

MEDIA STUDIES

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Media Studies

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Media Studies is an interdisciplinary program that focuses on the history, analysis, and theorization of technologically driven visual media, including film, television, video art, the Internet, and expanded cinema.

Broader survey courses introduce students to the history of moving images and to the fundamentals of cinematic and media analysis, while advanced seminars focus on three elective areas that extend media analysis through cultural theory and practical skills: film history and aesthetics; media and cultural theory; and media production and applied research.

The Media Studies Major and the Cinema and Media Studies Minor are housed in the School of Humanities.

Bachelor's Program

- [Bachelor of Arts \(BA\) Degree with a Major in Media Studies](https://ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/media-studies/media-studies-ba/) (<https://ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/media-studies/media-studies-ba/>)

Minor

- [Minor in Cinema and Media Studies](https://ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/media-studies/cinema-media-studies-minor/) (<https://ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/media-studies/cinema-media-studies-minor/>)

Media Studies does not currently offer an academic program at the graduate level.

For Rice University degree-granting programs:

To view the list of official course offerings, please see [Rice's Course Catalog](https://courses.rice.edu/admweb/!SWKSCAT.cat?p_action=cata) (https://courses.rice.edu/admweb/!SWKSCAT.cat?p_action=cata).

To view the most recent semester's course schedule, please see [Rice's Course Schedule](https://courses.rice.edu/admweb/!SWKSCAT.cat) (<https://courses.rice.edu/admweb/!SWKSCAT.cat>).

Description and Code Legend

Note: Internally, the university uses the following descriptions, codes, and abbreviations for this academic program. The following is a quick reference:

Course Catalog/Schedule

- Course offerings/subject codes: CMST, MDIA

Department (or Program) Description and Code

- Media Studies: MDIA

Undergraduate Degree Description and Code

- Bachelor of Arts degree: BA

Undergraduate Major Description and Code

- Major in Media Studies: MDIA

Undergraduate Minor Description and Code

- Minor in Cinema and Media Studies: CMST

CIP Code and Description ¹

- **MDIA** Major/Program: CIP Code/Title: *09.0102 - Mass Communication/Media Studies*
- **CMST** Minor: CIP Code/Title: *50.0601 - Film/Cinema/Video Studies*

¹ Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) 2020 Codes and Descriptions from the National Center for Education Statistics: <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/>.