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CUACAM211 Assist with basic camera shoots

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Release 1	This version first released with CUA Creative Arts and Culture Training Package version 5.0.

Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to assist with setting up and shooting low-budget, low-end single-camera video productions. Individuals prepare for and assist with shoots on location, shoot and record video sequences and ensure the shoot is wrapped up.

The unit applies to those who work under the direction of a qualified camera operator on pre-production and production tasks, including shooting footage with basic camera equipment.

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

Unit Sector

Media and entertainment production – Camera/cinematography

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENT	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Prepare for camera shoots	1.1 Confirm camera shoot requirements with required personnel 1.2 Organise and prepare equipment for camera shoot according to production requirements 1.3 Check charged batteries are available to meet production requirements 1.4 Select required capture format and confirm supply for shoots meets production requirements
2. Assist with camera set-up on location	2.1 Check camera and other equipment is prepared and safely secured 2.2 Assist with positioning camera under direction from required personnel 2.3 Safely connect cables and camera to power source as required

ELEMENT	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
	2.4 Assist with final check of equipment prior to shoot and report additional faults to required personnel 2.5 Label and load capture media 2.6 Check camera tilt and pan functions
3. Set up lighting	3.1 Mount lighting equipment, following safety guidelines 3.2 Run lighting cables and connect safely to power sources 3.3 Achieve required effects by positioning lights 3.4 Adjust focus and angles of lights as required according to shoot requirements 3.5 Install colour frames and gels according to production requirements
4. Shoot video	4.1 Adjust and move equipment as required 4.2 Operate clapperboard if needed 4.3 Operate camera according to manufacturer guidelines and instructions 4.4 Shoot and record sequences as directed according to shoot requirements
5. Wrap up shoots	5.1 Clean and pack equipment using safe lifting techniques 5.2 Check all equipment is accounted for and report faults to required personnel 5.3 Label recordings and complete documentation according to production requirements 5.4 Ensure location is left in original condition 5.5 Review and reflect on own performance and note areas for improvement

Foundation Skills

This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential to performance but not explicit in the performance criteria.

SKILL	DESCRIPTION
Numeracy	Performs calculations when recording time codes
Oral communication	- Listens carefully and responds to verbal instructions and creative directions as required - Reports results and faults using applicable language
Reading	Interprets textual information to determine and adhere to requirements

SKILL	DESCRIPTION
Writing	• Interprets and completes production documentation using specific and accurate language
Initiative and enterprise	• Identifies and responds to predictable routine problems • Seeks assistance when problems are beyond immediate responsibilities or experience
Planning and organising	• Plans and organises routine tasks, taking some limited responsibility for decisions regarding sequencing and timing • Prioritises work tasks, meeting deadlines as required
Teamwork	• Achieves desired results working collaboratively with technical experts

Unit Mapping Information

Supersedes and is equivalent to CUACAM201 Assist with a basic camera shoot.

Links

Companion Volume Implementation Guide is found on VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=1db201d9-4006-4430-839f-382ef6b803d5>

Assessment Requirements for CUACAM211 Assist with basic camera shoots

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Performance Evidence

The candidate must demonstrate the ability to complete the tasks outlined in the elements, performance criteria and foundation skills of this unit, including evidence of the ability to:

- assist with basic camera shoots for at least two different production requirements.

In the course of the above, the candidate must:

- assemble required camera equipment and accessories in readiness for shoots and:
 - ensure equipment is clean and operational
 - identify and report equipment faults
 - take into account location features
- assist others with setting up and testing cameras and lighting for basic camera shoots
- follow workplace safety and security procedures
- operate a basic camera to shoot video under direction
- use safe handling techniques when lifting camera and other equipment
- assist with clearing locations and packing equipment at conclusion of shoots.

Knowledge Evidence

The candidate must be able to demonstrate knowledge to complete the tasks outlined in the elements, performance criteria and foundation skills of this unit, including knowledge of:

- types of cameras and lighting equipment used in low-end productions
- different functions typically found on cameras employed in low-end productions and how they are used
- lighting types used for shooting low-end productions
- key personnel involved in low-end video productions
- work health and safety procedures that apply to working under direction on camera shoots.

Assessment Conditions

Skills in this unit must be demonstrated in a workplace or simulated environment where the conditions are typical of those in a working environment in this industry.

This includes access to:

- basic camera and lighting equipment
- different locations required to demonstrate the performance evidence
- interaction with others required to demonstrate the performance evidence.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational educational and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards.

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