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Semester Fall Year 2016

Course Information

Select Appropriate Program Undergraduate Degree Program
Name of New or Existing Program IFDM Program Core
Select Category Major Degree Type UG
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Exact Title and Requirements as they should appear in the catalog. If there is a change, upload current and proposed requirements.

See current catalog for format within the respective college (upload a doc/pdf file)

[IFDM Program Course Catalog Revised2.pdf](#)

☐ **Does this change affect other departmental program/branch campuses? If yes, indicate below.**

Reason(s) for Request (enter text below or upload a doc/pdf file)

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Upload a document that includes justification for the program, impact on long-range planning, detailed budget analysis and faculty workload implications.(upload a doc/pdf file)

[\(revised\)IFDM Curriculum Checksheet2016-2017-2.pdf](#)
[IFDM Core Revision Justification.pdf](#)

☐ **Are you proposing a new undergraduate degree or new undergraduate certificate? If yes, upload the following documents.**

Upload a two-page Executive Summary authorized by Associate Provost. (upload a doc/pdf file)

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Interdisciplinary Film and Digital Media (IFDM) Program

Admission Criteria and Curriculum Information

The Interdisciplinary Film and Digital Media Program (IFDM) at the University of New Mexico recognizes the evolution of cohesive collaboration among the worlds of art, science and technology and leads the way as a model of interdisciplinary education. IFDM gives students necessary critical, creative and technical skills to apply digital technologies in innovative and productive ways. Whether you are interested in gaming, engineering, art, design, music, computer-based applications like simulation or animation, photography, production level courses that focus on directing, writing or producing, or business applications that emphasize the legal, marketing and accounting aspects of the digital film and media industry, IFDM is structured to serve your needs.

Admission Criteria

Admission into the IFDM Program is a three-tiered process:

1. Students must apply for admission to the University of New Mexico through UNM Admissions. Visit <http://www.unm.edu/apply/> to apply online.
2. Students then apply online at <http://ifdm.unm.edu/> to the Interdisciplinary Film & Digital Media Program. Updates on application deadlines will be made on the IFDM website. Applicants must submit the following application materials:
 - Written essay (500 words) describing your background, interests and goals
 - Up to three samples of **original** creative work including, and not limited to, poems, scripts, journalistic articles and photos, computer programming for games, animation, business plans, videos, film, digital photography, music & sound, multimedia pieces, drawings, paintings, etc.
 - The IFDM admissions committee will review your ACT or SAT Scores and your transcripts (high school & college).

If accepted, you will be admitted into the cohort that begins in the Fall semester immediately following admission.

3. Finally, students must apply to one of the following **IFDM Host College/School at UNM** to become a declared major. This step should occur as soon as you meet the College/School Admission Requirements. Each College/School has its own application requirements and process (see a College/School advisor below).

Anderson School of Management

-Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) with IFDM Concentration

College of Arts & Sciences

-Bachelor of Arts in Communication (BA) with Critical Studies in Mass Media Concentration

-Bachelor of Arts in Journalism & Mass Communication (BA) with Digital Field Multimedia Concentration

College of Fine Arts

-Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) in Interdisciplinary Film & Digital Media with Critical Studies Concentration

-Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) in Interdisciplinary Film & Digital Media with Production Concentration

School of Engineering

-Bachelor of Science (BS) in Computer Science with an IFDM Fine Arts Distributed Minor

Academic Advisement

As a student in the IFDM program, you will have a team of advisors to help you navigate through your degree. Please find the contact information for the advisement team below.

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Proposal to revise the IFDM core

October 15, 2015

Justification for revising the core:

IFDM is proposing to transition from a 4-year to a 3-year program. IFDM owns the core courses all IFDM admitted students are required to take and complete. (See corresponding attached IFDM curriculum check sheet document with the admissions process and sequence of core courses). IFDM proposes to move the IFDM required Intro core course, IFDM 105L, to the university core and IFDM admitted students will begin the IFDM core with IFDM 205L, and CS 105L as a co-requisite. Through this transition the cohort system will remain intact. This proposed transition:

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Impact statement on long-range planning:

In the long-term, this transition will align the IFDM Program with our partnering colleges and departments and other degree programs and departments at UNM.

