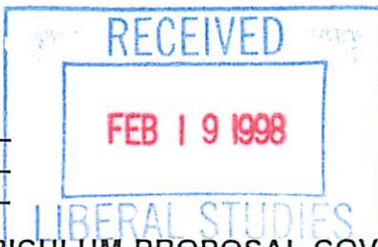


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**CURRICULUM PROPOSAL COVER SHEET**  
University-Wide Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

**I. CONTACT**

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**II. PROPOSAL TYPE (Check All Appropriate Lines)**

**COURSE** Multimedia Production  
Suggested 20 character title

**New Course\*** CM 440 Multimedia Production  
Course Number and Full Title

**Course Revision** \_\_\_\_\_  
Course Number and Full Title

**Liberal Studies Approval+** \_\_\_\_\_  
**for new or existing course** Course Number and Full Title

**Course Deletion** \_\_\_\_\_  
Course Number and Full Title

**Number and/or Title Change** \_\_\_\_\_  
Old Number and/or Full Old Title  
\_\_\_\_\_  
New Number and/or Full New Title

**Course or Catalog Description Change** \_\_\_\_\_  
Course Number and Full Title

**PROGRAM:**  Major  Minor  Track

**New Program\*** \_\_\_\_\_  
Program Name

**Program Revision\*** \_\_\_\_\_  
Program Name

**Program Deletion\*** \_\_\_\_\_  
Program Name

**Title Change** \_\_\_\_\_  
Old Program Name  
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New Program Name

**III. Approvals (signatures and date)**

[Signature] 12/15/97  
Department Curriculum Committee

[Signature] 12/17/97  
Department Chair

[Signature] 2/18/98  
College Curriculum Committee

[Signature] 2/18/98  
College Dean

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+ Director of Liberal Studies (where applicable)

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\*Provost (where applicable)

## **Part II. Description of Curriculum Change**

### **1. Syllabus of record**

#### **I. Catalog description**

CM 440 Multimedia Production

3 credits  
3 Lecture/Lab  
0 Lab hrs  
(3c-0 l-3sh)

**Prerequisites:** CM 240 or permission of the instructor

The student will learn the processes and techniques of planning, designing, and producing used with interactive multimedia. The course will provide hands on experiences in the use of graphics, audio, animation, video, and authoring software applications to produce an aesthetically acceptable product that meets specific objectives. The course is designed to meet the needs of educational media, corporate training, and communications specialists.

#### **II. Course objectives**

At the conclusion of the course the students will:

- be aware of the applications of multimedia in industry, government, and education;
- be aware of the professional specialist employed by the multimedia industry;
- utilize various kinds of hardware and software used to produce multimedia;
- apply sound, video, photographs and graphics in a multimedia production;
- apply the process used to plan and produce multimedia;
- and demonstrate an ability to plan and produce an interactive multimedia project.

#### **III. Course outline**

Week #1 (3 class hours)

- Introduction and Course requirements
- The Multimedia Industry
  - Definition of multimedia
  - Role of multimedia in industry, government, education, and entertainment
  - types of multimedia projects
  - specialist employed by the multimedia industry

Week #2 (3 class hours)

- Production Process
  - Models
    - movie industry model
    - publishing industry model
  - Defining objectives and scope of project
  - Production time line
  - Budgeting
  - Marketing/distribution

Week #3 (3 class hours)

- Design structures
  - linear
  - Branching
  - simulation
  - Hierarchy and Flattened Hierarchy
  - Multitrack
  - modular
  - Virtual space

Week #4 (3 class hours)

- Design and production process process:
  - brainstorming and storyboarding
  - flow chart (navigation)
  - Functional spec
  - prototypes/user testing
  - media production
  - authoring
  - final production (testing, debugging)

Week #5 (3 class hours)

- Authoring tools: strengths and weaknesses
  - Proprietary vs. off the shelf
  - Types
    - flow chart (ex. Authorware)
    - time based (ex. Director)
    - stack/cards (ex. Supercard)
    - object oriented (ex. metropolis)

Week #6 (3 class hours)

- User Interface design

Week #7 (1.5 class hours)

Test #1

Weeks #7-9 (7.5 class hours)

- Introduction to authoring and media production
  - Authoring tools (Macromedia Director
  - Graphics
  - Animation

Weeks # 10-13 (12 class hours)

- Authoring and media production
  - Video
  - Audio
  - Introduction to scripting

Week #14 (1.5 class hours)

Copyright and other legal considerations  
Future directions and social and economic concerns.

