

**Computer Science 808**  
**Spring 2005**  
**Project 1 – Short Movie**

**Script and Storyboards Due: Thursday, 2/3/2005**

**Final Video Due: Thursday, 2/10/2005**

**Description**

This project takes you through the production process for a short movie lasting one to several minutes. You may work alone or with a team.

Here are the steps you should take:

- come up with an idea for the movie
- write a script (dialogue is not required)
- create storyboards (at least one for each shot)
- acquire a camera (available from me) and shoot your story
- edit your movie

You may choose any subject you like, but try to create a coherent story. You might consider shooting a visual story with music in the background, or a music video. In any case, please perform the above steps in their given order. Don't draw the storyboards last to match your story. If you have to change your shots, that's fine – mention it in the write-up.

Have some fun with this project!

**Submission Requirements**

You should create a web page with the following:

- your name, the date, and a title/description of this project
- an explanation of your project
- the script
- storyboards (alternatively, hardcopies can be submitted)

You will give a presentation in class where you will provide a brief explanation of your story and show the movie you produced (you also need to turn in a copy of your movie for grading). You may also discuss the problems you encountered and how you overcame them. The class will then be allowed to critique your work.

Your grade will be based on the quality of your work for each of the above parts. While some creative ability is required, you will be graded mostly on the technical aspects of your work. With that said, your story should still be well thought out and coherent.

Please note that this project is not an exercise in creative film; therefore, please do not produce abstract works or employ camera verité.