with possibilities of cultural critique. We will examine how artists deploy the speed of time-based media to underscore the urgency of specific environmental issues and offer observations on serious issues through the use of metaphor, irony, and humor. We will compare and contrast these ways through reading, films, and presentations.**FILM 327 - DOCUMENTARY PRODUCTION****Short Title:** DOCUMENTARY PRODUCTION**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Study of the expressive possibilities of documentary production using digital systems. Space in studio classes is limited. Registration does not guarantee a place in class. The class roster is formulated on the first day of class by the individual instructor. Cross-list: ANTH 324, ARTS 327.**FILM 328 - FILMMAKING I****Short Title:** FILMMAKING I**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Dramatic film production class that requires the making of one digital video and one 16mm film. Space in studio classes is limited. Registration does not guarantee a place in class. The class roster is formulated on the first day of class by the individual instructor. Cross-list: ARTS 328.**FILM 329 - FILM FORM****Short Title:** FILM FORM**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Viewing, analysis, and discussion of modern and classic films. Space in studio classes is limited. Registration does not guarantee a place in class. The class roster is formulated on the first day of class by the individual instructor. Cross-list: ARTS 329.

FILM 332 - CRITICAL STUDIES OF MULTIMEDIA ARTS**Short Title:** CRITICAL STU OF MULTIMEDIA ART**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Critical Studies for Multimedia Arts is a course designed to familiarize art and non-art majors with key theories and core concepts in modern and contemporary multimedia art. Students will examine a broad spectrum of specific topics in contemporary artwork related conceptually to: space/time; bodies and performance; "sculptural" studies in an expanded field and video & film space. This is a multi-dimensional class consisting of guest lectures, artist-speakers, and field trips to local museums, galleries and alternative art spaces. This course will include discussions on readings, writings and special projects. This promises to be a fun and thought-provoking class and is designed to enhance studio practice and encourage interest in the visual arts. Cross-list: ARTS 332, FOTO 332, THEA 332.**FILM 333 - VIDEO ACTIVISM: CREATING CHANGE THROUGH VIDEO STORYTELLING****Short Title:** VIDEO ACTIVISM**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This course employs video as a tool to make and distribute stories about people and issues in our world aimed at affecting change. We will learn about the history of video activism and watch examples to inform our own work. Students in the course will complete a series of exercises and one central issue driven video work. All necessary equipment will be provided. Recommended Prerequisite(s): FILM 327**FILM 334 - FILM LITERATURE****Short Title:** FILMING LITERATURE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This course engages a wide range of filmic adaptations of literary texts, with close attention to the specificity of the medium, genre and sub-genre, narrative and point of view.**FILM 336 - CINEMA AND THE CITY****Short Title:** CINEMA AND THE CITY**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This class explores representations of the city in 20th and 21st century world cinema. Central concerns will include the city as cinematic protagonist, parallels between urban and cinematic space and the intertwined histories of both film and urban design over the last century. Cross-list: ASIA 355, HART 336.**FILM 339 - A REVOLUTION FROM WITHIN: TRENDS IN CONTEMPORARY CUBAN CULTURE****Short Title:** TRENDS IN CUBAN CULTURE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This research seminar will explore contemporary trends in Cuban culture through literary texts, films, music and works of art. We will examine the ways in which politics and the practices of artistic representation intersect in post-revolutionary Cuba. A research trip to Cuba has been organized as part of this seminar. (The trip is optional. There is a course fee.) Course taught in Spanish. Instructor Permission Required. Cross-list: HART 304, SPPO 375. Recommended Prerequisite(s): Third year Spanish**FILM 351 - HOLOCAUST REPRESENTATION IN LITERATURE, ART, AND FILM****Short Title:** HOLOCAUST REPRESENTATION**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This course will address the representation of the Holocaust in literature, art, and film. Is the Holocaust representable? What literary and artistic techniques and devices have been employed to represent the unrepresentable? Through Holocaust narrative, poetry, fiction, art, memorials, documentary and narrative film, we will explore these questions. Cross-list: JWST 351. Mutually Exclusive: Cannot register for FILM 351 if student has credit for FILM 349/RELI 349.

