

Capturing Video Using the SONY GV-HD700 Cassette Deck

In the [AV Production Room](#) (Room 261), Mann Library has a [SONY GV-HD700](#) Digital HD Video Cassette Deck. It is attached to the left side Mac Pro Creation Station, and can be used to “capture”, or convert video from miniDV tapes to digital files.

1. If necessary, open cassette deck by sliding the latch right
2. Slide the Eject button right (on lower left of control panel)
3. Slide tape in, top up, tape side facing in
4. Close tray
5. Turn deck on, by holding down the green dot in the center of the power button (upper right of panel), then sliding switch right.

Using iMovie:

1. Start application
2. *Import from: HDV-VCR* window should open if deck on. If not, select Import from Camera from File menu
3. To import entire tape,
 - a. slide switch in Import window to Automatic, then click Import
 - b. name clip, click OK
4. To import selected segments,
 - a. slide switch to Manual,
 - b. cue tape using controls on deck or Import window,
 - c. click Import
 - d. name clip

By default, files imported using iMovie 08 are converted to .mov QuickTime movie format, and saved in the *Users> VES> Movies > iMovie Events > Name_of_event* (Event Date by default) folder for AV Production room Macs. You can access or copy the files from there when done, or edit/convert with iMovie. If you wish to export your project in iMovie to a different format, use the Share menu and select Export Movie or Export Using QuickTime.