Enquire Teaching Timetable

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Course Outcome

COMM 3711-Script Writing and Screenplay

Learning Outcome

Learning outcomes

- 1. Understand the general introduction of writing scripts, such as the main elements of the script, the methods to promote the plot, and learn the different writing methods of various TV series through case analysis.
- 2. Appreciate and analyze the script, and learn from it how to set up themes, how to establish the relationship between the characters and the plot,
- 3. Experimental writing, from ideation to breakout to material preparation, students can write a scripted story.

Course Syllabus

(For reference only, subject to changes)
1. Introduction to the script

- 2. The establishment of the character
- 3. The development method of the plot: foreshadowing, the beginning and end of the branch line, how to write the ending
- 4. The relationship table of the characters, the "Book of Heaven", the big
- The writing methods and functions of stories, large divisions, small divisions, etc. 5. Dialogue writing skills 6. Various types of writing methods for TV dramas
- 7. Discussion of homework and explanation of classmates' homework
- 8. Movie script writing methods and examples for appreciation
- 9. Workshops, From the idea to the breakout to the preparation of materials
- 10. Summary and explain the classwork

Assessment Type

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Course Evaluation

Required Readings

Screenwriting Theory

Gu Zhongyi [Screenwriting Theory and Techniques] 1981 China Drama Publishing House

Xinteng and author Zhang Jiabei Translated [Film Production Experience] 1991 China Film Publishing House

Fan Peisong [Suspense Techniques] 1988 Huacheng Publishing House

Deng Suining [Screenwriting Methodology] 1982 National

Fang Cun, Compilation and Translation Library [Drama Writing Method] 1987 Dongda Book Company

Liu Wenzhou [Movie. The Art of TV Screenwriting] 1984 Guangqi Press Ma Wei [Drama Language] 1985 Shanghai Literature and Art Publishing House

Tan Peisheng [On Dramaticism] 1984 Peking University Press

Qing Òu Ji] 1985 Xijiang Ancient Books Publishing House Wei Xiaojian, Hu Kaiyang, Sun Jujun [Tragic Psychology] 1989 Three Ring Press John. Howard. Law Xun, translated by Shao Qiujun and Qi Zhou [Theory and Techniques of Drama and Movies]

1989 China Film Publishing House

Wang Chaoying, Xia Yan, etc. [On Drama Science] 1979 People's Literature Publishing House

She Shuying [On Li Yu's Drama Aesthetics] 1982 China Social Science Press

Xia Yan [Several Issues in Writing Movie Scripts] 1978 People's Literature Publishing House

Edgar. E. Willis, Carguanger. Germany. Written by Wen Li Enzo, translated by Li Ying [TV script creation]

1991 China Radio and Television Publishing House Guo Rui [Jin Shengtan's Theory of Novels and Drama Theory] 1993 China Federation of Literary and Art Circles Publishing

Yuan Wenshu [Character Characters and Plots in Movies] 1958 China Film Publishing

Wang Di [Modern film and drama art theory] 1995 China Film Publishing

Cao Yu [On drama] 1985 Sichuan Literature and Art Publishing

Qin Junxiang [The art of drama conflict in TV drama] 1997 Beijing Broadcasting Institute

Editor-in-Chief Deng Biquan and Zhang Shengyang [Wonderful dialogue between famous Chinese and foreign dramas and films] 2000 Baihuazhou Literature and Art Publishing House

Liu Tianci [Scripting Secrets] 1997 Cultural Hall

Liu Tianci [Martial Arts

Screening Secrets] 1995 Georges Polit The thirty-six dramatic situations 1981 The writer inc.

Lajos Egri The art of dramatic writing 1960 Simon & Schuster

Lajos Egri The art of creative writing 1974 The citadel press

Eugene Vale The technique of screenplay writing 1974 The universal library Grosset & Dunlap

Recommended Readings

Ten must-read books for screenwriters,

Old Testament,

Greek, Roman mythology,

Shakespeare, four: Romeo and Juliet, Othello, Macbeth, Prince's Revenge

Jin Yong: The Eagle Shooting, The Sculpture, The Heavenly

Allen Poe Short Story or (日) Jiang Shi Ranbu novels

Sherlock Holmes detective novels or Agatha. Christie's Detective Novels

Chinese Classical Novels: Romance of the Three Kingdoms, Little Margin

Russian Novels: Gamblers, Crime and Punishment
Japanese Novels: Matsumoto Seiichi, Morikawa Seiichi, Akagawa Jiro (one or two of them)
Modern Chinese Novels: The True Story of Ah Q (Lu Xun), Locals and Li Ke (Sima Zhongyuan), The Sixth Episode of the First Story of Cixi (Gao Yang)