

# THEATRE STUDIES (B.A.)

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The Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Theatre Studies offers a comprehensive and individualized theatre education, supported by a broad and meaningful liberal arts curriculum. As a Theatre Studies major, you will have the opportunity to explore all aspects of the business and practice of theatre, including playwriting for stage and screen, dramaturgy and script analysis, stage management, play direction and all aspects of production operations.

Our B.A. in Theatre Studies program fosters enough flexibility for students to have full access to a wide range of on- and off-campus opportunities. The option of receiving a teaching certification is unique and exclusive to B.A. students as is our 4 + 1 program, which allows students to earn an MA with one additional year of study. Theatre Studies students participate in the departmental season as assistant directors, dramaturgs, and technicians and also develop collaborative projects on campus and beyond.

The program is based in the Department of Theatre & Dance (<https://www.montclair.edu/arts/theatre-and-dance/>). For further information, go to: BA Theatre Studies (<https://www.montclair.edu/theatre-and-dance/academic-programs/undergraduate/ba-theatre-studies/>).

## Degree Requirements Overview

Code	Title	Credits
	New Student Seminar	1
	SEEDS: General Education Requirements	24-27
	Major Requirements	42
	Free Electives <sup>1</sup>	53-50
	<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>120</b>

<sup>1</sup> Graduate Swing Courses will count toward free electives for students in combined (UG/GR) programs.

## Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Theatre Studies Core Courses</b>		
THTR 102	Theatre in Society	3
THTR 150	Introduction to Technical Theatre	1
THTR 208	Drama in Text	3
THTR 210	Theatre History: Early World	3
THTR 211	Theater History: Modern World	3
	Complete 1 course from the following:	3
THTR 287	Performing Playwrights of Color	
THTR 360	Children's Theatre	
THTR 384	Theater for Community Impact	
THTR 386	Site Specific Performance	
<b>Departmental Requirements</b>		
	Complete 3 of the following:	3
THTR 200	Production Stagecraft	
THTR 201	Production Operations	
THTR 202	Production Costumes	
THTR 204	Performance Production I	

THTR 206	Performance: Production II	
THTR 207	Performance: Production III	

### Theatre Studies Electives

Complete 23 credits from the list below. 23

**Total Credits** 42

### Theatre Studies Electives

Code	Title	Credits
<i>Performance</i>		
THTR 105	Acting I	3
THTR 106	Solo Performance	3
THTR 110	Acting II - B.A.	3
THTR 175	Theatre in Performance	3
THTR 204	Performance Production I	1
THTR 206	Performance: Production II	1
THTR 207	Performance: Production III	1
THTR 238	Musical Theatre I	3
THTR 384	Theater for Community Impact	3
THTR 386	Site Specific Performance	3
THTR 330	Play Direction I	3
THTR 391	Playwriting I	3
THTR 338	Musical Theatre II	3
THTR 360	Children's Theatre	3
THTR 361	Student New Play Festival	3
THTR 366	Stage Technique: Combat	3
THTR 395	Playwriting II	3
THTR 430	Play Direction II	3
THTR 433	Shakespeare Workshop	3
THTR 435	Dramatic Workshop	3
THTR 480	Concept and Collaboration in Theatre	3
<i>Design and Production</i>		
THTR 155	Stage Management	3
THTR 140	Introduction to Design for Theatre	3
THTR 200	Production Stagecraft	1
THTR 201	Production Operations	1
THTR 202	Production Costumes	1
THTR 252	Scene Design I	3
THTR 253	Theatrical Sound Design	3
THTR 254	Costume Design I	3
THTR 256	Stage Management II	3
THTR 258	Lighting Design I	3
THTR 262	Projection Design and Technology for Live Performance	3
THTR 385	Production Management	3
<i>History, Literature, Criticism &amp; Theory</i>		
THTR 175	Theatre in Performance	3
THTR 180	Performance Studies	3
THTR 217	Latinx Theatre and Performance	3
THTR 265	The Contemporary Theatre of Cultural Diversity	3
THTR 275	Theatre Scenes: NY, NJ and London	3
THTR 311	20th and 21st Century Playwrights	3
THTR 329	Introduction to Dramaturgy: The Questioning Spirit	3

