

Summer preparation

We'd encourage you to watch as many films as possible between now and September. It's easy to watch the sorts of films you already know and like, but try to push your horizons a little — try finding work that is unfamiliar to you. There will be weekly film screenings in college because it's incredibly important to know what filmmakers across the world have achieved, but this is also something you can be working on now. If you're not sure where to start, have a look online at the 'Empire 100 Greatest Movies', and pick a few of those!

The list will help you to begin building a sense of what you enjoy in film — which directors draw you back time and time again? What techniques grab your attention? What sort of stories do you want to tell? We'll consider all this in class, but you can get a head start by taking the time to explore the extraordinary world of cinema. You can also begin training yourself to think visually by taking lots of photos, as learning to see the world through a lens is a crucial skill for all filmmakers.

What you'll need for your course

To get the best out of your course, it helps to ensure you have the resources you will require. We recommend that you purchase the following:

- Studio headphones for editing work in class i.e. Sony MDR-V150 headphones (approx. £15)
- Small portable hard drive of 64Gb or bigger
- A notepad and pens/pencils
- £50 kit fee

Our Student Services team offer financial support towards the costs of coming to college. For further guidance, please contact one of the team directly on: **01539 814700** or go to the student money pages on the website.

Enrichment activities

- 3 day London residential, every 2 years
- A trip to Aesthetica Short Film Festival in York during November.
- UCAS Trip
- Media day at UCLAN

Make films, watch films, think about films. We look forward to welcoming you to the Film Production Department!

If you are unsure of anything, this information will be further explained at Enrolment Day and during your induction.