FILM 359 - CINEMAS OF URBAN ALIENATION**Short Title:** CINEMAS OF URBAN ALIENATION**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This seminar examines cinematic engagements with urban spaces and experiences around the world spanning the last two centuries. Particular attention will be paid to issues of migration, marginality, colonialism, war and post-war, nostalgia and memory, race and gender. Cities of focus include Berlin, Istanbul, Moscow, Algiers, Beirut and Paris. Our weekly discussions of individual films will be grounded in critical writings of the cities' histories and theories of space and film. Cross-list: ARCH 359, HART 359.**FILM 361 - WHAT IS CINEMA? CLASSIC READINGS OF CLASSIC FILMS****Short Title:** WHAT IS CINEMA?**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Using a variety of readings now considered classics as our guide, this class will look closely at a broad range of films and film movements discussed by critics and theorists such as Rudolf Amheim, Jean Epstein, Sergei Eisenstein, Walter Benjamin and Andre Bazin. Cross-list: HART 361.**FILM 373 - SURVEY OF AMERICAN FILM AND CULTURE****Short Title:** SURVEY OF AMER FILM & CULTURE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** A course that explores the history of cinema in the U.S. from its origins to the present day. This course will examine the development of narrative, sound, the classical Hollywood form and style; film genres; the emergence of television; the influence of postwar "art cinemas"; the origins of the blockbuster; and the status of Hollywood as "global cinema." Cross-list: ENGL 373, HART 380.**Course URL:** www.english.rice.edu (<http://www.english.rice.edu>)**FILM 378 - PLACE AND MEMORY IN MIDDLE EASTERN AND EUROPEAN CINEMA****Short Title:** MEMORY AND PLACE IN CINEMA**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Focuses on cinematic explorations of and preoccupations with the notion of place. Screenings include iconic and lesser-known films from Europe and the Middle East that offer diverse lenses and contexts (love, family, landscapes, borders, trauma, exile) through which we will examine questions of real and imagined place and the politics of memory. Cross-list: ANTH 378, HART 391.**FILM 380 - RIPPED, RECYCLED AND REMADE CINEMA****Short Title:** RECYCLED CINEMA**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This hybrid seminar/production class investigates the practice cinematic quoting in media works. We will look at how the appropriation process critiques political and cultural concerns between the source and reworked material, new conversations it introduces, and these works in relation to fair-using, hijacking, open sourcing, and stealing.**FILM 381 - MEDICAL MEDIA ARTS LAB****Short Title:** MEDICAL MEDIA ARTS LAB**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Students will collaborate with health professionals to create solutions to real-world medical communication, visualization and design problems. Working individually and in teams, students will apply critical thinking and theory to hands-on design. Projects may include production of short videos, infographics, app development, 3-D virtual models, creative writing, and other media arts. Cross-list: ENGL 386.**Course URL:** www.english.rice.edu (<http://www.english.rice.edu>)

FILM 382 - MODALITIES OF CINEMA**Short Title:** MODALITIES OF CINEMA**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** In this course we will survey the range of organizing principles of cinema- the differing and combative ways cinema arranges its images and sounds. We will look at classicism, modernism, postmodernism and many other modes. The films will range from early silent pictures, to experimental shorts, to commercial blockbusters. Cross-list: HART 382.**FILM 383 - GLOBAL CINEMA****Short Title:** GLOBAL CINEMA**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This course introduces students to cinema as a global enterprise. It explores the relationship between nations, identities, races, concepts, and genres. It inquires into the question of globalization as it relates to the motion picture audience, corporations, and the commerce of ideas. Cross-list: HART 383.**FILM 384 - AMERICAN INDEPENDENT CINEMA****Short Title:** AMERICAN INDEPENDENT CINEMA**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** A course that explores the history of filmmaking outside of Hollywood in the United States throughout the 20th century, emphasizing the period from 1959 to the present. Special attention to the contributions of marginalized communities and the art world, innovative film styles, and the interdependence of alternative and mainstream media cultures. Cross-list: ENGL 384.**FILM 385 - FILM STUDIES****Short Title:** FILM STUDIES**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** A variable topics course that may focus on such areas as film genres, national cinemas, world cinema, directors or other thematically organized topics. Cross-list: ENGL 385. Repeatable for Credit.**Course URL:** www.english.rice.edu (<http://www.english.rice.edu>)**FILM 386 - MEDICAL MEDIA ARTS LAB****Short Title:** MEDIA STUDIES**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3-4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** A variable topics course that addresses interdisciplinary approaches to studying the relationships between film, photography, television, and digital technologies such as the internet and computer-generated imaging. Cross-list: ENGL 388. Repeatable for Credit.
Course URL: www.english.rice.edu (<http://www.english.rice.edu>)**FILM 388 - POST WAR EUROPEAN CINEMA****Short Title:** POST WAR EUROPEAN CINEMA**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This class surveys major developments in European cinema from the late 1940s to the late 1960s. Our study will include such movements as Italian Neorealism, German Rubble Films, French New Wave, and Soviet cinema in the Thaw. Particular attention will be paid to such issues as cinema and post-war reconstruction, memory and nation, and body and space. Cross-list: HART 388.**FILM 395 - FILM INTERNSHIP****Short Title:** FILM INTERNSHIP**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Internship/Practicum**Credit Hours:** 1-6**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This course is a field-based, supervised, professional learning experience designed to enhance classroom learning. Students will be responsible for identifying and securing internship positions and must obtain permission from the department chairman and have a department faculty sponsor. All interns are required to keep an internship journal recording duties and activities; the journal will be used as the basis of a five-page paper summarizing the internship experience. Documentation of the work produced during the internship is required portfolio, CD, DVD, etc. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.

