



# CAREERS FOR FILM & SCREEN MEDIA GRADUATES

## FILM & SCREEN MEDIA AT UCC

The BA in Film & Screen Media is a unique degree that offers a thorough education on the history, theory, aesthetics and ideology of film and media. Our programme combines study of Film & Screen Media (Internet, social media, e-publishing) and practical filmmaking modules, with tuition from internationally recognised scholars, award-winning practitioners, and our UCC/Arts Council Film Artist in Residence. The BA provides the future-proofing skills of critical thinking, digital literacy, filmmaking and web-based writing that are vital for careers in the rapidly expanding creative industries, and for teaching, journalism and further study.



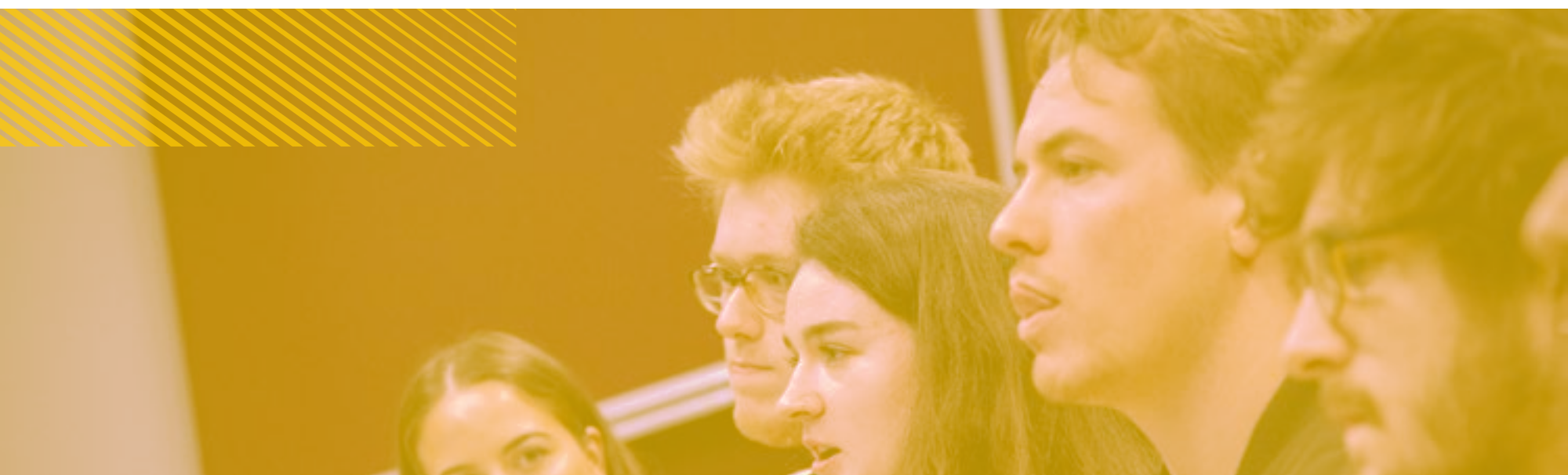
**UCC**  
University College Cork, Ireland  
Coláiste na hOllscoile Corcaigh

Department of  
**Film & Screen Media**

# WHAT CAN FILM & SCREEN MEDIA GRADUATES OFFER EMPLOYERS?

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- Professional-level presentation skills.
- Extensive knowledge of film industries from around the world.
- Data gathering and collating.
- Advanced creative thinking and problem-solving skills.
- Cultural awareness and understanding of diversity
- Ability to work well both individually and in teams.
- Thorough understanding of ethical standards and health and safety responsibilities.



- Visual analysis skills.

- Advanced writing skills (including writing for online platforms).

- Digital filmmaking.

- E-publishing.

- Screenwriting.

- Visual design and editing (word; image).

- Interviewing skills.

