### Film Studies - TSM Subject SS Dissertation Requirements

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<th>TSM SUBJECT</th>
<th>Insert Subject Name Film Studies</th>
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<td>Item</td>
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<td><strong>GENERAL and PREPARATION</strong></td>
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<td>Pattern A:</td>
<td>NA</td>
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<td>Pattern B:</td>
<td>Compulsory</td>
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<td>Prerequisite Modules required:</td>
<td>N</td>
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<tr>
<td>Dissertation Module Title and code:</td>
<td>FS4026 Dissertation, FS4049 Dissertation with Practice</td>
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<td>Credit Weighting:</td>
<td>20 ECTS</td>
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<td>Topic:</td>
<td>Selected by students</td>
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<td>Supervisors – How are these assigned?</td>
<td>Assigned by department</td>
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<td>When are supervisors agreed?</td>
<td>End April/beginning May of their JS year</td>
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<td>JS or Vacation Period study required:</td>
<td>Advised</td>
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<td>Proposal Required:</td>
<td>Y</td>
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<td>Proposal Submission Date:</td>
<td>End April of JS year</td>
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<td>Proposal guidelines available:</td>
<td>Y at dedicated Dissertation/Dissertation with Practice meeting, end HT JS year</td>
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<td>Plagiarism Regulations available:</td>
<td>Y in handbook Y</td>
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<td><strong>DURING</strong></td>
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<td>Word Count: Minimum and Maximum, where applicable:</td>
<td>FS4026 Dissertation: 10,000 words, FS4049 Dissertation with Practice: EITHER 10 min video essay plus 7,500 word critical analysis OR 80-100 page screenplay plus 4,000 word critical analysis.</td>
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<td>Word Count Pattern A (if Different) Minimum and Maximum, where applicable:</td>
<td>NA</td>
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<td>Dissertation Guidelines available:</td>
<td>Style sheet / Referencing conventions are supplied: Y/ in handbook: Y/</td>
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<td>Presentation(s) Required:</td>
<td>Y. One presentation during FS4027 Research Skills module in MT.</td>
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<td>Supervisors - Availability and Meetings with supervisors, recommended number and frequency etc, or minimum required level of interaction:</td>
<td>Advised to meet regularly (at least fortnightly).</td>
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<td>Feedback – method and frequency:</td>
<td>Verbal and written. Per meeting and/or submission.</td>
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<td>Advice on timeline/structure of study for completion:</td>
<td>Y as part of FS4027 Research Skills module.</td>
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<td>Additional Requirements (if any):</td>
<td>NA</td>
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<td><strong>COMPLETION AND ASSESSMENT</strong></td>
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<td>Submission Date:</td>
<td>Week 8 HT</td>
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<td>Penalties for Late Submission:</td>
<td>Y. Late submissions are not accepted without an approved extension from the Sophister convenor.</td>
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<td>Penalties for exceeding word count:</td>
<td>Y. FS4026 Dissertations that fail to meet the length requirements will be penalised by a 5% deduction from the final mark if under 9,000 or over 11,000 words. Examiners are not required to read beyond 11,000 words.</td>
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<td>Penalties for not meeting minimum word count:</td>
<td>Y. As above.</td>
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<td>Penalties Other:</td>
<td>N</td>
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<td>Assessment criteria availability:</td>
<td>Y Feedsbacks form posted on FS4027 Research Skills Blackboard site and discussed in week one of FS4027 Research Skills module MT.</td>
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<td>Who assesses the dissertation?</td>
<td>Supervisor (first reader) plus second reader (another full-time member of FS staff).</td>
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<td>External Examiner role:</td>
<td>Assess / moderate</td>
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<td>A range of dissertations/dissertations with practice across the grade bands along with any dissertations with split marks are sent to the extern, who moderates all marks and provides individual reports.</td>
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<td>Viva Voce / Oral examination:</td>
<td>NA</td>
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<td>Is Passing the Dissertation module required in order to pass the year?</td>
<td>N</td>
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<td>Can the module be passed by compensation or aggregation?</td>
<td>The module is compensatable in line with TSM regulations.</td>
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