FILM 396 - SPECIAL PROBLEMS IN FILM & VIDEOTAPE MAKING**Short Title:** SPEC. PROB: FILM & VIDEO**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Independent Study**Credit Hours:** 1-6**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Study of problems in film and film production. Topics may vary. Please consult with the department for additional information. May be used in awarding transfer credit. Prerequisite: permission of instructor. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.**FILM 420 - FILM STUDIO****Short Title:** FILM STUDIO**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** FILM 327 and FILM 328**Description:** A class for advanced filmmaking students working independently, but meeting as a group to participate in discussions about a variety of filmmaking topics. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.**FILM 428 - FILMMAKING II****Short Title:** FILMMAKING II**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** 16mm film production course utilizing handmade cinema techniques. Space in class is limited. Registration does not guarantee a place in class. The class roster is formulated the first day of class by the individual instructor. Cross-list: ARTS 428.**FILM 430 - ADVANCED METHODS IN SOUND, CINEMATOGRAPHY, AND EDITING****Short Title:** ADVANCED CINEMATOGRAPHY**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** FILM 327**Description:** This class will prepare students for more rigorous work in professional media. Building on the basic understanding of sound, image, and editing, students will focus on the controlled and strategic use of techniques and equipment. We will explore visual representation theory, psychoacoustics and narrative sound design, and the use of editing as a storytelling mechanism. Students will gain valuable and realistic crew experience and learn to anticipate and understand many aspects of film production.**FILM 432 - FILM GENRE: THE WESTERN****Short Title:** FILM GENRE: THE WESTERN**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Survey of the essential American film experience spanning all the years of U.S. cinema, with emphasis on the western and its mythic function in society. Space in studio classes is limited. Registration does not guarantee a place in class. The class roster is formulated on the first day of class by the individual instructor. Cross-list: ARTS 432.**FILM 433 - FILM GENRE: SCIENCE FICTION CINEMA****Short Title:** FILM GENRE: SCIENCE FICTION**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** In this course we will trace the history and elements of the popular film genre of science fiction, from early silents to recent configurations. We will look at the links between the genre cinema itself. Topics for the Film Genre courses will vary and will include the uncanny, transhumanism, utopia and dystopia, and technology.**FILM 435 - SEMINAR ON FILM AUTHORSHIP: THE NEW HOLLYWOOD****Short Title:** SEMINAR ON FILM AUTHORSHIP**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This seminar covers the concept of authorship in Hollywood cinema since 1968. Topics include: the auteur theory, biography, voice, the implied author, intention, and others. Cross-list: ARTS 435, HART 480.**FILM 444 - HANDMADE FILM****Short Title:** HANDMADE FILM**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** 16mm film production course utilizing handmade cinema techniques, 4 required 16mm films made using surface treatments, shooting with a 16mm film camera, hand developing, classic animation, crating soundtracks and digital editing. Space in class is limited. Registration does not guarantee a place in class. Cross-list: ARTS 444.

FILM 455 - VIDEO AND EXPANDED CINEMA**Short Title:** VIDEO AND EXPANDED CINEMA**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This seminar explores the emergence of video and "expanded cinema" as a primary field of artistic practice over the course of the 1960s and 1970s. We will examine seminal works by artists including Andy Warhol, Dan Graham, and Robert Whitman as well as the shifting aesthetic, political, and media landscapes in which this work emerged. Cross-list: HART 457.**FILM 456 - SPECIAL PROBLEMS IN FILMMAKING****Short Title:** SPECIAL PROBLEM: FILMMAKING**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Independent Study**Credit Hours:** 1-6**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Study of advanced problems in film and film production. Topics may vary. Please consult with the department for additional information. May be used in awarding transfer credit. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.**FILM 477 - SPECIAL TOPICS****Short Title:** SPECIAL TOPICS**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Internship/Practicum, Seminar, Lecture, Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 1-4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Topics and credit hours vary each semester. Contact department for current semester's topic(s). Repeatable for Credit.**FILM 485 - AUTEUR FILM: CASE STUDIES OF THREE AUTEURS****Short Title:** AUTEUR FILM**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture**Credit Hours:** 4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This course will explore the tradition of auteur filmmaking, with an emphasis on how this particular artistic mode situates itself within the evolving system of Hollywood institutional film. The auteur, in contrast to other filmmakers, exhibits unparalleled control over the production and post-production processes and is uniquely identifiable through the notable conventions of aesthetics, style, theme, content, atmosphere, etc. FILM 485/HART 481 (4 Credit Hours) will require completion of additional coursework for the additional credit than the FILM 285/HART 283 (3 Credit Hours). Credit may not be received for more than one of FILM 285 or FILM 485 or Hart 283 or HART 481. Cross-list: HART 481. Equivalency: FILM 285. Mutually Exclusive: Cannot register for FILM 485 if student has credit for FILM 285.**FILM 499 - SENIOR FILM AND PHOTOGRAPHY STUDIO****Short Title:** FILM AND PHOTO STUDIO**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Required course for all film and photography concentration majors. This course involves focused preparation of their work for the annual senior exhibition. This course consists of lectures, visits, and critiques by artists, filmmakers and photographers, and intensive work. Students must receive permission from their faculty advisor or department chair to register for this class; only department majors who have senior academic standing will be allowed to register for this course. Instructor Permission Required.

