

MODULE SPECIFICATION

Version no:1

Module Code:	CMT428					
Module Title:	Video for Mobile Devices					
Level:	4	Credit Value:		10		
Cost Centre(s):	GACT	JACS3 code: J930		J930		
School:	School of Creative	ol of Creative Arts Module Leader: Colin Heron		Colin Heron		
Scheduled learning and teaching hours						16 hrs
Guided independent study					84 hrs	
Placement						0 hrs
Module duration	(total hours)					100 hrs
Programme(s) in which to be offered (not including exit awards)				Core	Option	
Standalone module aligned to BSc (Hons) TV Production and Technology for QA and assessment purposes				✓		
Pre-requisites						
N/A						

Office use only

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Module Aims

This is a short course that will introduce the student to professional video practice through the use of popular mobile device platforms.

In the last decade, mobile phones have proved to be one of the fastest developing technologies in existence, with the average smart phone being capable of functionality that makes its primary use for communication, a very small part of its electronic arsenal. The quality and functionality of smart phone cameras is well documented, with even the most basic model being capable of high definition video and photography. So much so, that it is now common practice for professional news broadcasters to rely on mobile footage for instances when a full camera team is not available. Even the BBC have experimented by shooting a complete documentary on mobiles and many examples of feature films are also credited to the technology.

Even though this is impressive, an understanding of the techniques used by professionals can elevate the results of home film making to levels exceed the value of the device. This course will give an introduction to the background skills that will result in better videos from mobile devices.

Intended Learning Outcomes

Key skills for employability

KS1	Written, oral and media communication skills
KS2	Leadership, team working and networking skills
KS3	Opportunity, creativity and problem solving skills
KS4	Information technology skills and digital literacy
KS5	Information management skills
KS6	Research skills
KS7	Intercultural and sustainability skills
KS8	Career management skills
KS9	Learning to learn (managing personal and professional development, self-
	management)
KS10	Numeracy

At	At the end of this module, students will be able to		Key Skills	
1	Understand the key principles of digital photography/video	KS3	KS9	
		KS5		
		KS6		
2	Apply the key functionality of smart devices to film making	KS2		
		KS4		
		KS5		
3	Understand file formats and be able to publish to the Internet	KS1	KS10	
		KS6		
		KS7		

Transferable skills and other attributes

Creativity
Applied Problem Solving
Team work

Derogations	
N/A	

Assessment:

Indicative Assessment Tasks:

The student will be assessed through a portfolio created throughout the course that demonstrates the key skills and attributes delivered in the lecture/workshop series.

Assessment number	Learning Outcomes to be met	Type of assessment	Weighting (%)	Duration (if exam)	Word count (or equivalent if appropriate)
1	1-3	Portfolio	100	N/A	N/A

Learning and Teaching Strategies:

This module will be delivered using a combination of workshops, group tutorials, practical exercises, directed and self-directed study.

The module will be delivered as a short event course with 10 x 2 hour sessions.

Syllabus outline:

- 1. Introduction to light as applied to camera functionality (Iris, film speed, white balance, frame rate)
- 2. Exploring video formats and files
- 3. Getting the most out of available light (Natural and artificial)
- 4. Introduction to Premier Pro and editing
- 5. The importance of audio and how to capture it
- 6. Introduction to Audition (artistic and corrective)
- 7. Adding titles and graphics in Premier Pro
- 8. Creating video for the web

Indicative Bibliography:

Essential reading

Basulto, D (2016). Life. Camera. Action.: How to Turn Your Mobile Device into a Filmmaking Powerhouse. London: Lioncrest Publishing.

Jones, C (2010). The Guerilla Film Makers Pocketbook: The Ultimate Guide to Digital Film Making. London: Continuum Publishing.

Other indicative reading

Kaltenbrunner, M (2015). Making Short Films on Your Smartphone. London: Arcade Publishing.