

Graduate Certificate in Film and Media Studies

The **Graduate Certificate in Film and Media Studies** (<https://film.ku.edu/gc-overview/>) provides a concentration in core film and media theory and history courses. This certificate is designed for graduate students whose research includes analysis of media text and technologies, and provides training in methodologies and a basic familiarity with critical and theoretical discourse, both historical and contemporary, in which film and media are discussed. Applicants do not need to be current KU students to apply to this certificate.

Admission to Graduate Studies

Admission Requirements

- All applicants must meet the requirements outlined in the Admission to Graduate Study (<https://policy.ku.edu/graduate-studies/admission-to-graduate-study/>) policy.
- Bachelor's degree: A copy of official transcripts showing proof of a bachelor's degree (and any post-bachelor's coursework or degrees) from a regionally accredited institution, or a foreign university with equivalent bachelor's degree requirements is required.
- English proficiency: Proof of English proficiency (<https://gradapply.ku.edu/english-requirements/>) for non-native or non-native-like English speakers is required. There are two bands of English proficiency, including Admission and Full proficiency. For applicants to online programs, Full proficiency is required.

Current KU Graduate Students

Current students must be in good standing with their graduate degree program in order to participate in the certificate program. A graduate GPA of 3.0 or higher is required for admission.

Please submit the following materials with your application*:

- A cover letter
- A copy of your KU advising report
- A letter of support from your faculty advisor or Director of Graduate Studies in your graduate degree program

Important: There are two slots for letters of recommendation. Please enter the email address of your supervisor or DGS under Recommender 1. Enter your KU student email address under Recommender 2.

Non-KU Students

Non-KU graduate students must complete an application* to the Graduate School for admission into the certificate program and submit the following materials:

- A cover letter
- A copy of your college transcript
- Two letters of recommendation from persons familiar with your academic work or potential for graduate study

*Please note that application fees will apply.

The Department of Film and Media Studies does not admit new students for Spring or Summer terms. The completed application should be submitted **online** (<https://gradapply.ku.edu/apply/>).

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This certificate is composed of 4 Courses/12 Credit Hours of Coursework in Film and Media Studies. Courses should be chosen in consultation with an advisor or the FMS Director of Graduate Studies.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
FMS 862	Survey of Film and Media History	3
FMS 865	Film and Media Theory	3
Choose any two Film and Media Studies courses from the list below.		6
FMS 702	Graduate Seminar in: _____	
FMS 715	Survey of Japanese Film	
FMS 716	Latin American Cinema	
FMS 718	Anti-war Films	
FMS 722	Soviet and Post-Soviet Russian Cinema	
FMS 743	Contemporary Japanese Film	
FMS 750	Indigenous Film and Media	
FMS 773	Problems in Intermediate Screenwriting	
FMS 776	Problems in Cinematography	
FMS 800	Introduction to Graduate Study in Film/Media	
FMS 811	Development of the American Sound Film	
FMS 813	Development of the International Sound Film	
FMS 814	Development of African-American Images in Film	
FMS 880	Development of American Popular Culture in the: _____	
FMS 888	Special Problems in Film History and Criticism	
FMS 895	Intensive Film Project Seminar	
FMS 902	Film Seminar in: _____	
Total Hours		12

Please visit the Graduate Studies Policy Library (<https://policy.ku.edu/office/Graduate-Studies/>) for information regarding additional requirements that may apply.

For more information on department policies, please see the Graduate Student Handbook found on our website (<https://film.ku.edu/graduate-degree/>).

At the completion of this program, students will be able to:

- use creative inquiry & research.
- use critical writing.
- understand cultural diversity.
- be professional.