Photography (FOTO)

FOTO 200 - PHOTOGRAPHY IN THE COMMUNITY**Short Title:** PHOTOGRAPHY IN THE COMMUNITY**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** This course offers students the opportunity to use photography as a means to interact with the community through public schools and other institutions. After receiving instruction in digital photography, students will go into the community to conceive and execute original projects.**FOTO 202 - PHOTOGRAPHY IN THE COMMUNITY 2- CULTURAL OUTREACH AND DOCUMENTATION****Short Title:** PHOTOGRAPHY IN THE COMMUNITY 2**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Intensive Learning Experience**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** This course offers students opportunities to use photography as a means to interact with communities far beyond the Rice campus, even to communities outside the country. After receiving instruction in digital photography, students will execute original projects intended to bring quality instruction in photography and/or provide important photo documentation to foreign communities. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.

FOTO 205 - INTRODUCTION TO PHOTOGRAPHY**Short Title:** INTRODUCTION TO PHOTOGRAPHY**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** Introduction to black and white photography through exploration of light-sensitive materials, film and digital cameras. Assignments include viewing analysis, discussion, and writing about pictures to improve visual awareness, technical skills, and understanding of meaning in photography's continuing history. Final roster to be determined by the instructor on the first day of class.**FOTO 206 - PHOTOGRAPHY II****Short Title:** PHOTOGRAPHY II**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** Continued exploration of the basic materials and processes of the photographic medium with an emphasis on digital processes. Includes viewing, analysis, and discussion of the medium's history and current trends. Space in studio class is limited. Registration does not guarantee a place in class. The class roster is formulated on the first day of class by the individual instructor.**FOTO 210 - BEGINNING DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY****Short Title:** BEGINNING DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** Introduction to digital photography through exploration of light, camera, and computer. Assignments include looking, taking, discussing, adjusting, printing and writing about photographs. The class is a balance of visual awareness, technical skills and meaning in the context of photography's continuing history. Cross-list: HART 209.**FOTO 238 - SPECIAL TOPICS****Short Title:** SPECIAL TOPICS**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Internship/Practicum, Lecture, Seminar, Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 1-4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** Topics and credit hours vary each semester. Contact department for current semester's topic(s). Repeatable for Credit.**FOTO 263 - EPISODES IN THE HISTORY OF PHOTOGRAPHY: FROM INVENTION TO THE PRESENT****Short Title:** HISTORY OF PHOTOGRAPHY**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** This class examines the history of both artistic and non-artistic uses of photography from its origins in the nineteenth century, across the 20th century and into the present. In so doing we will pay close attention to a number of specific thematic, from the medium's conception in the late eighteenth century, through avant-garde and institutional debates in the twentieth and twenty-first centuries concerning photography's relationship to artistic and social issues, to questions of gender, race, class, and global politics. Cross-list: HART 263. Mutually Exclusive: Cannot register for FOTO 263 if student has credit for HART 363.**FOTO 295 - SPECIAL PROBLEMS IN PHOTOGRAPHY****Short Title:** SPEC PROB PHOTOGRAPHY**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Independent Study**Credit Hours:** 1-3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** Study of problems at the introductory level in creative art. Topics may vary. Please consult with department for additional information. May be used in awarding transfer credit. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.**FOTO 310 - INTERMEDIATE DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY****Short Title:** INTERMEDIATE DIGITAL PHOTO**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** FOTO 205 or FOTO 210**Description:** A continuation of FOTO 210, which is a prerequisite for this course. The emphasis is on making photographs as distinct from taking them. The course explores the malleability of the digital medium through the use of digital tools in Adobe Photoshop, which is provided on the computers in the VADA Digital Lab in the Rice Media Center. Students must provide their own digital camera.

