

## **Syllabus: Practices & Policies**

2021-2022	Franklin High School		
Section 1: Course Overview			
Course Title	Video Production 1-2		
Instructor Info	Name: Adam Souza Contact Info: asouza@pps.net		
Grade Level(s)	9, 10, 11, 12		
Room # for class	Room: S220/222		
Credit	Type of credit: Elective # of credits per semester: 0.5		
Prerequisites (if applicable)	none		
General Course Description	This is an introductory class for students who want to learn different video-making skills and who want to pursue video production as a professional career. We will explore the art of storytelling using filmmaking tools that are available to students during distance learning. Some of these may be storyboarding, cinematography, video editing, acting, directing, and sound design. Collaboration is a key to the success of a film as well as student engagement		
Section 2: Welcome Statement & Course Connections			
Personal Welcome	Welcome to Franklin Film School		
Course Highlights	<u>Projects</u>		
(topics, themes, areas of study)	Semester 1:		



	YouTube Music Video
	17 Shots
	Documentary
	Semester 2:
	Scene From A Prop
	Sound Design Project
	Narrative Film Final
Course	Students in Vid Pro 1 -2 are asked to think critically, build deep knowledge, communicate effectively,
Connections to <u>PPS</u>	and grow in their confidence and sense of self as filmmakers. Story is everything.
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	Section 3: Student Learning
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Prioritized	The following standards will be explored in the course:
Standards	ARTF01 - Apply knowledge of equipment, software and technology skills related to film and video
	production.
	ARTF02 - Exhibit ability to edit film and video productions ARTF03 - Demonstrate technical production support for film and video presentations
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	presentation
	ARTF05 - Know the history and evolution of film and video, and their role within society
	ARTF06 - Understand and use the elements and principles of film and video
PPS Graduate	I will help students grow their knowledge and skills in the following aspects of PPS's Graduate Portrait:
<u>Portrait</u>	Inquisitive Critical Thinkers with Deep Knowledge
<u>Connections</u>	Powerful and Effective Communicators
	Positive, Confident, and Connected Sense of Self
	Optimistic Future-Orientated Graduates
	Reflective Empathetic and Empowering Graduates
	☐ Influential and Informed Global Stewards
	Resilient and Adaptable Lifelong Learners
	☐ Inclusive and Collaborative Problem Solvers
	☐ Transformative Racial Equity Leaders



Differentiation/	I will provide the following supports specifically for students in the following programs:
accessibility	Special Education:
strategies and	Accommodations indicated by Individual Education Plans will be made in cooperation with students,
supports:	special education teachers and parents.
	504 Plans:
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	parents.
	English Language Learners:
	Strategies used in this class to address ELL needs will include, but are not limited to, the following:
	Posting clearly defined objectives
	Emphasizing key vocabulary
	☐ Providing clear expectation of tasks, slower speech, increased wait time, etc
	☐ Scaffolding techniques like think-alouds to support student understanding
	☐ Allowing for frequent opportunities for student interaction (pair-shares, small and large group
	work)
	Using activities that integrate reading, writing, speaking and listening
	Providing regular feedback
	Talented & Gifted:
	Strategies used in this class to address TAG needs will include, but are not limited to, the following:
	Challenge prompts, flexible grouping, independent based learning, honors option.
Personalized	Students will complete Career Related Learning Requirements during their time in this class.
Learning	
Graduation	
Requirements (as	
applicable in this course):	
	Section 4: Cultivating Culturally Sustaining Communities
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Tier 1 SEL Strategies	Behavioral Expectations:
	At Franklin High School, in addition to following all school rules, we expect staff and students to:
	Strive to be
	ThoughtfulWe put time and effort into our work
	RespectfulWe respect the diverse learning needs of our peers  OrganizedWe are present and on time to class
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Shared Agreements	GenerousWe share our resources with each other
Agreements	I will facilitate the creation of our Shared Agreements that respects and celebrates each student's race, ability, language, and gender in the following way(s):  ■ Spend time in class creating norms, posting those norms, reviewing them daily and making amendments when needed.
	I will display our Agreements in the following locations:  On my Canvas page
	My plan for ongoing feedback through year on their effectiveness is:
	<ul> <li>Student surveys</li> <li>Restorative justice circles</li> <li>Grades/assignment completion data</li> </ul>
Student's Perspective & Needs	I will cultivate culturally sustaining relationships with students by:      Get to know students     Examine personal biases     Elevate students' languages and cultures     Adapt policies, practices, and pedagogy     Family and community involvement     Respect their cultures     Be mindful of intent vs impact



