Basics to Using the HF M400

HD Camcorder available for signout from Lubert 213 - always sign out a tripod with the camera

The camera requires an SD card.

- An 8GB card will give you about 40 minutes of video at the highest quality setting
- Always use a Class 6 card or higher to prevent problems

Getting Started

- Make sure battery is fully charged
- Set camera to M (Manual)
- Attach external microphone carefully slide into hot shoe and tighten Do NOT lift by mic
- Wear headphones

Format Card

▶FUNC.>MENU> ► >Initialize

Set Quality

FUNC.>MENU> Recording Mode>MXP

Set Frame Rate

▶FUNC,>MENU> Frame Rate>PF30

Turn on headphone jack

- FUNC.>MENU> >AV/Headphones/Headphones
- FUNC.>MENU> >Volume (to adjust volume to headphones NOT recording level)

Audio Settings

- ▶FUNC.>♥ Mic. Level > Audio Level Indicator (turns on audio level display
- ▶Set Automatic for general shooting

or

▶Set Manual for Interviews (adjust levels to between -12 to -6)

Focus

By default the camera is on auto focus. To override:

FUNC.> Focus tap in box to focus on that point. OR Select MF and use the [A] or [a]

Touch the X to lock manual focus

Exposure

By default the camera is on Auto exposure. To override:

▶FUNC.> Exposure tap in box OR Select M for full manual control

