

BA IN THEATRE

Units required for Major: 48

Total units required for BA: 120

Program Description

The California State University, Sacramento Department of Theatre and Dance fosters student-learning to advance critically-thinking, creative and collaborative artists. It provides a broad and thorough foundation of the history, theory, literature and the practice of theatre and dance to students who wish to pursue post graduate studies or join the profession. The Department of Theatre and Dance offers an imaginative and ambitious program of historical and contextual studies supported by studio and production work. Our mission challenges students to be independent thinkers. Our department provides a collaborative, artistic environment that reflects a richly complex and diverse global perspective complemented by national and international faculty and staff experience.

Minimum Grade Requirement

A minimum grade of "C-" is required of courses applied to the major.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Units
Required Lower Division Courses (18 Units)		
THEA 2	History of the Theatre: Ancient to Renaissance ¹	3
THEA 3	Theatre History After 1660 ¹	3
THEA 11	Acting Study I	3
THEA 14	Stage Makeup and Costume Construction	3
THEA 16	Stagecraft	3
THEA 20	Lighting	3
Required Upper Division Courses (24 Units)		
THEA 100	Script Analysis	3
THEA 102A	Voice and Movement I	3
THEA 104	Acting Study II	3
THEA 107	Directing	3
THEA 120A	Practicum in Technical Production (1 unit x 3)	1
THEA 121	Rehearsal and Performance	1
THEA 190	Senior Production	2
Select one of the following courses fulfilling the "Multicultural Theatre" requirement: 3		
THEA/WOMS 144	Women and Theatre: Staging Diversity ¹	
THEA 170	African American Theatre and Culture ¹	
THEA 173	Contemporary Chicano/Latino Theatre: Themes and Performance 1965-Present ¹	
THEA 174	Multicultural Perspectives in American Theatre ¹	
Select one of the following courses fulfilling the "Design" requirement: 3		
THEA 123	Lighting and Set Design	
THEA 131	Costume Design	
Electives (6 Units)		
Select two of the following: ² 6		
THEA 102B	Voice and Movement II	
THEA 109	Musical Theatre	

THEA 110	Acting Study III: Advanced Acting
THEA 111	Audition Technique
THEA 113	Acting Styles: Shakespeare
THEA 115	Puppetry
THEA 115A	Multicultural Puppetry ¹
THEA 118	Children's Theatre
THEA 140	Black Drama in the African Diaspora ¹
THEA 175	Multicultural Perspectives in American Film ¹
THEA 195	Fieldwork
THEA 199	Special Problems in Theatre

Total Units 48

¹ Course also satisfies General Education (GE)/Graduation Requirement.

² Electives **must** be determined in consultation with a faculty advisor.

General Education Requirements ¹

Code	Title	Units
Area A: Basic Subjects (9 Units)		
A1	Oral Communication	3
A2	Written Communication	3
A3	Critical Thinking	3
Area B: Physical Universe and Its Life Forms (13 Units)		
B1	Physical Science	3
B2	Life Forms	3
B3	Lab (Note: Lab experience to be taken with one of the following: B1, B2 or B5)	1
B4	Math Concepts	3
B5	Additional Course (Any B to reach 12 units) - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements.	3
Area C: Arts and Humanities (3-6 Units)		
C1	Arts ²	0
C2	Humanities	3
C1/C2	Area C Course ²	0
C1/C2	Area C Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements. ³	0 - 3
Area D: The Individual and Society (9 Units)		
Area D Course		3
Area D Course		3
Area D Course	- Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements.	3
Area E: Understanding Personal Development (3 Units)		
Area E Course		3
Area F: Ethnic Studies (3 Units)		
Area F Course		3
Total Units		40-43

¹ To help you complete your degree in a timely manner and not take more units than absolutely necessary, there are ways to use single courses to meet more than one requirement (overlap). For further information, please visit the General Education page (<https://catalog.csus.edu/colleges/academic-affairs/general-education/>).

Note: There is no way to list all possible overlaps so please consult with a professional advisor. The Academic Advising Center can be

visited online (<http://www.csus.edu/acad/>), by phone (916) 278-1000, or email (advising@csus.edu).

² Required in Major; also satisfies GE.

³ Department offers students a "select from the following" option:

- If student chooses to take THEA 115A, THEA 140, THEA 144/WOMS 144, THEA 170, THEA 173, THEA 174, or THEA 175, they will meet upper division Area C.

Graduation Requirements ¹

Code	Title	Units
Graduation Requirements (required by CSU) (6-9 Units)		
American Institutions: U.S. History		3
American Institutions: U.S. Constitution & CA Government		3
Writing Intensive (WI) ²		0 - 3
Graduation Requirements (required by Sacramento State) (9-12 Units)		
English Composition II		3
Race and Ethnicity in American Society (RE) ³		0 - 3
Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement ⁴		6

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² Department offers students a "select from the following" option:

- If student chooses to take THEA 170, they will meet the Writing Intensive (WI) graduation requirement.

