BA in Performing Arts - Theatre

Program Requirements

A minimum total of 120 credit hours is required for the BA in performing arts - theatre and includes 86 credit hours of major courses that must be completed with a minimum overall grade point average of 2.000 (2.500 for department scholarship consideration). A *C* or better is required for all major required courses, including THEA and/or DANC electives. Students must complete 45 credit hours of upper-division courses. In addition to meeting the requirements of the WSU General Education Program (http://catalog.wichita.edu/undergraduate/academic-information/general-education-program/) and the requirements of the School of Performing Arts, students in the BA in performing arts - theatre must take the following courses:

Course	Title	Hours
General Education		
Select courses to meet General Educatio	n requirements ¹	34-35
Core Curriculum Courses		
THEA 180E	Performing Arts Seminar	1
THEA 150P	Production Experience	1
THEA 150R	Production Processes	1
THEA 280	Inclusion in Performing Arts	1
THEA 368	Collaborative Community Project	1
THEA 370	Professional Practices for the Performing Arts	2
THEA 497	Capstone - Theatre Studies	1
Acting/Voice/ Movement Courses		
THEA 180D	Introduction to Acting Repertoire	1
THEA 241	Improvisation for the Actor	3
THEA 222	Voice and Movement for the Actor 1 - Speech and Diction	2
THEA 243	Acting 1 - Foundations	3
THEA 342	Acting 2 - Scene Study	3
DANC 381	Dance Somatics	1
Theory Courses		
THEA 228	Script Analysis	3
THEA 323	Theatre History I	3
THEA 324	Theatre History II	3
THEA 371	Acting and Theatre Studies Research Semester	2
Design and Technical Theatre Course	s	
Choose four of the following courses		11-12
THEA 244	Stagecraft: Applied Technology	
THEA 245	Stage Lighting and Electrics	
THEA 272	Stage Management	
THEA 254	Stage Makeup	
THEA 344	Scene Design	
THEA 253	Costume and Wardrobe Technology	
Career Transition		
THEA 480	Theatre Internship	2
Electives		
Select open electives in consultation with additional THEA courses.	h advisor. May include	39-42
Total Credit Hours		120

Required major courses may also count towards General Education requirements. Students will need to select additional electives to

reach 120 credit hours required for graduation with assistance from an advisor.

Applied Learning

All students in a School of Performing Arts bachelor degree track or concentration are required to complete an applied learning or research experience to graduate from the program. The requirement can be met by completing a formal capstone project. Students create a major project whether self-generated, an extension of coursework, or through advanced participation in producing a public performance. Through the capstone experience, students develop and demonstrate, in a hands-on, real world context, the skills, knowledge and competencies required in their area of emphasis. Students in the School of Performing Arts develop a diverse portfolio of experiences, materials and intellectual properties through a broad offering of applied experiences in their four years. The capstone project provides a practical context for academic, experiential and personal growth through the college experience. The final, real product of the SPA's program of applied learning is a young professional prepared for the future.