THEATRE ARTS (THEA)

THEA 101 Theatre Appreciation (3 crs)
- No credit toward theatre arts majors.
A study of the process of theatrical production—from page to the stage—and its relevance as a form of cultural expression in the contemporary world.
Attributes: GE IVA Humanities-Fine Arts, LE-K4 Fine Arts, LE-S3 Creativity
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3
Lab/Studio Hours: 0

THEA 121 Introduction to Technical Theatre (3 crs)
Theory and practical application in basic phases of technical theatre production, including scenic, electric, and costume construction.
Attributes: GE IVA Humanities-Fine Arts, LE-S3 Creativity
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 2
Lab/Studio Hours: 4

THEA 123 Voice and Diction (3 crs)
Study of voice and articulation for actors and other performers. Exercises designed for the development of relaxed, controlled, and articulate speech for performance.
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3
Lab/Studio Hours: 0

THEA 125 Introduction to Theatre History (3 crs)
Theatre as an art form, dramatic structure, and criticism. Major eras of Western theatre: contributions to dramatic literature, physical theatre, acting, production, and dramatic theory.
Attributes: GE IVA Humanities-Fine Arts, LE-K4 Fine Arts
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3
Lab/Studio Hours: 0

THEA 130 Beginning Acting (3 crs)
Theory and practical applications of basic acting skills through exercises, improvisation and scripted scenes.
Attributes: GE IVA Humanities-Fine Arts, LE-S3 Creativity
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3
Lab/Studio Hours: 4

THEA 151 Costume Shop Practicum (1 cr)
A practical learning experience of the costume shop area of a theatrical shop.
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits

THEA 152 Scenic Shop Practicum (1 cr)
A practical learning experience of the production area of a theatrical shop.
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits

THEA 153 Light/Sound Shop Practicum (1 cr)
A practical learning experience of the production area of a theatrical shop.
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits

THEA 170 Acting-Minor Roles/Chorus (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.
Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3

THEA 171 Assistant Stage Manager (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.
Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3

THEA 172 Scenic Construction Crew (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.
Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3

THEA 173 Light/Sound Board Operator (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.
Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3

THEA 174 Costume Crew (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.
Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3

THEA 175 Stage/Properties Crew (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.
Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3
THEA 176 Makeup Crew (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.
Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3

THEA 177 Publicity Crew (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.
Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3

THEA 178 Electrics Crew (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.
Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3

THEA 179 Special Effects/Sound Facilitator (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.
Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3

THEA 220 Stage Makeup (3 crs)
A hands-on exploration of the materials, principles, and techniques used in makeup design/application for the stage to achieve a variety of character effects.
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 2
Lab/Studio Hours: 2

THEA 224 Costume Technology (3 crs)
A lecture/laboratory course in costume construction and sewing for the stage. Principles of patterning, fabric dying, shop safety, and costume crafts addressed.
Attributes: GE IVA Humanities-Fine Arts, LE-S3 Creativity
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 2
Lab/Studio Hours: 2

THEA 227 American Musical Theatre (3 crs)
The history and development of contemporary musical theatre, including the study of major productions and collaborators.
Attributes: GE IVA Humanities-Fine Arts
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3
Lab/Studio Hours: 0

THEA 239 Stage Movement (3 crs)
Introduction to basics of stage movement aimed primarily at developing skill and expressiveness in acting. Follows an active, learning-through-participation approach.
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 0
Lab/Studio Hours: 4

THEA 271 Stage Management (3 crs)
Prerequisite: THEA 121, THEA 130.
An introduction to the preparation and practice of stage and production management.
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3
Lab/Studio Hours: 0

THEA 291 Special Topics (1-3 crs)
• See current Class Schedule for topic, prerequisites, and restrictions.
Topic and content to be determined by Theatre Arts faculty, based upon student interest and need. Possible topics include Dance for Theatre, Script Analysis, or study and analysis of plays representing a specific era or genre.

THEA 314 Feminist Theatre (3 crs)
• Credit may not be earned in both THEA 314 and WGSS 314.
A survey of various expressions of feminist theatre from several locales (Latin America, Europe, Britain, and the U.S.) 1960 to the present.
Attributes: GE IVA Humanities-Fine Arts, LE-I1 Integration, LE-K4 Fine Arts
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3
Lab/Studio Hours: 0
THEA 321 Scenic Design (3 crs)
Prerequisite: THEA 121 and THEA 125 or consent of instructor.
Analysis of scripts and elements of design. Development of creativity, understanding various design elements as related to production styles. Experience in construction of scenic models, drafting, and practical projects in computer design and imaging.
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 2
Lab/Studio Hours: 2

THEA 323 Historical Stage Design (3 crs)
This course examines the history of theatrical stage design through the lens of developments in interiors, furniture, art, and architecture from Ancient Egypt to the present.
Attributes: LE-K4 Fine Arts
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3
Lab/Studio Hours: 0

