



Theatre A.F.A.

Career Community: Theatre

Curriculum Code: 1849

Effective: Fall 2025 – Summer 2030

Purpose of the Major

This degree provides a pathway directly to employment for students wishing to work in the field on completion of the degree and to transfer for students who wish to pursue a Bachelor's degree in this area, either through a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in a Theatre focus or a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree with a Theatre-focused major. Not all courses in this pathway transfer to all colleges. Students who wish to transfer to a four-year institution should select coursework indicated for requirements for the Bachelor's degree.

Milestone

In addition to the required General Education courses in Math and English, completion of THEA 110, 120, 131, and 143 with a 2.0 or higher is a key component for success in completing this program. Knowledge obtained in these courses is the foundation for learning in other required courses. Students are encouraged to contact their faculty if they need additional assistance with learning the concepts presented in these courses.

Contact Information

For further information, including career options, course substitutions and waivers, etc., contact the Communication, Media and the Arts Department, Gannon Building, Room 1222, telephone number 517-483-1546 or the Academic Advising Department, Gannon Building – StarZone, telephone number 517-483-1904.

Theatre Career Community Courses – *These courses are required. They should be taken before other Program Required or Limited Choice Courses. Some courses meet General Education requirements for Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). A minimum of 2.0 is required to meet LCC degree requirements for General Education courses and for all courses to transfer to other colleges (some colleges, and some programs within colleges, require a higher grade in a course.) Select courses as indicated for each transfer institution/major.*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ACAD 100	First-Year Experience	1 / 1
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131	Composition I Honors Composition I	4 / 4 4 / 4
MATH 119 or MATH 120 or STAT 170	Math – Applications for Living College Algebra Introduction to Statistics	4 / 4 4 / 4 4 / 4
THEA 110	Introduction to Theatre	3 / 3
THEA 114	Intro to Technical Theatre	3 / 3

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
THEA 115A or THEA 115B or THEA 115C or THEA 115D	Tech Thea II-Set/Light Design Tech Thea II-Prop Design/Const Tech Thea II-Costume Des/Const Tech Thea II-Produc/Stage Mgmt	2 / 3 2 / 3 2 / 3 2 / 3
THEA 120	Introduction to Acting	2 / 3
THEA 131	Studio Theatre Performance I	1 / 2
THEA 141	Acting I - Contemporary	2.5 / 4
THEA 143	Stage Voice for the Actor	3 / 4
THEA 171	Play Analysis	3 / 3
THEA 173	Movement for the Actor	2 / 3
THEA 181	Improvisation	2.5 / 4

Notes:

ACAD 100 may be waived when students meet one of the following College-approved waiver criteria:

- Completion of 12 college-level credits with minimum grades of 2.0 shown on the LCC transcript (including transfer, if applicable), or
- Employment in the field of, or a field related to, the degree being sought, or
- For Health Careers students, successful completion of CHSE 100.

Students wishing to waive ACAD 100 should contact their advisor.

For future transfer to Western Michigan University choose MATH 119 or STAT 170.

Major Required Courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
DANC	Any 100-level course	2 / 3
THEA 150	Acting for the Camera	3 / 4
THEA 160	Stage Combat	2 / 3
THEA 210	Theater History	4 / 4
THEA 220	Play Directing	3 / 4
THEA 225	Building a Character	2 / 2
THEA 233	Studio Theatre Performance III	2 / 4
THEA 240	Acting-Shakespeare	3 / 4
THEA 283	Audition Workshop	2 / 3
THEA 285	Stage Makeup	2 / 3

Major Required Courses, Limited Choice –English Composition (second course)/Communication or Applied Communication–*Select one as indicated for each transfer institution. If a specific course is not recommended, choose any recommended course. A minimum grade of 2.0 is required for General Education courses.*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
COMM 120	Dynamics of Communication	3 / 3
COMM 130	Fundamentals Public Speaking	3 / 3
COMM 200	Small Group Communication	3 / 3
COMM 240	Interpersonal Communication	3 / 3
COMM 260	Nonverbal Communication	3 / 3
ENGL 122 or ENGL 132	Composition II Honors Composition II	4 / 4 4 / 4
SIGN 160	Intro to the Deaf Community	3 / 3

For future transfer to:

- Central Michigan University or Grand Valley State University choose COMM 120 or 130.
- Eastern Michigan University, Ferris State University, and Michigan State University choose COMM 130.
- University of Michigan Flint and Western Michigan University choose ENGL 122 or 132.

Major Required Courses, Limited Choice – Natural Sciences or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab–*Select one lab course as indicated for each transfer institution. If a specific course is not recommended, choose any recommended course or select from the list: [LCC General Education Applied Degrees: Natural Sciences or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab](#). A minimum grade of 2.0 is required for General Education courses.*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
BIOL 120	Environmental Science	4 / 6
BIOL 121	Biol Foundation for Physiology	4 / 6
BIOL 145	Intro Anatomy and Physiology	4 / 6

Note: For future transfer to Central Michigan University choose BIOL 120.

General Education -Applied Degrees

- English Composition
Theatre Career Community Courses meet this requirement.
- English Composition (second course)/Communication or Applied Communication
Major Required Limited Choice Courses meet this requirement.
- Humanities and Fine Arts or Social Sciences or Applied Social Sciences
Theatre Career Community Courses meet this requirement.
- Mathematics or Applied Mathematics
Theatre Career Community Courses meet this requirement.
- Natural Sciences Lab or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab
Major Required Limited Choice Courses meet this requirement.

Additional Credits

After completing the course and credit requirements as noted on this pathway, students who fall short of the 60-credit minimum required for an Associate Degree may select any course(s) needed to reach 60 credits, except those courses noted in number 7 in the [Institutional Requirements for Associate Degrees](#). Students are encouraged to use Degree Works and meet with an Advisor to ensure all requirements are met and for course recommendations.

Minimum Total Credit Hours

64 credits / 83 billing hours

Recommended Course Sequence

Semester I
ACAD 100
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131
THEA 110 – Milestone Course
THEA 114
THEA 120 – Milestone Course
THEA 173
THEA 181

Semester II
MATH 119 or MATH 120 or STAT 170
THEA 115A or 115B or 115C or 115D
THEA 131 – Milestone Course
THEA 141
THEA 143 – Milestone Course
THEA 171

Semester III
COMM 120 or COMM 130 or COMM 200 or COMM 240 or COMM 260 or ENGL 122 or ENGL 132 or SIGN 160
DANC (any 100-level DANC course)
THEA 160
THEA 210
THEA 220
THEA 283

Semester IV
THEA 150
THEA 225
THEA 240
THEA 285

Semester IV
Limited Choice, Natural Sciences Lab or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab
Semester V (Summer)
THEA 233

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