



ESCUELA UNIVERSITARIA
DE ARTES. MADRID

Series Creation and Production

COURSE GUIDE

BACHELOR'S IN FILMMAKING

COURSE 2026/2027



Universidad
Rey Juan Carlos

Course data

<i>Duration</i>	Annual
<i>Credits</i>	6 ECTS
<i>Modality</i>	In-person
<i>Language</i>	English
<i>Faculty</i>	Performing Arts
<i>Teacher</i>	

Course presentation

Study of the production processes involved in a television series, from the creation and pitching of its project dossier to its release on streaming platforms and other distribution and exploitation channels.

Student competencies

CG01	Utilize different historical, sociologic, cultural and/or artistic sources in the creation of audiovisual projects.
CG02	<i>Know the different tools and languages of film, to apply them in audiovisual projects.</i>
CG03	Know the codes of ethics and deontology applicable to the audiovisual industry.
CG05	Understand the concepts of photography, the creation of the film image and audiovisual language from an artistic and technical perspective.
CG06	Communicate verbally or in writing the objectives and characteristics of an audiovisual piece, in Spanish and in a foreign language (level B2 MCERL).
CG09	Know the legal framework and regulations that control and determine the professional activity and its content.
CE02	Understand the essentials and specificities of an audiovisual project in its different formats, genres and typologies.
CE03	<i>Know the production workflows of the audiovisual industry.</i>
CE04	Understand filmmaking in an open, multi-directional manner, from the forms and formats that are intrinsically related to the entertainment industry, to more expressive manifestations that explore avant-garde aesthetics and/or auteur philosophies.
CE07	<i>Understand the importance of the various roles, tasks and responsibilities related to the development of audiovisual projects.</i>
CE11	<i>Comprehensively design and direct an audiovisual production through project planning, budget execution, control of technical resources and team management.</i>
CE12	<i>Understand the essentials of executive production and how it relates to the viability of an audiovisual project, from the birth of the idea through to distribution, promotion and screening.</i>
CE13	<i>Interpret texts and screenplays with special attention to all artistic, scenic or special elements related to production design.</i>

Learning outcomes

Upon completion of this course, each student must be able to:

1. Acquire the capacities to create and produce a television project, from an original concept through to televising / distribution.
2. Know the players in the television market and keys to production strategies for fiction and non-fiction series.
3. Identify specific production processes for television series and learn to work according to the needs of each department.
4. Organize the production of audiovisual projects, manage departmental resources and supervise work processes.
5. Understand the significance of internalization of a project in the development and sale of its content and in its preproduction, production and postproduction phases.

Teaching methodology

<i>MD1</i>	Participatory masterclass.
<i>MD2</i>	Case studies and discussion.
<i>MD3</i>	Problem resolution and discussion of results.

Course content

<i>Content</i>	1. The players in contemporary television fiction. 2. Sale of the project/bible and startup of the series. Relations with the Department of Content Development. 3. Design of the work plan and organization of tasks among the various art and technical departments. 4. Budgets. Development agreements and commissioned works. Co-productions. 5. Control of service (preproduction, filming and postproduction) and deliveries. 6. Promotion and exploitation of the audiovisual work. Distribution.
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Learning activities

AF1	Theoretical and theoretical-practical classes.	20 hours
AF2	Classroom/laboratory exercises and practices.	10 hours
AF3	Design and implementation of artistic creation projects (individual or group).	10 hours
AF4	Art appreciation activities: attendance at seminars, visits to exhibitions or viewing of visual/audiovisual works.	12 hours
AF5	Search and selection of documentation, reading of supporting material and bibliographic and visual references.	45 hours

AF6	Academic tutoring.	5 hours
AF7	Evaluation.	3 hours
AF8	Autonomous study of theoretical content and autonomous preparation of practical work and activities.	75 hours

** The hours assigned to the different learning activities may vary depending on the academic needs of the course, the group or the teaching team.*

Assessment

GENERAL ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

ATTENDANCE

The classes are in-person, and attendance is mandatory, as it is a determining factor in the continuous assessment system, as well as in class attitude and participation. However, in exceptional cases due to health situations or family reconciliation, students may request online access as a methodological adaptation (for more information, please contact the student department).

MARKS

Continuous Assessment is a comprehensive assessment of each student's results judged on the assessment criteria described in the following section, on a scale of 0 to 10 as provided in current legislation.

Students wishing to bring up their grade in the extraordinary/re-assessment period must first contact the Registrar's Office to expressly waive in writing all of the marks they obtained in the regular assessment period. Their final assessment mark will be the mark obtained in re-assessment.

SPELLING AND EXPRESSION

The grading of written examinations and assignments will consider spelling, grammar, and clarity of expression. Errors in spelling, punctuation, and writing style may negatively affect the final grade, depending on their nature, frequency, and severity.

UNIVERSITY WRITTEN REPORTS

These must have a title page, table of contents and bibliography listing at least 4 sources. These works must be original. Excerpts from other authors must be properly cited. Demonstrable plagiarism is an academic offense. If one student copies the work of another student, both shall be held accountable.

SPECIFIC ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

REGULAR ASSESSMENT PERIOD

In this course, absence to more than 20% of class sessions and activities will lead to failure of the course and disqualification from the regular assessment period.

The teaching team will provide the details/specifications on the content or submission of assessment tasks; this information will be given in class or in a document made available to the student on the Virtual Course Space (in Spanish, *Aula Virtual*).

Assignments not submitted by the deadlines set by the teaching team will receive an assessment mark of 0.

<i>Assessment task (*)</i>	<i>Revaluable/non-revaluable</i>	<i>Minimum mark yes/no</i>	<i>% of final mark</i>
SE2 Assignments and projects.			40-70%
SE3 Continuous assessment: weekly tasks and homework, periodical reports, problem resolution.			20-50%
SE5 Attitude and participation.			5-15%
			100%

(*) Records and evidence of all of the assessment tasks (writings, recordings, etc.) listed in this table will be kept and filed in the Registrar's Office.

EXTRAORDINARY/RE-ASSESSMENT PERIOD

Students who have not passed the course during the regular assessment period may choose one of the following extraordinary assessment options:

- **Option 1: Criterion-based reassessment.** Assessment will be limited exclusively to the reassessable criteria that were not passed during the regular assessment period. The reassessment activity will be of the same nature as the original one (exam, assignment, etc.). The grades obtained in the ordinary assessment period for non-reassessable criteria (provided the minimum passing grade was achieved) will be retained and included in the weighted calculation of the final extraordinary assessment grade.
- **Option 2: Comprehensive reassessment.** Students may complete a single assessment activity accounting for 100% of the extraordinary assessment. The nature of this activity will be determined by the instructor and may include an oral or written examination, submission of a portfolio, theoretical and/or practical assignments, or other equivalent forms of assessment.

The instructor must communicate both Option 1 and Option 2 for the extraordinary assessment through the course notice board on the virtual campus at least 10 days prior to the extraordinary assessment date.

Students must respond to this communication via the virtual campus notice board, indicating their choice of Option 1 or Option 2, at least 3 days prior to the extraordinary assessment date. If a student does not respond, the instructor will automatically apply Option 2 (a single assessment activity accounting for 100% of the extraordinary assessment).

REVIEW OF ASSESSMENT MARKS

As set out in the TAI School of the Arts Student Handbook.



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Resources

RECOMMENDED BIBLIOGRAPHY

RECOMMENDED FILMOGRAPHY

RECOMMENDED WEBSITES

REQUIRED MATERIALS FOR THE COURSE

VISITS, MASTER CLASSES, EVENTS AND ADDITIONAL WORKSHOPS