OCR LEVEL 3
CAMBRIDGE TECHNICAL CERTIFICATE/DIPLOMA IN
MEDIA

AUDIO-VISUAL ADVERTISING MEDIA
Y/504/0507
LEVEL 3 UNIT 18
GUIDED LEARNING HOURS: 60
UNIT CREDIT VALUE: 10
AIM OF THE UNIT
By completing this unit learners will understand advertising campaigns and how audio-visual advertising media is used within them. Learners will understand how to plan an advertising campaign for a product, and how to produce audio-visual advertisements for this product. They will also be able to present their ideas for a audio-visual advertisement, having the opportunity to make refinements to their idea as a result of the feedback gained.
### ASSESSMENT AND GRADING CRITERIA

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<td><strong>To achieve a merit the evidence must show that, in addition to the pass criteria, the learner is able to:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>1</strong> Understand how audio-visual advertisements are used within existing advertising campaigns</td>
<td>P1 Learners evaluate an existing advertising campaign, including: a) aims and objectives b) target audience c) representation d) campaign message e) audio-visual advertisements used in the campaign f) relevant legal and ethical issues g) regulatory bodies h) method</td>
<td>M1 Learners evaluate print-based and/or audio advertisements that are used as part of the chosen advertising campaign. They explain how advertisements produced in different media can be linked and used together to convey the campaign message</td>
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<td><strong>2</strong> Be able to plan an advertising campaign that includes audio-visual advertisements</td>
<td>P2 Learners produce an appropriate plan for an advertising campaign that features audio-visual advertisements. The plan includes: a) a proposal identifying the product being advertised; aims and objectives; target audience; and campaign message b) campaign schedule containing launch dates, consideration of seasonal and calendar events, location and scheduling of advertisements c) relevant legal/ethical issues</td>
<td>M2 As part of their advertising campaign schedule, learners plan for the use of related print-based and/or audio advertisements that can be used as part of the advertising campaign. Learners explain relevant legal and ethical constraints and describe how the regulatory bodies’ codes of conduct and regulations affect their planned campaign</td>
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<td><strong>3</strong> Be able to plan original audio-visual advertisements to be used within an advertising campaign</td>
<td>P3 Learners plan an original audio-visual advertisement to be used as part of the planned campaign, including: a) generation of appropriate ideas b) competent pre-production materials including storyboards c) competent production plan with timescales and budget for final ideas being presented d) relevant risk assessment and recce</td>
<td>M3 Learners demonstrate proficient audio-visual pre-production skills. Learners provide a detailed production plan with realistic timescales and budget. Learners’ choice of content, camera shots/directions and mise en scène for their audio-visual advertisement ideas effectively conveys the planned campaign message</td>
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<td><strong>4</strong> Be able to present audio-visual advertisement ideas to a client for feedback</td>
<td>P4 Learners deliver a presentation to a client for feedback including: a) pre-production materials for the audio-visual advertisement including storyboards b) production plan with timescales and budget for final ideas being presented</td>
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<td><strong>5</strong> Be able to produce an original audio-visual advertisement to be used within an advertising campaign</td>
<td>P5 Learners produce a competent and original audio-visual advertisement to be used as part of the planned campaign</td>
<td>M4 Learners use client feedback to make changes to their planned advertisement and demonstrate proficient audio-visual production skills. The advertisement they produce is generally of a good technical standard</td>
<td>D1 Learners produce an advertisement that is generally of a high technical standard, and successfully conveys the planned campaign message</td>
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TEACHING CONTENT

The unit content describes what has to be taught to ensure that learners are able to access the highest grade.

Anything which follows an i.e. details what must be taught as part of that area of content.

Anything which follows an e.g. is illustrative, it should be noted that where e.g. is used, learners must know and be able to apply relevant examples to their work though these do not need to be the same ones specified in the unit content.

Understand how audio-visual advertisements are used within existing advertising campaigns

For example:

- create awareness, introduce a new product to the market, increase sales, rebrand an existing product
- by age, gender, lifestyle, interests etc.
- individual people, social groups, issues (such as violence, racism, sexism), stereotypes
- based on product’s unique selling point (e.g. safety, comfort, reliability, fashion etc.) getting right message to audience at right time, how target audience will access message, choice of media
- TV ads, film trailers, interactive media presentations, online/print based advertisements
- copyright, intellectual property rights, slander/libel, model release, royalties, violence, offensive language/behaviour/material, public interest
- Ofcom, BBFC – British Board of Film Certification, ASA – Advertising Standards Authority
- shock tactics, timing, placement, schedule, etc.

