**Nebraska Wesleyan University**

# Musical Theatre (B.F.A.)

## Catalog

2024-2025

## Program Description

This BFA program develops skills as an actor, singer, and dancer in preparation for a professional career in the musical theatre industry. Through work in the classroom, private voice instruction, and the dance studio, students learn and practice skills that are then applied practically to rehearsal and performance experiences. Students draw experiences from a season that includes full-produced musicals, plays, and other faculty and student directed productions.

## Departments

1. Theatre

### Musical Theatre major (B.F.A., 74 hours)

| Theatre Arts Core | 12 hours |
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| THTRE 1020FYW/THTRE 1030 Script Analysis | 3 hours |
| THTRE 1300 Acting I | 3 hours |
| THTRE 2500 Directing I | 3 hours |
| THTRE 2700 Introduction to Theatrical Design | 3 hours |
| **Musical Theatre BFA Courses** | **36 hours** |
| THTRE 1060 Introduction to Musical Theatre | 2 hours |
| THTRE 1310 Acting II | 3 hours |
| THTRE 1650 Musical Theatre I | 3 hours |
| THTRE 2080 Musical Theatre Literature | 3 hours |
| THTRE 2300 Acting III | 3 hours |
| THTRE 2340 Voice for the Stage | 3 hours |
| THTRE 2420 Movement I | 3 hours |
| THTRE 2650 Musical Theatre II | 3 hours |
| THTRE 2670 Musical Theatre Theory and Musicianship I | 4 hours |
| THTRE 3650 Musical Theatre III | 3 hours |
| THTRE 3670 Musical Theatre Theory and Musicianship II | 3 hours |
| THTRE 3680 Musical Theatre History | 3 hours |
| **Technical Theatre** | **3 hours** |

- THTRE 1400 Introduction to Technical Theatre or
- THTRE 1410 Costume Construction

| Dance | 8 hours |
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8 semesters (at least 1 hour each semester). Courses may be repeated.

- THTRE-1600
- THTRE 1610 Ballet I
- THTRE 1620 Musical Theatre Dance I
- THTRE 2620 Musical Theatre Dance II
- THTRE 3620 Musical Theatre Dance III

Note: Students who transfer to NWU may have a reduced dance requirement.

| Voice Lessons and Studio | 8 hours |
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8 semesters (at least 1 hour each semester at appropriate level). Courses to be determined by Theatre faculty. Weekly half-hour lesson for freshman, weekly 1 hour lesson plus studio for sophomores, weekly half-hour lesson plus studio for juniors and seniors.

- THTRE 1640 Musical Theatre Voice Lessons and Studio I
- THTRE 2640 Musical Theatre Voice Lessons and Studio II
- THTRE 3640 Musical Theatre Voice Lessons and Studio III
- THTRE 4640 Musical Theatre Voice Lessons and Studio IV

Note: Students who transfer to NWU may have a reduced voice lesson requirement.

| Practicum | 4 hours |
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At least one credit of Practicum must be completed each year.

Practicums should be selected from THTRE-1700-1800.

Note: Students who transfer to NWU may have a reduced practicum requirement.

| Capstone | 3 hours |
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THTRE 4910 Directed Readings, THTRE 4970 Internship or
THTRE 4990 Senior Capstone