

THEATRE (M.F.A.)

The Master of Fine Arts in theatre is a three-year program of intensive professional training in the student's area of specialization in acting, scenic design, costume design, lighting design, theatre management or stage management.

Admission Requirements

Admission to this program is contingent upon admission to the Graduate School (<http://bulletins.wayne.edu/graduate/general-information/admission/>). Each area of specialization has specific requirements for application and admission, which are managed through the online application system and are also listed on the Department's website (<http://theatreanddance.wayne.edu/theatre/mfa.php>). Students must declare their area of specialization upon entry into the program.

Program Requirements

The Master of Fine Arts with a Major in Theatre is offered only as a Plan C master's program, requiring sixty credits in the area of specialization. All programs require a final project and a final oral examination relevant to the degree specialization. All course work must be completed in accordance with the regulations of the Graduate School (<http://bulletins.wayne.edu/graduate/general-information/academic-regulations/>) and the College of Fine, Performing, and Communication Arts (<http://bulletins.wayne.edu/graduate/college-fine-performing-communication-arts/academic-regulations/>).

Concentrations

Acting

Sixty Credits

Code	Title	Credits
THR 5812	Development of the Drama II: Nineteenth Century to Modern (Max. 3)	3
THR 6211	Acting Studio I: Fundamentals of the Stanislavski System	3
THR 6215	Acting Studio II: Introduction to the Michael Chekhov	2
THR 7211	Acting Studio III: Advanced Michael Chekhov Technique	2
THR 7215	Acting Studio IV: Advanced Study of Active Analysis and Physical Approach to Acting	2
THR 8211	Acting Studio V: Preparation for the Profession	3
THR 8215	Acting Studio VI: Audition and Composition	2
THR 6221	Theatrical Movement I - Introduction to Physical Awareness	2
THR 6235	Voice and Speech II: Speech Foundations	2
THR 7231	Voice and Speech III - Vocalizing Heightened Language and Shakespeare	2
THR 7235	Voice and Speech IV: Accents and Dialects for Stage and Media	2
THR 8231	Voice and Speech V: Accents & Dialects for Stage and Media	1
THR 8235	Voice and Speech VI - Media Techniques	1
THR 6221	Theatrical Movement I - Introduction to Physical Awareness	2
THR 6225	Theatrical Movement II - Introduction to Movement Analysis	2
THR 7221	Theatrical Movement III: Dance Techniques	2

THR 7225	Theatrical Movement IV - Ensemble Physicality	2
THR 8221	Theatrical Movement V - Acrobatics	1
THR 8225	Theatrical Movement VI - Composition and Physical Devising	1
THR 5721	Playwriting	3
THR 7271	Acting for the Camera	3
THR 7281	Theatre Aesthetics	3
THR 7581	Repertory Theatre: Acting (Max. 18)	1-4
THR 7741	Dramaturgy	3
THR 8995	MFA Acting Exit Project	3

Theatre Management

Sixty Credits

Code	Title	Credits
THD 5651	Leadership and Team Building in the Creative Industries	3
THD 5661	Artistic Movements and Cultural Futures: Shaping Structural Change	3
THD 5662	Art as Social Action: Realizing Impact Through Community-Driven Art	3
THD 5665	Grant Writing and Fundraising for the Arts	3
THD 5674	Writing for the Arts: Narrative Strategies for Artists and Entrepreneurs	3
THD 5675	Marketing and Public Relations in The Arts	3
THR 6661	Marketing the Theatre	3
THR 6675	Board Governance in the Theatre	2
THR 7584	Graduate Practicum in Theatre Management (Max. 1-3 12)	3
THR 7671	Development II: Advanced Topics	3
THR 8991	MFA Management Exit Project	1-3
THR 5642	Research Methods and Technology in the Theatre Management	3
THR 7662	Production Management for the Theatre	2
THR 7675	Producing for the Commercial Theatre	3
THR 7652	Arts Policy and Advocacy	3
THR 5640	Introduction to Accounting for Nonprofit Organizations	2
THR 6672	Legal and Ethical Issues in the Arts	3

Electives

Complete electives, in consultation with advisor, sufficient to total 60 credit hours.

