## Bachelor of Arts in Cinema Roadmap

120 Total Units Required  
Minimum number of units in the Major: 45

### Course | Title | Units
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**First Semester**
GE Area A: Oral Communication (A1) or Critical Thinking (A3) | 3
GE Area A: Written English Communication (A2) | 3
GE Area C: Arts (C1) | 3
GE Area D: Social Sciences (D1) | 3
GE Area D: U.S. History (D2) or U.S. and California Government (D3) | 3

Units: 15

**Second Semester**
GE Area A: Oral Communication (A1) or Critical Thinking (A3) | 3
GE Area A: Written English Communication II (A4) | 3
or Written English Communication (A2) Stretch II
GE Area B: Quantitative Reasoning (B4) | 3
GE Area C: Arts (C1) or Humanities (C2) | 3
GE Area D: U.S. History (D2) or U.S. and California Government (D3) | 3

Units: 15

**Third Semester**
CINE 200 | Introduction to Cinema Studies | 3
CINE 211 | Film History I | 3
or Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective | 3
GE Area B: Physical Science (B1) and Laboratory Science (B3) | 3-4
GE Area C: Humanities: Literature (C3) | 3

Units: 15-16

**Fourth Semester**
CINE 202 & CINE 204 | Introduction to Filmmaking and Introduction to Filmmaking Laboratory | 4
CINE 212 | Film History II | 3
GE Area B: Life Science (B2) and Laboratory Science (B3) | 3-4
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective – Take Two | 6

Units: 16-17

**Fifth Semester**
CINE 340 & CINE 341 | Critical Studies and Critical Studies Discussion Group | 4
GWAR Course – Select One | 3

GE Area UD–D: Upper Division Social Sciences (Consider SF State Studies Course) | 3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective – Take Two | 6

Units: 16

**Sixth Semester**
Major Electives (16 Units Total) – Take Two | 8
Required Upper Division Courses (9 units total) | 9
GE Area UD–B: Upper Division Physical and/or Life Sciences (Consider SF State Studies Course) | 3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective | 5

Units: 15

**Seventh Semester**
Major Electives (16 Units Total) – Take Two | 8
Required Upper Division Courses (9 units total) | 9
GE Area UD–C: Upper Division Arts and/or Humanities (Consider SF State Studies Course) | 3
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective | 5

Units: 15

**Eighth Semester**
Major Electives (16 Units Total) – Take Two | 8
Required Upper Division Courses (9 units total) | 9
Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective | 5

Units: 13

Total Units: 120-122

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1. To avoid taking additional units, it is recommended that you meet LLD and SF State Studies requirements (AERM, GP, ES, SJ) within your GE.
2. ENG 114 can only be taken if you complete Directed Self-Placement (DSP) and select ENG 114; if you choose ENG 104/ENG 105 through DSP you will satisfy A2 upon successful completion of ENG 105 in the second semester; multilingual students may be advised into alternative English courses.
3. Depending on courses completed through Early Start, students in Pathway/Category 3 or 4 may be required to enroll in a support course to complement their Quantitative Reasoning/B4 requirement. There are multiple course options for this pathway. Before enrolling in a B4 course, students should verify their MATH Pathway/Category in their Student Center (http://cms.sfsu.edu/content/student-center). Information regarding the courses that correspond with your MATH Pathway/Category can be found on the Developmental Studies Office Website (http://developmentalstudies.sfsu.edu). May substitute CINE 365, History of Animation, for either CINE 211 Film History I, or CINE 212 Film History II.
4. ENG 353, Writing for Literature in Film, can only be taken if you complete Directed Self-Placement (DSP) and select ENG 353; if you choose ENG 352 through DSP you will satisfy A2 upon successful completion of ENG 352 in the second semester; multilingual students may be advised into alternative English courses.
Complementary Studies
Bachelor of Arts students must complete at least twelve units of complementary studies outside of the primary prefix for the major. (Note: Students may not use an alternate prefix that is cross-listed with the primary prefix for the major.) Students who complete two majors or a major and a minor automatically complete the complementary studies requirement. Cinema majors will be offered several pathways toward completing this requirement, each of which is designed to facilitate graduation in a timely manner. Majors may, with the approval of a Cinema advisor, elect to apply 12 units in a single foreign language of their choosing, courses taken in an approved study abroad program (e.g., CSU Study Abroad), courses taken as part of a second major, a minor or a certificate, and courses in related disciplines. Related disciplines typically include: anthropology, art, business, creative writing, design, journalism, literature, music, philosophy, television, and theater. The School of Cinema allows up to 12 upper-division units from cinema-related disciplines to count toward the major. Where upper-division complementary studies courses are related to cinema, they may, with the approval of a School advisor, also be counted as cinema electives in fulfillment of major requirements.

Students who have earned AA-T or AS-T degrees and are pursuing a similar B.A. degree at SF State are required to fulfill the Complementary Studies requirement as defined by the major department. Students should consult with a major advisor about how transfer units and/or SF State units can best be applied to this requirement to ensure degree completion within 60 units.

Consider taking a class combined with a laboratory or a separate lab to fulfill B3 if not already satisfied.

GWAR Course – Select One
CINE 302GW Arab Cinema - GWAR (3 units)
CINE 303GW Writing About Cinema - GWAR (3 units)
CINE 318GW Art and Film - GWAR (3 units)
CINE 343GW Perspectives on Documentary Film - GWAR (3 units)
CINE 350GW The Art of Short Film - GWAR (3 units)

Major Electives
Elect additional cinema courses to complete the total of 45 units required for the major:
- With prior approval of advisor, up to 12 units of Cinema-related upper division courses outside the School may count toward the major.
- No more than seven units of advanced production units from the following courses may be taken in any one term unless special permission is granted by the instructor. Such permission cannot be given prior to the first day of class.
- If the minimum residence requirement of 12 units in the major is satisfied, credit for upper-division courses in the major from another four-year university is possible if syllabi are comparable.
- With a faculty advisor’s approval no more than 13 units from a community college may be applied to the core courses in the Cinema major. Up to six of those units may be in screenwriting and/or filmmaking/video production.
- A maximum of 18 units of online course work may be counted toward the major.
- A maximum of 12 units of independent study/internship courses may be counted toward the major.
- A maximum of 9 CR/NC units may be counted toward the major; which may include up to a maximum of four units of different CINE 325, CINE 326, or CINE 650 courses.

Upper Division Courses
CINE 304 Gender and Film (3 units)
CINE 305 Film and the Holocaust (3 units)
CINE 306 Chinese Documentary Film (3 units)
CINE 307 National/Regional Cinemas (3 units)
CINE 308 Third Cinema (3 units)
CINE 317 Art and Film (3 units)
CINE 309 Latina/o/x Cinema (3 units)
CINE 311 Hollywood Representation of Race and Ethnicity (3 units)
CINE 332 Understanding the Representation and Narration of Sexuality in Cinema (3 units)
CINE 342 Documentary Film (3 units)
CINE 344 Film Genre (3 units)
CINE 345 Auteur Cinema (3 units)
CINE 346 The Art of Short Film (3 units)
CINE 347 Signs of Aliens: Semiotics of Film and Popular Culture (3 units)
CINE 373 Film and Society (3 units)
CINE 375 U.S. Culture and Cinema of the 1950s (3 units)
CINE 502 Experiments in Cinematic Form (3 units)
CINE 507 History and Film (3 units)
CINE 540 Issues in Film Theory (3 units)
CINE 541 Race, Sex, and Identity Online (3 units)
CINE 572 Film Theory (3 units)
CINE 598 Senior Critical Studies Seminar (3 units)