

Theatre Arts

Department Information

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- **Degrees Offered:**
B.A.; B.S.; B.F.A.
- **Official Program Curriculum:**
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There are three undergraduate degree programs in theatre. Each is flexible and can be designed to fit the individual student's career goals:

The Bachelor of Arts in theatre arts is a general baccalaureate degree built around a traditional liberal arts curriculum. Within the major field itself, courses are required in technical theatre, performing, and directing, as well as in literature and theatre history. The BA program requires two years' study of a modern language.

The Bachelor of Science degree is an alternative to the Bachelor of Arts. The program for the BS is identical to that for the BA, except that the BS requires a minor in an approved field, in place of study of a modern language.

The Bachelor of Fine Arts is a professionally-oriented undergraduate degree track which places primary emphasis on performance and studio activity, while also requiring a high level of involvement in the academic curriculum. It can be entered only by faculty permission. This degree track broadens the student's exposure to his/her field—Performance, Design & Tech, Musical Theatre—and considerable study is made of related fine arts fields as well. Admission to the BFA degree program requires consistent involvement in Theatre NDSU productions and projects and demands a high level of commitment on the part of the student.

The Department of Theatre Arts is fully accredited by the National Association of Schools of Theatre (NAST). The department currently has 52 majors and 14 minors and is continuing to grow.

Plans of Study

B.F.A. Design & Tech

Please note this is a sample plan of study and not an official curriculum. Actual student schedules for each semester will vary depending on start year, education goals, applicable transfer credit, and course availability. Students are encouraged to work with their academic advisor on a regular basis to review degree progress and customize an individual plan of study.

Freshman			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
ENGL 110	4	ENGL 120	3
THEA 150	1	THEA 161	3
THEA 180	3	THEA 181	3
THEA 220 or 221	1	THEA 220 or 221	1
THEA 270 or 271	3	THEA 223 or 224	1
THEA 272 or 279	3	THEA 270 or 271	3
Quantitative Reasoning Gen Ed	3	THEA 276 or 277	3
	18		17
Sophomore			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
THEA 210 or 211	1-2	ART 131	3
THEA 222	1	THEA 210 or 211	1-2

THEA 272 or 279	3	THEA 224 or 223	1
THEA 275	3	THEA 276 or 277	3
THEA 278	3	THEA 280	3
Science & Technology Gen Ed	3	THEA 370	1-3
		THEA 376	3
		14-15	15-18
Junior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
THEA 210 or 211	1-2	THEA 210 or 211	1-2
THEA 370	1-3	THEA 377	3
THEA 486 or 487	3	ART 111	3
COMM 110	3	ENGL 380	3
Science & Technology w/Lab Gen Ed	4	Upper Level Writing Gen Ed	3
Elective (if needed)	1	Social & Behavioral Sciences/Global Perspectives Gen Ed	3
		13-16	16-17
Senior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
THEA 365	3	THEA 210 or 211	1-2
THEA 450	3	THEA 481	3
THEA 480	3	MUSC 100 or 103	3
THEA 486 or 487	3	Social & Behavioral Science/Cultural Diversity Gen Ed	3
Science & Technology Gen Ed	3	Wellness Gen Ed	2
		15	12-13

Total Credits: 120-129

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B.F.A. Musical Theatre

Freshman			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
ENGL 110	4	ENGL 120	3
MUSC 101	3	MUSC 160	1
MUSC 167	1	MUSC 167	1
THEA 150	1	THEA 210, 220, or 221	1-2
THEA 161	3	THEA 263	2
THEA 180	3	THEA 266	3
THEA 270	3	THEA 270 or 271	3
THEA 220	1	Quantitative Reasoning Gen Ed	3
THEA 362	2		
		21	17-18
Sophomore			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
MUSC 100 or 103	3	ART 111	3

MUSC 130	3	COMM 110	3
MUSC 132	1	MUSC 267	1
MUSC 267	1	THEA 210, 223, or 224	1-2
THEA 210 or 222	1-2	THEA 263	2
THEA 278	3	THEA 280	3
THEA 362	1	THEA 468	3
		Social & Behavioral Science/Cultural Diversity Gen Ed	3

