



theatre and dance

bachelor of arts–theatre • bachelor of arts–dance •
minor • subject matter program • master of arts

Program Description

Theatre

The Sacramento State Theatre Program is committed to intensive training in the areas of performance, theatrical design, puppetry/youth theatre, ethnic theatre, film studies, playwriting, dramatic literature, history, and criticism. The curriculum is designed to offer breadth and depth, and is fully accredited by the National Association of Schools of Theatre. The faculty and staff offer national and international experience.

Special Features - Theatre

- An extension of our academic program is our excellent program of theatrical productions. Each year we offer six major productions and some twenty minor productions of one-acts, master's thesis productions, originals, tour shows, puppet productions and reader's theatre all of which provide an excellent showcase for the student of theatre at Sacramento State.
- Physical facilities for these productions include the University Theatre for proscenium productions, the Playwrights' Theatre for original and experimental productions, and the Studio Theatre for student-directed productions.
- Included are African American and Chicano/Latino Theatre productions that make this program unique in the state university system.

Career Possibilities

Actor • Choreographer • Dancer • Director • Scenographer •
Lighting Designer • Scenic Designer • Costume Designer • Makeup
Artist • Playwright • Puppeteer • Theatre Manager • Critic •
Announcer/Narrator • Publicity Specialist • Sound/Light Technician
• Recreation Specialist • Public Affairs Director • Scenic Artist •
Propmaster • Teacher (all levels) • Film Art Director • Stage Manager

Faculty

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Dance

Majors in the dance program receive in-depth training in dance technique, performance, production, choreography, theory, dance history and dance education.

Offering a comprehensive program of study, dance starts with the basic principles of dance technique and refines them through the choreographic and theoretic processes, culminating in the creation of full-scale concert productions. Students in the program are involved at every level of the creative process.

Special Features - Dance

- Dance majors have the opportunity to perform as members of Jazzee Dance Company, the regionally acclaimed student dance company established at the University in 1978. Company members participate in all aspects of producing and presenting dance, from creating and performing the choreography to designing and implementing the production and promotional aspects of the concerts. Company programs are produced at the campus state-of-the-art dance performance studio.
- Through internships, dance majors are given the opportunity to work with professional dance companies on concerts produced at the campus. Each year, at least one regional professional company is in residence at the campus and the program invites nationally acclaimed guest artists to provide workshops for the majors.

Undergraduate Programs

Requirements • Bachelor of Arts Degree – Theatre

Units required for Major: 48

Minimum total units required for the BA: 120

Courses in parentheses are prerequisites.

A. Required Lower Division Courses (17 units)

- (3) THEA 002 History of the Theatre: Ancient to Renaissance
- (3) THEA 003 Theatre History After 1660
- (3) THEA 004 Script Analysis
- (3) THEA 011 Acting Study I (Theatre/Dance majors with THEA 009)
- (3) THEA 016 Technical Production I - Stagecraft
- (2) THEA 020 Technical Production II - Lighting

B. Required Upper Division Courses (19 units)

- (3) THEA 102 Modern Drama in Production
- (3) THEA 107 Directing (THEA 002, THEA 003, THEA 004, THEA 011, THEA 016, THEA 020, instructor permission)
- (2) THEA 120 Practicum in Technical Production
- (2) THEA 121 Rehearsal and Performance
- (3) THEA 131 Styles in Costume
- (6) Select two of the following courses — only one course from a pair:
 - A THEA 140 Black Drama in African Diaspora **OR**
 - DNCE 131 Dance Cultures of America
 - B THEA 144 Women and Theatre: Staging Diversity **OR**
 - THEA 149 Playwright as Artist Series
 - C THEA 170 African-American Theatre and Culture **OR**
 - DNCE 132 African-Caribbean Dance
 - D THEA 172 Chicano/Latino Theatre: Drama, Art and Life 1900 to 1975 **OR**
 - THEA 173 Contemporary Chicano/Latino Theatre: Themes and Performance 1965-Present
 - E THEA 174 Multicultural Perspectives in American Theatre **OR**
 - DNCE 130 Appreciation and History of Dance

C. Electives/Advising Sequences (12 units)

The Theatre Concentration requires twelve additional upper division units selected from the following emphases: acting/directing, multi-ethnic theatre, playwrighting, scenography, theatre history/literature, youth theatre/puppetry and film studies. Areas of emphases **MUST** be determined in consultation with a faculty advisor.

Note: The Actor Training Program is a comprehensive, pre-professional performance concentration designed to prepare the student for additional graduate training and a professional career in the Theatre. It is a rigorous program and is designed for the serious student. It is required that students in the program audition and perform in the department's production season.

The courses are listed in the recommended progression of training. The instructor's permission is necessary for all upper level acting courses.

- THEA 011 Acting Study I
- THEA 101 Acting Study II
- THEA 114A Voice and Movement I (offered once a year)
- THEA 114B Voice and Movement II (offered once a year)
- THEA 110 Acting Styles: Classic Realism (offered once a year)
- THEA 113 Acting Styles: Shakespeare (offered once a year)
- THEA 126 Audition Techniques (offered once a year)

Requirements • Bachelor of Arts Degree – Dance

Units required for the Major: 52

Minimum total units required for BA: 120

Courses in parentheses are prerequisites.

