

Screening of films on campus

The Students' Union has recognised that student groups may wish to show films as either part of their regular activity or as a one-off event.

One of the key issues that arise with showing films is that of copyright. This is a matter that both the Students' Union and the University take very seriously.

The University & the SU have a Public Videos Screening Licence (PVSL).

To be able to screen a film using our PVS license, the following criteria must be met:

- All films must be shown free of charge.
If the screening is part of a fundraiser, the event must be free of charge to attend and donations to charity optional only. One way to collect an optional donation for charity would be via a card reader, which can be borrowed from the SU Finance Team sufinance@bath.ac.uk
- Films may only be shown on campus.
- Films may only be shown to students and staff.
- Screenings must be using DVD or Blu-Ray format only. You may not stream online content
- There should be no advertising or promotion of the film screening outside of the licensed premise (e.g. social media, posters) and to no other than the licensed group (can use email to group members).
- No outdoor screenings are permitted.
- We are only licenced to show films listed on filmbankmedia.com If your film is not on here it may be possible to obtain a license by other means, though this may incur additional cost. Email mediausage@bath.ac.uk for advice.

If your screening event does not meet the above criteria, it cannot take place on campus.

You must book the screening with the Audio Visual (AV) team 2 weeks in advance of the event, which you can do through this form:

https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=Ij1-N6FOLUKwrY_MiUBrnr4lnmmjZqICof89EUuyzqVUMlRYTFJCSEpJTke0QjBZUFJSV0JRUFRBTy4u

Please also email the Media Usage and Copyright Advisor at mediausage@bath.ac.uk to let them know which film(s) you are planning to screen so a record can be kept for the licensing company.

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