FOTO 332 - CRITICAL STUDIES OF MULTIMEDIA ARTS**Short Title:** CRITICAL STU OF MULTIMEDIA ART**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Critical Studies for Multimedia Arts is a course designed to familiarize art and non-art majors with key theories and core concepts in modern and contemporary multimedia art. Students will examine a broad spectrum of specific topics in contemporary artwork related conceptually to: space/time; bodies and performance; "sculptural" studies in an expanded field and video & film space. This is a multi-dimensional class consisting of guest lectures, artist-speakers, and field trips to local museums, galleries and alternative art spaces. This course will include discussions on readings, writings and special projects. This promises to be a fun and thought-provoking class and is designed to enhance studio practice and encourage interest in the visual arts. Cross-list: ARTS 332, FILM 332, THEA 332.**FOTO 366 - THE ROAD AS EXPERIENCE AND METAPHOR IN PHOTOGRAPHIC PRACTICE****Short Title:** ROAD TRIP PHOTOGRAPHY**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** FOTO 205 or FOTO 210**Description:** A search for America and the self through the written and visual literature of moving through the American landscape. This course will search for motifs to emulate in small formats and short distances, as preamble to the culmination recorded in a self-designed book of each personal odyssey. Repeatable for Credit.**FOTO 383 - PHOTOGRAPHY BOOKMAKING****Short Title:** PHOTOGRAPHY BOOKMAKING**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** ARTS 205 or FOTO 205 or FOTO 210 or HART 209 or FOTO 310**Description:** Intermediate problems in photography culminating in the production of an original book. Students will pursue a project involving either film-based or digital photography, edit, layout, and then produce their own book. Students will participate in scheduled critiques. Priority will be given to students who have taken two or more semesters of photography at Rice.**FOTO 385 - PHOTOGRAPHY SEMINAR****Short Title:** PHOTOGRAPHY SEMINAR**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Advanced problems in photography including, but not limited to, color and black and white film-based photography, view camera, and alternative processes. Students will be given advanced assignments tailored to the format and medium they wish to pursue will participate in scheduled critiques of the full class. Space in the class is limited. Registration does not guarantee a place in the course. Priority will be given to students who have taken two or more semesters of photography at Rice. The class roster will be formulated by the instructor on the first day of class. Repeatable for Credit.**FOTO 390 - VISUALIZING NATURE****Short Title:** VISUALIZING NATURE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** An experimental course combining the scientific disciplines of the earth sciences with the artistic disciplines of creative photography to study the natural landscape and related ecosystems. The course will combine classroom lectures and laboratory demonstrations in geoscience with classes in the use of digital and film-based cameras and illustrated lectures on recognized achievements in landscape photography. Extensive field trips will be scheduled. Students will travel frequently, at times in pairs, other times in larger groups and as a full class, accompanied by one or both professors. The budget for the course includes funding both for travel and for photography expenses. Instructor Permission Required. Cross-list: ESCI 380.**FOTO 395 - SPECIAL PROBLEMS IN PHOTOGRAPHY****Short Title:** SPEC PROB:PHOTOGRAPHY**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Independent Study**Credit Hours:** 1-6**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Study of problems in creative art. Topics may vary. Please consult with the department for additional information. May be used in awarding transfer credit. Prerequisite: permission of instructor. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.

FOTO 410 - ADVANCED DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY**Short Title:** ADVANCED DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** A continuation of FOTO 310, this course offers advanced photo-art students a chance to develop a personal body of artwork supported by digital image processing. Student-driven projects will influence the choice of technical topics covered in class. For example, some techniques covered may include digital animation, digital painting, 3D compositing, or master printing. Students will be expected to critique their work and that of other artists shown on Rice campus and in Houston. Students entering the course should be proficient in the use of Adobe Photoshop. A semester-long project is due at the end of the class.**FOTO 454 - SPECIAL PROBLEMS - PHOTOGRAPHY****Short Title:** SPECIAL PROBLEMS-PHOTOGRAPHY**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Independent Study**Credit Hours:** 1-6**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Study of advanced problems in creative art. Topics may vary. Please consult with the department for additional information. May be used in awarding transfer credit. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.**FOTO 477 - SPECIAL TOPICS****Short Title:** SPECIAL TOPICS**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Internship/Practicum, Seminar, Lecture, Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 1-4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Topics and credit hours vary each semester. Contact department for current semester's topic(s). Repeatable for Credit.

Theatre (THEA)

THEA 100 - STAGE CRAFT**Short Title:** STAGE CRAFT**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** Introduction to materials, tools, and standard theatre production techniques. Theory and practice of scenic building and painting techniques, creation of props, sound support requirements, and running crew during performance. No Lab hours required.**THEA 101 - THEATRE TECHNOLOGY: COSTUME CONSTRUCTION****Short Title:** THEA TECH: COSTUME CONSTRUCTON**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** Introduction to the materials, tools, and standard techniques of costume/clothing construction. Lab hours required.**THEA 102 - INTRODUCTION TO ACTING****Short Title:** INTRODUCTION TO ACTING**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** This is a class in the basic terminology and craft of acting. It will encompass voice and movement training, as well as basic technical theatre terminology and vocabulary for the actor. The course work will progress from ensemble/group work and individual exercises/ monologues to scenes. Space in classes is limited. Registration does not guarantee a place in class. The class roster is formulated on the first day of class by the individual instructor.**THEA 103 - THEATRE TECHNOLOGY****Short Title:** THEATRE TECHNOLOGY**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** Introduction to lighting and sound equipment, tools, and board operation. Theory and practice of lighting and sound materials, hang and focus, programming both sound and lights boards as well as introduction to projection elements. No lab required.**THEA 202 - COSTUME AND PATTERN DRAFTING AND DRAPING FOR STAGE****Short Title:** PATTERN DRAFTING AND DRAPING**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Prerequisite(s):** THEA 101**Description:** This course enables students to explore pattern-making, design, fit and alteration of costumes for the stage. The course will familiarize students with the draping method of pattern development and the flat-patterning method of pattern development in order to create three-dimensional period and contemporary costumes for the theatre based on two-dimensional research and theatrical designer drawings. Instructor Permission Required.

