

**Collin College - Continuing Education  
COURSE SYLLABUS**

<b>COURSE INFORMATION</b>
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**Course Number:** PHOT 6901

**Course Title:** Introduction to Filmmaking

**Course Description:** The independent cinema industry is booming due to inexpensive DSLR equipment. The market is wide open for Corporate, Weddings, and many other filmmaking opportunities. Should you want to film events or create your own movies this course will help you understand the basis of DSLR filmmaking.

**Suggested Course Prerequisite(s):** Digital Photography – dSLR - Basics or proficiency with digital camera.

**Course Resources:** Textbook(s): (Optional)

The DSLR Filmmaker's Handbook: Real-World Production Techniques | Edition: 2  
By Barry Andersson; Sybex, 9781118983492

From Still to Motion – A Photographer's Guide to Creating Video with your dSLR  
Ball/Carman/Gottshalk, Harrington; New Riders Press,, 9780321702111

DSLR Cinema: Crafting the Film Look with Large Sensor Video Cameras  
2nd edition- Kurt Lancaster; Focal Press, 9780321702111

**Student Learning Outcomes:**

Introduction to shooting video with your dSLR

**Certification Notes:** N/A

**Next course recommendation:** N/A

**Lesson Plan – by week or session:**

**Session 1:** Fundamentals of DSLR Filmmaking / Gear Recommendations

**Session 2:** Camera Settings, Lens selection

**Session 3:** Lighting

**Session 4:** Sound

**Session 5:** Camera Motion Session 6: Putting it all Together

**Course Sessions:** Listed are guidelines to indicate all topics that will be covered during your course. Do not plan your personal calendar based on these sessions. Your instructor will give you a calendar for your class that will indicate specific topics, assignments, and days.

**Method of Evaluation:** Unless otherwise stated, course completion is evaluated on the basis of attendance.

Students must be in attendance 90% of the class time in order to be considered a successful completer of the course.

Students must be in attendance 90% of each course in a certificate series for successful completion and to earn a certificate as specified.

Students must complete all courses (core and no. of elective courses needed) to complete a

certificate series within two years from start date of the first course taken.

**Refund Policy:** Please refer to [www.collin.edu/ce/infoRegistrar.html](http://www.collin.edu/ce/infoRegistrar.html) for our refund policy. No refunds after the start time of the first class.

**Americans with Disabilities Act:**

Collin College will adhere to all applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations and guidelines with respect to providing reasonable accommodations as required to afford equal opportunity. It is the student's responsibility to contact the ACCESS office, SCC-D140 or 972.881.5898 (V/TTD: 972.881.5950) to arrange for appropriate accommodations. See the current Collin Student Handbook for additional information.