Families can communicate what they know of their student's needs with me in the following ways: Email Phone Canvas Back to School Night Conferences Empowering I will celebrate student successes in the following ways: Students Praise/positive feedback Displaying student work online or in the classroom Positive phone calls to families/guardians Class 'parties' and celebrations **Community Film Screenings** I will solicit student feedback on my pedagogy, policies and practices by: Regular check-ins Student surveys Restorative justice circles Written input Formative assessments Student voice Exit tickets When class agreements aren't maintained (i.e. behavior) by a student I will approach it in the following ways: Non-shaming and avoidance of power struggles..."Let Go of the Rope." Authentic connection/compassion. Connection redirects more effectively. Remind them of expectations and or rules Talk to misbehaved student outside the classroom or after class. I typically will pull a student outside and talk to them one on one about how they are being disruptive, disrespectful, etc. Attempt to help the student understand their effect and role as an individual to the whole.



## **Showcasing** I will provide opportunities for students to choose to share and showcase their work by: Student Assets Creating space in the classroom and on Canvas for students to share their work Inviting student voice in our daily check ins **Community Screenings Section 5: Classroom Specific Procedures** Safety issues and Wear a mask at all times requirements (if ☐ Maintain at least 3 feet of distance between peers and teacher applicable): Coming & Going I understand the importance of students taking care of their needs. Please use the following guidelines when from class coming and going from class: One student out with a pass at a time ☐ Return in a timely manner ☐ Maintain distance and wear mask when in the hallways **Submitting Work** I will collect work from students in the following way: ☐ Canvas If a student misses a deadline, I will partner with the student in the following ways so they have the ability to demonstrate their abilities: I will meet the student where they are at and create individualized plan to demonstrate ability My plan to return student work is the following: Returning Your Work Screenings after deadline with verbal feedback What to look for on your returned work: Verbal feedback with ways on how to improve on next assignment Directions on how to format submitted work (ex. formal papers, lab reports, etc) can be found here: Formatting Work (if applicable) Exported out of premiere and uploaded to Canvas If a student is absent, I can help them get caught up by: Individualized Plan - Important to schedule meeting Attendance one on one.



	Section 6: Course Resources & Materials
Materials Provided	I will provided the following materials to students:
	Editing Equipment
	Film Equipment
Materials Needed	Please have the following materials for this course:
	Chromebook and Charger
	Notebook    Samulain and both with any materials you make your Blooms made out to make distributed will be less on.
	Franklin can help with any materials you may need as well. Please reach out to me privately and I will help you get what you need.
Course Resources	Here is a link to resources that are helpful to students during this course:
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Empowering Families	The following are resources available for families to assist and support students through the course:  • Canvas and Email
	Section 7: Assessment of Progress and Achievement
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	<ul> <li>Peer and Self Assessment</li> <li>Class Screenings through verbal feedback</li> </ul>	
Section 8: Grades Progress Report Cards & Final Report Cards		
Accessing Grades	Students & Families can go to the following location for <a href="up-to-date">up-to-date</a> information about their grades throughout the semester: <ul> <li>Canvas</li> <li>StudentVue</li> </ul> I will update student grades at the following frequency: After each project deadline	
Progress Reports	I will communicate the following marks on a progress report:  • A, B, C, D F,, and in rare cases, P or NP	
Final Report Card Grades	The following system is used to determine a student's grade at the end of the semester:  100% Project Work	
	I use this system for the following reasons/each of these grade marks mean the following:  Each project comes with its own rubric.	
Other Needed info (if applicable)		