A. Required Lower Division Courses (15 units)

- (2) DNCE 011 Intermediate Jazz (DNCE 001)
- (2) DNCE 013 Intermediate Ballet
- (3) THEA 009 Appreciation of Acting (Passing score on the WPE)
- (3) THEA 011 Acting Study I (Theatre/Dance majors with THEA 009)
- (2) Select one of the following:
 - DNCE 012 Intermediate Modern Dance
 - DNCE 014 Intermediate Tap (DNCE 004 or instructor permission)
- (3) Select one of the following:
 - DNCE 040 Dance Production
 - THEA 016 Technical Production I - Stagecraft

B. Required Upper Division Courses (37 units)

- (2) DNCE 111 Advanced Jazz
- (2) DNCE 112 Advanced Modern Dance
- (2) DNCE 120 Principles of Choreography
- (2) DNCE 121 Dance Improvisation
- (2) DNCE 122 Choreographic Form and Style
- (3) DNCE 130 Appreciation and History of Dance
- (3) DNCE 131 Dance Cultures of America
- (3) DNCE 132 African-Caribbean Dance
- (1) DNCE 142 Dance Performance Skills
- (2) DNCE 143 Performance Practicum (1 unit class, must be taken two times)
- (3) DNCE 150 Dance Theory
- (3) DNCE 151 Dance Criticism (DNCE 130 or DNCE 131)
- (2) DNCE 160 Creative Dance
- (3) KINS 151C Dance Kinesiology (BIO 022 or equivalent)
- (1) THEA 120 Practicum in Technical Production
- (3) Select one of the following:
 - THEA 109A Acting Techniques in Musical Theatre
 - THEA 114A Voice and Movement I
 - THEA 118 Children's Theatre

Requirements • Minor – Theatre

Units required for Minor: 18

The minor requires that all courses be taken in Theatre, 9 units of which must be upper division.

Specific course requirements are:

- (3) THEA 002 History of the Theatre: Ancient to Renaissance **OR**
- THEA 003 Theatre History After 1660
- (3) THEA 011 Acting Study I (Theatre/Dance majors with THEA 009) **OR**
- THEA 016 Technical Production I — Stagecraft **AND**
- THEA 120 Practicum in Technical Production
- (3) THEA 102 Modern Drama in Production

Requirements • Minor – Dance

Units required for Minor: 18

The minor requires that all courses be taken in Dance, 9 units of which must be upper division.

Specific course requirements are:

Technique (6 units)

Select one of the following:

- (2) DNCE 001 Beginning Jazz
- (2) DNCE 002 Beginning Modern Dance
- (2) DNCE 003 Beginning Ballet
- (2) DNCE 004 Beginning Tap
- (2) DNCE 006 Popular Jazz Styles

Select two of the following:

- (2) DNCE 011 Intermediate Jazz (DNCE 001)
- (2) DNCE 012 Intermediate Modern Dance
- (2) DNCE 013 Intermediate Ballet
- (2) DNCE 014 Intermediate Tap
- (2) DNCE 111 Advanced Jazz
- (2) DNCE 112 Advanced Modern Dance

Choreography (2 units)

- (2) DNCE 120 Principles of Choreography (Dance majors only and instructor permission)

Production (2 units)

- (2) DNCE 040 Dance Production

History/Cultural Studies (3-6 units)

- (3) DNCE 130 Appreciation and History of Dance
- (3) DNCE 131 Dance Cultures of America

Electives (2-5 units)

Select from the following:

- (2) DNCE 005 Mexican Folklorico Dance
- (2) DNCE 121 Dance Improvisation
- (2) DNCE 122 Choreographic Forms and Styles
- (3) DNCE 132 African-Caribbean Dance
- (2) DNCE 142 Dance Performance Skills
- (2) DNCE 143 Performance Practicum
- (3) DNCE 151 Dance Criticism
- (2) DNCE 160 Creative Dance for Children

Requirements • Subject Matter Program – English/Theatre (pre-credential preparation)

Students may also pursue a secondary teaching credential in English/Theatre. The requirements represent a 58-unit waiver program in the two departments. The courses outlined below must be completed with a “B” average:

A. Basic Core (30 units)

- (3) THEA 102 Modern Drama in Production
- (3) ENGL 040A Introduction to British Literature I
- (3) ENGL 050A Introduction to American Lit. I
- (3) ENGL 050B Introduction to American Lit. II
- (3) ENGL 110A Linguistics and the English Language
- (3) ENGL 120A Advanced Composition (Passing score on WPE; should be taken in junior year)
- (3) ENGL 125A* Literature and Film for Young People
- (3) ENGL 125B* Writing and the Young Writer
- (3) ENGL 140* Studies in British Literature
- (3) ENGL 145B Shakespeare — The Early Plays, 1592-1600 **OR**
- ENGL 145C Shakespeare — The Later Plays, 1600 - 1612

* The prerequisites for these courses are ENGL 040A, ENGL 040B, ENGL 050A, ENGL 050B with a grade of a “C-” or better and ENGL 120A with a grade of a “B-” or better.

