

<b>Requirements Prior to 2010</b>	
<b>Core courses (6)</b>	Units
RTVF 561 - Foundations of Writing for the Screen and Stage Parameters of media writing (character, dialogue, tone/voice, scope, context, intent, etc). Structure. Story analysis. What distinguishes one medium from another. Product: 30- page screenplay.	1
RTVF 562 - Writing the Short Play	1
RTVF 563 - Writing the TV Episode	1
RTVF 564 - Feature Thesis 1 With an emphasis on understanding the structure of a feature play, film, innovative theatre piece, or interactive narrative (student's choice). Students produce: Outline, first act.	1
RTVF 565 - Feature Thesis 2 With an emphasis on writing the first draft.	1
RTVF 566 - Feature Thesis 3 With an emphasis on adaptation, revision and preparing the writer for the business of writing.	1
<b>Topics courses (4)</b>	
RTVF 360 Topics in Media Writing or RTVF 464 Advanced Writing Sample courses include: Writing Action Writing Character Presentational Aesthetics: Adapting Short Stories For Performance Writing the Non-Traditional/Innovative Form Writing the Interactive Narrative Writing the Production-Ready Short Film Writing the TV Pilot Writing Improv (Second City, etc.) Writing Romantic Comedy Writing the Horror Screenplay Writing the Thriller Writing the Psychotic/Unraveling Film Directing for Writing, Writing for Directing Acting for Writing, Writing for Acting The Art, Business, and Ethics of Script Doctoring	1 each, for a total of 4
<b>Production courses (1)</b>	
From RTVF or Theatre (300-level or higher) with approval of the Director of the MFA	1
<b>Electives (2)</b>	
(300 level or higher) Production, writing or discipline-related subject with the approval of the Director of the MFA.	1
<b>Theory/history/culture courses (300-level or higher) (4)</b>	
From Screen Cultures/RTVF, Performance Studies, Art Theory and Practice, Theatre or other departments with approval of MFA program director	1 each, for a total of 2
<b>One internship (349 or equivalent at the discretion of the Director of the MFA)</b>	1
<b>Total credits:</b>	18