

# PRODUCTION DESIGN, DIGITAL FILMMAKING (AAS)

Degree: Associate of Applied Science  
Major: Digital Filmmaking  
Emphasis: Production Design  
Program Code: 1303

## About This Major...

The Digital Filmmaking: Production Design emphasis prepares and develops students for entry-level careers in the film, broadcast, and commercial video industries. Digital Filmmaking – Production Design is all about using technology to help further a director's story vision to audiences. During this program, you will cover the in-depth fundamentals of research for the production's style and look. You will also use common research skills, collaboration, non-linear video editors and video compositors. Plus, students learn not only the filmmaking business but information they can use if they want to become freelancers.

For more information on what you can do with this major, visit WCCC's Programs of Study (<https://www.coloradomesa.edu/wccc/programs>) page.

All CMU/WCCC associate graduates are expected to demonstrate proficiency in specialized knowledge/applied learning, quantitative fluency, communication fluency, critical thinking, personal and social responsibility, and information literacy. In addition to these campus-wide student learning outcomes, graduates of this major will be able to:

1. Apply business communication using listening, verbal, written, and electronic forms that are needed for entry-level employment (Communication Fluency).
2. Apply math and applied physics concepts for industry to meet job requirements (Quantitative Fluency).
3. Research, evaluate, synthesize, and apply information/data relevant to business, the sciences, and technical careers (Critical Thinking).
4. Demonstrate knowledge of terminology, symbols, business practices, principles, and application of technical skills (Specialized Knowledge/Applied Learning).
5. Perform the applied skill sets to fulfill the needs of entry-level employment (Specialized Knowledge/Applied Learning).
6. Demonstrate ethical, civic, and workplace responsibility as part of professional behavior (Specialized Knowledge/Applied Learning).

## Institutional Degree Requirements

The following institutional degree requirements apply to all CMU and WCCC Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degrees. Specific programs may have different requirements that must be met in addition to institutional requirements.

- 60 semester hours minimum.
- Students must complete a minimum of 15 of the final 30 semester hours of credit at CMU/WCCC.
- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher in all CMU/WCCC coursework.
- A course may only be used to fulfill one requirement for each degree/certificate.
- No more than six semester hours of independent study courses can be used toward the degree.

- Non-traditional credit, such as advanced placement, credit by examination, credit for prior learning, cooperative education and internships, cannot exceed 20 semester credit hours for an AAS degree.
- Pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- Capstone exit assessment/projects (e.g., Major Field Achievement Test) requirements are identified under Program-Specific Degree Requirements.
- The Catalog Year determines which program sheet and degree requirements a student must fulfill in order to graduate. Visit with your advisor or academic department to determine which catalog year and program requirements you should follow.
- See "Requirements for Undergraduate Degrees and Certificates" in the catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.

## Essential Learning Requirements

(15 semester hours)

See the current catalog for a list of courses that fulfill the requirements below. If a course is an Essential Learning option and a requirement for your major, you must use it to fulfill the major requirement and make a different selection for the Essential Learning requirement.

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
<b>Communication</b>		
ENGL 111	English Composition-GTC01	3
Select one of the following courses:		3
ENGL 112	English Composition-GTC02	
SPCH 101	Interpersonal Communications	
SPCH 102	Speechmaking	
<b>Mathematics</b>		
MATH 110	College Mathematics-GTMA1 (or higher)	3
<b>Other Essential Learning Core Courses</b>		
ENGL 222	Mythology-GTAH2	3
THEA 141	Theatre Appreciation-GTAH1	3
Total Semester Credit Hours		15

## Other Lower Division Requirements

(2 semester hours)

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
<b>Wellness Requirement</b>		
KINE 100	Health and Wellness	1
Select one Activity course		1
Total Semester Credit Hours		2

## Program Specific Degree Requirements

(42 semester hours, must pass all courses with a grade of "C" or higher.)

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
FILM 115	Cinema Design Tools	3
FILM 125	Production Drawing & Design	3
FILM 135	Cinema Editing Aesthetics	3
FILM 145	Commercial & Corporate Video Editing	3
FILM 155	Commercial Audio Design	3
FILM 160	Cinema Previsualization	3
FILM 165	Cinema Production Design	3
FILM 175	Short-Form Video Editing	3
FILM 220	Cinema Audio Design	3
FILM 226	Technical Capstone I	3
FILM 240	Digital Cinematic Effects	3
FILM 250	Episodic Video Editing	3
FILM 260	Freelancing for Creatives	3
FILM 271	Technical Capstone II	3
Total Semester Credit Hours		42

## General Electives

1 semester hour of a college level course appearing on final transcript, not listed above to bring total semester hours to 60.)

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
Select elective		1
Total Semester Credit Hours		1

Course	Title	Semester Credit Hours
<b>First Year</b>		
<b>Fall Semester</b>		
FILM 115	Cinema Design Tools	3
FILM 125	Production Drawing & Design	3
FILM 135	Cinema Editing Aesthetics	3
FILM 145	Commercial & Corporate Video Editing	3
ENGL 111	English Composition-GTCO1	3
Semester Credit Hours		15
<b>Spring Semester</b>		
FILM 155	Commercial Audio Design	3
FILM 160	Cinema Previsualization	3
FILM 165	Cinema Production Design	3
FILM 175	Short-Form Video Editing	3
MATH 110	College Mathematics-GTMA1	3
Semester Credit Hours		15
<b>Second Year</b>		
<b>Fall Semester</b>		
FILM 220	Cinema Audio Design	3
FILM 226	Technical Capstone I	3
FILM 240	Digital Cinematic Effects	3
FILM 250	Episodic Video Editing	3
Select one of the following:		3
ENGL 112	English Composition-GTCO2	
SPCH 101	Interpersonal Communications	
SPCH 102	Speechmaking	
Semester Credit Hours		15

Spring Semester		
FILM 260	Freelancing for Creatives	3
FILM 271	Technical Capstone II	3
THEA 141	Theatre Appreciation-GTAH1	3
ENGL 222	Mythology-GTAH2	3
General Elective		1
KINE 100	Health and Wellness	1
Select one Activity course		1
Semester Credit Hours		15
Total Semester Credit Hours		60

## Advising Process and DegreeWorks

Documentation on the pages related to this program is intended for informational purposes to help determine what courses and associated requirements are needed to earn a degree. The suggested course sequencing outlines how students could finish degree requirements. Some courses are critical to complete in specific semesters, while others may be moved around. Meeting with an academic advisor is essential in planning courses and altering the suggested course sequencing. It is ultimately the student's responsibility to understand and fulfill the requirements for her/his intended degree(s).

DegreeWorks is an online degree audit tool available in MAVzone. It is the official record used by the Registrar's Office to evaluate progress towards a degree and determine eligibility for graduation. Students are responsible for reviewing their DegreeWorks audit on a regular basis and should discuss questions or concerns with their advisor or academic department head. Discrepancies in requirements should be reported to the Registrar's Office.

## Graduation Process

Students must complete the following in the first two months of the semester prior to completing their degree requirements:

- Review their DegreeWorks audit and create a plan that outlines how unmet requirements will be met in the final semester.
- Meet with their advisor and modify their plan as needed. The advisor must approve the final plan.
- Submit the "Intent to Graduate" form to the Registrar's Office to officially declare the intended graduation date and commencement ceremony plans.
- Register for all needed courses and complete all requirements for each degree sought.

Submission deadlines and commencement details can be found at <http://www.coloradomesa.edu/registrar/graduation.html>.

If a student's petition for graduation is denied, it will be her/his responsibility to consult the Registrar's Office regarding next steps.