

2017 International Study Tour

Unit Name: Cross Institutional Project COL400 – International Study Tour

6 CREDIT POINTS

Summary

This subject is a special project based on research and learning undertaken in conjunction with the **Los Angeles Film School (LAFS)** in West Hollywood. Students will participate in one week of study experiences on the LAFS campus, auditing a range of classes taught by industry experts and educators, followed by one week of visits to major film studios and other activities in Los Angeles.

On completion of the two-week program in Los Angeles, students will continue with a 12-week special project on campus in Australia. Individual projects are based on a single project topic of the student's choice that is then developed over the length of the course. Students will be supervised and will work in conjunction with a supervisor to complete the final project.

LA trip dates

10 September: depart Australia
23 September: depart United States
25 September: arrive back in Australia

Unit replacements

The external project will replace one for-credit subject in your regular JMC Academy program. Heads of Department will work with each individual student to determine the most appropriate unit to be replaced.

If no replacement unit can be found successful applicants may enrol in this subject as an additional unit.

Proposed Itinerary

Week 1 – Join classes at Los Angeles Film School + Industry lectures

Students may select units from the following streams:

- Animation, VFX and Game Art
- Recording Arts
- Music Production
- Film
- Entertainment Business

Students will participate in LA Film School classes together with LAFS students. Specific subject choices will be offered to students before the LA program starts – usually very close to the start date.

A special closed program consisting of up to 15 class hours, most likely focused on “The Art of the Pitch” and “Transmedia Storytelling”, will be delivered by experts at LAFS to the JMC student group.

Week 2 – Studio visits

Visit 3 of the following studios: Paramount, Warner, Universal Studios and Disneyland. VIP access may be granted to some or all studios.

Itinerary is subject to amendments.

Unit Key Dates (2017) (subject to adjustment if necessary)

24 April	Applications close
25 April – 21 May	Screening of applications
22 May	Successful applicants will be notified
29 May	Replacement unit determined, enrolment adjustments made if necessary
7 June	Deposit due
21 July	Payment for full-fee paying students due
10 September	Arrive in Los Angeles
11 – 15 September	Classes and activities at LA Film School
18 – 22 September	Film studio visits
23 September	Depart Los Angeles

Assessments are due in Week 3, Week 4 and Week 12.

About the Los Angeles Film School

The Los Angeles Film School offers associate and bachelor degrees in majors relating to the entertainment industry. The school encompasses the Los Angeles Recording School.

Nestled in the heart of Hollywood, LAFS is located just minutes from the famous studios and production offices that make this city the entertainment capital of the world. At 6363 Sunset Boulevard, The Los Angeles Film School is a Hollywood landmark in its own right. Once home to RCA Records, the 6363 building has housed studios for some of music’s elite, including Elvis Presley and the Rolling Stones.

For more information visit www.lafilm.edu

Eligibility

The unit is available to all JMC Academy Bachelor degree students entering Trimesters 3 - 6 in September, 2017.

Regardless of your home study discipline there is flexibility to audit classes from any of the LAFS offerings.

Selection

A total of 30 places will be offered to JMC Academy students. Selection will be based on academic performance and recommendations from Heads of Department.

Fees

The Cross-institutional Project COL400 Unit Fee is A\$6,550*.

This unit is FEE-HELP eligible for students who normally qualify for this loan scheme. Students who do not qualify for the loan scheme will be required to pay the full fee to JMC Academy before 21 July, 2017.

A \$1500 deposit will be required to secure a place in the unit. For FEE-HELP eligible students, this deposit will be refundable upon return from the US, subject to meeting conditions (to be detailed before deposit is due). For non-FEE-HELP eligible students, this deposit will form the first payment of the unit fee.

Additional expenses

The unit fee of A\$6,550* does not include airfares, accommodation, transfers or entry to excursions. However, students who are accepted into the program will be deemed eligible to receive a travel grant to cover these costs. Other expenses such as passports, electronic visa fees, meals and other incidentals will not be covered by the grant.

Accommodation

Accommodation is currently proposed to be the Oakwood Toluca Hills Apartments, opposite Universal Studios in Hollywood. These apartments are two-bedroom units, with two people per room. Students may request their own room but will be required to pay a supplement.

Supervision

Two JMC Academy staff members will accompany the group.

Further information and submit your application form

Email international@jmc.edu.au or call International Services (03) 9624 2929.

*Subject to possible variation with final confirmation no later than 22 May.