

Australian Government

CUACAM301 Shoot material for screen productions

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Modification History

Release	Comments	
	This version first released with CUA Creative Arts and Culture Training Package version 2.0.	

Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to shoot material for screen productions using a single-camera unit.

It applies to individuals whose prime responsibility is to capture screen images using a range of video equipment. They generally work under direction, and perform all camera, sound and lighting functions. Depending on the scale of the shoot, they may have an assistant or may be required to assist senior camera operators.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Unit Sector

Media and Entertainment Production - Camera/Cinematography

ELEMENT	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA	
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.	
1. Prepare for shoots	1.1 Participate in pre-production briefings to confirm production and post-production requirements	
	1.2 Arrange equipment and accessories for shoots as directed, checking everything is clean and operational	
	1.3 Check there are adequate supplies of charged batteries and capture media for shoots	
	1.4 Prepare and pack lighting equipment	
	1.5 Undertake minor repairs on faulty equipment and report significant faults to relevant production personnel	
	1.6 Confirm location, shooting schedules and timelines	

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENT	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA		
	1.7 Complete workplace documentation prior to shoots		
2. Set up on location	2.1 Contribute ideas to initial concepts in discussion with crew and talent		
	2.2 Plan camera positions to ensure composition of shots provides correct visual interpretation of material or subject		
	2.3 Take safety of personnel on location into account when setting up and securing cameras and other equipment		
	2.4 Plan repositioning of equipment and accessories during shoots in line with production schedules		
	2.5 Label and load capture media and check camera functions		
	2.6 Position microphones and conduct audio check		
3. Set up lighting	3.1 Assess quality and quantity of available light to determine whether correction is required		
	3.2 Mount and position lighting equipment following safety guidelines		
	3.3 Run lighting cables and connect safely to power sources		
	3.4 Install colour frames and gels according to requirements		
	3.5 Select lenses and filters appropriate to prevailing weather conditions		
4. Position and operate camera to capture shots	4.1 Use camera shots and angles that produce effective cuts between shots in line with production requirements		
	4.2 Take account of editing or other post-production requirements while shooting		
	4.3 Check camera movements to implement planned or rehearsed shots according to direction from production personnel		
	4.4 Shoot and record sequences as directed, maintaining focus throughout		
5. Manipulate cables and camera positioning	5.1 Participate in pre-production meetings and rehearsals to confirm final camera and cable movements		
	5.2 Position and move camera cabling during shoots according to instructions and cues from production personnel		
	5.3 Respond consistently to cues from production personnel to avoid undue lapses in timing		
	5.4 Cooperate with other crew members to move cameras and cabling without impeding work of camera operators		
	5.5 Handle cabling without damaging equipment or causing injury to		

ELEMENT	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA		
	others		
6. Wrap up shoots	6.1 Use safe lifting techniques when packing equipment and accessories		
	6.2 Label recorded material and associated documentation correctly		
	6.3 Report equipment faults and complete required documentation		
	6.4 Leave locations in original or improved condition		
	6.5 Review and reflect on own performance and note areas for improvement		

Foundation Skills

This section describes language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills incorporated in the performance criteria that are required for competent performance.

Skill	Performance	Description	
	Criteria		
Reading	1.6, 3.2, 6.2	Recognises and interprets textual information to determine and adhere to requirements	
Writing	1.6, 1.7, 6.2, 6.3, 6.5	Completes production documentation according to requirements	
Oral Communication	1.1, 1.5, 2.1, 4.3, 5.1-5.3, 6.3	Listens carefully and responds to verbal and non-verbal instructions	
	, , ,	Selects and uses appropriate language to report results and faults	
Navigate the world of work	1.1, 2.3, 3.2, 3.3, 5.5, 6.1	• Takes responsibility for meeting legal and regulatory responsibilities within scope of own role	
Interact with others	1.1, 1.5, 2.1, 5.1, 5.4	• Works collaboratively with technical experts to achieve desired results	
Get the work done	1.2-1.6, 2.2, 2.5, 2.6, 3.1, 3.4, 3.5, 4.1-4.4, 5.2, 5.4, 6.2, 6.5	 Plans, organises and implements routine tasks according to schedules Follows instructions to complete tasks according to 	
	5.2-5.4, 6.2-6.5	production requirements	
		Makes decisions directly related to own role	
		Recognises and responds to predictable routine problems	
		• Seeks assistance when problems are beyond immediate	

responsibilities or experience

Unit Mapping Information

Code and title current version	Code and title previous version	Comments	Equivalence status
CUACAM301 Shoot material for screen productions	CUFCAM301A Shoot material for screen productions	Updated to meet Standards for Training Packages. Minor edits to performance criteria to clarify intent.	Equivalent unit

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=1db201d9-4006-4430-839f-382ef6b803d5