THEA 207 - MAKEUP FOR THE STAGE**Short Title:** MAKEUP FOR THE STAGE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Students with a class of Senior may not enroll. Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** This is a hands-on class that explores the principals of stage makeup materials and skills, methods and techniques that are used in an actor's transformation for the stage. This includes techniques for moderate and extreme aging, injuries and character roles and period styles. Class will use the application of analytical and research skills in the visual development of the character. Spring 2021; Seniors must get special permission to enroll**THEA 238 - SPECIAL TOPICS****Short Title:** SPECIAL TOPICS**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Internship/Practicum, Seminar, Lecture, Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 1-4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** Topics and credit hours may vary each semester. Contact department for current semester's topic(s). Repeatable for Credit.**THEA 270 - BIG PAINTING: MATERIALS AND TECHNIQUES FOR THEATRICAL PAINTING****Short Title:** BIG PAINTING FOR THEATRE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Lower-Level**Description:** Big Painting: Materials and Techniques for Theatrical Painting will examine the materials and techniques usually associated with scenic and theatrical painting but as applied to the context of 21st century contemporary art practices. Students will learn how to make big paintings. This course has limited enrollment. The roster is formulated on the first day class by the instructor, who may allow additional registration for majors. It is necessary to attend the first class meeting to confirm your place on the class roster. Cross-list: ARTS 270.**THEA 300 - INTRODUCTION TO THEATRE DESIGN****Short Title:** INTRODUCTION TO THEATRE DESIGN**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Introduction to the theory and practice of theatre design through exploration of the principles and elements of design as they apply to scenery, lighting, and costumes with an emphasis on text analysis and research. Students will complete and present a variety of projects.**THEA 301 - ACTING I****Short Title:** ACTING I**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Introduction to the fundamentals of acting through the exploration of actor training techniques based on the theories of Stanislavsky, Strasburg, Adler, Meisner, and Hagen, emphasizing the actor's primary tools: voice, body, emotional life, and imagination.**THEA 302 - ACTING II****Short Title:** ACTING II**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** THEA 301**Description:** Text analysis for the actor with particular emphasis on a thorough investigation of given circumstances and dramatic action. Students will work on scenes from Ibsen to contemporary playwrights. Space in classes is limited. Registration does not guarantee a place in class. The class roster is formulated on the first day of class by the individual instructor.

THEA 303 - INTRODUCTION TO THEATRE**Short Title:** INTRODUCTION TO THEATRE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** A survey course of the art and theory of the theatre through an examination of dramatic literature and theatrical venues from the Greeks through the modern era. The course will also explore the craft of the theatre from a practitioner's point of view as it is realized today. Requires attending several theatre productions in local Houston venues. Cross-list: ENGL 390.**Course URL:** www.english.rice.edu (<http://www.english.rice.edu>)**THEA 304 - COSTUME DESIGN****Short Title:** COSTUME DESIGN**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Students with a class of Junior or Senior may not enroll. Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Exploration of costume design and the designers' role in the collaborative process. Students will read diverse plays then present design projects that explore character, storytelling, and the relationship between performer and audience. Students will experiment with rendering techniques to explore the visual language of period and contemporary clothing. Juniors and Seniors must obtain special permission of the instructor before enrolling**THEA 305 - LIGHTING DESIGN****Short Title:** LIGHTING DESIGN**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** THEA 300**Description:** Exploration of the role that lighting plays in a production and the lighting designer's place as an artist in the collaboration process. Emphasis on the practical application of the controllable properties of light as they apply to theatre. Students will be required to complete a variety of projects including light labs responding to music and culminating in a final lighting project.**THEA 306 - SCENIC DESIGN****Short Title:** SCENIC DESIGN**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** THEA 300**Description:** Advanced examination of the principles of scenic design including research, rendering, technical drawing, model construction, text analysis and the role of the scenic designer in collaboration with directors, actors, and other designers. Students will read and analyze a variety of plays in different periods and styles, and then, based on text analysis and research, complete and present design projects.**THEA 307 - HISTORY OF ARCHITECTURE, INTERIORS, AND CLOTHING FOR THEATRE DESIGNERS****Short Title:** HIST FOR THEATER DESIGNERS**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** HISTORY OF ARCHITECTURE, INTERIORS, AND CLOTHING FOR THEATRE DESIGNERS ***** Survey of the major period styles of buildings, homes, furnishings, and clothing from ancient Egypt through the 20th century including a critical analysis of the interdependent nature of the evolution of design and the relationship to the cultures in which they were created. Repeatable for Credit.**THEA 308 - IMPROVISATION FOR STAGE AND SCREEN****Short Title:** IMPROV FOR STAGE AND SCREEN**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This is a course in the practical training of comedic, long-form, improvisation. Students will learn how to craft scenes spontaneously using tools like character dynamic, status, comedic pattern, beat structuring, and agreement. Classic forms of scenic improv will be taught and the course will also examine the role of improvisation in comedy films, video, and the creation of sketch comedy. Students will get to practice their skills by crafting videos in the class' culmination run of improv shows. Cross-list: FILM 308.

