Information on Music Copyright
Students are allowed to use original music (they don't own) for class projects. This is considered 'Fair Use'.

The UCD Film Fest is considered 'public distribution' where money is given in exchange for the viewing.

Therefore the only music allowable is original sound track created by the student or people who have consented to its use, and that consent is credited.

All other music has to be in the Public Domain; written and recorded before 1923.

Useful tips:
* Creative Commons open licensing scheme offers 6 license options that do not necessarily involve money.
* Vimeo just added a Music Store.