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# How to create a movie using iMovie

The iMovie video editor allows you to create a movie from various video and audio media. These instructions will teach you on how to take the media that you have collected and create a simple video using the iMovie video editor. After completing the following steps, you will have a video file composing of various clips with a balanced audio track.

**Materials Needed:** You will need the video clips that you would like to use in your film and a Macintosh computer with iMovie installed.

**Experience Needed:** You will need to be able to locate computer files through the Macintosh file system.

## 1. Import clips to iMovie

 Click the 'File' drop down menu along the top left of your screen and select 'Import Media' to move video clips to your project media (Figure 1)

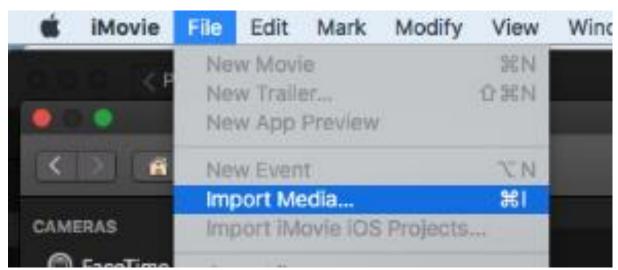


Figure 1

### 2. Arrange the media

Crop your videos and audio to eliminate empty space (Figure 2)
Note: Make sure to double check that you did not crop out clips which you would like to include in your video



Figure 2

Drag and drop your media into the movie from your project media

#### 3. Normalize the audio:

 Adjust the sound level of each clip by clicked and dragging the horizontal line in the blue bar along the bottom of the video clip to normalize the volume across the movie. (Figure 3) Note: If the volume of the clips vary by a large amount, some parts of the video may too soft or loud



Figure 3

### 4. Export the Final video

 Click the 'File' drop down menu along the top left of the computer screen and select share to export your movie to 'File'

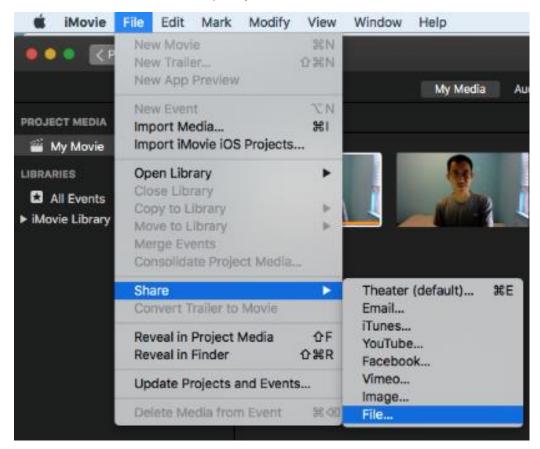


Figure 4

Export the file to your desired format and quality of video
Note: The higher the quality or resolution, the longer the export time and larger the video



Figure 5

**Conclusion:** Upon completing these instructions, you will be able to take your video clips to create a movie, which will have a pleasant viewing experience. iMovie is much more sophisticated than these instructions and for more information you may refer to Apple's iMovie Support page linked below.

https://support.apple.com/imovie