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*Centre for Film
Studies Presents*

SHORT FILM COMPETITION





ABOUT THE CENTRE

The Centre for Film Studies at National Law University Odisha, Cuttack was established to integrate cinema, academia, and research seamlessly. Its primary objective is to advance the academic study of Film and Film Culture in all its diversity, with a particular focus on the socio-legal aspects of cinema.

With the vision to create a transformative space where film, culture, and law converge to shape thought leaders capable of influencing both storytelling and legal frameworks in a dynamic global landscape.



NATURE OF COMPETITION

Participants are required to create and submit an original short film. The theme for the competition is '**Campus Romance: Heartbeats and Heartbreak in the Hallways**'. Participants are encouraged to explore social, legal, cultural, or personal narratives through cinematic storytelling, emphasizing students' experience with relationships, friend circles, etc. and/or similar themes surrounding Valentine's Day.

Originality, creativity, and depth of interpretation is to be prioritized.



GUIDELINES

- Duration of Film: 5-10 minutes
- Films may be in any language; however, films in languages other than English must include subtitles.
- The film must be submitted in MP4 or MOV format. A minimum resolution of 720p is recommended.
- Participants are required to submit the short film in the registration link provided by the Centre along with a synopsis of 100–150 words, which is to be attached in the registration form itself.
- The top 3 submissions will be considered for exciting cash prizes.



REGISTRATION DETAILS

- The competition is open to all students currently enrolled in recognized higher education institutions across the country.
- The registration fee for individual or singular participation is **INR 300**.
- For group participation consisting of two or three members, the registration fee shall be **INR 500 per group**.
- Registration shall be confirmed only upon successful payment and submission of the registration form.
- The last date of registration is 15th March 2026. No further submissions will be accepted beyond this date.
- Link for Registration:
<https://forms.gle/FcvCvCC2Qm4fvFTn8>



ORIGINALITY AND CONTENT RESTRICTIONS

- All submissions must be original and authored solely by the participant.
- Reproduction or close imitation of copyrighted scenes or dialogues of any other movie than the one notified by the Centre is prohibited.
- AI-generated content is strictly prohibited.
- Submissions must not contain obscene, defamatory, or hateful content and dialogues. Submissions offensive to religious, cultural, or social sensibilities shall not be permitted.
- Organizers reserve the sole discretion to reject submissions violating the aforementioned criteria.



RIGHTS AND PERMISSIONS

Participants grant the Centre the right to use their submissions for academic and non-commercial purposes, with due acknowledgement of authorship.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

Submissions shall be evaluated out of a total of 100 marks based on the following criteria:

Concept and Originality - 20

Storytelling and Script - 20

Direction and Vision - 15

Cinematography and Visual Design - 15

Sound Design and Editing - 10

Acting and Performances - 10

Overall Impact - 10



PAYMENT PROCEDURE

- Visit <https://eazypay.icicibank.com>
- Enter Institution Name as 'National Law University' and click on 'Go'
- Fill the details as required by the form. It is to be noted:
- NLUO students must use their college mail IDs.
- When entering "Roll or Enrolment No." NLUO students must enter their college Roll. No. and non-NLUO students may enter '131' as their Roll No.
- For 'Semester' NLUO student must enter their Semester number and others must enter '11'.
- For 'Purpose' mention Event Name as "Short Film Competition CFS".
- After the payment, the payment receipt is to be submitted in the registration form.



FROM THE TEAM

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