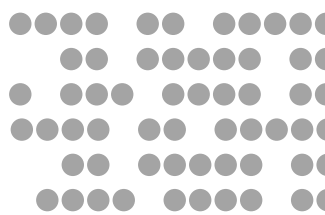
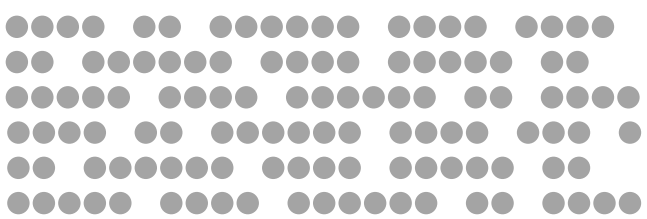




# GRADUATE OUTCOMES FOR FILM & SCREEN MEDIA

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Our graduates are passionate, talented professionals. They go on to work in a broad range of roles in the creative industries, including corporate and independent filmmaking, media production, journalism and broadcasting, marketing and public relations, business development, education, and festival and arts administration. The audio visual content production sector in Ireland is worth an estimated €550 million, directly employing 7,500 workers on a full-time basis.



## GRADUATE STUDIES

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Graduates of the BA can opt to further their education by taking one of our postgraduate programmes, including an MA in Film & Screen Media that offers advanced level studies in film, media and digital filmmaking and may also include opportunities to work in festivals/cultural bodies; or our research-focused MRes in Film & Screen Media. For those interested in continuing on to PhD level, Film & Screen Media offers two programmes: one that allows students to complete an original research work of 80,000 words, under the expert supervision of our staff; the other a creative practice programme that combines a project (such as a film or a portfolio of film/media work) and a critically-engaged reflective piece (40,000 words), again supervised by one of our staff.

# AREAS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR FILM & SCREEN MEDIA GRADUATES



Although the BA in Film & Screen Media is a relatively new programme, already our graduates have gone on to carve out careers in:

- Journalism
- Filmmaking (encompassing corporate and Independent sectors)
- Festival and arts administration
- Jobs in media and production companies
- Retail
- Education
- The Public Sector
- Public Relations
- Design



## Graduate Profile 1

### **AMY POLAND**

Since graduating, I've hit the ground running. I was an intern at a production company, then the Script Supervisor on the children's TV show Mini Moguls. I went on to be Script Supervisor on two more projects before accepting another internship. This internship led to my current role as Trainee Producer. In the office I prep for shoots, manage clients, brainstorm ideas. Also, on set, I've served as an Assistant Director, Camera Assistant and Production Assistant. We've worked on campaigns for Centra, Supervalu, the charity Bothar and many more. My award-winning thesis film has been accepted into multiple film festivals.



## Graduate Profile 2

### **MATTHEW BUTLER**

I currently work as a Business Development Lead for a company that offers a platform for online video distribution. After graduating from Film & Screen Media in 2017, I spent 2018 working in New York and I'm now based in their newly-opened London office. They thought I'd be a good fit for their team based on my knowledge and interest in the global media industry, which was enhanced through the many projects undertaken as a student of UCC's BA in Film & Screen Media. The most valuable aspect of the course, which has dramatically assisted me, is the entrepreneurial element that subtly exists within this degree.





### Graduate Profile 3

## **NICOLE CLINTON**

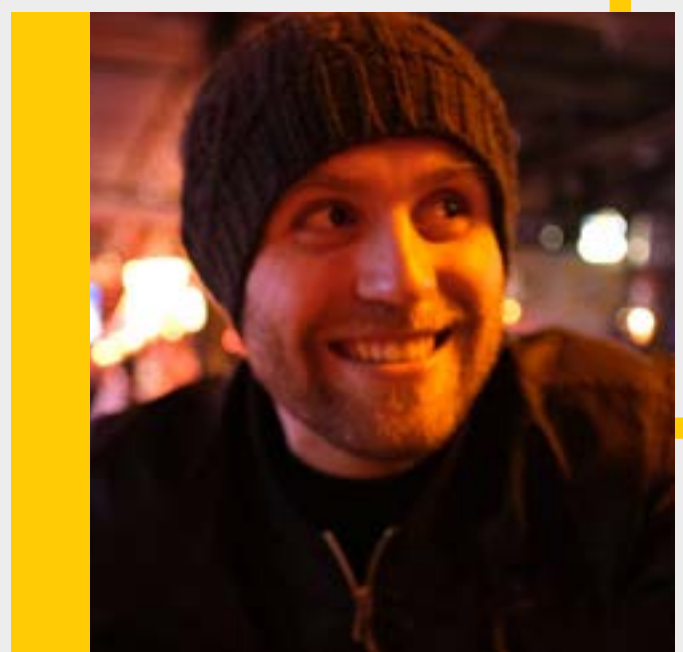
Nicole graduated with an MA in Film & Screen Media in 2018 and has over two years' experience as a writer, director and producer of live action short films and music videos in Ireland. Two of her short films are presently circulating international film festivals and she is currently working to move into international feature filmmaking. She has co-written two feature screenplays, and is now working on a third. Her work as a filmmaker reflects her preoccupation with character-driven, female-centric stories that explore themes of identity, sexuality, relationships, empowerment, and disillusionment.