Removing IFDM 105L will have no impact on the students in the program, since they will all have already completed the course. IFDM 105L is the intro course to the IFDM core currently.

Budget Impact:

Removing IFDM 105L as an IFDM core requirement and moving it to a university core course will increase the cost of teaching by \$4000.00 a year, since we'd expand this course to be offered in both the fall and spring. Much of the instructional costs would be covered through lab and tech funding.

Faculty workload implications:

Increased offerings of IFDM 105L and increased enrollments will directly impact faculty workload. However, we have an instructor, currently teaching the course, who is committed to continue to teach the course.

Interdisciplinary Film and Digital Media (IFDM) Program

Admission Criteria and Curriculum Information

The IFDM Host Colleges/Schools grant degrees, not the IFDM program.

All students admitted to the program have to complete the following degree requirements:

- **UNM Core Curriculum – 37hours** (*Comprised of Writing & Speaking; Mathematics; Physical & Natural Sciences; Social & Behavioral Sciences; Humanities; Foreign Language; Fine Arts*)
- **IFDM Host Colleges & Schools Major Requirements** (Students must meet with a College/School advisor for specific degree requirements each semester.)
- **IFDM Core Courses- 29hours** (Students must meet with the IFDM academic advisor each semester.)

The IFDM core is required of all students in the program. It is designed to give the student technical, critical and creative skills with the history, critical understanding and practice of digital media. The IFDM core sequence of courses will provide students with experience working individually, and in collaborative teams. *The IFDM core classes are taken in specific order from the time a student is admitted as a pre-major into the program.* The last core courses of the program include capstone courses, in which students work in interdisciplinary teams to complete projects relevant to their IFDM curriculum.

To satisfy the program requirements, students must complete **29 credit hours of IFDM core classes** and earn a grade of **“C” or better (grades of C- are not accepted)** in all courses. To verify that you are meeting all program requirements, review your Lobo Trax Report often (via Lobo Web) and meet with the IFDM advisor each semester.

Sem Taken	Course #	Course Title	Hrs	Grade Earned	UD* ✓
	CS 105L	Introduction to Computer Programming (Taken as a co-requisite with IFDM 205L)	3hrs		
	IFDM 205L	Studio I: Activating Digital Space	3hrs		
	IFDM 210	Introduction to Modeling and Post Production	3hrs		
	IFDM 300	Critical Intermediations	3hrs		✓
	IFDM 310	Studio II: Writing Digital Narrative	3hrs		✓
	IFDM 400	Ethics, Science & Technology (Taken as a co-requisite with IFDM 450)	3hrs		✓
	IFDM 450	Capstone I (Taken as a co-requisite with IFDM 400)	4hrs		✓
	IFDM 410	The Business & Law of Film and New Media (Taken as a co-requisite with IFDM 451)	3hrs		✓
	IFDM 451	Capstone II (Taken as a co-requisite with IFDM 410)	4hrs		✓

UD*= Upper Division Course 300 or 400 level course. Check with College/School about Upper-Division Requirements.

IFDM Core Course Sequence- 29hours

IFDM Core Courses must be taken in this sequence from the time a student is admitted as a pre-major into the program.

Fall Semester – 1st Year (in IFDM)

CS 105L Introduction to Computer Programming - 3hrs
IFDM 205L- Studio I Activating Digital Space - 3hrs

Fall Semester –2nd Year

IFDM 300 Critical Intermediation - 3hrs

Fall Semester –3rd Year

IFDM 400 Ethics, Science & Technology - 3hrs
IFDM 450 Capstone I Senior Projects Course- 4hrs

Spring Semester – 1st Year (in IFDM)

IFDM 210 Intro to Modeling & Post Production - 3hrs

Spring Semester –2nd Year

IFDM 310 Studio II Writing Digital Narratives - 3hrs

Spring Semester – 3rd Year

IFDM 410 Business & Law of Film & New Media - 3hrs
IFDM 451 Capstone II Senior Projects Course - 4hrs

Please Note: You, the student, must take FULL RESPONSIBILITY for meeting all graduation requirements for your degree

