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# New York Film and Television Student Alliance Travels to NYC For Meetings With Key Industry Stakeholders

*New Organization Promotes and Supports New York State's Next Generation of Homegrown Film Talent*

Fourteen students and two educators from Ithaca College - representing the newly formed New York Film and Television Student Alliance (NYFTSA) - arrived in New York City on April 23rd for three days of tours, visits and meetings with film, television and production professionals. The group, members of NYFTSA's first chapter, also met with fellow students from New York University, Hamilton College and SUNY Oswego to discuss the formation of more chapters at these and other campuses across the state.



Following an itinerary set with assistance from the Governor's Office for Motion Picture and Television Development, the NYFTSA students began their visit with a tour of historic Kaufman Astoria Studios where they met with production team members from the Netflix hit series *Orange is the New Black*. The three-day trip also included: a roundtable discussion with union and guild leaders at the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees Local 52 soundstage and training facility in Queens; a meeting with industry experts from the New York Production Alliance at the headquarters of McCann Erickson; a discussion about careers in post-production and visual effects and animation with principals at the Post Factory; and attendance at the Tribeca Film Festival.

With the creation of its first chapter at Ithaca College, NYFTSA aims to bring together students from colleges and universities all over New York State that offer production majors or minors in film or television production and post-production.

To learn about NYFTSA and the students' recent visit, click here.

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