B. Breadth and Perspective (28 units)

- (3) THEA 002 History of the Theatre: Ancient to Renaissance
- (3) THEA 003 Theatre History After 1660
- (3) THEA 004 Script Analysis
- (3) THEA 011 Acting Study I (Theatre/Dance majors with THEA 009)
- (3) THEA 016 Technical Production I - Stagecraft
- (2) THEA 020 Technical Production II - Lighting
- (3) THEA 107 Directing (THEA 002, THEA 003, THEA 004, THEA 011, THEA 016, THEA 020, instructor permission)
- (2) THEA 120 Practicum in Technical Production
- (1) THEA 121 Rehearsal and Performance
- (3) THEA 131 Styles in Costume
- (3) Select one of the following:
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 - THEA 144 Women and Theatre: Staging Diversity
 - THEA 149 Playwright as Artist Series
 - THEA 170 African American Theatre and Culture
 - THEA 172 Chicano/Latino Theatre: Drama, Art and Life 1900 to 1975
 - THEA 173 Contemporary Chicano/Latino Theatre: Themes and Performance 1965-Present
 - THEA 174 Multicultural Perspectives in American Theatre

Graduate Program

A graduate program leading to the Master of Arts degree is available with a variety of courses offered to cover the particular needs of each graduate student in the field of theatre. Through close collaboration with an advisor, graduate students can focus their studies in dramatic literature, directing, playwriting, and multicultural theatre. Opportunities for graduate students to work on productions as scenic, costume or lighting designers, stage managers, or assistant directors will be made available. Graduate students also have the opportunity to gain experience as teachers' aides in subjects of emphasis. Degree candidates may decide on a research thesis for the culmination of the Master of Arts degree or may choose a creative project in the areas of directing or playwriting as a culminating experience.

Admission Requirements

Admission as a classified graduate student in Theatre requires:

- an undergraduate degree from an accredited four-year college or university with a minimum 3.0 GPA;
- three letters of reference, to be sent to the Program Coordinator by the application deadline; and
- an example of written work which the applicant considers evidence of his/her best scholarship.

Admission Procedures

Persons interested in applying should first contact the Office of Graduate Studies, River Front Center 206, (916) 278-6470 for information and application materials.

Applications are accepted as long as room for new students exists, but students applying for fall are urged to complete their application by May 1 and for spring by November 1 in order to be included before Computer Access to Student Personal and Enrollment Records (CASPER) begins. All students must complete an online application for admission. International visa students must submit the appropriate international student application form which is available at the Office of Global Education, Lassen Hall 2304, (916) 278-6686.

In addition, the applicant must file with the Theatre and Dance Department office a letter of intent to pursue the Master of Arts degree; the letter should include statements regarding career goals and motivation for pursuing a career in the performing arts. The applicant will also see that the department receives the three required letters of recommendation and the required example of the applicant's written work.

Approximately six weeks after receipt of all items listed above, a decision regarding admission will be mailed.

After admission, the student will complete the departmental diagnostic examination, which is an encompassing review of undergraduate experience in theatre. In consultation with the graduate committee, the student will formulate a program including any additional classes that have been indicated as necessary to complete a basic background knowledge of theatre.

Advancement to Candidacy

Each student must file an application for Advancement to Candidacy, indicating a proposed program of graduate study. This procedure should begin as soon as the student has:

- removed any deficiencies in admission requirements or incomplete grades;
- completed all background courses as indicated by the graduate committee in the interview following completion of the diagnostic examination;
- completed at least 12 units of 200-level courses with a 3.0 grade point average, including THEA 200, which must be passed with a grade of "B" or better;
- passed the written and oral comprehensive examination;
- filed an approved thesis or project topic with the Department; and
- passed the Writing Proficiency Examination (WPE) or secured approval for a WPE waiver.

Written comprehensive exams will be given during the seventh and eighth weeks of each semester. Students must apply to the Graduate Coordinator prior to the beginning of the semester in which they intend to take the written examination.

Advancement to Candidacy forms are available in the Office of Graduate Studies, River Front Center 206, (916) 278-6470. The student fills out the form after planning a degree program in consultation with the Theatre and Dance Graduate Coordinator. The completed form is then returned to the Office of Graduate Studies for approval.

Requirements • Master of Arts Degree – Theatre

Units required for the MA: 30, including at least 18 units of 200-level courses

Minimum required GPA: 3.0

A. Required Courses (12 units)

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| (3) | THEA 200 | Introduction to Graduate Studies |
| (3) | THEA 201 | Theory of Dramatic Criticism |
| (3) | THEA 204 | Performance of Culture |
| (3) | THEA 209 | Seminar in Theatrical Production |

B. Other Course Requirements (15 units)

Upper-division or graduate courses in Theatre and Dance and approved supporting field; at least 6 units must be in 200-level courses.

C. Culminating Requirement (3 units)

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| (3) | THEA 500 | Culminating Experience |
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Note: A grade of "B" or better is required for THEA 200, THEA 201, THEA 204, and THEA 209; a "B" average (3.0) or better is required for the entire graduate program.