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Junior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
MUSC 367	1	MUSC 367	1
THEA 210	1-2	THEA 210	1-2
THEA 275	3	THEA 228	3
THEA 365	3	THEA 263	2
THEA 368	3	THEA 466 or 467	3
Science & Technology w/Lab Gen Ed	4	ENGL 380	3
		Science & Technology Gen Ed	3
		Wellness Gen Ed	2

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Senior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
MUSC 467	1	THEA 210, 223, or 224	1-2
THEA 450	3	THEA 276 or 277	3
THEA 480	3	THEA 466 or 467	3
Upper Level Writing Gen Ed	3	THEA 481	3
Science & Technology Gen Ed	3	Social & Behavioral Science/Global Perspectives Gen Ed	3

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Total Credits: 129-135

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B.F.A. Performance

Freshman			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
ENGL 110	4	ENGL 120	3
THEA 150	1	THEA 181	3
THEA 161	3	THEA 266	3
THEA 180	3	THEA 271	3
THEA 262	1	THEA 221	1
THEA 270	3	Social and Behavioral Science/ Global Perspectives Gen Ed	3
THEA 220	1		

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Sophomore			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
MUSC 100 or 103	3	COMM 110	3
MUSC 162	1	ART 111	3
THEA 210	1	THEA 210, 222, or 223	1-2
THEA 275	3	THEA 263	2
THEA 278	3	THEA 276	3
THEA 222	1	THEA 280	3
Science & Technology w/Lab Gen Ed	4		
	16		15-16
Junior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
THEA 210	2	THEA 210	2
THEA 361	3	THEA 228 or 267	3
THEA 365	3	THEA 263	2
THEA 462	3	THEA 466	3
Social & Behavioral Science/Cultural Diversity Gen Ed	3	ENGL 380	3
		Quantitative Reasoning Gen Ed	3
	14		16
Senior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
THEA 368	3	THEA 210	2
THEA 450	3	THEA 263	2
THEA 461	3	THEA 481	3
THEA 480	3	THEA 467	3
Science & Technology Gen Ed	3	Upper Level Writing Gen Ed	3
Wellness Gen Ed	2	Science & Technology Gen Ed	3
	17		16

Total Credits: 126-127

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B.A./B.S.

Freshman			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
ENGL 110	4	ENGL 120	3
THEA 150	1	THEA 181	3
THEA 161	3	THEA 271	3
THEA 180	3	Wellness Gen Ed	2
THEA 270	3	Social & Behavioral Science for BS ^(Foreign Language for BA)	3
THEA 220	1		

Quantitative Reasoning for
BS^(Foreign Language for BA)

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Sophomore

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
MUSC 100 or 103	3	ART 111	3
THEA 210	2	THEA 210	1
THEA 275 or 279	3	THEA 276, 277, or 278 ^(THEA 277, THEA 278 can fill this requirement if offered)	3
Theatre Elective	3	THEA 224, 223, or 222 ^(THEA 223, THEA 222 should be taken with corresponding class)	1
AHSS Requirement	3	THEA 280	3
Minor Requirement for BS ^(Foreign Language for BA)	3	Science & Technology Requirement	3
		Minor Requirement for BS ^(Foreign Language for BA)	3

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Junior

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
THEA 210	2	COMM 110	3
THEA 365	3	THEA 210	2
Upper Level Writing Gen Ed	3	ENGL 380	3
Science & Technology w/ Lab	4	Theatre Elective	3
Social & Behavioral Sciences	3	Minor Requirement for BS ^(AHSS Elective for BA)	3

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Senior

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
THEA 450	3	THEA 210	2
THEA 480	3	THEA 481	3
AHSS Requirement	6	AHSS Requirement	3
Minor Requirement for BS	3	Minor Requirement for BS	3
		Science and Technology	3

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Total Credits: 124