THEA 309 - MUSICAL THEATRE STUDIO**Short Title:** MUSICAL THEATRE STUDIO**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Practical training and experience in musical theatre performance. This course will focus on the particular challenges that musical theatre presents as distinct from non-musical theatre. Performance techniques will emphasize the skills necessary for successful presentation of a musical number by an actor, as well as how to prepare an effective audition.**THEA 310 - THE SPOKEN TEXT****Short Title:** THE SPOKEN TEXT**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** THEA 301**Description:** An exploration of language through voice, movement and text as one of the actor's primary means of communication and expression. The student will analyze, rehearse, and perform scenes from the work of William Shakespeare and his contemporaries. Recommended prerequisite(s): ENGL 321.**THEA 311 - HISTORY OF MUSICAL THEATRE****Short Title:** HISTORY OF MUSICAL THEATRE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This course is designed to familiarize students with the repertoire of a uniquely American art form that has had a widespread cultural influence. It will present a historical perspective of the decades of musical theatre from the 1920s to the present, with particular emphasis on representative innovative examples of change and the transition from musical comedy into musical theatre.**THEA 312 - DIRECTING I****Short Title:** DIRECTING I**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** THEA 301**Description:** An introductory course exploring the tools and craft of the stage director. Students will learn how to analyze dramatic text and will gain a fundamental knowledge of the director's basic skills, including composition, picture, movement, rhythm, and pantomimic dramatization. Recommended prerequisite(s): THEA 303 or 300.**THEA 315 - THEATRE IN WESTERN CULTURE: A HISTORICAL INTRODUCTION****Short Title:** INTRO TO THEATRE HISTORY**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Through reading and watching a selection of major plays and exploring other primary historical and critical sources, students in this course will study the development of the western dramatic tradition from ancient roots to modern day. Students will explore how the theatrical experience reflects and effects the society in which it exists and will consider how theater holds a mirror up to cultural power, taboos, and changes.**THEA 320 - GENDER, SEXUALITY AND THE ADAPTATION OF TRANSNATIONAL LITERATURE TO PERFORMANCE****Short Title:** GENDER AND PERFORMANCE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This course examines the embodiment of gender and sexuality through the oral interpretation of transnational literature. Students will learn how to analyze and adapt to performance novels and short stories from various global and historical contexts that exemplify the genre of the "coming of age" narrative. Cross-list: SWGS 320.

THEA 322 - DIRECTING SHAKESPEARE**Short Title:** DIRECTING SHAKESPEARE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** THEA 301**Description:** Staging Shakespeare's plays for modern audiences: learning to speak the lines "trippingly off the tongue", analyzing textual clues, and researching the period to find correlations to contemporary society in the process of active rehearsal. Students will work with THEA 310 to stage a final scene. Recommended prerequisite(s): THEA 310.**THEA 323 - VOICE AND SPEECH FOR THEATRE****Short Title:** VOICE AND SPEECH FOR THEATRE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Development of an expressive speaking voice through awareness and overcoming physical and vocal habits and limitations, including alignment, relaxation, breath support, resonance, tone and projection. Recommended prerequisite(s): THEA 301.**THEA 324 - MOVEMENT FOR STAGE AND STAGE COMBAT****Short Title:** COMBAT & MOVEMENT FOR STAGE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture/Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Introduction to body dynamics and stage combat through partner exercises, physical stretching and conditioning, ensemble movement, full body awareness, focus, action and counter-action, precision, and economy of effort. Recommended prerequisite(s): THEA 301.**THEA 325 - ACTING FOR FILM****Short Title:** ACTING FOR FILM**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Prerequisite(s):** THEA 102 or THEA 301**Description:** This course provides an introduction to the art of acting on camera. It emphasizes specific techniques of speech, movement, character development, and the creation of relationships as they relate to the recorded medium (film, television, commercials, industrial films). The elements of study include proper voice placement, appropriate acting styles, and subtlety in performance. Student performances will be videotaped for study.**THEA 330 - CONTEMPORARY DRAMATIC LITERATURE****Short Title:** CONTEMP DRAMATIC LITERATURE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Lecture**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** In this course we will examine contemporary American plays that have had a significant impact on theatrical form or that are highly reflective of contemporary society. Playwrights whose work will be studied will include Mamet, Guare, Lucas, Wilson and many others.**THEA 331 - THEATRE PRODUCTION****Short Title:** THEATRE PRODUCTION**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Studio**Distribution Group:** Distribution Group I**Credit Hours:** 3-6**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Practical application of skills acquired in previous THEA courses in a realized Theatre Program production as a company member. Admission to class requires either an audition, interview, or portfolio review with the director and/or production manager. Possible roles include: actor, assistant director, stage manager, assistant stage manager, designer, and technical support in scenery, costumes, lighting, or sound. Prerequisites: permission of instructor. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.**THEA 332 - CRITICAL STUDIES OF MULTIMEDIA ARTS****Short Title:** CRITICAL STUDY OF MULTIMEDIA ART**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Seminar**Credit Hours:** 3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Critical Studies for Multimedia Arts is a course designed to familiarize art and non-art majors with key theories and core concepts in modern and contemporary multimedia art. Students will examine a broad spectrum of specific topics in contemporary artwork related conceptually to: space/time; bodies and performance; "sculptural" studies in an expanded field and video & film space. This is a multi-dimensional class consisting of guest lectures, artist-speakers, and field trips to local museums, galleries and alternative art spaces. This course will include discussions on readings, writings and special projects. This promises to be a fun and thought-provoking class and is designed to enhance studio practice and encourage interest in the visual arts. Cross-list: ARTS 332, FILM 332, FOTO 332.