Be able to plan an advertising campaign that includes audio-visual advertisements

For example:

- product being advertised and why – launch new product, increase sales, increase brand awareness
- target audience – by age, gender, lifestyle, interests etc.
- campaign message based on product’s unique selling point (e.g. safety, comfort, reliability, fashion etc.) getting right message to audience at right time, how target audience will access message, choice of media
- campaign schedule with key milestones such as launch, format and scheduling of audio-visual advertisements. Learners could also consider key dates in the calendar for the schedule/milestones for other forms of advertising – print based, audio etc. Some consideration of feasibility of plan, costs/budget etc.
- copyright, intellectual property rights, slander/libel, performance rights, permission to film, royalties, violence, offensive language/behaviour/material, public interest
- Ofcom, BBFC – British Board of Film Certification, ASA – Advertising Standards Authority.

Be able to plan original audio-visual advertisements to be used within an advertising campaign

For example:

- mood boards, summary of ideas, spider diagrams
- pre-production material: treatment – medium, running time, synopsis, key scenes, character list
- script – written interpretation of narrative using an industry standard format
- storyboard: industry standard series of panels or rough sketches which outline the sequence of the scenes, action and the plot of the audiovisual advert to be shot, including sound
- industry standard production plan, budget, summary, resources, timescale etc.

Risk assessments: identify potential hazards/risks and find resolutions to any problems.
Recces: suitability of indoor or outdoor locations for production work.
Take notes and pictures for the rest of the production team.
Evidence could take the form of written notes, performa, audio notes, photographs.

Be able to present audio-visual advertisement ideas to a client for feedback

For example:

- Formal meeting, client meeting, written report, verbal presentation etc.

The presentation includes:

- treatment – title, format, content, target audience by age, gender, lifestyle, interests, spending power, how does the product appeal to the target audience
• script – written interpretation of narrative using an industry standard format
• storyboard – industry standard series of panels or rough sketches which outline the sequences of the scenes, action and the plot of the short film or sequence of a film to be shot, including sound.

Production plan: industry standard format materials, equipment, locations, contingency plans etc. personnel identifying key roles and tasks i.e. editor, writer, designer etc.
• budget including materials, equipment, personnel etc.
• copyright, intellectual property rights, slander/libel, performance rights permission to film, royalties, violence, offensive language/behaviour/material, public interest.

Feedback should take the form of a written report, written or verbal response (supported with a witness statement).
• Questionnaire, audio-visual/audio recording feedback form.

Be able to produce an original audio-visual advertisement to be used within an advertising campaign

For example:
• setting up appropriate equipment including sound equipment, cameras, tripods etc.
• use the pre-production material as reference to the production process, following script/storyboard
• following safe working practices, working within the scope of the risk assessment and health and safety guidelines
• following production processed, directing cast and crew to realise the visualisation of the pre production material, recording footage through operating camera equipment and checking sound using headphones during filming
• following post production processes editing footage, adding transitions/effects and adding a soundtrack.

Consider:
• have needs/expectations been met for the client
• client likes/dislikes
• is the content of the audio-visual advertisement correct (based on form and style)
• does it meet legal/ethical requirements.

For example revisions might include:
• refinements to the audio-visual produced, selected footage, dialogue etc.
DELIVERY GUIDANCE

This unit is centre-assessed and externally moderated.

In order to achieve this unit, learners must produce a portfolio of evidence showing that they can meet all the pass grading criteria.

Portfolios of work must be produced independently. Portfolios put forward for moderation must be available for the OCR Visiting Moderator to access freely during the moderation visit, along with witness statements and any other necessary supporting documentation.

Centres must confirm to OCR that the evidence produced by learners is authentic.

In order to achieve this unit, learners must produce evidence that meets all the pass grading criteria. There are no other additional requirements for this unit.

Learners should gain knowledge, understanding and skills through practical tasks related to their own productions as well as professional produced media products. This unit can be linked with the mandatory units 01, and it could also be used to market the product planned in 16 and produced in 17, or used to advertise other audiovisual practical production units 34, 41, 43, 46, 64, 65.

If working as a team, learners should ensure that they have identified their contribution to the planning and execution of any task involving teamwork. If learners are working as a team this presents the opportunity for individuals to draw on their strengths and also to develop new skills.

Centres could approach this unit as a client brief in order to give their learners a clear understanding as to the approach required in order to satisfy the client’s requirements for the final product.

P1/M1: Learners could approach the study of an existing advertising campaigns for a current advertised media product they enjoy through case studies, for example they could evaluate the advertising campaign for a new film through the trailers, posters, magazine articles, interviews with cast and crew on chat shows, internet sites and merchandising. It may be relevant and useful for learners to evaluate a campaign for a similar media product related to the media product they intend to advertise – particularly when considering the campaign message and how this is conveyed through the advertisement in the advertising campaign. It may also be appropriate to arrange visits to advertising companies or any relevant industrial linked partner, alternatively it may be possible to arrange for visiting speakers from such companies. Learners could use sources such as the Internet, published material, films, DVDs or TV, their findings could be evidenced by outcomes such as a written report or a slide presentation or information sheets or a commentary of audiovisual material or a fact file with diagrams or images.

