



Teaching Guide

Identifying Data					2024/25
Subject (*)	Art Direction and Production Design		Code	616G01025	
Study programme	Grao en Comunicación Audiovisual				
Descriptors					
Cycle	Period	Year	Type	Credits	
Graduate	1st four-month period	Third	Obligatory	6	
Language	SpanishEnglish				
Teaching method	Face-to-face				
Prerequisites					
Department	Socioloxía e Ciencias da Comunicación				
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General description	<p>The Production Design Department defines every visual and artistic appearance in any audiovisual project. The Designer makes all the decisions about shapes, colors, treatment and ultimately the plastic production style. He works closely with the film's director.</p> <p>This professional is usually necessary in large productions, where different teams develop the scene setting and characters, coordinated by their respective Art Directors, Costume Design and Makeup, ensuring the previously general aesthetics.</p> <p>In modest productions, there is only the Art Director figure.</p>				

Study programme competences / results

Code	Study programme competences / results
A2	Crear productos audiovisuais.
A3	Xestionar proxectos audiovisuais.
A7	Coñecelas técnicas de creación e produción audiovisual.
B9	Desenvolverse para o exercicio dunha cidadanía aberta, culta, crítica, comprometida e solidaria capaz de analizar a realidade, diagnosticar problemas, formular e imprantar solución baseadas no coñecemento e orientadas ao ben común
C1	Entender a importancia da cultura emprendedora e coñecer os medios ao alcance das persoas emprendedoras.
C2	Valorar criticamente o coñecemento, a tecnoloxía e a información dispoñible para resolver os problemas cos que deben enfrontarse.
C3	Asumir como profesional e cidadán a importancia da aprendizaxe ao longo da vida.
C4	Valorar a importancia que ten a investigación, innovación e o desenvolvemento tecnolóxico no avance socioeconómico e cultural da sociedade.

Learning outcomes

Learning outcomes	Study programme competences / results		
The aim for the student is to understand the role of the Production Designer or Art Department head within the audiovisual project. Basic concepts and techniques will be analyzed as well as the main tools and vocabulary, learning to visualize all the entire process.	A2 A3 A7	B9	C1 C2 C3 C4

Contents

Topic	Sub-topic



1st Block. The Production Designer: Role and Responsibilities	Lesson 1. Skills and knowledge of the Production Designer. Origin of design and first designers. Lesson 2. The production environment. Components for set and character building. Lesson 3. Use of special effects in Art Direction. Lesson 4. Basic lighting and color skills.
2nd Block. General Working Process	Lesson 5. Storyboards. Lesson 6. Set and character documentation. Outdoor site locations. Lesson 7. Previous designs, models and plan drawings. Lesson 8. Construction materials and set assembly.

Planning				
Methodologies / tests	Competencies / Results	Teaching hours (in-person & virtual)	Student?s personal work hours	Total hours
Guest lecture / keynote speech	A2 A3 C1 C2 C3 C4	28	45	73
Workshop	A2 A7 B9 C1 C2 C3 C4	28	45	73
Multiple-choice questions	A7 C2 C3	2	0	2
Personalized attention		2	0	2

(*)The information in the planning table is for guidance only and does not take into account the heterogeneity of the students.

Methodologies	
Methodologies	Description
Guest lecture / keynote speech	Theoretical explanations in the classroom (or online if confinement) with Power Point and audiovisual examples.
Workshop	Face-to-face teaching. There will be required a variety of tasks explained at the beginning of the course. Complete explanation at Campus Virtual (Moodle). - Short projects, hands-on learning. Theoretical implementation. - Long project: Artistic Direction of a Screenplay. All tasks are demanded and developed in groups or single-handedly.
Multiple-choice questions	Final exam on site of theoretical part.

Personalized attention	
Methodologies	Description
Workshop	All theory and practices contents will be posted at Moodle.
Guest lecture / keynote speech	Personalized tutoring at classroom, at teacher's office or online (Teams). Please, by appointment at: victoria.de.leon@udc.es Face-to-face teaching.

Assessment			
Methodologies	Competencies / Results	Description	Qualification
Multiple-choice questions	A7 C2 C3	30% of total punctuation: multiple choice and short questions exam of theoretical aims.	30



Workshop	A2 A7 B9 C1 C2 C3 C4	70% of total punctuation: projects developed during the course, or practical exam on July call.	70
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Assessment comments

IMPORTANT ADVICE:

It is mandatory to pass each block for getting through the subject.

Passed parts will be kept for following calls.

Sources of information

Basic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ETTEDEGUI, Peter (2001). "Diseño de producción & dirección artística", Barcelona: Océano - GUARDIA, Manuel y ALONSO, Raúl (1993). "Técnicas de construcción, ornamentación y pintura de decorados". Madrid: IORTV (Instituto Oficial de Radio y Televisión) - HART, John (2001). "La Técnica del Storyboard", Madrid: IORTV - MILLERSON, Gerald (2001). "Realización y producción en TV" (caps.10-11). Madrid: IORTV - RIZZO, MICHAEL (2007). "Manual de dirección artística cinematográfica". Barcelona: Ed. Omega - STEVEN, Katz D. (2002). "Plano a plano. De la idea a la pantalla", Madrid: Editorial Plot - Varios autores (2002). "La Dirección Artística" nº27. Madrid: Nickel Odeón
Complementary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - GOROSTIZA, Jorge (1997). "Directores Artísticos Del Cine Español". Madrid: Cátedra S.A. - MÁRQUEZ BERRIOS, Juan (2000). "Maquillaje y caracterización". Madrid: IORTV - MURCIA, Félix (2002). "La escenografía en el cine". Madrid: Fundación Autor - VILA, SANTIAGO (1997). "La escenografía. Cine y arquitectura". Madrid: Cátedra

Recommendations

Subjects that it is recommended to have taken before

Graphic Expression/616G01004

Applied Design/616G01015

Screenplay Writing/616G01018

Subjects that are recommended to be taken simultaneously

Audiovisual Analysis/616G01021

Cinematography Direction and Lighting/616G01022

Theory and Practice of Editing/616G01023

3D Infography1/616G01024

Subjects that continue the syllabus

Other comments

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