

The Media Studies certificate is an interdisciplinary program designed to explore the context and influence of media through both application and reflection. Students will have a strong foundation in the language, history, culture, and aesthetics of media. The program objectives fall into two large categories: 1) developing the understandings and skills necessary for a career in media; 2) developing the critical thinking skills necessary to interpret and analyze the values, assumptions, and constituent cultural/sociological phenomena housed within--and underneath--its ubiquitous presence. The Media Studies certificate will prepare learners to transfer to a four-year university and for professional careers in a variety of media-related fields. Students should consult with the intended transfer institution to determine the appropriate courses to complete at Foothill College.