**Claudia Valdez, Art and Art History
Bill Walters, Theatre and Dance**

Introduction

The Interdisciplinary Film and Digital Media Program (IFDM) is a model of interdisciplinary education that provides students the opportunity to develop the critical, creative, and technical skills to apply digital media technologies in innovative and productive ways. Students whose goal is to become an artist, writer, game developer, entrepreneur, engineer, critical thinker, scientist, film and video maker, animator, storyteller, designer, computer scientist or educator using or developing digital media, find a path in this program. Students may pursue their degree in one of four different colleges within the University - College of Fine Arts, Anderson School of Management, School of Engineering or College of Arts and Sciences.

All students admitted to the program have to complete a University Core curriculum. Students also have a set of ten common core courses for the IFDM program listed below. A grade of "C" or better (grades of "C-" are not accepted) must be earned in all IFDM common core courses. These core classes are taken in order from the time a student is admitted as a pre-major into the program. Additional specific courses are required for selected degree majors, minors, and concentrations that are determined by each participating college: College of Fine Arts, School of Engineering, College of Arts and Sciences, Anderson School of Management. Students must be accepted into those Schools and Colleges. Please see IFDM requirements in each school and college section of the catalog. The final courses of the program include capstone courses, in which students work in interdisciplinary teams to complete projects relevant to their IFDM curriculum.

Admission Information

The IFDM Program requires a three-tier admissions process:

1 Apply to the University of New Mexico

Whether the student is an incoming freshman or, a student transferring from another institution, all prospective IFDM students must first be admitted to the University of New Mexico. Prospective students can learn about UNM's academic admission requirements, tuition rates, financial aid options, and apply online by

visiting the UNM [Admissions Web site](#). This site provides links to the various colleges within the university, and contains contact information for general UNM admissions questions.

2 Apply to IFDM as a Pre-Major

In order to be accepted as a pre-major student in the IFDM program, students have to apply in early spring. If accepted, the student becomes part of a cohort that begins in the fall immediately following admission. Each group continues through the program together. Keep in mind that this is a separate application from the general UNM Admissions application. Separate deadlines apply. This portion of the application process is designed to allow the students to demonstrate their ability to perform to a high artistic and academic standard. Applicants are asked to submit a written essay and samples of creative work. At this point, the screening committee reviews ACT and SAT scores, and reviews transcripts. More information on the IFDM pre-major application process, including an online application, can be found on the [IFDM Web site](#).

3 Apply for Admission to UNM IFDM Host College/School

The final stage of the IFDM application process is to apply to the individual college or school that houses the IFDM degree in which you are interested. This should occur between the student's sophomore and junior years, depending on the College/School within UNM from which the student is pursuing the IFDM program. The four colleges offering IFDM curriculum are the College of Fine Arts, the School of Engineering, College of Arts and Sciences and the Anderson School of Management. Each college or school has its own application requirements and process.

Arts and Sciences Required Courses

(including UNM General Education Core Curriculum)- 34 credit hours

Selected from courses offered by departments of the College of Arts and Sciences. Specific requirements for those in the Critical Studies concentration include PHIL 156 and AMST 182.

Original			Revised		
		Credit Hours			Credit Hours
	IFDM Core Courses 32 credit hours:			IFDM Core Courses 29 credit hours:	
IFDM 105L	Inter and New Media Studies I	3			
CS 105L -or- CS 152L	Introduction to Computer Programming Computer Programming Fundamentals	3	CS 105L -or- CS 152L	Introduction to Computer Programming Computer Programming Fundamentals	3
IFDM 205L	Studio I: Activating Digital Spaces	3	IFDM 205L	Studio I: Activating Digital Spaces	3
IFDM 210	Introduction to Modeling and Post Production	3	IFDM 210	Introduction to Modeling and Post Production	3
IFDM 300	Critical Intermediations	3	IFDM 300	Critical Intermediations	3
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IFDM 410	The Business and Law of Film and New Media	3	IFDM 410	The Business and Law of Film and New Media	3
IFDM 450	Capstone I	4	IFDM 450	Capstone I	4
IFDM 451	Capstone II	4	IFDM 451	Capstone II	4