THEA 333 - SPECIAL PROBLEMS: THEATRE PRODUCTION**Short Title:** SPECIAL PROBLEMS: THEATRE**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Independent Study**Credit Hours:** 1,2**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Study of problems at the intermediate level in theatre making. Topics may vary. Please consult with your faculty advisor for additional information. This class may be used in awarding transfer credit. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.**THEA 396 - THEATRE INTERNSHIP****Short Title:** THEATRE INTERNSHIP**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Internship/Practicum**Credit Hours:** 1-6**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** This course is a field-based, supervised, professional learning experience designed to enhance classroom learning. Students will be responsible for identifying and securing internship positions and must obtain permission from the department chairman and have a department faculty sponsor. All interns are required to keep an internship journal recording duties and activities; the journal will be used as the basis of a five-page paper summarizing the internship experience. Documentation of the work produced during the internship is required, portfolio, CD, DVD, etc. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.**THEA 432 - SPECIAL PROBLEMS: DIRECTING AND DESIGN****Short Title:** SPEC PROB: DIRECT & DESIGN**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Independent Study**Credit Hours:** 1-3**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Independent study. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.**THEA 435 - SPECIAL PROBLEMS: ADVANCED TOPICS****Short Title:** SPEC PROB:ADVANCED TOPICS**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Independent Study**Credit Hours:** 1-6**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Independent study. Instructor Permission Required. Repeatable for Credit.**THEA 477 - SPECIAL TOPICS****Short Title:** SPECIAL TOPICS**Department:** Visual and Dramatic Arts**Grade Mode:** Standard Letter**Course Type:** Internship/Practicum, Seminar, Lecture, Laboratory**Credit Hours:** 1-4**Restrictions:** Enrollment is limited to Undergraduate, Undergraduate Professional or Visiting Undergraduate level students.**Course Level:** Undergraduate Upper-Level**Description:** Topics and credit hours may vary each semester. Contact department for current semester's topic(s). Repeatable for Credit.

Description and Code Legend

Note: Internally, the university uses the following descriptions, codes, and abbreviations for this academic program. The following is a quick reference:

Course Catalog/Schedule

- Course offerings/subject code for Visual and Dramatic Arts: ARTS
- Course offerings/subject code for Film: FILM
- Course offerings/subject code for Photography: FOTO
- Course offerings/subject code for Theatre: THEA

Department Description and Code

- Visual and Dramatic Arts: VADA

Undergraduate Degree Description and Code

- Bachelor of Arts degree: BA

Undergraduate Major Description and Code

- Major in Visual and Dramatic Arts: VADA

Undergraduate Major Concentration Descriptions and Codes

- Major Concentration in Film and Photography: VFIL
- Major Concentration in Studio Art: VSTU
- Major Concentration in Theatre: VTHE

CIP Code and Description ¹

- **VADA** Major/Program: CIP Code/Title: 50.0101 - Visual and Performing Arts, General
- **VFIL** Major Concentration: CIP Code/Title: 50.0605 - Photography
- **VSTU** Major Concentration: CIP Code/Title: 50.0701 - Art/Art Studies, General
- **VTHE** Major Concentration: CIP Code/Title: 50.0507 - Directing and Theatrical Production

¹ Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) 2020 Codes and Descriptions from the National Center for Education Statistics: <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/>