FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY

NEW/CHANGE PROGRAM REQUEST
Undergraduate Programs

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Department School of Communication and Multimedia Studies

College Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters

Program Name

Multimedia Studies:
Film and Media Concentration

☐ **New Program***

☑ **Change Program***

Effective Date
(TERM & YEAR)

Fall 2026

Please explain the requested change(s) and offer rationale below or on an attachment.

In the university catalog - under "Multmedia Studies Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)" - the area of Multimedia Studies: Film and Media wants to add a note that the following course is REQUIRED:

Film Appreciation (FIL 2000)

The course is currently listed as one of five options under "Theory & Criticism." We would *leave it there*, but add a note that states it is "REQUIRED." See the attached memo as example.

Rationale:
This change would fix the following problem: FIL 2000 *remains* a prerequisite for other courses in the same category (FIL 3803; FIL 4851) and one of two potential prerequisites for one other (MMC 4501). Instead of moving FIL 2000 into the core (and adding credits to the major), we agreed that the simplest solution is to simply identify the course as required and leave it where it is currently listed.

We reached out to advising and clarified that such a change would support students, who might otherwise be misled in thinking they could choose any two courses when - in reality - one is a prerequisite for three of the other classes.

*All new programs and changes to existing programs must be accompanied by a catalog entry showing the new or proposed changes.

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Consult and list departments that may be affected by the change(s) and attach documentation

None

Approved by		***Date***
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Email this form and attachments to mjenning@fau.edu seven business days before the UUPC meeting.

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DATE: October 13, 2025

TO: DFSCAL Undergraduate Programs Committee

RE: Program Change Request

As noted on the "Change Program Request" form, our area (Multimedia Studies: Film and Media) would like to add a note that the course, FIL 2000 (Film Appreciation), is "REQUIRED."

Our determination – with input from advising – is that the simplest solution can be seen below (Changes are in RED):

Theory and Criticism – Film Appreciation and one other course from the following required

Course Title	**Course Number**
Studies in New Media	COM 4332
Film Appreciation (REQUIRED)	FIL 2000
Film Theory	FIL 3803
Film Criticism	FIL 4851
Media Criticism	MMC 4501

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Theory and Criticism ~~–~~ ~~two courses from the following required~~Film Appreciation and one other course from the following required

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Film Appreciation (REQUIRED)	FIL 2000
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Film Criticism	FIL 4851
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