Theatre, B.A.

Begin Campus: University Park

End Campus: University Park

Entrance to Major

Applicants wishing to be directly admitted into Penn State as a Theatre Studies major can apply through the College of Arts & Architecture admissions website, which details the admissions process. Continuing students, including those wishing to add the major, can apply by contacting the academic adviser for the School of Theatre to arrange for an informational interview. If the major seems feasible to the student, the adviser will refer them to the program director, who might request additional application materials (a play script, video, and/or an interview) to determine whether the student will thrive in the program.

The B.A. in Theatre degree program includes a Theatre Studies Option and three additional options, Theatre Performance, Dance Performance and Multicultural Performance. Entrance criteria to this major will include an interview with members of the Theatre faculty. Entrance to the three performance options will also include an audition or portfolio review.

Entrance Procedures

Incoming First Year Students

Incoming first year students must apply to Penn State. Undergraduate applications for admission to Penn State must be complete and submitted before uploading the required documentation for application to the major. Within the Theatre, BA degree students are limited to applying for the theatre studies option. Currently, all applications for other options are on hold. Application instructions for theatre studies can be found at: https://arts.psu.edu/how-to-apply/#specific. Applicants who are accepted will be directly admitted to the Theatre, BA major.

Change of Major/Change of Campus Students

Change of Major/Change of Campus students must have a cumulative GPA of 2.00 or above to be eligible for the Theatre, BA major. Within the Theatre, BA degree students are limited to applying for the theatre studies option. Currently, all applications for other options are on hold. Application instructions for theatre studies can be found at: https://arts.psu.edu/how-to-apply/#specific. Applicants who are accepted will be directly admitted to the Theatre, BA major.

Transfer Students

Transfer students must apply to Penn State. Within the Theatre, BA degree students are limited to applying for the theatre studies option. Currently, all applications for other options are on hold. Application instructions for theatre studies can be found at: https://arts.psu.edu/how-to-apply/#specific. Applicants who are accepted will be directly admitted to the Theatre, BA major.