

# BA in Film & Media Studies with concentration in Culture and Studies

Below is a sample 4-year plan for students pursuing the BA in Film and Media Studies with a Culture and Studies concentration. To view the list of courses approved to fulfill Core 34, please visit the KU Core 34 page (<https://catalog.ku.edu/core34/>).

## Freshman

Fall	Hours Spring	Hours
FMS 100 or 101 (Major Requirement)	3 FMS 200 (Major Requirement/Core 34: Arts and Humanities (SGE)) <sup>060**</sup>	3
UNIV 101	2 Core 34: English (SGE) <sup>010</sup>	3
Core 34: English (SGE) <sup>010</sup>	3 Core 34: Math and Statistics (SGE) <sup>030</sup>	3
Core 34: Social and Behavior Science (SGE) <sup>050</sup>	3 2nd Semester Language (BA Second Language)	5
1st Semester Language (BA Second Language) <sup>1</sup>	5	
	<b>16</b>	<b>14</b>

## Sophomore

Fall	Hours Spring	Hours
FMS 275 (Major Requirement)	4 FMS 340 (Major Requirement)	3
FMS 310, 311, 312, or 313 (FMS History- 1 of 1)	3 FMS Production- 1 of 2 <sup>3</sup>	3
FMS Culture and Studies- 1 of 3 <sup>2</sup>	3 Core 34: US Culture (SGE) <sup>070,6</sup>	3
Core 34: Communications (SGE) <sup>020</sup>	3 4th Semester Language, or 1st semester of another Language (BA Second Language) <sup>1</sup>	3
3rd Semester Language (BA Second Language)	3 Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours <sup>4</sup>	3
	<b>16</b>	<b>15</b>

## Junior

Fall	Hours Spring	Hours
FMS Production- 2 of 2 <sup>3</sup>	3 FMS Culture and Studies- 3 of 3 <sup>2</sup>	3
FMS Culture and Studies- 2 of 3 <sup>2</sup>	3 FMS Elective (1 of 2) <sup>9</sup>	3
BA Quantitative Reasoning (BAQR) <sup>5</sup>	3 Core 34: Global Culture (SGE) <sup>070,7</sup>	3
Core 34: Natural and Physical Sciences (SGE) <sup>040,10</sup>	4-5 Core 34: Arts and Humanities (SGE) <sup>060,8</sup>	3

Core 34: Social and Behavioral Sciences (SGE) <sup>050</sup>	3 Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours <sup>4</sup>	3
	<b>16-17</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Senior</b>		
<b>Fall</b>	<b>Hours Spring</b>	<b>Hours</b>
FMS 485 (Capstone- Major Requirement)	4 FMS Elective (2 of 2) <sup>9</sup>	3
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	<b>13</b>	<b>15</b>

## Total Hours 120-121

- For students completing the language requirement via the 3+1 language option, note that many first semester language courses are 5 credit hours.
- For courses that satisfy the FMS Culture and Studies requirement, please see the degree requirements tab.
- For courses that satisfy the FMS Production requirement, please see the degree requirements tab.
- Hour requirements for the degree (including 45 Jr/Sr hours) are typically met through Core 34, degree, major, second area of study and/or elective hours. Students completing the BGS with a major must choose a secondary area of study. Individual degree mapping is best done in partnership with your advisor.
- Visit this page (<https://catalog.ku.edu/liberal-arts-sciences/#ba-quantitative-reasoning>) for a list of courses that fulfill the BA Quantitative Reasoning requirement.
- FMS 314 can fulfill the KU Core 34: US Culture requirement.
- FMS 315 or FMS 316 can fulfill the KU Core 34: Global Culture requirement.
- FMS 200 and FMS 380 can fulfill the KU Core 34: Arts and Humanities requirement.
- FMS Elective courses can be any Film (FMS-coded) Production or Culture and Studies course that is 300-level or above.
- Some KU Core 34: Natural and Physical Sciences courses may require enrollment in 5 credit-hours for the semester.

## Please note:

Students in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences are still required to complete 120 total hours for their undergraduate degree, of which 45 hours must be at the Jr/Sr (300+) level.

\*Courses with an \* designate courses that are degree requirements but can also be taken to fulfill a KU Core 34 requirement. If another course is used to fulfill the Core 34 requirement, the course listed is still required as a degree requirement.

The Department of Film and Media Studies STRONGLY recommends that students enroll in no more than two production classes per semester.

Screenwriting Sequence: FMS 273 Basic Screenwriting is offered in the Fall and FMS 373 Intermediate Screenwriting in the Spring. FMS 273 is the prerequisite for FMS 373.

**Notes:**

\* - This course is a Required major course and is also part of Core 34: Systemwide General Education. If this course is not taken to fulfill the Core 34:SGE requirement, it must be taken in place of elective hours.

\*\* - This course is a Recommended Core 34: Systemwide General Education course. This specific course is not required but is recommended by the program's faculty.

\*\*\* - This course is a Required Core 34: Systemwide General Education course. This program is approved by the Kansas Board of Regents to require this specific Core 34: Systemwide General Education course. If a student did not take this course it must be taken in addition to other degree requirements.