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Documentary Videomaking

Academic Year: (2017 / 2018) Review date: 11-05-2017

Department assigned to the subject: Communication and Media Studies Department

Coordinating teacher: CERDAN LOS ARCOS, JOSE FRANCISCO

Type: Compulsory ECTS Credits: 6.0

Year: 3 Semester: 2

REQUIREMENTS (SUBJECTS THAT ARE ASSUMED TO BE KNOWN)

History of cinema and the media

OBJECTIVES

- 1. Knowledge of the theory and technique of documentary and TV reportage.
- 2. Ability to plan and arrange technical and human resources in productions for cinema and TV, as well as techniques and processes of creation.
- 3. Ability to explore the technical and expressive potential of the moving image.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

- A Wide Open Notion of Filmmaking
- 2. The Early Cinema and the Eve of Documentary
- 3. Documentary in a Crossroad: the Avant-garde, the Narrative, the Factual
- 4. History, Memory and Archive: Compilation & Found Footage
- 5. Propaganda, Counter-propaganda and the Images of Excess
- 6. Documentary and Reality
- 7. Fakes and Mocks
- 8. Documentary and the I
- 9. The Essay Film
- 10. Documentary, Digital Technology & the Web
- 11. Contemporary Spanish Documentary

LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

- Lectures

Theory and technique of documentary genres. Competence 1 (1 ECTS).

- Practical classes

Group work. Production, directing and postproduction with the instructor; s supervision. Competences 2, 3 and 4 (2,5 ECTS).

- Student work

Planning an Tutored d design of production tasks and directing. Writing of an essay about the developed projects (in groups). Competence 5 (2 ECTS).

Individual essay or audiovisual piece about specific issues dealing with the production and style of a documentary. Competence 5 (1,5 ECTS).

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

- Final exam: 60%.
- Production work / Essay / Practice and defense: 40 %.
- Class participation and attendance will be taken into account to improve the final grade.

% end-of-term-examination:	60
% of continuous assessment (assigments, laboratory, practicals):	40

BASIC BIBLIOGRAPHY

- ANTONIO WEINRICHTER (ED.) .DOC. EL DOCUMENTALISMO EN EL SIGLO XXI, FESTIVAL DE SAN SEBASTIAN (edicion bilingue), 2010
- BILL NICHOLS INTRODUCTION TO DOCUMENTARY, INDIANA U. PRESS, 2001
- CATHERINE RUSSELL EXPERIMENTAL ETNOGRAPHY, DUKE U.PRESS, 1999
- MICHAEL RENOV THE SUBJECT OF DOCUMENTARY, UNIV. OF MINNESOTA PRESS, 2004
- ROSENTHAL Y CORNER (EDS.) NEW CHALLENGES FOR DOCUMENTARY, MANCHESTER U.PRESS, 2005

ADDITIONAL BIBLIOGRAPHY

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- MICHAEL STRANGELOVE WATCHING YOUTUBE, U. TORONTO PRESS, 2010
- RHODES y SPRINGER (EDS.) DOCUFICTIONS, McFARLAND, 2005
- TIM CORRIGAN THE ESSAY FILM, OFORD U. PRESS, 2011