FPC 5025	Entrepreneurship in the Arts	
THR 5811	Development of the Drama I: Greek to Eighteenth Century	
THR 5812	Development of the Drama II: Nineteenth Century to Modern	
THR 7741	Dramaturgy	
THR 7281	Theatre Aesthetics	

Stage Management

First Year

Fall Semester		Credits
THR 6301	Foundations of Collaboration and Design	2
THR 5301	Design Skills - Drafting I	3
	Theatre Elective	2
THR 6601	Stage Management Studio - Principles	2
THR 7583	Advanced Production Practice: Production	2
	Credits	11

Winter Semester		
THR 7321	Costume History I	2
THR 7342	Design Skills - Digital II	1
THR 6605	Stage Management - Health and Safety	2
Theatre Elective		3
THR 7583	Advanced Production Practice: Production	2
Credits		10
Second Year		
Fall Semester		
Theatre Management Elective		2
Academic Theatre Elective		3
THR 7601	Stage Management - Event Management	2
THR 7583	Advanced Production Practice: Production	2
Credits		9
Winter Semester		
Theatre Management Elective		2
Academic Theatre Elective		3
THR 7605	Stage Management - Performance Management	2
THR 7583	Advanced Production Practice: Production	2
Credits		9
Third Year		
Fall Semester		
THR 8991	MFA Management Exit Project	1
Theatre Elective		3
Theatre Management Elective		2
THR 5601	Stage Management - AEA Contracts	2
THR 7583	Advanced Production Practice: Production	2
Credits		10
Winter Semester		
Individual Study or Internship		3
Theatre Elective		3
THR 8605	Stage Management - Commerce of Theatre	2
THR 7583	Advanced Production Practice: Production	2
Credits		10
Total Credits		59

Theatre Stage Design

First Year		
Fall Semester		
THR 6301	Foundations of Collaboration and Design	2
THR 5301	Design Skills - Drafting I	3
THR 7341	Design Skills - Digital I	2
THR 6306	Design Skills - Drawing	1
THR 7582	Advanced Production Practice : Pre-Production	2
Credits		10
Winter Semester		
THR 5315	Entertainment Design - Scenery I	3
THR 7321	Costume History I	2
THR 6351	Visual Communication for Theatre and Dance	2
THR 6306	Design Skills - Drawing	1
THR 7582	Advanced Production Practice : Pre-Production	2
Credits		10
Second Year		
Fall Semester		
THR 7371	Entertainment Design - Projection	2
THR 7311	Entertainment Design - Scenery II	3
THR 5422	Introduction to Scene Painting	3
THR 6306	Design Skills - Drawing	1
THR 7582	Advanced Production Practice : Pre-Production	2
Credits		11
Winter Semester		
THR 5331	Entertainment Design - Lighting I	3
THR 6303	Design Skills - Drafting II	3
THR 7381	Architecture and Decor	3

THR 5426	Advanced Scene Painting	3
THR 6306	Design Skills - Drawing	1
THR 7582	Advanced Production Practice : Pre-Production	2
Credits		15
Third Year		
Fall Semester		
THR 6381	Styles of Design	3
THR 7315	Entertainment Design - Scenery III	3
THR 8992	MFA Design Exit Project	2
Academic Theatre Elective		3
THR 6306	Design Skills - Drawing	1
THR 7582	Advanced Production Practice : Pre-Production	2
Credits		14
Winter Semester		
THR 7342	Design Skills - Digital II	1
THR 5325	Entertainment Design - Costume I	3
Academic Theatre Elective		3
THR 6306	Design Skills - Drawing	1
THR 7582	Advanced Production Practice : Pre-Production	2
Credits		10
Total Credits		70