THTR 335	Dramaturgical Styles	3
ENGL 234	American Drama	3
ENGL 352	English Drama: Beginnings to 1642	3
ENGL 353	Shakespeare: Comedies-Histories	3
ENGL 354	Shakespeare: Tragedies-Romances	3
ENGL 374	Contemporary European Drama	3
ENGL 375	Modern Drama: Ibsen to O'Neill	3
ENGL 455	Restoration and 18th Century Drama	3
<i>Theatre Management</i>		
THTR 257	Entertainment Management	3
THTR 381	Theatre Administration and Audience Development	3
THTR 382	Contracts and Law in Theatre	3
THTR 400	Fundraising Board Development	3
THTR 401	Business of the Arts	3
<i>Interdisciplinary Fields</i>		
THTR 312	Drama Therapy	3
THTR 403	Independent Study	1-3
THTR 406	Theatre Teaching Methods	3
THTR 490	Theatre Cooperative Education Experience	4-16
THTR 432	Special Topics in Theatre	1-3
<i>Related Fields</i>		
CRTH 151	Creative Thinking	3
ENTR 201	The Entrepreneurial Mindset and Innovation	3
ENTR 290	Special Topics in Entrepreneurship	3
ENTR 303	Create and Pitch Your Startup	6
FMTV 210	Story Analysis and Introduction to Screenwriting	3
FMTV 260	Film Story Analysis	3
STCM 326	Integrated Communication	3
FMTV 310	Intermediate Screenwriting	3

## New Student Seminar

Code	Title	Credits
Students in the Adult Learner program must take GNED 100.		
Complete one course from the following. Some courses may be restricted by major. Consult with an academic advisor.		1
ADVS 198	Pathways to Success	
CHEM 190	Freshman Seminar in Chemistry	
FYS 100	First Year Seminar	
GNED 100	Adult Academic Success Seminar	
GNED 199	New Student Seminar	
HPEM 199	Freshman Seminar in Health and Physical Education	
IDS 155	Pathways to Adult Learning	
JUST 199	New Student Seminar	
MATH 102	New Student Experience for Mathematical Sciences	
MUGN 199	Freshman Seminar for Music Majors	
NURS 199	Introduction to Nursing	
POLS 199	Freshman Seminar in Political Science and Law	

## SEEDS General Education Requirements

Click here for a list of courses that fulfill the SEEDS requirements. (<http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/seeds-general-education-requirements/>)

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Foundations</b>		
<i>Effective Writing I</i>		
Complete one Effective Writing I course.		3
<i>Effective Writing II</i>		
Complete one Effective Writing II course.		3
<i>Interactive Communication</i>		
Complete one Interactive Communication course.		3
<i>Quantitative Reasoning</i>		
Complete one Quantitative Reasoning course.		3
<i>Political and Civic Life</i>		
Complete one Political and Civic Life course.		3
<i>World Language</i>		
Complete two sequential classes in one World Language when starting at the Beginner I or Beginner II level. Complete one class when starting at the Intermediate/Advanced Level.		3-6
<b>Exploration</b>		
Complete one course from four different Exploration categories:		6
<i>Analyzing Cultures and Societies</i>		
<i>Creative Expression</i>		
Fulfilled by THTR 105 in the major.		
<i>Ethical Inquiry</i>		
<i>Historical Thinking</i>		
<i>Literary and Artistic Analysis</i>		
Fulfilled by THTR 208 in the major.		
<i>Scientific Reasoning</i>		
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>24-27</b>

## Recommended Roadmap to Degree Completion

This recommended degree plan is provided as an outline for students to follow in order to complete their degree requirements within four years and 120 credits. This plan is a recommendation and **MUST** be used in consultation with their academic advisor. Important note: Students should be aware this plan assumes no pre-requisite coursework is required. If pre-requisite coursework is needed, students may have additional requirements to fulfill which do not appear on the plan.

<b>First Year</b>			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
New Student Seminar		1 THTR 208 (Fulfills SEEDS: Exploration 2 - Literary and Artistic Analysis)	3
THTR 102		3 THTR 200, 201, 202, 204, 206, or 207	1
THTR 105 (Fulfills SEEDS: Exploration 1 - Creative Expression)		3 SEEDS: World Language 2	3
SEEDS: World Language 1		3 SEEDS: Effective Writing II	3

SEEDS: Effective Writing I	3	SEEDS: Interactive Communication	3
THTR 150	1	SEEDS: Quantitative Reasoning	3
	<b>14</b>		<b>16</b>

**Second Year**

<b>Fall</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Credits</b>
THTR 210		3 THTR 211	3
Theatre Studies Elective course		3 Theatre Studies Elective course	3
THTR 200, 201, 202, 204, 206, or 207		1 SEEDS: Exploration 4	3
SEEDS: Political and Civic Life		3 THTR 287, 360, 384, or 386	3
SEEDS: Exploration 3		3 THTR 200, 201, 202, 204, 206, or 207	1
Theatre Studies Elective course		3 Theatre Studies Elective course	3
	<b>16</b>		<b>16</b>

**Third Year**

<b>Fall</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Credits</b>
Theatre Studies Elective course		3 Theatre Studies Elective course	3
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Free Elective		3 Free Elective	3
Free Elective		3 Free Elective	3
	<b>15</b>		<b>15</b>

**Fourth Year**

<b>Fall</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Credits</b>
Free Elective		3 Free Elective	3
Free Elective		3 Free Elective	3
Free Elective		3 Free Elective	3
Free Elective		3 Free Elective	3
Free Elective		1 Free Elective	3
	<b>13</b>		<b>15</b>

**Total Credits 120**