Learners should be made aware of the legal and ethical issues applicable to advertising campaigns and it may be helpful for learners to debate these issues through class discussions. The Advertising Standards Authority have a useful website when evaluating advertising campaigns. If possible learners may also find Broadcasting Audience Research Board (BARB) or Radio Joint Audience Research (RAJAR) useful for current research statistics on target audiences.

P2/M2: the information gained from P1 could inform the advertising campaign for P2/M2. The product learners are advertising could be the media product they are planning and producing in units, or any of the media products produced in the optional units with practical content. The evidence could be provided as a proposal with supporting diagrams, images and mood boards suitable for a pitch to the client. A production schedule should, where possible, reflect industry standard practices, so learners should be aware of important dates in the advertising calendar relevant to the media product they are planning to advertise particularly when considering how to get the message to the target audience at the point where it will have most impact for instance pre-Halloween advertising for the release of a new horror film etc. Learners should also be aware of the legal and ethical issues which will impact on their advertising campaign, for instance using the example of a new horror film, consider how to make their advertising campaign compliant with legislation regarding certification i.e. if the film was rated 15, the advertising campaign may need to include adverts which were suitable for viewing before the watershed. Recce could be produced in written format supported by photographs of the location or alternatively produced as an audio/audiovisual presentation using information captured using a mobile phone. Risk assessments, where possible, should be industry standard, the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) or Broadcasting Entertainment Cinematograph and Theatre Union (BECTU) may provide learners with useful sources of information.
P3/M3: In order to reflect the vocational nature of the course learners should, wherever possible work to a deadline and follow safe working practices when planning their audio-visual advertisement. Learners can complete this unit as an individual or it may provide good experience for learners to work in a team, as this would enable learners to discuss ideas a group or in class discussions, which reflects the process of a production team, however individual learner’s contribution to the overall work must be clear in the plan. Witness statements may be useful here to identify the individual learner’s contribution. Learners could produce an advertising campaign for a live music event and could select a TV advert for instance; however the advert should be linked to the overall advertising campaign’s message/theme. Material should be produced with the client in mind and in preparation for the client pitch, for instance evidence could take the form of a slide show presentation with notes or mood boards.

P4: learners should present the, pre-production materials images and mood boards, production schedule with proposed launch dates, and any other relevant material produced for the presentation i.e. sample footage and sounds. Learners should provide a verbal introduction to the presentation for the audio-visual based advertisement and provide the client with an opportunity to view the advert and supporting material. Learners should also consider the layout of the room and delivery of the presentation including style, technical requirements, refreshments etc. Learners should also consider how feedback will be gained during the presentation i.e. have a discussion with the client on the effectiveness of the audio-visual based advertisement for the media product. Learners could ask the client to complete a questionnaire or provide evidence as a recorded interview or alternatively hold a question and answer session. However it is important that the learner records the outcomes of the discussion, question and answer session, which could be in written format or an audio/audio-visual recording. Learners should ensure that they have identified their contribution to the planning and execution of the presentation, it is advisable that a witness statement produced by a ‘real’ client or teacher in role could be included as evidence.

P5/M4/D1: In order to reflect the vocational nature of the course learners should, wherever possible work to a deadline and follow safe working practices when producing their audio-visual based advertisement. It may provide good experience for learners to work in a team, although not essential, as this would enable learners to reflects the working practices of a production team, however individual learner’s contribution to the audio-visual based advertisement must be clear. Witness statements may be useful here to identify the individual learner’s contribution. To the pre-production, production and post production processes. The feedback from the client may result in amendments to the final audio-visual based advertisement, for example a refinement to the advert, i.e. changes to the footage, the selected music, dialogue, chosen titles etc. in order to ensure the feasibility of the audio-visual based advert within the advertising campaign. Learners evidence should include the final audio-visual based advertisement. They could include a commentary or annotated document which highlights the changes/amendments or additions etc made to their planned audio-visual based advertisement – this could be presented as a side by side view of the planned material next to the final advertisement with highlighted changes. Photographic evidence could also be used to evidence the changes made and supported by a commentary.

Learners should seek to evidence the grading criteria through a variety of mediums, (i.e. written format, written presentations, verbal presentations, audio content, audiovisual content) which highlight their particular strengths. However learners should be encouraged to stretch their skills and knowledge by using a range of mediums to evidence their work.
RESOURCES

This section provides suggestions of suitable resources. The list is neither prescriptive nor exhaustive, and learners should be encouraged to gather information from a variety of sources.

Some suggested resources are intended for Tutor use. The resources in this section were current at the time of production.

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LINKS TO NOS
O34NM4.2.2 Develop the creative product within advertising

ENTO – Health and Safety Standalone Units
HSS1 Make sure your own actions reduce risks to health and safety
HSS6 Conduct a health and safety risk assessment of a workplace
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