Stage Lighting Design

First Year		
Fall Semester		
THR 6301	Foundations of Collaboration and Design	2
THR 5301	Design Skills - Drafting I	3
THR 7341	Design Skills - Digital I	2
THR 6306	Design Skills - Drawing	1
THR 7582	Advanced Production Practice : Pre-Production	2
Credits		10
Winter Semester		
THR 5331	Entertainment Design - Lighting I	3
THR 7321	Costume History I	2
THR 7342	Design Skills - Digital II	1
THR 6351	Visual Communication for Theatre and Dance	2
THR 6306	Design Skills - Drawing	1
THR 7582	Advanced Production Practice : Pre-Production	2
Credits		11
Second Year		
Fall Semester		
THR 5335	Advanced Stage Lighting Design	3
THR 7371	Entertainment Design - Projection	2
THR 6306	Design Skills - Drawing	1
THR 5422	Introduction to Scene Painting	3
THR 7582	Advanced Production Practice : Pre-Production	2
Credits		11
Winter Semester		
THR 5315	Entertainment Design - Scenery I	3
THR 5325	Entertainment Design - Costume I	3
Academic Theatre Elective		3
THR 6306	Design Skills - Drawing	1
THR 7582	Advanced Production Practice : Pre-Production	2
Credits		12
Third Year		
Fall Semester		
THR 6331	Professional Lighting Design I	3
THR 6381	Styles of Design	3
THR 8992	MFA Design Exit Project	2
THR 6306	Design Skills - Drawing	1
THR 7582	Advanced Production Practice : Pre-Production	2
Credits		11
Winter Semester		
THR 6303	Design Skills - Drafting II	3

THR 7381	Architecture and Decor	3
THR 6306	Design Skills - Drawing	1
Theatre Elective		2
THR 7582	Advanced Production Practice : Pre-Production	2
Credits		11
Total Credits		66

Stage Costume Design

First Year

Fall Semester		Credits
THR 6301	Foundations of Collaboration and Design	2
THR 5301	Design Skills - Drafting I	3
THR 7341	Design Skills - Digital I	2
THR 6306	Design Skills - Drawing	1
THR 7582	Advanced Production Practice : Pre-Production	2
Credits		10

Winter Semester

THR 7321	Costume History I	2
THR 6352	Visual Communication Costumes	2
Academic Theatre Elective		3
THR 6306	Design Skills - Drawing	1
THR 7582	Advanced Production Practice : Pre-Production	2
Credits		10

Second Year

Fall Semester

THR 7325	Costume History II	2
AFA 5442	Fashion Design: Draping	3
AFA 5422	Fashion Design: Flat Pattern	3
THR 6306	Design Skills - Drawing	1
THR 7582	Advanced Production Practice : Pre-Production	2
Credits		11

Winter Semester

THR 5325	Entertainment Design - Costume I	3
THR 7381	Architecture and Decor	3
Theatre Elective		3
THR 6306	Design Skills - Drawing	1
THR 7582	Advanced Production Practice : Pre-Production	2
Credits		12

Third Year

Fall Semester

THR 6381 or THR 7371	Styles of Design or Entertainment Design - Projection	2-3
THR 6321	Entertainment Design - Costume II	3
Academic Theatre Elective		3
THR 8991	MFA Management Exit Project	1
THR 6306	Design Skills - Drawing	1
THR 7582	Advanced Production Practice : Pre-Production	2
Credits		12-13

Winter Semester

THR 5315 or THR 5331	Entertainment Design - Scenery I or Entertainment Design - Lighting I	3
THR 6351	Visual Communication for Theatre and Dance	2
Academic Theatre Elective		3
THR 6306	Design Skills - Drawing	1
THR 7582	Advanced Production Practice : Pre-Production	2
Credits		11
Total Credits		66-67