With a focus on critical thinking, our students examine a wide variety of media – including film, television, web and social media – in order to better understand, and contribute to, contemporary visual culture. Our program integrates this material with a diverse range of studies courses in history, theory, and criticism as well as foundational and advanced production courses in digital video, animation, and open media.

**TOP 5 REASONS to study FILM AND MEDIA**

1. Programs combine studies in film & media history, theory, and criticism with instruction in video, animation, and open media production.
2. Greater access to valuable resources in our state-of-the-art facility, the Isabel Bader Centre.
3. Earn credit for completing practical internships in a variety of industry-related fields locally or elsewhere.
4. Develop critical thinking skills needed to pursue graduate studies or leadership in any profession.
5. Innumerable opportunities to network with experienced faculty, staff, and industry professionals.

"I am grateful to Professor Peter Baxter and Professor Blaine Allan of the Film Department [and] to Queen’s University for teaching me that film reflects the world - past, present, and future – [and] to think outside the box, open my eyes and see the world in new ways, to remember the importance of friendship, and for starting me on my storytelling journey.”

-Michelle MacLaren, BAH ’86

**TOP ALUMNI JOBS**

- Ashley Rice, BAH’98
  EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF PRODUCTION LEGENDARY TELEVISION
- Michelle MacLaren, BAH’86
  DIRECTOR & PRODUCER ON BREAKING BAD, THE WALKING DEAD, AND GAME OF THRONES
- Sarita Choudhury, BAH’89
  ACTRESS IN MISSISSIPPI MASALA, HOMELAND, HUNGER GAMES, & MORE
- Justin Cutler, BAH’03
  FILM COMMISSIONER OF ONTARIO, ONTARIO MEDIA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
- Claire Owens, BAH’14
  SENIOR DIGITAL MANAGER AT HOTWIRE
- Jason Gilmore, BAH’03
  FOUNDER & PRESIDENT OF URGENCY COMPANY, FEATURE FILM MARKETING FIRM

**2021-22 major thresholds**

Thresholds are made on a competitive basis and are updated annually. To see the thresholds for all programs as well as the latest information, please visit quartsci.com/planselection

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**Film and Media MAJOR MAP**

**BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONOURS): MAJOR, MEDIAL, MINOR, SPECIALIZATION**

**GET THE COURSES YOU NEED**

- In first year you will have the chance to explore the foundations of Film and Media along with some electives.
- Make sure to enroll in FILM 110: Film, Culture, and Communication in your first year of study, as it is the prerequisite for the FILM Major. For all FILM, MAPR and COCA prerequisites, consult the Arts & Science Academic Calendar.

**GET RELEVANT EXPERIENCE**

- Join teams or clubs on campus such as the Queen's Film Club.
- Get involved with the Departmental Student Council (DSC).
- Volunteer on or off-campus with different community organizations, such as Queen's Players and the Kingston Canadian Film Festival. Join the Film & Media Facebook page.

**GET CONNECTED WITH THE COMMUNITY**

- Learn about world cinemas by attending screenings at the Screening Room downtown Kingston.
- Explore different careers of interest by reading books in the Career Services Information Area, such as Career Opportunities in The Film Industry. For more information check out Career Cruising or by finding and connecting with alumni on LinkedIn.

**GET THINKING GLOBALLY**

- Prepare for work or studies in a multi-cultural environment by taking QUIC's Intercultural Competency Certificate, and research possible immigration regulations.
- Explore new perspectives on your own work and in your writing by attending department workshops and events hosted by the Film and Media Department and the Kingston Film Office.
- Grappling with program decisions? Go to Majors Night or get some help with career options from Career Services.
- Consider joining professional associations, such as the Film Studies Association of Canada and the Canadian Media Producers Association, and/or apply for permittee status in one or more industry unions, such as the DGC, IATSE, and ACTRA.

**GET READY FOR LIFE AFTER GRADUATION**

- Is an exchange in your future? Start thinking about where you would like to study abroad. Apply in January for a third year exchange through the International Programs Office.
- Start focusing on areas of interest. Research education requirements for careers of interest. If needed, prepare to take any required tests (like the LSAT or GMAT) and get help thinking about Grad School from Career Services. Examine technical training programs to enhance your skills.
- Explore other opportunities related to careers of interest. Investigate requirements for full-time jobs or other opportunities related to careers of interest. Assess what experience you’re lacking and fill in gaps with volunteering, clubs, or internships – check out the Career Services skills workshop for help. Consider taking FILM 450+3.0. The Business of Media. Students network directly with Film alumni working in the industry at an annual event in Toronto.

