

## Film and Television Production and Film and Moving Image

Jobs within this sector are wide ranging. Some common roles are broadcasting/film/video editor, lighting technician, runner, sound technician, television camera operator, TV production assistant. Depending on the job, the lifestyle can be very demanding. Freelance work features in all areas, particularly TV production, film and video. On average 23% of the workforce are employed on a freelance basis. If you are serious about finding a job in the media you need to do as much research and work experience as possible.

### Professional Bodies

Professional Bodies often have their own websites, which include sections on careers, professional development and jobs. Those of particular relevance to Film and Television students are:

BECTU

[www.bectu.org.uk](http://www.bectu.org.uk) Tel: 020 7346 0900

Produces Stage, Screen and Radio Magazine.

British Film Institute

[www.bfi.org.uk](http://www.bfi.org.uk) Tel: 020 7255 1444

Moving Image Society

[www.bksts.com](http://www.bksts.com) Tel: 01753 656656

Community Media Association

[www.commedia.org.uk](http://www.commedia.org.uk) Tel: 0114 279 5219

PACT Producers Alliance for Cinema and Television

[www.pact.co.uk](http://www.pact.co.uk) Tel: 020 7067 4367

Institute of Broadcast Sound

[www.ibs.org.uk](http://www.ibs.org.uk) Tel: 01483 575450

UK Film Council

[www.ukfilmcouncil.org.uk/](http://www.ukfilmcouncil.org.uk/) Tel: 0207 861 7861

### Other Relevant Job Search:

[www.skillset.org](http://www.skillset.org) Tel: 08080 300 900

This is the Sector Skills Council for TV, Radio and Audiovisual Industries. They have recently launched a new film skills website which is also worth looking at

[www.skillset.org/film](http://www.skillset.org/film)

[www.startintv.com](http://www.startintv.com)

[www.entsweb.co.uk/media](http://www.entsweb.co.uk/media)

FT2 Film and TV Freelance Training [www.ft2.org.uk](http://www.ft2.org.uk)

[www.4rfv.co.uk](http://www.4rfv.co.uk)

Broadcast Now website relating to TV production [www.broadcastnow.co.uk](http://www.broadcastnow.co.uk)

[www.screenyorkshire.co.uk](http://www.screenyorkshire.co.uk)

Broadcast Freelancer <http://www.broadcastfreelancer.com>

[www.productionbase.co.uk/](http://www.productionbase.co.uk/)

[www.mandy.com/](http://www.mandy.com/)

## Job Search Information

As well as the above it may be worth using the following resources for vacancy information:

[www.bbc.co.uk/jobs](http://www.bbc.co.uk/jobs)

Use the websites of local TV companies:

[www.bbc.co.uk/leeds](http://www.bbc.co.uk/leeds)

Look at the 'talent' and 'work experience' sections on the BBC website.

[www.granadamedia.com](http://www.granadamedia.com)

[www.jobs.guardian.co.uk](http://www.jobs.guardian.co.uk)

## Reference Books in the Careers Library include:

Getting into Films and TV

Guardian Media Guide

How to Get a Job in TV

International Showcase The Music Business Guide

– includes a section on media including TV companies

AGCAS – Broadcast, film, video and interactive media sector

Career Handbook for TV, Radio, Film and Interactive Media

The White Book – includes a section on Film, TV and video industries

Remember you can also think about careers which may not be directly related to your degree but which use the wider skills and aptitudes your course has helped develop. Networking and building up contacts is very important as many jobs in this field are never advertised. Opportunities with advertising and marketing organisations can also provide useful work experience.

It can be useful to talk to someone who is already working in the profession to find out more about how to get work, develop skills etc. This is called informational interviewing. If you would like to do this take a look at this further information ([www.leedsmet.ac.uk/lskills/local/erol/finding\\_fit/information\\_interview.html](http://www.leedsmet.ac.uk/lskills/local/erol/finding_fit/information_interview.html)) and these guidelines ([www.leedsmet.ac.uk/lskills/local/erol/finding\\_fit/informational\\_interview\\_groundrules.html](http://www.leedsmet.ac.uk/lskills/local/erol/finding_fit/informational_interview_groundrules.html)).

Finding Work - [www.leedsmet.ac.uk/lskills/local/erol/finding\\_fit/general.html](http://www.leedsmet.ac.uk/lskills/local/erol/finding_fit/general.html)

Self Employment - [www.leedsmet.ac.uk/lskills/local/erol/finding\\_fit/self\\_employment.html](http://www.leedsmet.ac.uk/lskills/local/erol/finding_fit/self_employment.html)

Gap Year Information - [www.leedsmet.ac.uk/lskills/local/erol/finding\\_fit/gap\\_year.html](http://www.leedsmet.ac.uk/lskills/local/erol/finding_fit/gap_year.html)

Postgraduate Study - [www.leedsmet.ac.uk/lskills/local/erol/finding\\_fit/postgraduate\\_study.html](http://www.leedsmet.ac.uk/lskills/local/erol/finding_fit/postgraduate_study.html)

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