

CRIMINOLOGIA E CINEMA

Where Crime meets Cinema

CRIMINOLOGIA E CINEMA 2026

SHORT FILM MAKING

CRIME FILM REVIEW

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National Forensic Sciences University, Gandhinagar



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Criminologia E Cinema (CEC) is a national initiative in India that brings together criminology and cinema to explore crime, justice, and human behaviour through scientific inquiry, critical thinking, and creative storytelling. Hosted annually, CEC provides a unique platform for students, academics, filmmakers, industry professionals, and members of the public to critically examine the representation of crime and justice in cinema while exploring the complex realities behind the stories we see on screen. The initiative seeks to bridge the gap between academic research and cinematic storytelling by encouraging participants to question, analyse, and create.



CRIMINOLOGIA E CINEMA IV – 2026

Date : 27 November 2026

Location: NFSU, Gandhinagar, Gujarat

Building on the legacy of the first three editions, the fourth edition of Criminologia E Cinema is scheduled for 27 November 2026 at the National Forensic Sciences University, Gandhinagar.

Registrations are now invited for the two established competitions:

Short Film Making (SFM) – Tell Your Story

Prizes: 60000 INR for 1st; 30000 INR for 2nd; 10000 INR for 3rd Tropies for top 3 winners,

Certificates for all participants

**Theatre release of all selected films at
CEC-2026**

**Invitations to the screenings for the film
crews.**



SHORT FILM MAKING (SFM)

SFM is an open call to filmmakers, novice or experienced, to choose a theme rooted in crime and society and transform it into a short film that tells a compelling, human story in a duration of 12 minutes or less. The brief is simple, but the possibilities are not. Choose a societal issue, a crime, a criminal motivation, or a moment of justice or injustice that has stayed with you, and build a narrative around it, one that feels real, human, and meaningful. The strongest films will not necessarily be those that merely entertain; they will be the ones that make audiences pause, question, and perhaps see something they thought they already understood in a different way.



The short films selected by the jury will be theatrically screened before an enthusiastic global audience during CEC 2026 at the Upper Auditorium of the National Forensic Sciences University, bringing together audiences from across India and NFSU's international student community. Selected teams will be invited to attend the screening and experience their work on the big screen before a live audience. The top three contenders will receive cash awards and trophies presented on stage , while every film selected for screening will become part of the Criminologia E Cinema Hall of Fame 2026, preserving the work as part of the growing legacy of CEC and making it accessible to a wider international audience. All the participants will be provided certificates.

BE PART OF CEC IV 2026

Registration Fees

Short Film Making (SFM): 1,200 INR

Registration link

<https://forms.gle/RDYtBRqGuSEyo3a2A>



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Attend the Event: Members of the public who wish to attend the event can purchase tickets through the official ticketing platform. Ticketing will open 30 days prior to the event.

Registrations, Guidelines & Regulations:

For registration details, competition guidelines, regulations, and updates, visit the Official CEC Website

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Not an average academic event

Not an average film festival

'Think beyond the frame

Question the narrative

Understand the crime

Tell the story'

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