### Graduate Profile 4

## **WILL O'DONOVAN**

Since graduating from the BA in Film & Screen Media in 2016 as a mature student I have established a media production business, 'Electric Dreams', named after the first short film I directed at UCC. Since then I have produced several online promotional videos and design projects for businesses and organisations from Cork to Mexico, spanning a diverse range of industries, from fashion to education, hospitality, events, and farming. I have also continued to work on some narrative and music video projects for my former classmates at UCC. These projects have enabled me to learn and develop new skills.



# WHERE CAN I FIND OUT MORE?

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**SCREEN  
TRAINING  
IRELAND**



**FILM  
IN CORK**



**CAREERS  
IN SCREEN**



**SCREEN  
IRELAND**





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# **NORTHERN IRELAND SCREEN**



# **SCREEN PRODUCERS IRELAND**



# 12 WAYS TO PUT YOUR FILM & SCREEN MEDIA DEGREE TO WORK

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Gain vital career skills in critical thinking, advanced-level textual analysis and proficiency in writing.

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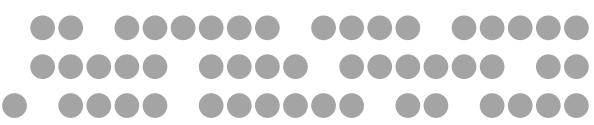
Learn to think in flexible ways; to work to deadlines; to build and collaborate on teams; to design and present visually-engaging and critically-focused work.

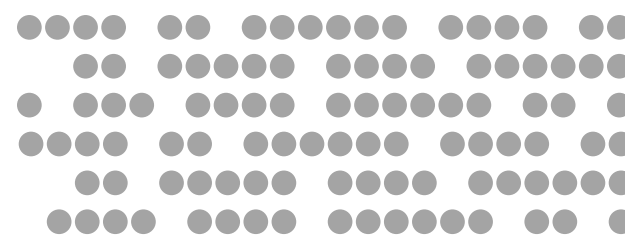
03

Become proficient in working with, and using, technology.

04

Learn how to take initiative and build your own opportunities.





**05**

Avail of university-wide modules and skills training that will equip you with professional skills, such as business planning, IT, languages or presentation skills.

**06**

Benefit from the tuition of an experienced Film Artist in Residence and a number of high-profile industry masterclasses.

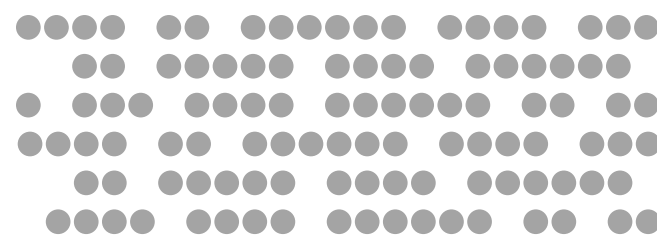
**07**

Gain practical experience making production projects through both curricular and extra-curricular activities.

**08**

Gain relevant skills and experience through the “UCC Works” award.





**09**

Gain relevant skills and experience through volunteering - find out more by attending the annual UCC volunteering fair.

**10**

Avail of professional, confidential and impartial careers advice at UCC Career Services by booking a consultation online.

**11**

Create an up-to-date CV and professional social media profile and presence.

**12**

Gain relevant skills and experience by taking an active role in Student Media.





# DID YOU KNOW?

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Many of our students start their own **production companies** or **film criticism blogs** while they are still at University.



# CONTACT US



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to meet a  
careers advisor**



**Work  
Placement**





## **UCC Works Award Programme**



**Connect with  
your job**

## **UCC Careers**



## **MyStudentJob**



## **Employability Events**

**Careers Fairs, Roadshows,  
Employer Presentations**



## **Volunteering Opportunities**

