

M.F.A. in Documentary Expression Minimum Total Credit Hours: 30 Course Requirements

Requirements for the MFA in Documentary Expression include 30 hours of work —15 hours of graduate classes and 15 hours of thesis work. It requires at least two advanced classes in documentary techniques, chosen from SST 533, 537, and 538, and at least one class in the theory and application of documentary work, chosen from SST 534, SST 611, and the newly proposed Contemporary History class. The program emphasizes working one-on-one with documentary scholars associated with the Center for the Study of Southern Culture to produce a major documentary work in photography, film, audio, or a combination of these techniques. The documentary thesis project includes a written component that details the goals, background, and evolution of the documentary work. Students will have a 3-person faculty committee. Some of the students in the MFA program will already have Southern Studies MA degrees. Students may not re-take classes they have already taken.