

**Application to Declare the Film Studies Major**

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**Note:** You must submit application to undergraduate major advisor in person.

**Required:** Copy of transcript (print copy from bearfacts) AND a copy of your student ID. Please bring these documents with completed form.

**Double Major:** if you are declaring double major, additional forms are required. Double major forms are available in Major Advisor’s office or from Letters & Science Undergraduate office or website.

**Film Major Requirements (40 units)**

**Lower Division Prerequisites (Grade of C or better required to declare the major)**

Film 25A (Fall) and Film 25B (Spring), both required for degree, only one needed to declare the major; these courses do not have to be taken in order.

**Film Foreign Language Requirement:** See reverse for details on this requirement. It’s recommended that this requirement be fulfilled prior to your senior year when possible. Courses may be taken P/NP.

**Upper Division Required Courses**

- Film 100 (Fall)
- Film 128 (Spring)
- Film 129 (Fall)

One course is required from the following list of courses (your option): Film 108 (genre), Film 151 (auteur), Film 160 (national cinema); courses offered each term with varied topics; these courses can be repeated with *different topic*. Courses repeated will count for “film electives”.

An additional 16 units of Film Electives: These electives can be courses offered by the film department or courses offered by another department, which have been approved by the film department. An approved elective list with outside department courses is distributed each term.

(Optional) **Honors:** to graduate with honors in the Film Major, you are required to complete the honors thesis course (H195A). Film 25A, 25B, 100, 128, and 129 should be completed prior to submitting honors application.

**Please review the following notes and sign application.**

**ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES**

- All Major requirements must be taken for a letter grade with the exception of Film 197A/B/C (Internships at PFA or approved external internship site), and Film 199 Independent Study. A Maximum of 4 units P/NP can be applied to major electives with approval.
- A “C” average in all upper division courses is required to successfully complete the major.
- You will need an advisor code to access Telebears once you declare the major. Plan to see the Undergraduate Advisor prior to your phase 1 Telebears date. Advisor codes will only be released in person.
- The Undergraduate Advisor will process and sign administrative forms.
- Faculty advisors will sign independent or supervised group study forms, internship forms, honors thesis petitions, and requests for course waivers.
- All forms, petitions and waivers should be completely filled out before being presented for signature. Forms must be presented in person, not by fax, mail, or email.
- Undergraduate Advisor communicates with students through a student list serv. Please review these messages to stay informed and update advisor if email changes.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Undergraduate Major Advisor Section

Approved/Declared: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Added to List Serv: \_\_\_\_\_

## Film Studies language requirement

For the Film major, students have two options for completing their language requirement:

A. Students may complete the third semester of a college-level language course in a single language (e.g., French 3), or;

B. Students may choose to complete the second semester of a college-level language course in two different languages (e.g., German 2 and Swahili 2). For example, if you have taken three years or more of Spanish in high school, you may satisfy the Film major's language requirement by enrolling in Spanish 3 at UC Berkeley; or by taking a second language, such as Portuguese, for two semesters (e.g., Portuguese 1 and 2).

Please note: we are interested in the *level* of the language that the student completes, not the actual number of semesters. Completing the equivalent of a 3rd semester or higher of any foreign language at UC Berkeley (French 3, German 3, Spanish 3, Japanese 10A, etc.) will meet the language requirement for the Film major. Students cannot complete the language requirement based upon high school language study alone, since even advanced high school language courses are considered equivalent to only the second semester of a UC Berkeley language course.

Language courses that are strictly conversational are not acceptable. American sign language is not acceptable. Students may enroll in the courses being used to satisfy the Film language requirement on a Passed/Not Passed basis. Students should be aware that if they are also using the course to satisfy the Letters and Science Foreign Language requirement, it must be taken on a letter-graded basis. Any natural language is acceptable. Students who are native speakers of a language other than English may demonstrate their language competency by satisfactorily passing a language proficiency exam administered by a language department at UC Berkeley, or by taking an advanced course in the language (such as an upper division course which is taught in the language). Students are expected to demonstrate both verbal and written proficiency.