Upon completion of program contract and thesis (as determined by the thesis committee), a certification of completion of requirements for the Master of Arts degree will be issued. A copy of the master's thesis or project must be filed in the Theatre and Dance Department office.

With advisor's consent, the student may include from 3-6 upper division units from any one of the following supporting fields: art, English, ethnic studies, history, humanities and religious studies, music, philosophy, and psychology.

Lower Division Courses

Dance

DNCE 001. Beginning Jazz. Theory and practice of jazz techniques. 2 units.

DNCE 002. Beginning Modern Dance. Introduction to the history and techniques of the modern dance tradition. Students will study basic modern dance principles and aesthetics and learn modern movement to develop and improve strength, flexibility, balance, coordination and creative expression. 2 units.

DNCE 003. Beginning Ballet. Introduction to the history and development of traditional ballet techniques. Students will study ballet principles and aesthetics and learn basic ballet movement, vocabulary, and skills. 2 units.

DNCE 004. Beginning Tap. Introduction to fundamental tap dance skills, including basic steps, history and vocabulary, and style development. 2 units.

DNCE 005. Mexican Folklorico Dance. Overview of different types of dances typically and traditionally performed by Mexican and Latin Americans in the Americas. The interrelationship of dance culture to historical events, holidays, and people. Opportunities to learn specific folks dances that are representative of several regions of Mexico and Latin America will be provided. Open to all students. 2 units.

DNCE 006. Popular Jazz Dance. Introduction to the fundamentals of popular jazz dance skills, including basic steps, history and vocabulary. **Prerequisite:** DNCE 001 and/or instructor permission. 2 units.

DNCE 011. Intermediate Jazz. Theory and practice of modern jazz techniques including movement vocabulary with an emphasis on the different jazz styles. **Prerequisite:** DNCE 001 or instructor permission. 2 units.

DNCE 012. Intermediate Modern Dance. Examination of the theories of traditional modern dance. Designed to develop proficiency in performing intermediate level modern dance techniques. Students will gain an intellectual and kinesthetic understanding of different modern styles. Performance qualities and creative movement explorations are included. **Prerequisite:** Instructor permission. 2 units.

DNCE 013. Intermediate Ballet. Examines the theories and traditional styles of ballet. Students will develop proficiency in performing intermediate level ballet techniques and gain an intellectual and kinesthetic understanding of different ballet styles. **Prerequisite:** Instructor permission. 2 units.

DNCE 014. Intermediate Tap. Development and refinement of intermediate tap skills and vocabulary through the study of historical and current tap styles. **Prerequisite:** DNCE 004 or instructor permission. 2 units.

DNCE 040. Dance Production. Introduction to basic production elements as they relate to dance emphasizing the areas of 1) lighting, 2) sound and video; and 3) costuming and make-up. Includes the principles of stage lighting for dance, instruments and control; sound recording and reproduction techniques and equipment for dance, as well as an introduction to video as an archival resource. Includes studio hours for on campus dance productions. **Note:** Open to majors in the Dance Concentration or instructors permission. 3 units.

Theatre

THEA 001. Introduction to Theatre. Primarily for non-majors interested in acquiring a background of information in theatre. Plays, history, acting theories, technical methods and people in the theatre. Lectures, demonstrations and discussions will characterize the greater portion of the course. 3 units. (CAN DRAM 018)

THEA 002. History of the Theatre: Ancient to Renaissance. Broad survey of the nature and development of theatrical performance from ancient times through the Renaissance which emphasizes the relationship between theatre and the larger philosophical social and political concerns of its time. Fall only. 3 units.

THEA 003. Theatre History After 1660. Investigates the relationship between the development of theatre styles, structures and institutions, and philosophical, political, and cultural practices after 1660. Considers plays, production styles, theatre as an institution, and issues of representation of gender, race and class. Spring only. 3 units.

THEA 004. Script Analysis. Understanding the structure of a play and the interrelationship of its many parts, enables the artist to translate a script into production. In lecture and discussion, and through individual and group projects, the class will investigate the structure of playscripts and portions of playscripts various styles from several points of view (as director, designer, actor for example), as well as different analytic approaches and methods which may offer possible production alternatives. Spring only. 3 units.

THEA 005. Aesthetics of Theatre and Film. Interpretations of seminal dramatic scripts emphasizing the aesthetics of the theatrical art in relation to the cinematic medium. 3 units.

THEA 009. Appreciation of Acting. Examination of the art of acting, including a review of actors and acting - past and present. Basic exercises in voice and diction, movement, and character will be utilized. 3 units.

THEA 011. Acting Study I. The foundation course for the Actor Training Program, it provides a basic working knowledge of the craft of acting. This studio class focuses in the areas of physical awareness, relaxation, trust, discipline, and action/objective. This is accomplished through bodywork, theatre games, improvisation, and discussion. **Prerequisite:** Theatre Major or Dance Concentration with THEA 009. 3 units. (CAN DRAM 008)

THEA 016. Technical Production I - Stagecraft. Principles of scenic and stage prop construction, techniques of mounting and shifting stage scenery, and the study of ground plans and construction drawings for theatrical production. Required participation in one departmental production. Lecture/lab activity. **Note:** MAY NOT be taken concurrently with THEA 020 without instructor permission. Student must register for THEA 120 concurrently. **Corequisite:** THEA 120. 3 units. (CAN: DRAM 012)

THEA 020. Technical Production II - Lighting. Principles of stage lighting, fixtures, control and color. Introduction to basic concepts and practices of lighting design. Lecture/lab activity. 2 units.

