

THE SCHOOL OF ARTS, LANGUAGES & CULTURES PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

For students studying on programme:	BA(Hons) Drama and Film Studies
Level of study:	Level 3
Academic year of study:	2025/26
Programme Code:	09815
Plan Code:	12655
Document link:	If you are reading a printed version of this document you should check http://documents.manchester.ac.uk/display.aspx?DocID=15732 to ensure that you have the most up to date version.
Contact:	If you have any questions about this structure, please contact salc.courseunits@manchester.ac.uk including in the subject FAO Drama

PLEASE NOTE:

When selecting your course units, you must ensure you take:

- 120 credits overall (including any core courses)
- 60 credits in each semester (NB. you may, if you are choosing 10 credit Free Choice/Minor courses, take a maximum of 70 and minimum of 50 credits in either semester).
- At least 100 credits, and up to 120 credits of Level 3 courses; a maximum 20 credits at Level 2.

Particular programme guidelines:

- You **MUST** take at least 20 credits in Film-based Study Options. (These may, but do not have, to have a DRAM course code and you are welcome to look at the Screen offer in other subjects.)
- The 40 credit Extended Dissertation should be considered as 20 credits in each semester. You may take the Dissertation (20 credits) in either Semester. Please note that there is a different course code depending on semesters.
- Please think carefully about your course choices and workload balance.
- **Things for you to consider when making your course choices:**
 - Carefully weigh up the demands of 40 credit practical modules. These modules can take up over 2.5 days a week so they demand a significant commitment from you in terms of time spent in university. The timetabling and weighting also significantly restricts your other module option choices.
 - Selecting both an Extended Dissertation and a Practical Option takes up over half your credits. Think carefully about where you have found successes and challenges in levels 1 and 2.
 - All 40 credit modules require a balance of skills including a very good ability to organise and motivate yourself, ability to collaborate well with others and to manage your time and that of other people.

HELPFUL HINTS:

- The semester a course is taught in is identified by the last digit in the course code. E.G CLAH30220. A '0' identifies the course unit is taught over both semesters, a '1' indicates Semester 1 and '2' indicates Semester 2
- Please check the timetable for courses that you choose to ensure that there are not any clashes.

1: Core Course Choice.

Select **one** of the following courses:

	Title	Credit
DRAM30990	Extended Dissertation in Drama	40
DRAM30001	Dissertation in Drama (<i>Semester One</i>)	20
DRAM30002	Dissertation in Drama (<i>Semester Two</i>)	20

2: Practice Courses

Select a maximum of **one** practice course. **Practice Courses are allocated via the Drama Pre-Selection Form.**

	Title	Credit
<i>Semester 1</i>		
DRAM30061	Docufiction Filmmaking (F)	40
DRAM30111	Applied Theatre: Theatre in Prisons (T)	40
DRAM30411	Directing Theatre (T)	40
<i>Semester 2</i>		
DRAM30212	Writing for Performance (T)	40
DRAM32002	Contemporary Theatre-Making (T)	40
DRAM32102	Contemporary Documentary Film Making (F)	40

3: Film Study Courses

Select your study courses via the Self-Service system on My Manchester. You must choose at least **ONE** film-based study option (F).

	Title	Credit
<i>Semester One</i>		
DRAM30331	Queer Bodies and the Cinema (F)	20
DRAM31011	From Documentary to Mockumentary (F)	20
DRAM33301	Screen Acting and Stardom (F)	20
<i>Semester Two</i>		
DRAM30842	The Social Lives of Cinema (F)	20
DRAM31042	Falstaff and Gandalf go to the Movies: Adapting Fantastic Texts to Screen (F)	20
DRAM32012	Global TV Industries (F)	20

4: Theatre Study Courses

if you have not yet selected 120 credits you may choose **ONE** course from this list

	Title	Credit
<i>Semester One</i>		
DRAM30311	Professional Practices: Dramaturgy, Curation and Creative Programming (T)	20
DRAM30821	Activist Performance (T)	20
<i>Semester Two</i>		
DRAM30292	Performance and Public Space (T)	20

5: Level 2 courses available at Level 3.

You MAY take **ONE 20 credit course from Level 2** (NB. Admission to these courses is subject to demand and priority will be given to Level 2 students).

	Title	Credit
<i>Semester One</i>		
DRAM20041	Screen, Culture and Society (F)	20
DRAM20221	Performing America (T)	20
DRAM21261	Horror on Film: Genre, Periods, Styles (F)	20
DRAM21291	Television Drama (F)	20

DRAM21881	EcoTheatre: Performing the Planet (T)	20
<i>Semester Two</i>		
DRAM20032	Contemporary British Cinema (F)	20
DRAM20092	Black on Screen (F)	20
DRAM20102	Post-Thatcher British Theatre: New Writing Since 1992 (T)	20
DRAM20632	God at the Movies (F)	20
DRAM21272	Social Acts: Applied Theatre and Engaged Arts Practice (T)	20
DRAM21902	Discipline and Punish: The Modern Prison on Stage and Screen (T/F)	20

6. Students continuing with a minor

If you studied a Minor in your first year and would like to continue with it, you should now select the relevant course units for the Minor, ensuring that you choose all 40 credits.

You can find the course units to select here: <http://documents.manchester.ac.uk/DocuInfo.aspx?DocID=33413> or email flexhons.support@manchester.ac.uk to discuss your options.

7. Free choice – if you have not taken a Minor, and you have not yet registered for 120 credits, you can select up to 40 credits of free choice units.

A maximum of 20 credits can be taken at one level below your current level of study.

For free choice units available in the **School of Arts Languages and Cultures** please see:

[Free Choice - School of Arts, Languages and Cultures - The University of Manchester](#)

A maximum of 20 credits can be taken as free choice outside of the School of Arts, Languages and Cultures.

For free choice units available from the **University College for Interdisciplinary Learning**, please see: <http://www.college.manchester.ac.uk/units/>

For free choice units available from the **University Language Centre**, please see: [Courses for all - School of Arts, Languages and Cultures - The University of Manchester](#)

For a full list of free choice units available in the University, please select the My Courses tab within My Manchester: login.manchester.ac.uk.