

IPF Short Forms Series Development Evaluation Criteria 2025

Criteria	Weight	Things to Consider
Creative Content	40%	Well- written, clear synopsis with a strong direction for the season Compelling characters and storylines that avoid stereotypes Clear and appropriate episode format and story arc Originality Clear and inspiring vision for the series
Creative Team	20%	Experience of the producer and/or writer (and other key roles) including the production track record of scripted episodic or short-form content Relevance of the writer's lived experience or direct connection to the story; Authenticity Engagement of resources and/or individuals to address sensitive subject matter/content in the story
Story Editor / Development Executive	20%	Experience of a Story Editor or Development Executive and their commitment to the project Significance of their time and contribution to the project which is reflected in the schedule and budget Engagement of a co-writer, story-editor or consultant from an appropriate community if the creator is from outside the community of the story
Budget / Financing	10%	Activities undertaken during development are appropriately accounted for Relevance and feasibility of development activities
Potential for Production	10%	The project demonstrates the elements that would make it feasible to produce as a short form series, and is designed for success. Appropriateness of development to date and is not redundant of program deliverables