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**Hollywood CPR**  
and West Los Angeles College  
Motion Picture and Television Production Crafts  
**Program Information**

The **Motion Picture and Television Production Crafts Program**, administered in conjunction with Hollywood CPR and West LA College, is a one-of-a-kind, multi-tiered motion picture, television and stagecraft production education training program that covers the entire spectrum of the entertainment industry's career pathways, including crafts often absent from formal learning environments, such as stagecraft, grip, set lighting, costuming, set painting and set decorating, as well as more traditional disciplines such as camera, sound and editing. Via face to face and online instruction, qualified students learn these specialized skills from highly experienced industry professionals who are masters in their trade. Foundational classes focus on the most important and common skills expected of an entry-level worker. The program includes comprehensive life skills coaching and support to promote success in obtaining and maintaining employment along any career pathway. Craft classes function like a real-world production to prepare students for the working conditions they will experience on a film, stage or television show. **A West Los Angeles College Certificate of Achievement will be awarded upon successful completion of the program.**

The program begins with Introduction to Motion Picture and Television Crafts (FLM PRD 100) and is a required class if you are interested in taking any of the craft classes. Upon successful completion of the prerequisite FLM PRD 100 (Grade C or better), you then take the Production Skills class, then select one of the CRAFT classes.

The program typically requires 18 months to 2 years to complete and includes many components of training designed by IATSE Union (International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees) professionals. The craft classes are also taught by industry professionals; many are crew members themselves. This gives you the advantage of learning in an apprentice-style approach.

In order to advance in the program, *students must demonstrate excellent attendance, a positive attitude, a passion and desire to work in their craft, respect for the crew and their place in it, and sufficient mastery of the core skills needed to prosper in their chosen craft.*

The rigorous nature of the program offers many rewards beyond the unique opportunity to study entertainment industry crafts with seasoned professionals. Participants will learn how to communicate effectively, to be self starting, organized and proactive, how to cultivate and maintain support networks, to nurture their creativity and careers, and ultimately, how to succeed.

**PATHWAYS:**

Option 1 WLAC Certificate of Achievement	Option 2a Hollywood CPR Skill Certificate <sup>1</sup>	Option 2b WLAC Two-Year Media Arts Degree	Option 3 Transfer to Four Year College
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓢ Intro Course (3 Units)</li> <li>Ⓢ Production Skills (6 units)</li> <li>Ⓢ Craft Class(es) (6 units)</li> <li>Ⓢ Additional Craft Course (6 units)</li> <li>Ⓢ Directed Study (6 units)</li> </ul> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>27+ Units</b></p> <p>(~1.5 – 2 years to complete)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓢ Additional directed study &amp; life skills training</li> <li>Ⓢ Cert. of Achievement</li> <li>Ⓢ Instructor Recommendation</li> <li>Ⓢ Hands-on skill demonstration &amp; advisory committee review</li> </ul> <hr/> <p>(~6 months additional upon completion of cert. of achievement)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓢ Certificate of Achievement</li> <li>Ⓢ WLAC core education requirements</li> </ul> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>(2 – 2.5 yrs to complete)</b></p>	<p>Some craft &amp; life skills courses will be transferable for credit at a four year institution; others may not.</p>

The program begins with Introduction to Motion Picture and Television Crafts (FLM PRD 100) and is a required class if you are interested in taking any of the specialized craft classes. **This class will be offered beginning Tuesday, August 28, 2012 and ending Tuesday December 11, 2012 (1:00pm-4:15pm) at West Los Angeles College in ATA 128.**

**INTERESTED?**

First apply to West Los Angeles College  
 Go online to [www.wlac.edu](http://www.wlac.edu) click the APPLY ONLINE tab and complete the process.  
**THEN MAKE AN APPOINTMENT WITH LAURA PETERSON VIA EMAIL ONLY**  
[filmtvstageproduction@gmail.com](mailto:filmtvstageproduction@gmail.com) to register. This will give you priority registration. Before you make your appointment be sure you have received your Student ID # from West LA College.

**REGISTRATION DATES AND TIMES OPEN:**

Wednesday June 5, 2012 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm (be sure to select a time in your email)  
 Thursday June 6, 2012 from 8:30 am to 6:00 pm (be sure to select a time in your email)

If you are not able to register on either of these days, please tell us in the email and we will attempt to find another time, however classes do fill up quickly.

**COSTS:** There are community college fees that are required to register for the program<sup>2</sup> however there is **FINANCIAL AID AVAILABLE.** Apply for a fee waiver and Apply for financial aid online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) -the **WLAC Federal School Code is: 008596** there are also scholarships available (see Laura Peterson for details)

**REQUIREMENTS**

You must: be at least 18 years of age; be a legal resident of Los Angeles County; have a valid California Drivers License or California ID; and have a valid Social Security Card to apply for the program. **NOTE:** If you are in High School please contact Laura Peterson for a school waiver.

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<sup>1</sup> The Hollywood CPR Skill Certificate is an additional merit-based distinction above and beyond the Certificate of Achievement that signifies an exceptional mastery of entry-level skills to employers and trade unions. Recipients of the Hollywood CPR Skill Certificate have proven themselves to be well-rounded, skilled trainees who are ready to begin careers in their respective crafts.

<sup>2</sup> Fees: \$108.00 (\$36 per unit, FLM PRD 100=3 units) Parking Fee: \$20.00 for semester OR \$2 per day (No Fee if using public transportation) Health/Misc: \$ 19.00 Total: \$147 w/ parking OR \$127 w/out parking