

# THEATRE STUDIES MAJOR

## Bachelor of Arts Degree in Theatre Studies

Every Student majoring in theatre studies will fulfill the core requirements and one of five possible tracks: Generalist, Performance, Design/Tech, Literature or Film Studies. All tracks in major require 41-49 credit hours.

### Procedure for Entering the Design/Tech, History/Literature or Performance Tracks

Students must have completed no less than 4 credits at the 200-level in their desired area before they can qualify for entry into any track other than the generalist. Once qualified, the student must petition the department chair for acceptance into the track. Following a consultation with department faculty, the department chair notifies the student of acceptance. In order to persist in the track, students are required to demonstrate ongoing engagement in their track with no more than one semester off, allowed only for study abroad. Thus, actors must audition for all productions and act in one production every four semesters. Design/tech students must work behind the scenes in some capacity every semester during which they are on campus. Finally, history/literature students must be consistently enrolled in courses that require the formal study of dramatic literature. Anyone in these tracks who fails to meet the above criteria after entering the track, will return to the theatre generalist track.

### Structure and Core Requirements of all Theatre Studies Majors

Code	Title	Credits
THEA 111	Backstage Production	4
THEA 125	Acting 1:Basic Tools	4
THEA 130	Theatre and Culture I	4
or THEA 161	Masterpieces of the Cinema I	
THEA 131	Theatre and Culture II	4
or THEA 162		
THEA 171	Introduction to Theatrical Design	4
THEA 295	Practicum (one practicum assignment MUST be Stage Management or Assistant Stage Management) <sup>1</sup>	4
THEA 112		
THEA 494	Senior Company I	2
THEA 495	Senior Company II	2
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>28</b>

<sup>1</sup> One practicum assignment MUST be Stage Management or Assistant Stage Management.

Total credits required for Structure and Core requirements is 26-31.

### Additional Requirements for Students Selecting a Generalist Track

Code	Title	Credits
	Two additional intermediate THEA courses at the 200 level	8
	One addition THEA course at the 300 level	4

THEA 324 Advanced Mainstage Actor and/or THEA 323 Advanced Practicum	6
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**Total Credits** 18

Total credit hours required for A.B. Degree in Theatre Studies: Generalist Track is 41-49 credits

### Additional Requirements for Students Selecting a Design/Tech Track

Code	Title	Credits
	Select two additional intermediate (200-level) design courses from the following:	8
THEA 272	Digital Sound Design	
THEA 273	Lighting Design	
THEA/CTIS 274	Digital Graphic Design (CTIS 274)	
THEA 275	Costume Design	
THEA 224		
	Select one of the following:	4
THEA 375	Advanced Theatre Design	4
THEA 381	Play Direction (cannot double for Analysis Core requirement)	4
	total credits of Advanced Practicum serving as Dramaturg on a production	6
THEA 381	Play Direction	
	Any other design/tech course approved by department chair	
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>26</b>

Total credit hours required for A.B. Degree in Theatre Studies: Design/Tech Track is 41-49 credits

### Additional Requirements for Students Selecting a History/Literature Track

Code	Title	Credits
	Select two additional intermediate (200-level) courses	8
ENGL 223	Shakespeare	
or ENGL 288	Shakespeare and Film	
or THEA 244	Playwriting Workshop (ENGL210)	
ENGL 288	Shakespeare and Film	3,4
THEA 244	Playwriting Workshop (ENGL210)	4
	Select one course from the following advanced options:	4
THEA 320	Acting 3: Shakespeare	
or THEA 381	Play Direction	
THEA 381	Play Direction (cannot double for Analysis Core requirement)	4
	Advanced Practicum serving as Dramaturg on a production	
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>23-24</b>

Total credit hours required for A.B. degree in Theatre Studies: history/literature track is 41-49 credits.

### Additional Requirements for Students Selecting a Performance Track

Code	Title	Credits
	Select two additional intermediate (200-level) acting courses from the following:	8

THEA 221		
THEA 227	Acting 2: Playing the Action <sup>1</sup>	
THEA 228	Acting 2: Creating the World	
THEA 229	Acting 2: Voice and Diction	
Select one additional advanced (300-level) acting or performance course from the following:		4
THEA 320	Acting 3: Shakespeare	
THEA 325	Acting 3: Modern Realism	
Advance Mainstage Actor		
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>12</b>

Total credit hours required for A.B. degree in Theatre Studies:  
performance track is 44-49 credits

**NOTE:** It is highly recommended that students wishing to pursue acting take all three Acting 2 courses, Voice and Diction, Playing the Action, and Creating the World

### Additional Requirements for Students Selecting a Film Studies Track

Code	Title	Credits
Two additional intermediate courses at the 200 level		
THEA 263		
THEA 262	Queer Cinema	4
THEA 2??		
ENG 288		
One Course from the following advances		
THEA 366	Filmmaking Capstone	1
THEA 323		6

#### **Total Credit Hours required for A.B degree in the film studies track 44-49**

\*It is highly recommended that students wishing to pursue acting take all three courses: Voice and Diction, Playing the Action, and Creating the World