THEA 030. Oral Expression of Literature. Analysis and performance of literary works through the medium of oral interpretation. An emphasis upon understanding the content of communication in literature as well as the form. An exploration of the technique involved in the discovery, critical evaluation and performance of various literary speakers. 3 units.

THEA 096. Experimental Offerings in Theatre. Undergraduate offerings to be arranged according to the needs of the students. **Prerequisite:** Instructor permission. 1-3 units.

Upper Division Courses

Dance

DNCE 111. Advanced Jazz. Advanced training in the theory and practice of jazz techniques. **Prerequisite:** Instructor permission. 2 units.

DNCE 112. Advanced Modern Dance. Theory and practice of modern dance through a development of style and musicality. **Prerequisite:** Instructor permission. 2 units.

DNCE 113. Advanced Ballet. Theory and practice of classical techniques; through the development of styles and musicality. **Prerequisite:** Instructor permission. 2 units.

DNCE 120. Principles of Choreography. Exploration of the elements and qualities utilized in the choreographic process. **Prerequisite:** DNCE majors only and instructor permission. 2 units.

DNCE 121. Dance Improvisation. Exploration of the creation of movement through improvisation. Students will simultaneously explore and create, while spontaneously performing inner-directed movement without intellectual censorship. **Prerequisite:** DNCE 120. 2 units.

DNCE 122. Choreographic Forms and Styles. An exploration of the concepts, approaches, and processes used to develop a stylistic approach to choreography. **Prerequisite:** DNCE 120, DNCE 121. 2 units.

DNCE 130. Appreciation and History of Dance. Survey in the appreciation and history of dance and the relationship of dance to the fine and liberal arts in Western Civilization. Emphasis upon the history of ballet; American modes of expression: modern and jazz forms. **Note:** Non-activity. 3 units.

DNCE 131. Dance Cultures of America. Survey course in the appreciation and understanding of dance cultures in America. The relationship of dance to the identity and expression of different cultural groups in the U.S. will be examined. Jazz, modern, and ballet from a multicultural perspective will be the focus of the class. **Note:** Non-activity. 3 units.

DNCE 132. African-Caribbean Dance. Introduction to the rich dance cultures of the Caribbean. Students will learn the different dances of Haiti, Cuba, Jamaica and Trinidad as they relate to their function in secular and religious culture, including the study of the Dunham Dance Technique. 3 units.

DNCE 142. Dance Performance Skills. Elements of advanced technique with an emphasis on performance skills are used to develop an aesthetic understanding of the execution of performance oriented movement and an awareness of movement as an art form. The genre varies from semester to semester and may include elements of ballet, jazz, modern folk and cultural dance forms. **Note:** Open only to majors in Dance concentration. Must be taken two times for the major. 1 unit.

DNCE 143. Performance Practicum. Participation in the rehearsal and performance of dance productions. Approximately six hours of participation weekly. Admission by audition. **Note:** A total of two undergraduate units must be taken for the major. 1 unit.

DNCE 150. Dance Theory. Exploration of the contemporary theories and philosophies of movement, specifically in the dance genres of modern and jazz. Lecture one hour, studio four hours. **Prerequisite:** DNCE 122, 130, 131, instructor permission 3 units.

DNCE 151. Dance Criticism. Explores how to look at dance from a critical writing perspective. By attending dance performances and observing dance videotapes, students will learn to evaluate the content of movement in relation to its intention, motivation and delivery. As a seminar class, critical examination of contemporary dance and its various developments through specific topics through lectures, discussion, and critical analysis. The role of dance criticism in audience development will also be explored. **Prerequisite:** DNCE 130 or DNCE 131. 3 units.

DNCE 160. Creative Dance for Children. Exploration of creative dance as it applies to young children; including exploration of non-locomotor and locomotor movement patterns through problem solving and guided discovery techniques. 2 units.

Theatre

THEA 101. Acting Study II. Building from the skills developed in Acting I and through scene and monologue work, provides a working knowledge of the craft of acting to include: the actor's process in analyzing a text, developing a role, and working in collaboration with others. Develops skills, confidence, mental agility, and trust through physical work, theatre games and improvisation. **Prerequisite:** THEA 011, instructor permission. 3 units.

THEA 102. Modern Drama in Production. Analysis and appreciation of psychologically oriented modern drama with a perspective toward production. Authors and their work representing the development of this movement range from Ibsen, Strindberg and Chekhov to Kushner. Their works are read and discussed in an undergraduate seminar structure. Departmental productions are included in the analysis process. Fall only. 3 units.

THEA 105. Film Theory and Criticism. Survey of film theory focusing on Auteurism, Class, Expressionism, Formalism, Genre, Gender, Narratology, Neorealism, Phenomenology, Post Structuralism, Psychoanalysis, Realism, Semiology, Structuralism and Third Cinema. 3 units.