THEA 324 Costume Design (3 crs)
Prerequisite: THEA 221
Introduction to the theory and practice of costume design. Includes instruction of period research, rendering techniques, and the process of costume design for script analysis, leading to the design of a workable stage costume.
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 2
Lab/Studio Hours: 2

THEA 325 Theatre History and Literature (3 crs)
Prerequisite: THEA 125
Study and discussion of major dramatic works and their production from early plays to the mid-nineteenth century, with special focus on the Greeks, Elizabethans, and Restoration drama.
Attributes: GE IVA Humanities-Fine Arts
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3
Lab/Studio Hours: 0

THEA 327 Lighting Design (3 crs)
Prerequisite: THEA 121 and THEA 125 or consent of instructor.
Analysis of light and the written word; development of creativity; understanding use of light in art; and relationship of light to acting and design. Practical projects and work in computer design and imaging.
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 2
Lab/Studio Hours: 2

THEA 330 Advanced Acting (3 crs)
Prerequisite: THEA 130
Continuation of acting skills. Emphasis on student projects which require advanced techniques in performance: rhythms and musical comedy. Makeup labs.
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3
Lab/Studio Hours: 2

THEA 331 Styles in Acting (3 crs)
Prerequisite: THEA 130
Continuation of acting skills. Emphasis on in-class scene work, script and character analysis, externalization.
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 4
Lab/Studio Hours: 4

THEA 332 Directing (3 crs)
Prerequisite: THEA 121 and THEA 130.
Principles and fundamentals of stage directing including analysis, staging and rehearsal techniques with emphasis on laboratory scene work.
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3
Lab/Studio Hours: 2

THEA 333 Drama in Education (3 crs)
An introduction to the theory and practice of a variety of Drama-in-Education techniques for use in elementary and secondary classrooms, as well as community contexts.
Attributes: GE IVA Humanities-Fine Arts, LE-S3 Creativity
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3
Lab/Studio Hours: 0

THEA 334 Theatre for Youth (3 crs)
A critical and historical survey of dramatic literature for children and youth.
Attributes: GE IVA Humanities-Fine Arts, LE-K4 Fine Arts, LE-S3 Creativity
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3
Lab/Studio Hours: 0

THEA 351 Advanced Costume Shop Practicum (1 cr)
Prerequisite: THEA 151
Consent: Instructor Consent Required
Advanced practical learning experience of a theatrical shop. Students will be expected to use shop skills learned in Theatre 151 to work in a specific shop area or special project.
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits

THEA 352 Advanced Scenic Shop Practicum (1 cr)
Prerequisite: THEA 152
Consent: Instructor Consent Required
Advanced practical learning experience of a theatrical shop. Students will be expected to use shop skills learned in Theatre 152 to work in a specific shop area or special project.
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits

THEA 353 Advanced Light/Sound Shop Practicum (1 cr)
Prerequisite: THEA 153
Consent: Instructor Consent Required
Advanced practical learning experience of a theatrical shop. Students will be expected to use shop skills learned in Theatre 153 to work in a specific shop area or special project.
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
THEA 361 Teaching Theatre Arts (2 crs)
Prerequisite: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in ES 312, ES 318 and ES 328. Limited to teaching majors admitted to COEHS. Minimum resident and total GPA of 2.75.

- Credit may be earned in only one of the following: ES 361, THEA 361, ES 360, THEA 360.

A study and analysis of current materials including textbooks, assessment tools, and teaching styles. Preparation for play production, classroom units, and advocacy tools.

Lecture/Discussion Hours: 2
Lab/Studio Hours: 0

THEA 370 Acting-Major Roles (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.

Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3

THEA 371 Stage Manager/Assistant Director/Assistant Choreographer (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.

Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3

THEA 372 Assistant Scenic Design/Assistant Technical Direction (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.

Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3

THEA 373 Assistant Lighting Design (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.

Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3

THEA 374 Assistant Costume Design/Shop Supervisor (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.

Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3

THEA 375 Properties Design (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.

Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3

THEA 376 Makeup Design (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.

Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3

THEA 377 Publicity/Program Design (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.

Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3

THEA 378 Master Electrician (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.

Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3

THEA 379 House Manager (1 cr)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Participation in theatrical productions.

Attributes: Activity
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 8 credits
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 1
Lab/Studio Hours: 3
THEA 395 Directed Studies (1-3 crs)
Consent: Department Consent Required
Studies of topics in problems in Theatre Arts or Interpretation. Focus of course is different each time it is offered.
Repeat: Course may be repeated

THEA 399 Independent Study - Juniors (1-3 crs)
Prerequisite: Minimum junior standing.
Consent: Department Consent Required
Individual project under the direction of a faculty member.
Repeat: Course may be repeated

THEA 414 Playwriting (3 crs)
Prerequisite: Six credits in theatre at the 300 level or higher.
Practical experience in dramatic writing. Emphasis on creating characters, building plots, and constructing dialogue.