Week #14 (1.5 class hours)  
Test #2

#### **IV. Evaluation methods**

Evaluation methods will vary from instructor to instructor. The following is representative of an evaluation method:

- 20 % Exams: Two exams will be given based upon the reading assignments and lecture discussions. Each exam will be weighted as 10% of the final grade.
  
- 60 % Exercises: Students will use industrial grade software (e.g. Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, Macromedia Director, and Macromedia Sound Edit 16) to demonstrate a mastery of production concepts, processes, and techniques for the following: graphics, animation/ video, audio production and multimedia authoring.
  - a. 10 % Interface design/graphics
  - b. 10 % Audio
  - c. 15 % Animation/video
  - e. 25% Authoring
  
- 20 % Final project: Each student will be assigned to a two or three person production team that will propose, design, and produce a 10-15 minute multimedia production on a topic approved by the instructor. The final project will include a project proposal, story board, flow chart, and functional spec in the form of a written document that will conform to standards acceptable to industry. The final interactive production will be evaluated in terms of it's effectiveness in meeting the objectives set forth in the proposal. It will also be evaluated in terms of the appropriate use of authoring concepts and media to produce an aesthetically acceptable product.

Final projects will be presented during the scheduled final exam time.

**Grading Scale:** Grades are calculated by totaling the points received on all assignments and dividing that number by the total points possible. The resulting percentage determines the letter grade, based on the scale below:

90-100%	= A
80-89%	= B
70-79%	= C
60-69%	= D
below 60%	= F

## **V. Required textbooks, supplemental books and readings**

Vaughan, Peter and Tim Vaughn. (1997). Director Close-up: Interactivity & Animation. Wadsworth Publishing: New York.

Lopuck, Lisa (1996). Designing Multimedia: A visual Guide to Multimedia and Online Graphic Design. Berkeley: Peachpit Press.

## **VI. Special resource requirements**

Each student will be required to supply a ZIP disk.

## **VII. Bibliography**

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## **Course Analysis Questionnaire**

### **Section A: Details of the Course**

- (A1) This course is an elective for students with a major or minor in Communications Media. The course is not intended for inclusion in the Liberal Studies Program.
- (A2) The course will neither supplant nor require changes in the content of existing courses or requirements for other programs.
- (A3) This course has been offered on a Special Topics basis as CM 481, Multimedia Production, in the Fall of 1995 and the Spring of 1996. Both sections closed at the maximum enrollment of 17 students.
- (A4) This course will not be offered on a dual level basis.
- (A5) This course will not be offered for variable credit
- (A6) Ithaca College: Park School of Communications: 25-350 Interactive Multimedia
- (A7) The content of this course is not required or recommended by an accrediting body, professional society, law or other external agency. The results of a recent 5-year review by the Communications Media Department clearly indicated a need for instruction in this area.

### **Section B: Interdisciplinary Implications**

- (B1) This course will be taught by one instructor, a member of the Department of Communications Media.
- (B2) Computer Science, Communications Media, and Information Management, entitled Internet and Multimedia (BE/CO/CM/IM 201), may have some overlap in content. However, the major focus of this joint venture is information literacy and the evaluation of multimedia resources and information available from electronic networks. By contrast, CM 440, is a media production course that is specifically designed to meet the needs of future educational media, training, and communications specialists.
- (B3) Seats for continuing education students will be available as needed.

### **Section C. Implementation**

- (C1) No new faculty are needed to teach this course
- (C2) a. No additional space is needed to teach this course.  
b. The course will be offered in the Department of Communications Media's Multimedia Graphics Laboratory which has 17 Power Macintosh computers and two laser printers and the necessary software. The lab is connected to the University fiber optic infrastructure. Additional computer memory and a video boards will need to be purchased. However, the department budget is sufficient to maintain the lab.  
c. No money will be needed for travel
- (C3) No grant funds are associated with this course
- (C4) This course will be offered at least once during each academic year.
- (C5) One section of this course will be offered each time.
- (C6) Seventeen students will be accommodated in this course. The lab activities restricts enrollment to this number.
- (C7) No professional society recommends enrollment limits for a course of this nature.

### **D. Miscellaneous**

No additional information is necessary.