

## Preliminary Web Course Description

\*Please note: This is a preliminary web course description only. The department reserves the right to change without notice any information in this description. The final, binding course outline will be distributed in the first class of the semester.

### School of English and Theatre Studies

<b>Course Code:</b> CRWR2400	<b>Course Title:</b> Screenwriting Workshop	<b>Semester and Year of Offering:</b> Fall 2024
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<b>Course Instructor:</b> Chang	<b>Course Format:</b> Online: Aynchronous
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#### Brief Course Synopsis:

This workshop introduces students to the fundamentals of screenwriting through various writing, reading, and viewing assignments and exercises, as well as the workshopping of students' written work. Topics will include: screenplay formatting, story theme, character development, story lines, scene construction, and basic three-act story telling structure. The course content may focus on: documentary and/or short-form (children's programming, advertising) screenwriting, animation, and/or introductions to specific genres and subgenres.

#### Methods of Evaluation and Weight:

<i>Component</i>	<i>Weight (%)</i>
Peer Workshop	TBD
Screenplay/Film Analyses	TBD
Short Screenplays	TBD
Learning Activities	TBD
Original Preliminaries	TBD

#### Texts and/or Resources Required (e.g. Internet access, specific textbook title, lab kit, etc.):

Film and TV/streaming screenings; online lecture materials and slideshows; assigned screenwriting-related websites. Industry-compliant screenwriting software—e.g., Final Draft, Celtx—by purchase or subscription is essential to fulfill course requirements. Also required: your regular engagement with your assigned peer group for feedback sessions, draft sharing, and learning activities. **Screenwriting is a collaborative craft, as onscreen storytelling is a very labour-, capital-, and personnel-intensive enterprise. Teamwork and community-mindedness are therefore mandatory.**

#### Information about mode of delivery:

Virtual: Asynchronous but with live online Zoom lectures and workshops TBA, which will be made available through recordings.

**Final Exam information:**

There is no final exam in this course.