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## **ABOUT AF**

HKBU (then Hong Kong Baptist College) offered Hong Kong's first film and video production course as well as classes in film studies since the 1970s and established the Department of Cinema and Television in the 1990s. The Department of Cinema and Television was upgraded and renamed the **Academy of Film** in 2009.

The Academy of Film is dedicated to the provision of cinematic-arts and creative media education to cultivate talented professionals capable of contributing to Hong Kong's arts and cultural industries. Over the past four decades, the Academy has been the chief provider of cinematic-arts education in Hong Kong. It is currently Hong Kong's flagship film school in terms of its size, breadth of programmes, distinguished alumni and strong industry connections.





### **PROGRAMME**

In line with HKBU's mission to provide 'whole-person' education, the Academy strives to broaden students' academic vision and equip them with thorough professional knowledge in film and media studies, script writing, film and television production, animation, post-production and digital media.

The Academy offers four full-time programmes to over 700 students at higher diploma, undergraduate and postgraduate degree levels:

Master of Fine Arts in Film, Television and Digital Media (3-year Full-time)

Bachelor of Communication (Honours) – Film Major (4-year Full-time)

Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Creative Writing for Film, Television and New Media (2-year Full-time)

Higher Diploma in Creative Film Production (2-year Full-time)

#### **PFOPIF**







Cannes Film Festival Best Director Olivier Assayas



Veteran Actor Liu Kai Chi



Producer Andrew Hevia on Moonlight

The Academy's honorary consultants and teaching staff comprises industry's heavyweights including famous producers, award winning directors, celebrated cinematographers, top-notch actors, post-production veterans, etc. The Academy also invites top-ranking filmmakers to Hong Kong to give regular Master Classes, seminars and workshops.

#### INTERNATIONALIZATION

## Home Project: HK/US Exchange Tour

Organized by the Academy of Film of the school of communication, a delegation visit to the United States was held during Easter 2018. The Academy was in collaboration with the two renowned film schools, Department of Visual Arts of Emerson College and Hunter College of The City University of New York(CUNY). A screening followed by a discussion was held at each school featuring short films on the theme of 'Home'.



Displayed films covered various genres such as fiction, documentary, experimental and animation. Participants exchanged views on numerous topics like culture, living environment, sense of identity and etc.

### **Sponsorship Scheme for Summer Program**

The Academy encourage students to join the international film festivals and the oversea program that students can beneficial for the production talents, the writers, the animators and the future Film and TV executives. In 2018, AF fully sponsor the tuition fee for candidates to attend the Summer Program at USC, Los Angeles, CA.



### **FACILITIES**

The Academy offers students hands-on experience in filmmaking and familiarise them with the latest technological developments in the film and creative media industry. Apart from being the first publicly funded university in Hong Kong to provide two high definition television and film studios for comprehensive training in television and film production, the Academy is currently building a sound editing and mixing theatre with a specification that would become the region's exemplary model in the education sector. Also being developed is a VR studio, which the Academy intends to equip its students with the upcoming medium for storytelling.



High Definition industry standard TV & film studio



iSpace - a space for ideas



Professional 4K screening



7.1 Sound Recording & Mixing Studio



### **INITIATIVES**

# **Global University Film Awards (GUFA)**

With a strong mission to foster creative exchange among film students around the world, the Academy is launching the 1<sup>st</sup> Global University Film Awards in November 2018. Formerly known as the Global Chinese Universities Student Film and Television Festival, which has celebrated 14 years of success, the Festival refreshes its brand this year with a global focus.



#### **Film Festival Tours**

The Academy also brings students to prominent film festivals around the world and offers a range of overseas learning opportunities annually.



#### Film Incubator and Research Centre

The Academy launched the film incubator, studio i, to provide support to students and graduates in producing their first film project under the guidance of top-notch industry professionals. One feature film and two micro-film projects are now underway.

The Academy also set up the Centre for Film and Moving Image Research with an aim to advance research into film, the moving image, and also digital humanities.

In June 2018, Research Center presented the International Conference — "Documentary Film: Regional, Theoretical & Political Parameters". 33 outstanding documentary scholars and practitioners come to share their work and have rigorous dialogues along the theme.



#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

Over the past four decades, the Academy has trained more than 2,000 film and television professionals, many of whom became leaders in their field. In the recent years, students and graduates of the Academy were being recognized at various film competitions. Among which, graduates of the Academy have won three times out of the five instalments of the "First Feature Film Initiative", an initiative organized by the HKSAR government to support young talents in producing their first commercial works.





Opening Ceremony of the Academy of Film



The 5th Anniversary Gala Dinner of the Academy of Film



Masterclass with Award-winning Director Ann Hui



DR. HOU HSIAO HSIEN Awarded the degree of Doctor of Social Sciences, honoris causa



吳宇森博士 Dr. John WOO (電影導演 Film Director)



**Public Lecture of Professor Elizabeth M Daley** 



Masterclass with Award-winning Director Anthony Chen



Masterclass with Award-winning Director Johnnie To



Masterclass of A Brighter Summer Day



**Award-winning Actor Chen Chang** 



Masterclass with Award-winning Actor Jacky Cheung and Awards-winning Actress Karena Lam



**Masterclass with Award-winning Director Derek Yee** 



The 14th Global Chinese Universities student Film and Television Festival (The 14th GCU)



The 14th GCU --- The Award Presentation Ceremony



Award-winning Actress Anita Yuen



**Award-winning Director Anthony Chen and Actress Jessica Hsuan** 



Masterclass with Award-winning cinematographer Christopher Doyle



Masterclass with Award-winning Actor Joe Odagiri



Masterclass with Locarno Film Festival Best Independent Producer Award-winning Nansun Shi



Masterclass with Academy Award Nominee Kenneth Yee



Cinema Fantasia Hong Kong Exhibition



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Masterclass with Cannes Film Festival Best Director Olivier Assayas



Masterclass with Venice International Film Festival Golden Lion winning Director Tsai Ming-liang



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Home Project: HK/US Exchange Tour Visit to Emerson College



Orientation 2018-2019 Masterclass with Award-winning Actor Gordon Lam



HKBU School of Communication 50th Anniversary - Academy of Film Reunion Dinner

