

# Film, Theatre And Tv

## **Overview**

Film, Theatre and TV graduates typically look to a wide range of media related roles including acting, broadcasting, production, stage management and direction, not to forget animation, VFX, design and technical roles. Other creative roles might also be attractive and can include Advertising, Marketing and PR. Arts-related roles are also worth mentioning such as arts administration and community arts.

## **Roles**

Each job title links through to a broad job description, salary and conditions, entry requirements, typical recruiters, and links to further useful information.

* [Actor](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/actor)
* [Animator](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/animator)
* [Broadcast Journalist](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/broadcast-journalist)
* [Community](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/community-arts-worker) Arts Worker
* [Digital Copywriter](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/digital-copywriter)
* [Editorial Assistant](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/editorial-assistant)
* [Film Director](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/film-director)
* [Film/Video Editor](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/film-video-editor)
* [Location Manager](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/location-manager)
* [Newspaper Journalist](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/newspaper-journalist)
* [PR Officer](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/public-relations-officer)
* [Programme Researcher](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/media-researcher)
* [Production (set) Designer for film, television and theatre](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/production-designer-theatre-television-film)
* [Radio Producer](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/radio-producer)
* [Runner](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/runner-broadcasting-film-video)
* [TV Camera Operator](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/television-camera-operator)
* [Theatre Manager](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/theatre-stage-manager)
* [Theatre Director](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/theatre-director)

You can view additional job roles by using the [Prospects](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/careers-advice/what-can-i-do-with-my-degree/drama) and [Indeed.com](https://www.indeed.com/career-advice/finding-a-job/film-major-jobs) websites.

## **Building Experience**

* Build work experience for example through [Campus Jobs](https://www.reading.ac.uk/essentials/Campus-Jobs) or [securing an internship](https://www.ratemyplacement.co.uk/)
* Find volunteering opportunities such as [Reading Voluntary Action](http://rva.org.uk/) and [Reading Students' Union](https://readingsu.co.uk/student-opportunities/volunteering-and-fundraising)
* [Student Media](https://readingsu.co.uk/student-opportunities/volunteering-and-fundraising) is particularly relevant if you are interested in a writing career
* Apply for a paid research internship [UROP](https://www.reading.ac.uk/essentials/Careers/Gaining-experience/UROP) (penultimate year students only)
* Apply for the [Reading Internship Scheme](https://www.reading.ac.uk/essentials/Careers/Gaining-experience/RIS) – these are paid summer opportunities with local employers which are exclusive to UoR students. These opportunities, and many others are advertised on [My Jobs Online](https://reading.targetconnect.net/home.html)
* Get a [Thrive mentor](https://www.reading.ac.uk/essentials/Careers/Advice-and-development/Mentoring/THRIVE) and build a relationship with a professional (penultimate year students only)
* Get involved in a society: look at the full list of [societies](https://readingsu.co.uk/student-opportunities/societies) for one aligned to your interests
* If you are thinking about teaching as a possible career, you could consider volunteering for the University’s [Students in Schools](https://www.reading.ac.uk/essentials/Opportunities/Volunteering/Students-in-Schools) scheme.
* Join Facebook groups such as [People who work in TV – Runners](https://www.facebook.com/groups/tv.runners/).

## **Finding Opportunities**

### Creative Industry Jobs

Getting into the creative industry is notoriously competitive, with few visible jobs advertised but the following sites can carry roles from time to time.

[BBC](https://careerssearch.bbc.co.uk/) | [ITV jobs](http://www.itvjobs.com/) | [Channel 4](https://careers.channel4.com/4talent) | [The Call Sheet](http://www.thecallsheet.co.uk/) | [The Talent Manager](https://www.thetalentmanager.co.uk/) | [Creative and Cultural Skills website](https://ccskills.org.uk/careers-for-all/) (ccskills.org.uk) | [The Stage](https://www.thestage.co.uk/jobs) | [Indeed](https://www.indeed.co.uk/) | [Total Jobs](https://www.totaljobs.com/)

### Creative Industry Directories

A creative jobs search may be required to unearth vacancies, or through applying speculatively. Sites that may be able to help are listed below.

[The Knowledge Online](http://www.theknowledgeonline.com/) | [The Bookseller](https://www.thebookseller.com/) | [The Theatre Trust](https://database.theatrestrust.org.uk/) | [Production Hub](https://www.productionhub.com/) | [The News Media Association](http://www.newsmediauk.org/) (newsmediauk.org) | [Publishers Global](https://www.publishersglobal.com/directory/united-kingdom/publishers-in-united-kingdom)

### Further Study/Research

[University of Reading](https://www.reading.ac.uk/ready-to-study/study/postgraduate-study.aspx) | [Find a Masters](https://www.findamasters.com/) | [Find a PhD](https://www.findaphd.com/) | [JournoResources](https://www.journoresources.org.uk/journalism-graduate-trainee-schemes-complete-list/)

### Graduate Jobs

[prospects](https://www.prospects.ac.uk/).ac.uk | [targetjobs](https://targetjobs.co.uk/).co.uk | [milkround](https://www.milkround.com/).com | [ratemyplacement](https://www.ratemyplacement.co.uk/).co.uk | [gradcracker](https://www.gradcracker.com/search/civil-building/environment-and-sustainability-jobs).com

## **Exploring Further**

A key website to use to get a thorough understanding of choices and explore further is [screenskills](https://www.screenskills.com/).com.

If you’re thinking of looking further afield but aren’t sure where to start, why not [book an appointment](https://www.reading.ac.uk/essentials/Careers/Advice-and-development/MyJobsOnline) with one of our Careers Consultants? Remember, graduates can use the Careers Centre for up to two years after they graduate.

Explore our [Careers Blog](https://blogs.reading.ac.uk/careers/) for more industry guidance and useful careers advice!