THEA 106. Latin American Film. Exploration of the major movements in Latin American cinema beginning with the initial impetus of the Argentine and Mexican film industry of the late 1940's and the relationship of their aesthetic formulas to the cultural and socio/political climate of major Latin American nations. 3 units.

THEA 107. Directing. Practical experience in production procedures, characterization and basic principles of play direction. Analyzes directing techniques. Lecture/lab activity. **Prerequisite:** THEA 002, THEA 003, THEA 004, THEA 011, THEA 016, THEA 020, instructor permission. Fall only. 3 units.

THEA 108. Advanced Directing. Advanced problems in play directing plus supervision by master teacher of a play for public performance. Lecture/lab activity. **Prerequisite:** THEA 107, instructor permission. Spring only. 3 units.

THEA 109A. Acting Techniques in Musical Theatre. Practical study in singer-actor performance techniques. Major consideration is given to coordination of dialogue, melody, and lyric. **Prerequisite:** MUSC 025, THEA 009, or THEA 011, DNCE 001, DNCE 002, DNCE 003, DNCE 004, DNCE 005, DNCE 006 or instructor permission/audition. Spring only. 3 units.

THEA 109B. Acting Technique in Musical Theatre II. Practical study in singer-actor-dancer performance techniques. Major consideration is given to the coordination of dialogue, melody, lyric and the use of musical staging and choreography. **Prerequisite:** THEA 109A, instructor permission/audition. 3 units.

THEA 110. Acting Styles: Classic Realism. Provides the student with a working knowledge of the analysis, rehearsal and performance techniques used in the acting of 20th Century classic realism. Using Chekhov and Ibsen's major plays as the foundation, students will analyze the text to discover the "given circumstances" of the play and develop character using a basic Stanislavski technique. Students also become familiar with the historical and social background of Russia and Norway in the late 19th and early 20th Century. **Prerequisite:** THEA 101, THEA 114A, THEA 114B and instructor permission. 3 units.

THEA 113. Acting Styles: Shakespeare. De-mystifying approach to speaking Shakespeare's text. Acting Shakespeare begins with an in-depth study of the structure and meter of the verse. The language is explored through sound, sense, and imagery exercise. Scene and monologue work is detailed and extensive. **Prerequisite:** THEA 101, THEA 114A, THEA 114B and instructor permission. 3 units.

THEA 114A. Voice and Movement I. Introduction to the basic fundamentals of voice production and movement for the actor. Basic anatomy and physiology, relaxation, alignment, and breath work and its connection to movement. Feldenkrais, the Alexander Technique, and physical strengthening exercises are used in combination with vocal exercises to develop the actor's voice and body. Vocal and physical improvisation are introduced through various voice and movement exercises. **Prerequisite:** THEA 011. 3 units. (CAN DRAM 006)

THEA 114B. Voice and Movement II. Strengthening work developed in Voice and Movement I is continued. In addition, vocal articulation, resonance and tone are introduced. Movement study supports this work with the introduction of character masque and life-study projects. The International Phonetic Alphabet is studied and its aid in articulation and accent study. **Prerequisite:** THEA 114A. 3 units.

THEA 115. Puppetry. Play production with puppets. Practical work in constructing and manipulating various kinds of puppets. Simple puppets for use at elementary level; hand puppet production. Lecture/lab activity. 3 units.

THEA 115A. Multicultural Puppetry. Multicultural puppetry was developed to introduce the student to the techniques and construction of puppetry and its use in a multicultural setting. Puppetry has been found to be an excellent tool for the teaching of multiculturalism to children. Emphasizes the methodology in the development of multicultural/multilingual scripts and their use in the implementation of curriculum. The ability to speak a second language is not a prerequisite. 3 units.

THEA 116. Puppetry as Theatrical Medium. Comprehensive and cohesive overview of the theoretical concepts, aesthetic appreciation, and essentials of form and movement of Puppet Theatre. The students will study Shadow Theatre, Mask Theatre, Hand Puppetry, Rod Puppetry and Marionettes in reference to historical precedents and contemporary usage, while working hands on in creating and developing a Puppet Theatre production. Designed for students that have studied puppetry, acting, movement or design and have an intense desire to experiment with the Puppet as a theatrical art form. **Prerequisite:** THEA 115 or instructor permission. 3 units.

THEA 117. Fundamentals of Recreational Theatre. Primarily for non-majors interested in acquiring a background in amateur theatrical performances and the planning of school programs. Designed for school, community or club leaders of recreational programs. Basic techniques of acting, directing, costuming, staging, lighting, makeup and promotion. 3 units.

THEA 118. Children's Theatre. Study of special problems and techniques in the production of formal drama for children; a consideration of techniques, methods and materials for use in improvised theatre. 3 units.

THEA 120. Practicum in Technical Production. Practical experience in handling technical stagecraft problems, stage management, and crew management. Activity and participation in major productions. Four hours a week minimum required in workshop. A total of six undergraduate units may be taken. 1 unit.

