

Video Production Fall Semester Syllabus

Description – Students will learn the basics of video production and have a solid foundation on how to create a video project. The three phases of production (pre-production, production, post-production) will be covered over the semester. In these phases students will learn the process of making a video from start to finish. Technically students will learn how to operate a video camera and edit on a computer

Classroom expectations and rules – Students need to be quiet during lectures and videos being viewed. They need to take notes during class time. Which means they should always have pen and paper ready. Class participation is important to a student's grade. When assignments are given out students are expected to follow the directions to finish the project on time. Late turned in work will be accepted but the grade will be lowered. Attendance is very important with this class. It is the student's responsibility to make up assignments, projects and tests with Mr. Smith if a student misses a class. Students also need to be respectful to schools and Mr. Smith's video cameras and computers. Not treating the equipment with respect and care could cause a student to lose privileges with such equipment.

Course Study – Video production handout and a notebook will be supplied to the student. Material in this hand out will cover the pre-production, production and post-production phases of creating a video. Students will also learn film history, media literacy, types of films and film audiences.

Camera compositions – Wide, Medium and Close ups shots

Editing techniques – Trimming clips, transitions, adding music, special effects and titles
Some Internet research may be asked of the student.

Grading scale

Video projects, homework and test are the largest part of a student's grade. Classroom participation, the video production notebook, quizzes and attitude make up the rest of the things considered into Mr. Smith's grading system. Extra credit and bonus points can help a student raise their grade but extra credit and bonus assignments are only approved through Mr. Smith.

Final Grades will be based on the following grading scale

90% - 100% A

80% - 89% B

70% - 79% C

60% - 69% D

59% and below is a F

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