

THEATRE, Associate in Fine Arts Degree - 2500

Communication, Humanities and the Arts Department

The Theatre Associate in Fine Arts degree prepares students for entry-level employment in both performance and technical theatre. This hands-on curriculum teaches students fundamental knowledge and techniques essential in acting and/or theatre production. With an emphasis on resume building skills, students have the opportunity to complete an approved internship at an external theatre or theatre affiliation. Through the theatre practicum experience, students further develop skills in selected areas of performance, theatre design, theatre construction, and marketing as required by participation in HACC theatre productions. As part of the practicum experience, students are required to work on at least three HACC productions prior to graduation. While this program prepares students for entry-level employment, it may also serve to transfer to many four-year institutions and professional theatre schools. Since the requirements of senior institutions vary, it is essential to choose an intended transfer institution as soon as possible and carefully follow the program described in that college's catalog. The complete program is only available at the Harrisburg Campus.

Career or Transfer Opportunities

Training is provided in both performance and technical theatre applications for entry-level job opportunities, as well as for transferring to a four-year institution, or professional theatre schools. In addition, this program may be taken for personal growth or for advancement by those already employed in some aspect of the performing arts.

Competency Profile

This curriculum is designed to prepare the student to:

- Distinguish and demonstrate the various roles and functions of performers, directors, and designers within the Theater Arts
- Recognize the necessity for collaboration and artistic compromise
- Execute the various tasks involved in creating a live staged production
- Create a theatre resume
- Write and speak effectively about the nature of theatre

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (TOTAL CREDITS = 60)

General Education		Major Requirements		Other Requirements	
ENGL 101 English Composition I	3	THTR 110 Introduction to Acting	3	Program Specific Electives*	12
ENGL 102 English Composition II (or)	3	THTR 111 Acting II	3	Transfer Elective**	<u>3</u>
ENGL 104 Technical Writing (or)	(3)	THTR 120 Theatre Voice I	1		15
ENGL 106 Business Writing	(3)	THTR 130 Theatre Movement I	1		
COMM 101 Effective Speaking	3	THTR 131 Theatre Movement II	2		
Humanities & Arts Elective - THTR 101	3	THTR 142 Scenic Design	3		
Mathematics or Science Elective	3	THTR 143 Theatre Makeup	3		
Social & Behavioral Science Elective	3	THTR 144 Costuming for the Theatre	3		
First-Year Seminar	1	THTR 147 Theatre Practicum A	1		
Wellness	<u>1</u>	THTR 148 Theatre Practicum B	1		
	20	THTR 149 Theatre Practicum C	1		
		THTR 224 Modern American Theatre	<u>3</u>		
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*Students are to select their program specific electives from THTR 100-299.

**Students are to select courses that meet the intended transfer institution or career-focus.

RECOMMENDED SEQUENCE FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS

Part-time students can complete this program by taking one or more courses each semester.

Fall Semester		Spring Semester		Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
ENGL 101	3	COMM 101	3	Math/Science Elective	3	Program Electives	6
FYS Elective	1	ENGL 102 or 104 or 106	3	Program Electives	6	Social/Behavioral Science Elective	3
THTR 101	3	THTR 111	3	THTR 142 or 143 or 144	3	Transfer Elective	3
THTR 110	3	THTR 131	2	THTR 148	1	THTR 149	1
THTR 120	1	THTR 142 or 143 or 144	3	Wellness	1	THTR 224	3
THTR 130	1	THTR 147	1				
THTR 142 or 143 or 144	3						