

Film Student Learning Assessment Portfolio

Request: As part of the University's focus on assessment, the film program is beginning a Student Learning Assessment Portfolio for each student accepted in the Media Arts Program.

Background: The purpose of the portfolio is to collect student work representing their learning in connection with key objectives of the program. By assembling similar kinds of information at significant points in their course of study, comparison can be made in two directions: individual student learning can be measured (by faculty and by the students themselves) and collective student learning can be assessed by comparison of the same item among students in the same cohort and between one cohort and another. None of the materials in the portfolio will influence student grades or graduation.

The portfolio includes analytical and creative material from students at key points in their progress as students: the application (analyses and creative sample) and required core classes on all levels of undergraduate work (TMA 114, 185, 291 or 292, 293; and 391). This would include your final exam/essay from 114; the rough and fine cut of your final 185 project, a research paper and/or final exam from 291 or 292 and 293, and your final exam and personal theory from 391. (Copies of material with teacher comments and grade is preferred.)

Administrative evaluation of information will be done annually. Clearly the arc of the portfolio is long term, at least two years between application and graduation; however, the intermediary information on application material and from 100 level courses (or instance, comparison of the analyses from the application with final exam in TMA 114) will be helpful in analyzing the efficacy of TMA 114 in alignment with long-term learning objectives for film students.

Film Student Learning Assessment Portfolio Permission Form

Name _____

Current Date _____

Signature _____

I agree or
 do not agree

to allow the Theatre and Media Arts Department to collect my student work from the Media Arts Program application, TMA 114, 185, 291 or 292, 391 and other elective courses that may assist the program to evaluate the effectiveness of specific courses and general program curriculum.