4th Science Filmmaking Marathon
For all Swiss universities and research centres
29-31 October 2020

DESCRIPTION
“Ask a scientist about Hollywood, and you’ll probably get eye rolls. But ask someone in Hollywood about science, and they’ll see dollar signs: moviemakers know that science can be the source of great stories, with all the drama and action that blockbusters require”
– Randy Olson
In the filmmaking marathon, we train researchers in tools used in dramatic storytelling and filmmaking to communicate their research, thereby making their science more readily accessible for a broader audience. Course participants learn the basics of visual storytelling and filmmaking and in working in groups supervised by professional filmmakers will produce short films during four intensive course days. The produced films will be screened as premieres at the 3rd Global Science Film Festival (www.sciencefilm.ch), with a special award for the best film.

PROGRAM
Day 1
• Pitching of science stories, and small groups (scientists and artists) making
• Each group (Scientists and filmmakers) prepare their story, script and storyboard, and present them to the other participants in the marathon

Day 2
Filming (participants are free to decide where and when to film)

Day 3
Films editing and screening

“The link between science and film could be a hopeful chance for the world. With admiration for your work!”
– Markus Imhoof
The premiere of the produced films will take place at the 3rd Global Science Film Festival (6-7 Nov. 2020, www.sciencefilm.ch)

**WHERE**

**Filmmaking Marathon:** Zurich University and ETH Zurich  
**Premiere of the produced films:** Resulting films will be screened at the 3rd Global Science Film Festival (ZHdK Cinema, Toni-Areal, Zurich). They will be also screened in Bern, Basel, Lausanne and Lugano

**DATES**

**Applications:** Between 1st May and 30th August 2020  
**Filmmaking Marathon:** 29-31 October 2020 (Zurich University and ETH Zurich)  
**Film screening:** 6-7 November 2020 (Global Science Film Festival)

**APPLICANTS**

Scientists, Postdocs, PhD and Master students enrolled at any Swiss higher education institution

**CREDIT POINTS**

Please check with your program if you are eligible to claim credit points for attending this workshop. PhD students from the University of Zurich are awarded 2 credit points, through the Graduate Campus. Students who are enrolled at the Life Science Zurich Graduate School (Zurich University and ETH Zurich) are awarded 2 credit points.

**TEACHERS AND MENTORS**

Samer Angelone (Swiss Science Film Academy)  
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Henriette Bornkamm (Zurich University)  
Anina Bruhin (Audiovisual Media Designer)  
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**INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION**

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**MORE DETAILS**

Some results of the previous filmmaking marathons are here  
www.sciencefilm.ch/filmmaking-marathon

**ORGANISERS AND PARTNERS**

Swiss Science Film Academy, Zurich University, ETH, Life Science Zurich, Zurich University of the Arts, Bern University, Basel University, Lausanne University, Geneva University, Neuchatel University, Fribourg University, Franklin University, EAWAG, WSL, City of Zurich (UGZ)