Chance 2 Advance workshop delights students

"The Chance 2 Advance programme will facilitate your learning so that you can be better informed and equipped. Learn new and exciting skills. Feel a sense of achievement as you explore and become insatiably curious. Go ahead, take this Chance 2 Advance."

A small group of Unisa staff, students and members of the community have taken up this challenge to become "insatiably curious" and have registered for the Introduction to Cinematography workshop offered as part of the Chance 2 Advance programme.

This eight-day workshop, which is facilitated by Johnathan Andrews from the School of Photography and Cinematography, combines theory with practical application. The students have now almost completed their first week of training and have already dealt with the theoretical aspects of working with video as well as digital photography, lighting, sound, directing and video editing. They are also hard at work planning a short documentary film which they will shoot and edit on the Muckleneuk campus next week.

This process includes developing a concept and comprehensive storyboard for the documentary; compiling a shot list and lighting diagram; learning how to use the camera, lighting and sound equipment; and shooting and editing the final footage for the documentary. Watch this space! Our intrepid students might even allow us to podcast their documentary film.

Some of the other workshops coming up in the next few days include discovering the art of public speaking, harnessing the power of e-communication, and social media in business and learning. We'd love to hear how the Chance 2 Advance workshops have equipped you and caused you to become better informed, so please post a comment to our blog.



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