

# Unit 1: Basic Cinematography Timeline: 2 Weeks

Targeted Standards (Write the overall NJSLS standards that are most applicable to this unit.).

Anchor Standard 1: Generating and conceptualizing ideas.

1.2.12prof.Cr1d: Apply aesthetic criteria in developing, refining and proposing media arts artwork.

Anchor Standard 5: Developing and refining techniques and models or steps needed to create products.

1.2.12acc.Pr5a: Demonstrate effective command of artistic, design, technical and soft skills in managing and producing media artworks.

Rationale and Transfer Goals: This unit is designed to review topics and ideas done in Video Production 1 & 2. They will also learn advanced shot techniques such as shallow depth of field and rack focus.

Enduring Understandings: What are the most essential conclusions that students should be guided towards throughout this unit?

## **Anchor Standard 1:**

Media arts use a variety of sources such as imagination and creative processes to inspire and transform concepts and ideas into artistic expression.

## **Anchor Standard 5:**

Media artists require a range of skills and abilities to creatively solve problems.

**Essential Questions**: What are the questions that will guide critical thinking about the content of this unit? Essential questions should, in part, be thought-starters toward the enduring understandings.

#### **Anchor Standard 1:**

How do media artists generate ideas and formulate artistic intent?

### **Anchor Standard 5:**

How are creativity and innovation developed within and through media arts productions?

Content/Objectives		Instructional Actions	
Content	Skills	Activities/Strategies	Evidence (Assessments)
What students will know	What students will be able to do	How we teach content and skills	How we know students have learned



How to use a Professional ENG Camera.	Gain skills in using tools and equipment	They will do this with a series of Hands on activities, demonstrations by teacher and	Students will be asked to shoot a scene using triangle coverage like VP1 assignment, however they
What is white balance	how to white balance a camera how to do a rack focus	peers, videos and notes	will use more advanced shooting techniques, such as using shallow
What is Shallow Depth of Field?	how to achieve a shallow depth of field.		depth of field and Rack Focus. As well as using an ENG camera.
How to do a Rack Focus	how to use time management how to work in a team		
What is an Iris, Aperture and F-			
stop	how to follow instructions from		
	peers		
	Gain self confidence		
	what it takes to perfect the craft		

## **Spiraling for Mastery**

# Where does this unit spiral back to other units from this or previous years in order to ensure that students retain mastery of what they've learned?

Content or Skill for this Unit	Spiral Focus from Previous Unit	Instructional Activity
Zoom	In VP1 Unit 1, they learned how to	Presentation
Focus	Zoom in and out using a camera and	Demonstration
Rule of Thirds	how to properly frame a shot using	Newscast Project
Video Editing	the rule of thirds and the proper	Honda Commercial Project
Audio Editing	amount of headroom. these are	Scavenger Hunt
Graphics Editing	necessary for all other units where a	Sequence Project
Videography Repertoire / 7 Key shots	camera is used.	PSA Project
Use a Tri-pod		Music Video



Use all critical Functions of a Consumer level Video Camera Write a Script Story Telling	In VP1 Unit 2, they learned how to use Final Cut Pro V to edit video. They will now have to edit all their projects in FCPX for all other Units.	
	In VP1 Unit 3, they learned how to use use a Video Camera, Tripod and what types shots they should use	
	In VP2 Unit 2, They learned how to tell a story using a plot.	

## 21st Century Skills:

- 9.4.2.DC.6: Identify respectful and responsible ways to communicate in digital environments.
- 9.3.12.AR.3 Analyze the lifestyle implications and physical demands required in the arts, audio/visual technology and communications workplace.
- 9.4.2.TL.1: Identify the basic features of a digital tool and explain the purpose of the tool (e.g., 8.2.2.ED.1).
- 9.4.12.Cl.1: Demonstrate the ability to reflect, analyze, and use creative skills and ideas.
- 9.4.12.CT.2: Explain the potential benefits of collaborating to enhance critical thinking and problem solving.
- 9.4.12.IML.4: Assess and critique the appropriateness and impact of existing data visualizations for an intended audience.

## **Key resources:**

Teacher with Prior Experience in the Industry, Final Cut Pro Editing Software, Computer Labs for research and scripting, TV Studio Equipment, Camcorders



## **Interdisciplinary Connections:**

**RST.9-10.7** Translate quantitative or technical information expressed in words in a text into visual form and translate information expressed visually or mathematically

**RI.11-12.7(ELA)** Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem.

Intersections of History:
Black:
Hispanic:
Warrani
Women:
LGBTQ:
Important Vocabulary:
White Balance

White Balance Rack focus Depth of Field Shallow Depth of Field Iris/Aperture