## UMBC UGC Program Changes & Other Request: Cinematic Arts Concentration, BA

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## **Specifics (see instructions):**

PRESENT CINEMATIC ARTS CONCENTRATION BA REQUIREMENTS	PROPOSED CINEMATIC ARTS CONCENTRATION BA REQUIREMENTS:		
VISUAL ARTS CORE COURSES (27 credits)	VISUAL ARTS CORE COURSES (24 credits)		
ART 210	ART 210		
ART 211	ART 211		
ART 212	ART 212		
ART 213	ART 213		
ART 214	ART 214		
ART 215	ART 215		
ART 216	ART 216		
Two of: ART 318, 319, 321, 323, 328, 329, 349,	One of: ART 318, 319, 321, 323, 328, 329, 349,		
424, 425, 427, 428, 429	424, 425, 427, 428, 429		
CINEMATIC ARTS CORE (30 credits)	CINEMATIC ARTS CORE (24 credits)		
ART 305 Introduction to Cinematic Arts; gateway: must earn a "B"	ART 305 Introduction to Cinematic Arts; gateway: must earn a "B"		
or better	or better		
ART 315 Intermediate Narrative Production	ART 315 Intermediate Narrative Production		
ART 324 History of Film: Origins to 1965	ART 324 History of Film: Origins to 1965 <b>OR</b> ART 325 History of		
ART 325 History of Film & Video: 1965 to the Present	Film & Video: 1965 to the Present		
ART 342 Film/Video Theory & Criticism	ART 342 Film/Video Theory & Criticism		
ART 346 Intermediate Documentary Production	ART 346 Intermediate Documentary Production		
ART 347 Writing for Film	ART 347 Writing for Film		
ART 383 Sound Design	ART 383 Sound Design		
ART 435 Topics in Film/Video	ART 489 Senior Projects		
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+ 1 Upper Level Related Courses (3 credits)	+ 1 of the Following		
	ART 435 Topics in Film/Video		
= 60 Credits	MCS 395 Television Production Techniques I		
	= 51 Credits		

## **Rationale**

a. What are the major departures from the current structure and why is the new structure preferable?

This change removes one upper-level art history courses from the visual arts core requirements. It removes two cinematic arts courses from the required courses. A total of 3 required courses (12 credits) are removed to make the BA 51 credits. This change also adds MCS 395 – Television Production Techniques I to the approved animation electives.

- b. What provisions will be made to accommodate current students if courses are discontinued? No courses will be discontinued.
- c. If there is a change in required credits, please provide a specific justification for that change.

This proposed change to the Cinematic Arts BA reflects a department-wide shift in the BA degrees offered, so that each is in line with the current National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD) guidelines. The department will be applying for NASAD accreditation in the coming year and we are working to ensure that our program meets the criteria. As such, we reduced the credit count for our BA degrees across our department. The above changes reflect this.