THEA 121. Rehearsal and Performance. Participation in the preparation, rehearsal and performance of a departmental production. Approximately 50 hours of participation (including rehearsal and performance time) for one unit of credit. Admission by audition. A total of six undergraduate units may be taken. 1 unit.

THEA 122. Costume Design. Advancement of the skills and techniques relating to Costume Design initiated in THEA 025. Includes the continuation of costume rendering techniques, developing character through drawing, script and character analysis, organizational skills, budgetary skills, planning and problem solving, utilization of resources and preparing the student to interface with costume shop and other personnel on a local, regional, national and international level by providing a global perspective. Assigned readings relevant to stage representation, performance, storytelling, story boards and various theoretical models. Lecture/lab activity. **Prerequisite:** THEA 016; THEA 020, or instructor permission. 3 units.

THEA 123. Scenic and Lighting Design. Advancement in the methods of developing concepts for and of productions involving analysis of the script, research and spatial awareness in relation to scenic and lighting design. Projects designed to involve the student in competency in conceptualizing realistic set, and lighting design from script and space analysis, the process, skills (including drafting and model building), and organizational documentation necessary for collaboration between those involved in conceiving and realizing the production. Lecture/lab activity. **Prerequisite:** THEA 016, THEA 020, THEA 122 or instructor permission. 3 units.

THEA 124. Advanced Design. Abstract, Realism and contemporary design for the theatre. Includes discussion of the collaborative process, script analysis for theatre, dance, opera and related performing arts. Projects include: Advanced rendering of scenery, costume and lighting with preparation of preproduction storyboards; Continued skill development from THEA 122 and THEA 123; Research for contemporary practitioners; Computer rendering using related new technology. Lecture/lab activity. **Prerequisite:** THEA 016, THEA 020, THEA 122 and THEA 123, or instructor permission. **Corequisite:** THEA 135. 3 units.

THEA 126. Audition Technique. An in-depth study of the techniques of auditioning for professional theatre, film, voice over and musical theatre. Students prepare an audition repertoire that is appropriate to their age and type. **Prerequisite:** THEA 101, THEA 114A, THEA 114B, THEA 110, THEA 113 and instructor permission. 3 units.

THEA 129. Scenic Painting. Practical problems in technical play production. Emphasis on use of color, painting techniques and equipment. Additional workshop laboratory requires practical application on each major public theatre production. Lecture/lab activity. 3 units.

THEA 131. Styles in Costume. Study of relationships between the visual sign systems of theatre. Assignments employ stage costume, study of physical resources, research and analytic method to demonstrate director/designer/actor/production values. Required participation in one major public production. Lecture/lab activity. 3 units.

THEA 133. Musical Theatre Workshop. Basic performance techniques for the singer-actor-dancer in musical theatre production. Application of acting technique, musical theatre literature, soliloquy, recitative, duet and group scene work. **Note:** May be repeated for credit provided the course content is not repeated, permission of instructor, and audition. **Prerequisite:** THEA 109A and THEA 109B. Fall only. 3 units.

THEA 135. Introduction to Computer Applications in Performing Arts Design and Technology. Application of computer aided drafting to ground plans and lighting plots, introduction to other computer programs currently used in Theatre profession: PowerPoint, VectorWorks, Illustrator, Photoshop, etc. Lecture/lab activity. 3 units.

THEA 136. Seminar in Stage Management. A study of professional stage management practices for stage productions including the preparation of prompt scripts, pre-production planning and organization, and the management of actor and technical rehearsal plus performances. **Note:** Students must take this course before Stage managing a departmental production. **Prerequisite:** THEA 011, THEA 016. 3 units.

THEA 140. Black Drama in the African Diaspora. A survey of the contributions of theatre artists in the African Diaspora. The reading list includes drama from Nigeria, Trinidad, and the U.S. Focuses on how this drama has been influenced by the response to the politics of colonialism and post-colonialism, examining the cultural, sociological and political climate in which the plays have been created and performed. 3 units.

THEA 143. Makeup for the Stage. Lectures and practical application on stage makeup plus crew work on major public productions. Lecture/lab activity. **Note:** Student must register for THEA 120 concurrently. **Corequisite:** THEA 120. 3 units.

THEA 144. Women and Theatre: Staging Diversity. Includes study of recent feminist performance theory and criticism and its application to acting, directing, and writing for the theatre. Students will participate in both lecture/discussion and activities, including the creation of a final performance. Lecture two hours; lab two hours. Cross-listed as WOMS 144; only one may be counted for credit. 3 units.

THEA 149. Playwright as Artist Series. Examines the work of an individual playwright or school. Included in the study are the major writings, the milieu in which the artist worked, his/her contribution to theatre history, and the influence on dramatic structure and staging. The series includes studies of Brecht, Miller, O'Neill, Shakespeare, Shaw, Valdez, and Pirandello. 3 units.

THEA 149L. Playwright as Artist Series — Churchill. Begins with a specific description of contemporary British theatre against the wider background of international staging practices. In-depth study of Churchill's early plays to those most recent will constitute the central study. Readings in Feminist Theory will provide background to these playwrights as will the new and constantly expanding secondary criticism of Diamond, Case, Reinelt, Cimma and others. Students will be expected to develop a perspective on Churchill's texts and on the conditions of their productions. There will be short papers, a long paper or project, midterm, and a final. 3 units.

