



Seattle Film Institute Introduces Innovative On-Set Covid Safety Training Program.

Seattle Film Institute is pleased to announce their new accelerated certificate training program for COVID-19 safety and compliance. The certificate program is designed to increase job readiness for current students and recent alumni as they enter the workforce. Many film and media productions in Seattle require COVID-19 compliance officers and Seattle Film Institute has received inquiries from multiple productions looking for trained crew members. The certificate training program is offered free to current Seattle Film Institute students and alumni.

College Founder and President, David Shulman, said, "The Seattle Film Institute staff has done an incredible job in working with local film experts and engaging in COVID-19 health and safety training to design a comprehensive certificate program that can prepare students for current workplace conditions. I am proud to support this critical job training that will allow Seattle Film Institute students and our film community get back to work safely."

Seattle Film Institute, a member of the Northwest Career Colleges Federation, serves 70 to 100 students per year, offering undergraduate and graduate degrees in film production, acting, animation & game design, film scoring, and producing. "We saw a need to help our students face growing barriers due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this investment in their education will combine health and safety training with service and leadership activities crucial for their success." said Monique Anair, SFI Director of Education.

Students complete an online safety course and then serve as a Covid-19 compliance officer on a student or professional shoot. "We also have alumni completing their required training with their film unions and coming back to take the certificate to get additional experience applying their skills on a working set," says Anair.

SFI Communications Director, Chris Blanchett, sees a dual benefit from the program "Having students function on-set as Covid Safety Officers gives them a highly sought-after skill-set and certification while allowing the school to safely continue with the student productions that are a key element in both the hands-on education, and the professional quality demo-reels, SFI provides our students".

"We are encouraging students and alumni to contact us about the certificate. Our goal is to make this available to our community until it is not needed anymore," said Shulman. For more information on the Seattle Film Institute's COVID-19 safety and compliance training email covidsafety@sfi.edu. "We are more than happy to share the curriculum and content with other schools as well," said Anair, "We need to remain resilient as we navigate the future of the film and media workforce."

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About Seattle Film Institute

The Seattle Film Institute offers professional certificates, undergraduate degrees, and graduate degrees in all aspects of film:

Filmmaking
Acting For Film
Producing For Film
Digital Arts, Animation & Game Design
Audio Production & Sound Design
Composing for Film

All SFI programs feature a hands-on education and practical experience that provide the groundwork for professional careers. Students learn real-world skills from a faculty anchored by film industry professionals. And every SFI student benefits from our commitment to career services and coaching.

Our next two program start dates are March 22, 2021 and September 27, 2021.

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