THEA 421 Touring Theatre (3 crs)
Prerequisite: THEA 121 and THEA 130.
Consent: Instructor Consent Required
The rehearsal, production, and tour of a theatre for youth production for area elementary or secondary schools.

THEA 422 Play Production: Technical (3 crs)
Prerequisite: THEA 121 and THEA 125 or consent of instructor.
Contemporary trends in staging and the production problems arising from new types of stages and plays written for conventional stage.

THEA 425 Modern Drama and Theatre (3 crs)
Prerequisite: THEA 125
Development of the modern theatre from Ibsen to the present. Includes treatment of drama and theatre architecture of the period.

THEA 432 Advanced Directing (3 crs)
Prerequisite: Grade of at least B- in THEA 332 or consent of instructor.
The director's role in the production process and in creating a style for the production is examined. Exploration of the director's role in communication with designers and staff culminates in the production of a play.

THEA 434 Theatre Arts Management (3 crs)
Prerequisite: THEA 125 or junior standing.
The management of theatre in school and community including developing skills for creating demand for the product, budgeting time and facilities, marketing, promotion, funding, and career expectations.

THEA 438 Theatre Arts Seminar (1-3 crs)
• See current Class Schedule for topic and prerequisites.

THEA 490 Theatre Arts Internship (1-3 crs)
Prerequisite: Minimum of 18 theatre credits completed, including THEA 121, THEA 125 and THEA 130. Limited to theater arts majors and minors. Minimum junior standing. Minimum resident and total GPA of 3.00.
Consent: Instructor Consent Required
Opportunity for active involvement and learning in an off-campus producing theatre. Internship opportunities in management, costuming, and other theatre-oriented areas, subject to availability and in cooperation with faculty supervisor.

THEA 498 Theatre Arts Internship (1-3 crs)
Prerequisite: Minimum of 18 theatre credits completed, including THEA 121, THEA 125 and THEA 130. Limited to theater arts majors and minors. Minimum junior standing. Minimum resident and total GPA of 3.00.
Consent: Instructor Consent Required
Opportunity for active involvement and learning in an off-campus producing theatre. Internship opportunities in management, costuming, and other theatre-oriented areas, subject to availability and in cooperation with faculty supervisor.

THEA 499 Independent Study - Seniors (1-3 crs)
Prerequisite: Minimum senior standing.
Consent: Department Consent Required
Individual project under the direction of a faculty member.
Repeat: Course may be repeated
THEA 614 Playwriting (3 crs)
- Cross-listed with THEA 414. Credit may not be earned in both courses.

Practical experience in dramatic writing. Emphasis on creating characters, building plots, and constructing dialogue.

Grading Basis: No S/U Grade Option
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3
Lab/Studio Hours: 0

THEA 625 Modern Drama and Theatre (3 crs)
- Cross-listed with THEA 425. Credit may not be earned in both courses.

Development of the modern theatre from Ibsen to the present. Includes treatment of drama and theatre architecture of the period.

Grading Basis: No S/U Grade Option
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3
Lab/Studio Hours: 0

THEA 632 Advanced Directing (3 crs)
- Cross-listed with THEA 432. Credit may not be earned in both courses.

The director's role in the production process and in creating a style for the production is examined. Exploration of the director's role in communication with designers and staff culminates in the production of a play.

Grading Basis: No S/U Grade Option
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 4
Lab/Studio Hours: 3

THEA 634 Theatre Arts Management (3 crs)
- Cross-listed with THEA 434. Credit may not be earned in both courses.

The management of theatre in school and community including developing skills for creating demand for the product, budgeting time and facilities, marketing, promotion, funding, and career expectations.

Grading Basis: No S/U Grade Option
Lecture/Discussion Hours: 3
Lab/Studio Hours: 0

THEA 690 Theatre Arts Seminar (1-3 crs)
- Cross-listed with THEA 490. See current Class Schedule for topic and prerequisites.


Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 12 credits
Grading Basis: No S/U Grade Option

THEA 698 Theatre Arts Internship (1-3 crs)
Consent: Instructor Consent Required
- Cross-listed with THEA 498.

Opportunity for active involvement and learning in an off-campus producing theatre. Internship opportunities in management, costuming, and other theatre-oriented areas, subject to availability and in cooperation with faculty supervisor.

Attributes: Internship
Repeat: Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credits
Grading Basis: No S/U Grade Option

THEA 797 Independent Study (1-3 crs)
Consent: Department Consent Required

Individual project under the direction of a faculty member.

Repeat: Course may be repeated
Grading Basis: No S/U Grade Option