³ Department offers students a "select from the following" option:

- If student chooses to take THEA 115, THEA 144/WOMS 144, THEA 174, or THEA 175, they will meet the Race and Ethnicity (RE) graduation requirement.

⁴ If not satisfied before entering Sacramento State, it may be satisfied in General Education Area C2 (Humanities). "C- or better required." The alternative methods for satisfying the Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement are described here: <https://www.csus.edu/college/arts-letters/world-languages-literatures/foreign-language-requirement.html>

The following roadmaps are sample planning resources. Please consult your academic advisor and Academic Catalog for graduation requirements as you develop your individualized academic plan.

Theatre, BA: 4-Year Roadmap

Course	Title	Units
Year 1		
First Semester		
THEA 2	History of the Theatre: Ancient to Renaissance	3
THEA 11	Acting Study I	3
THEA 21	First Year Seminar: Becoming an Educated Person	3

GE Area 1A - English Composition ²		3
GE Area 1C - Oral Communication ²		3
Units		15
Second Semester		
THEA 3	Theatre History After 1660	3
THEA 16	Stagecraft	3
THEA 120A	Practicum in Technical Production	1
GE Area 1B - Critical Thinking ²		3
GE Area 2 - Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning ²		3
GE Area 6 - Ethnic Studies ²		3
Units		16
Year 2		
First Semester		
THEA 14	Stage Makeup and Costume Construction	3
THEA 102A	Voice and Movement I	3
ENGL 20	College Composition II	3
Foreign Language Semester 1 ²		4
GE Area 5A - Physical Science ²		3
Units		16
Second Semester		
THEA 20	Lighting	3
THEA 100	Script Analysis	3
THEA 104	Acting Study II	3
THEA 121	Rehearsal and Performance	1
Foreign Language Semester 2 ²		4
Units		14
Year 3		
First Semester		
THEA 120A	Practicum in Technical Production	1
THEA 123 or THEA 131	Lighting and Set Design or Costume Design	3
THEA Major Elective ³		3
Upper Division GE Area 5 or 2 - Science or Mathematical Concepts/Quantitative Reasoning ²		3
GR American Institutions (US History) ²		3
Elective of Choice		3
Units		16
Second Semester		
THEA 120A	Practicum in Technical Production	1
THEA 144 or WGS 144 or THEA 170 or THEA 173 or THEA 174	Women and Theatre: Staging Diversity 🌐 or Women and Theatre: Staging Diversity 🌐 or African American Theatre and Culture 🌐 or Contemporary Chicano/Latino Theatre: Themes and Performance 1965-Present or Multicultural Perspectives in American Theatre 🌐	3
GE Area 5B - Biological Science ²		3
GE Area 5C - Laboratory ²		1
GR American Institutions (GOVT) ²		3
Elective of Choice		3
Units		14
Year 4		
First Semester		
THEA 107	Directing	3
THEA Major Elective ³		3

Writing Intensive (THEA 170 recommended) ²	3
Upper Division GE Area 4 - Social & Behavioral Sciences ²	3
Elective of Choice	3
Units	15
Second Semester	
THEA 190 Senior Production	2
THEA Major Elective ³	3
GE Area 4 - Social & Behavioral Sciences ²	3
Elective of Choice	3
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Units	14
Total Units	120

Elective of Choice	3
Units	14
Total Units	60

1. Any course not completed in the first semester should be taken in the second or a later semester.
2. Please see General Education/Graduation Requirement **course options** (<https://catalog.csus.edu/colleges/academic-affairs/general-education/>).
3. Please see an academic advisor for elective options.

Theatre, BA: 2-Year Roadmap

Course	Title	Units
Year 1		
First Semester		
THEA 100	Script Analysis	3
THEA 102A	Voice and Movement I	3
THEA 104	Acting Study II	3
THEA 120A or THEA 121	Practicum in Technical Production or Rehearsal and Performance	1
THEA 123 or THEA 131	Lighting and Set Design or Costume Design	3
GR American Institutions (US History) ²		3
Units		16
Second Semester		
THEA 121 or THEA 120A	Rehearsal and Performance or Practicum in Technical Production	1
THEA 144 or WGS 144 or THEA 170 or THEA 173 or THEA 174	Women and Theatre: Staging Diversity 🗳️ or Women and Theatre: Staging Diversity 🗳️ or African American Theatre and Culture 🗳️ or Contemporary Chicano/Latino Theatre: Themes and Performance 1965-Present or Multicultural Perspectives in American Theatre 🗳️	3
THEA Major Elective ³		3
Upper Division GE Area 4 - Social & Behavioral Sciences ²		3
Foreign Language Semester 1 ²		4
Units		14
Year 2		
First Semester		
THEA 107	Directing	3
THEA Major Elective ³		3
Writing Intensive (THEA 170 recommended) ³		3
Foreign Language Semester 2 ²		4
Elective of Choice		3
Units		16
Second Semester		
THEA 190	Senior Production	2
THEA Major Elective ³		3
Upper Division GE Area 5 or 2 - Science or Mathematical Concepts/Quantitative Reasoning ²		3
GR American Institutions (GOVT) ²		3