



Video Production III

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Course Overview

Welcome to Video Production III in our amazing Career Technical Education Video Production program in the Grant Magnet School for Advanced Studies & Digital Art. This course is the third level of the career technical sequence, in which you take the skills developed in Video Production I and Video Production II in order to move your abilities toward a professional level. As a high level video production student, you will strive to make beautiful and amazing movies that delight audiences and express your voice as a movie maker. You will plan and create high level productions that make the most of your developing knowledge of story writing, scene writing, direction of actors, direction of camera, production planning, custom and set design, editing and post production. This course will continue your development and understanding of how phenomenal creative work is made in a professional model.

What You Will Learn

In this class, you will learn to synthesize your growing skills into effective movies that delight and entertain audiences. You will push your abilities as a writer, producer, director and editor to make outstanding short films that tell a winning story and take the viewer on a journey. You will create numerous short films, both as a class and as an individual producer. You will write a thirty page screenplay each semester. You will edit your films using Adobe Premiere or Apple Final Cut Pro.

How You Will Earn Your Grade

You will earn your grade through the consistent hard work and focus that you put into the class everyday. This class is different than many high school classes in that it is experience based, so you will earn weekly grades on various milestones as you work to create larger projects. You will write screenplays and make movies. You will have quizzes and tests.

How To Make the Most of this Class

This is an experience-based class in which you will be actively making movies. Bring your hard-work, relentless energy and fearless creativity to each class day, each writing session, each video shoot and each editing sequence, and you will grow tremendously as a movie maker.

About Me

My name is Mr. David Guest, and I have been a video production teacher for seventeen years. I founded the video production program at Millikan Middle School from 2002-2012, and I have had the honor of leading the video production program here at Grant High School from 2012 to today. I have a Master's Degree in Film Production from USC and a Master's Degree in Education from Pepperdine University. I co-founded Life of Dad, a social network and media company for fathers with over 2 million followers on Facebook. I created and wrote The Covurts, a live action TV show going into production for Nickelodeon in spring 2019. I have worked professionally as a screenwriter and producer for many years, and I am eager to share my experience as a teacher and professional with you as you make your movies in this class.