Theatre Arts - Dance Option, B.A.

DEPARTMENT

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MN in Theatre Arts - Drama Option, Minor
BA in Theatre Arts - Dance Option, B.A.
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BA in Theatre Arts - Acting Emphasis, B.A.
BA in Theatre Arts - Design/Technology Emphasis, B.A.
BA in Theatre Arts - General Emphasis, B.A.

The theatre arts major offers your the opportunity to develop your skills in acting, directing, dance performance, choreography, playwriting, children's theatre, technical production, scene design, costume design, lighting design, history, literature, and teaching. After completing our program, you will have the background that will enhance your ability to pursue either an advanced degree or a professional career.

Our professionally trained instructors will guide you through a program which is not only educational but fascinating. A major or minor in theatre or dance can be one of the more exciting times in your life because it will develop communication and performing skills that will aid you no matter what career you finally decide to pursue. If theatre is what you want, then the California State University, Fresno Theatre Arts Department is ready to serve you.

The Theatre Arts Department is an accredited institutional member of the National Association of Schools of Theatre (NAST) and holds memberships with the Association for Theatre in Higher Education, the California Educational Theatre Association, the California Alliance for Arts Education, and the United States Institute of Theatre Technology. The department regularly participates in the American College Theatre Festival (ACTF) and the American College Dance Festival (ACDF). Our students, faculty, and productions have been awarded many regional and national honors from both ACTF and ACDF.

Our national and international award-winning Theatre Arts Department offers you educational preparation in all aspects of theatre and dance. Beside having the opportunity of being guided by an extensive curriculum and production schedule of more than 10 plays and several dance concerts, you will have the opportunity to study with guest professionals who participate in our program on a regular basis.

At California State University, Fresno there are a variety of production organizations, each providing a different kind of experience. University Theatre produces five major productions a year, cast and crewed by students. The Experimental Theatre Company (ETC) and the University Dance Theatre (UDT) are student organizations that produce their own plays and dance concerts. The Black Theatre Contingent (BTC) focuses on drama of the African-American experience. Playwrights Theatre is dedicated to the exploration of original plays. Theatre for Young Audiences produces plays for young people and tours throughout the Valley. You also have the opportunity to work with our resident dance company, the Portable Dance Troupe. As you can see, we offer a variety of opportunities for you to develop and practice your art.

REQUIREMENTS

Bachelor of Arts Degree Requirements
Theatre Arts Major

The theatre arts major, dance option, and minors are designed to provide competencies in the theatre arts for students who intend to pursue study beyond the Bachelor of Arts degree, who are preparing for careers in teaching or for the professional theatre. With the assistance of their advisers and with departmental approval, students follow a track of advanced courses specializing in the areas of Acting or Design/Technology, or students may opt for advanced courses covering a broad range of study by selecting the General track. The Theatre Arts Program offers through the dance option intensive studies in dance performance, choreography, and theory. This option provides preparation for graduate studies or a professional career.
Theatre Arts Major (Dance Option)

Option requirements (48 units)
DRAMA 33, 34, 134B or 181B or 182A (9 units)
DANCE 20, 70, 159, 160, 164, 166, 170, 171 (23 units)
Production: DANCE 115 (4 units)
DANCE 117A, B, C, or D (must enroll in one section each semester) (6 units)
DANCE 158A, B, C, or D (must enroll in one section each semester) (6 units)

General Education requirements (51 units)
Electives and remaining degree requirements* (21-24 units)
(See Degree Requirements), may be used toward a double major or minor

Total (120 units)
*This total indicates that a maximum of one course (3 units) in General Education Breadth also may be applied to the dance option. This course is DANCE 70 in G.E. Breadth E1. Consult the department chair or faculty adviser for additional details.

Advising Notes
1. Special requirements: Students seeking the dance option are required to have competency in either DANCE 117 (Modern) or DANCE 158 (Ballet) for graduation.
2. A maximum of 12 units of dance technique courses (117, 118, 155, 158) may be credited toward the minimum B.A. graduation requirement of 120 units.
3. CR/NC grading is not permitted in the dance major.
4. No General Education Integration or Multicultural/International course offered by the Theatre Arts Department may be used to satisfy the General Education requirements for majors in the department.

FACULTY
For faculty phone numbers and e-mail, see the campus directory.
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