THEATRE, MINOR

Requirements for a minor may be completed at any campus location offering the specified courses for the minor. Students may not change from a campus that offers their major to a campus that does not offer their major for the purpose of completing a minor.

Program Description

The Theatre minor is designed to be an enhancement to a major area of study and/or personal enrichment. The minor should be particularly attractive to students in the humanities (English), communication (Film, Journalism), and the arts (Music, Architecture). The minor may also be attractive to students who need to demonstrate a wide range of interests.

The Theatre minor requirements total 18 credits. The Art of the Theatre (THEA 100), a required course in the minor, is an experiential survey of all aspects of the living theatre, as presented by a resident company of theatre artists. THEA 410, an advanced script analysis course, is also required. Students choose one course from the approved list of theatre history courses and one course from the approved list of design/technical courses. These supporting courses place the literature and aesthetic in historical, social, and political perspective. Students elect 6 theatre credits as additional courses. Typical supporting courses include: Fundamentals of Acting (THEA 102); THEA 208; and advanced design or theatre history classes.

What is Theatre?

Theatre is an interdisciplinary approach to sharing stories through text, design, movement, and more. It’s reflective of the cultures and societies that produce it. Theatre is a sensory experience for the viewer and the participant—it brings together art, culture, entertainment, and more in productions that provoke and inspire an audience.

You Might Like This Program If...

• You want theatre to be part of your college experience.
• Can’t wait to watch the Golden Globes, Tony Awards, or Academy Awards.
• Sing “Hamilton” on every road trip.
• Believe the arts and culture are essential to a strong society.

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A grade of C or better is required for all courses in the minor, as specified by Senate Policy 59-10 (http://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/59-00-minors-and-certificates/#59-10).

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The Theatre Minor provides a foundation in theatre arts and prepares students for further education and professional careers in the field. Students will develop skills in acting, directing, playwriting, and technical theatre. The curriculum includes coursework in history, theory, and performance, as well as opportunities for participation in productions and workshops.

Students are encouraged to participate in the various productions offered by the School of Theatre, which provide practical experience in all aspects of theatre production. The minor also includes a required internship or apprenticeship, allowing students to gain real-world experience in the theatre industry.

In addition to the coursework and practical experience, students in the Theatre Minor will also have the opportunity to join one of the university’s theatre clubs, which provide more opportunities for involvement and networking within the theatre community.

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