

Major:

Theatre Arts (B.F.A.)

Departments/Programs:

Theatre

Students work with advisors to build an individualized course of study in two areas of interest related to career goals. For example, a student might propose to combine acting with design and technology, musical theatre with playwriting, or directing with arts management. Students wanting to seek this degree will write a proposal to be reviewed and approved by the theatre faculty. This major helps students develop a set of skills and experience to confidently enter the world of professional theatre. They capitalize upon Nebraska Wesleyan's active production schedule and academic opportunities to customize a degree program and gain practical experience that will result in an impressive resume and portfolio.

Theatre Studies Major (B.F.A., 68 hours)

Theatre Department Core	12 hours
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
Theatre History	6 hours
THTRE 3800 World Theatre History I	3 hours
THTRE 3810 World Theatre History II	3 hours
Theatre Arts B.F.A. Focus Areas	34 hours
Upper-level (3000- and 4000-level) focus area courses	12 hours
Other focus area courses	22 hours

- By consultation with and approval by Theatre Arts faculty, students will devise and select coursework for two focus areas.
- As a goal, each focus area will be designed to have at least 17 hours, 6 hours of which must be upper-level (3000- and 4000-level)
- Focus areas may include coursework in Acting, Design and Technology, Directing, Musical Theatre, Playwriting, Arts Leadership, or Arts Management. Courses from other departments may be incorporated into a focus area when appropriate.

Dramatic Literature	3 hours
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Select 3 hours of Dramatic Literature:

- THTRE 2010 Dramatic Literature: Pulitzer Prize
- THTRE 2020 Dramatic Literature: Tony Awards
- THTRE 2030 Dramatic Literature: American Comedy
- THTRE 2050 Dramatic Literature: Gender and Sexuality
- THTRE 2060 Dramatic Literature: Banned and Censored
- THTRE 2080 Musical Theatre Literature
- THTRE 3000 Shakespeare
- ENG 3710 Shakespeare And Justice
- ENG 3720 Shakespeare and Power
- ENG 3730 Shakespeare and Gender
- ENG 3740 Shakespeare and Identity

Technical Theatre	3 hours
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THTRE 1400 Stagecraft or THTRE 1410 Costume Construction

Experiential

3 hours

Select 1 course:

- THTRE 1420 Makeup Design
- THTRE 1810FYW Playwriting I/THTRE 2810
- THTRE 2160 Stage Management
- THTRE 2720 Scenery and Properties Design
- THTRE 2730 Costume Design
- THTRE 2750 Lighting and Sound Design
- THTRE 3160 Theatre Management
- THTRE 3500 Directing II
- THTRE 3700 Production Design I

Practicum

4 hours

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

Practicums should be selected from THTRE-1700-1800.

Capstone

3 hours

- THTRE 4970 Internship or
- THTRE 4990 Senior Capstone or
- ARHUM 4990 Capstone Project