**1ST YEAR**

- Start going deeper into the discipline of Film and Media, while considering a minor and/or certificate such as Media Studies. Attend Degree + in the Fall term to learn more about Certificates and Internship options.
- Meet with an Academic Advisor to make sure you are on track and have planned out your courses for next year.
- Contact the Undergraduate Assistant for Film and Media to verify your progress towards completing your degree requirements by emailing undergraduatefilm@queensu.ca or by stopping by the Main Office (IBCPA 306).

**2ND YEAR**

- Look into summer jobs by talking to the department or Career Services about work through SWEF or Work-Study. Join the Student Film Society.
- Get involved with the Departmental Student Council (DSC).
- Start or continue volunteering with organizations such as the Kingston Canadian Film Festival or Reelout Film Festival.

**3RD YEAR**

- If interested, apply for an Undergraduate Student Summer Research Fellowship (USSRF). Consider applying to do a 12-16 month QUIP internship between your third and fourth year.
- Sign up for production workshops, info sessions, and networking events hosted by the Film and Media Department and the Kingston Film Office.
- Meet Cuban filmmakers in Havana - consider taking DEVS 305: Cuban Culture and Society toward your FILM plan.
- International students interested in staying in Canada can speak with an International Student Advisor.

**4TH OR FINAL YEAR**

- In fourth year you will have the chance to participate in research-based courses that can lead to Graduate School or to your future career path.
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**CONSIDER A 12-16 MONTH QUIP INTERNSHIP**

- Applications are accepted from February 1st to March 31st every year. The application process is competitive and applications must be submitted by the deadline.
- If you are interested in doing a QUIP internship, you will need to complete the online application process and submit all required documentation by the deadline.
- After your application is submitted, you will be notified of the status of your application within 2-3 weeks of the deadline.
- If you are selected for a QUIP internship, you will be assigned a supervisor and will be required to complete a minimum of 300 hours of work over the course of 12-16 months.
- During your QUIP internship, you must maintain a satisfactory level of performance and work ethic. You will be evaluated by your supervisor at the end of your internship and a letter of evaluation will be sent to your academic advisor.

**Where can I go?**

A degree in Film and Media can take your career in many directions. Many students choose to continue their academic inquiry with a Master's. Our students are equipped with a strong foundation for careers in:

- Advertising
- Arts Management
- Broadcasting
- Digital Media
- Directing
- Film/Media/TV Production
- Festival programming
- Post Production
- Public relations
- Screenwriting

Taking time to explore career options, build experience and network can help you have a smooth transition to the world of work after graduation.

**What will I learn?**

A degree in Film and Media can equip you with:

- Creative approaches to working with such media as film and digital video
- Critical thinking for comprehensive analysis of issues and ideas before coming to conclusions
- Knowledge of film production equipment and techniques
- Ability to analyze films and evaluate the techniques used
- Project management
- Research to draw information from libraries, journal articles and online sources
- Teamwork and leadership
- Resource and time management
- Intercultural knowledge and competence to adapt empathetically to unfamiliar ways of being

**Visit careers.queensu.ca/majormap for the online version with links!**

*This map is intended to provide suggestions for activities and careers, but everyone's abilities, experiences, and constraints are different. Build your own Major Map using our online My Major Map tool.*
Why study in Kingston?

For over 175 years, our community has been more than a collection of bright minds – Queen’s has attracted students with an ambitious spirit. Queen’s has the highest retention rates, the highest graduation rates, and one of the highest employment rates among recent graduates. We are a research intensive university focused on the undergraduate experience. The BBC has identified Kingston as one of the GREATEST UNIVERSITY TOWNS in the world – and it is often awarded the safest city in Canada. It is a university city at the core; just a quick drive to Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and even New York. A university with more clubs per capita than any other university in Canada, and a city with more restaurants per capita than any other city in North America – you will have the experience of a lifetime at Queen’s – and graduate with a degree that is globally recognized among the best.