



School of Media & Communication

Department of Journalism & Mass Communication

Documentary Film | JC 1213 | 4 Credits | 3 | 0 4

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Course Outcomes: At the end of the course, students will be able to:

[1213.1]. Describe the emergence of documentary film.

[1213.2]. Demonstrate the basics of reading and presentation skills for types of documentary films.

[1213.3]. Examine all the censorship processes, and reasons for rejection of scenes under cinematograph acts, rules & regulations.

[1213.4]. Analyse Documentary films in India.

[1213.5]. Develop the basic art of writing script for making a documentary film and hence develop employability skills

SYLLABUS

Origins of Documentary Film: Early ethnographic documentaries and experimentations, Reality vs. realism, Documentary film as propaganda, Cinema Verite and Direct cinema; Types of Documentary film: The poetic mode, The expository mode, The observational mode, The participatory mode, The reflexive mode, The performative mode; Ethical and representation issues: Modes and authorial positions, Ethics and politics of representation, Changing modes of production and distribution, Influence of digital technologies; Documentary films in India: Documentary films and the state emergence of independent documentary, Censorship and documentary in India

TEXT BOOK

Nichols Bill., Introduction to Documentary, 2007. Indiana University Press, Bloomington.

REFERENCE BOOKS

McLane, Betsy A., A New History of Documentary Film, 2012. Continuum International Publishing Group, London.

Bernard, Sheila Curran., Documentary Storytelling: Making Stronger and More Dramatic Nonfiction Films, 2007. Elsevier Inc.

Garga, B.D. From Raj to Swaraj: The Non-fiction Film in India. 2007. Penguin, India.