THEA 170. African American Theatre and Culture. Survey of African-American theatre as a reflection of African-American culture and politics. Places particular emphasis on African-American drama and theatre after 1959. 3 units.

THEA 172. Chicano/Latino Theatre: Drama, Art and Life 1900 to 1975. Study of the popular theatre movements in Mexico, Latin America and the Chicano Southwest from 1900 to 1975. The course will include an emphasis on the developments of Chicano/Latino Theatre and its art forms; Chicana/Latina playwrights, directors, and performers. 3 units.

THEA 173. Contemporary Chicano/Latino Theatre: Themes and Performance 1965-Present. Study of contemporary Chicano/Latino, Chicana/Latina theatre and drama from 1965 to the present, and its approaches toward performance. The course focuses on new trends, influences and new developments in playwriting, directing, performance styles, and its impact on the movie industry. 3 units.

THEA 174. Multicultural Perspectives in American Theatre. Study of the historical and artistic contributions of Native Americans, Chicano/Latinos, African-Americans and Asian-Americans to American Theatre. Focuses on a range of plays from various ethnic and racial groups, forming a multicultural classroom experience; specifically study groups, from 1965 to the present, and examine the cultural, sociological and political climate in which these plays were created. 3 units.

THEA 175. Multicultural Perspectives in American Film. Study of the historical and artistic contributions of Native American, Chicano/Latino, African-Americans and Asian American to the American cinema. The course will concentrate on a range of films with an emphasis on multicultural theoretical and critical writings and will examine the cultural and socio-political climate in which these films were crafted. 3 units.

THEA 185. Sound Design. Theory and practice of Sound Design including collaboration and script analysis. Practical considerations for productions including recording techniques, selection and use of audio materials, recording devices, and playback sound systems. 3 units.

THEA 194. Theatre-Related Work Experience. Supervised employment in a company or producing agency working on theatre-related work, arranged through the Theatre and Dance Department and the Cooperative Education Program office. Requires preparation of application packet, completion of a 3-6 month full-time or part-time work assignment, and a written report. No more than 3 units will be counted towards the degree. **Note:** Open only to upper division or graduate students with appropriate course preparation. **Prerequisite:** Consent of Department chair. Graded Credit/No Credit. 3-12 units.

THEA 195. Fieldwork. Directed observations and work experience with public agencies. Fieldwork is offered to give students orientation in occupational specialties. Supervision is provided by both the instructional staff of the university and the cooperating agencies. Each student is required to maintain a record of activities and assignments with a faculty member for a work program prior to admittance to the course. Graded Credit/No Credit. 2-3 units.

THEA 199. Special Problems in Theatre. Individual project or directed reading. **Note:** Departmental petition required. **Prerequisite:** Instructor permission. 1-3 units.

Graduate Courses

THEA 200. Introduction to Graduate Studies. Required of all candidates for the MA degree in Theatre. An introduction to the nature of research in theatre, including basic methods, materials, and theories of historical, descriptive and experimental research. Fall only. 3 units.

THEA 201. Theory of Dramatic Criticism. Performance theory and criticism in historical and contemporary context. An introduction to the historical tradition (Aristotle to Lessing) which informs contemporary theory and criticism. Recent literary and cultural theories such as semiotics and the new historicism will be related to performance theory and applied to texts and productions. Required of all candidates for the MA degree in Drama. 3 units.

THEA 204. Performance of Culture. Study of the relationship between the three discourses in politics, aesthetics, and live performance. Critical theories drawn from new methodology and ideologies will be applied to theatrical representation, both classical and contemporary. Cross-listed as LIBA 204; only one may be counted for credit. 3 units.

THEA 209. Seminar in Theatrical Production. Lecture and research in various fields of theatrical production, including aesthetic consideration of directing, acting, and design as they relate to production. 3 units.

THEA 295. Fieldwork. Directed observations and work experience in public or private agencies to give a student orientation in an occupational specialization. The student must make arrangement with a faculty member for a work program prior to admittance to the course. Graded Credit/No Credit. 2-3 units.

THEA 295A. Teaching Practicum. Graduate students accepted for work in this program will serve as teaching assistants for a drama professor for the period of one semester. This experience should provide the student with a knowledge of the materials and resources for class instruction, help him/her gain proficiency in the techniques of class organization and presentations and help him/her to better understand the teaching-learning process at a university level. Students will be expected to plan, prepare and present units of the program under the supervision of the professor. The particular area of proficiency and interest (acting, design, literature, history, puppetry) will determine the area in which the students serve. Graded Credit/No Credit. 3 units.

THEA 296. Experimental Offerings in Theatre. Seminar in theatre arts will be scheduled as needed on some phase of theatre arts study. 2-3 units.

THEA 299. Special Problems in Theatre. Individual project or directed reading. **Note:** Departmental petition required. 1-3 units.

THEA 500. Culminating Experience. Completion of a thesis, directing project, or playwriting project. **Prerequisite:** Advanced to candidacy and permission of the graduate coordinator. Graded Credit/No Credit. 3 units.