



Theatre

Bachelor of Arts Degree

Graceland has a vibrant THEATRE department for aspiring theatre artists. Production opportunities in acting, directing, set, costume, sound, lighting and stage management allow students to develop skills in artistic/technical areas, communication and organization. Our facility is on par with some of the best in the country, and yet, our program's size allows for students to perform and participate their freshman year. The auditorium in Graceland's Shaw Center provides an incredible platform for larger productions, while the flexibility of our black box theater gives students room to explore their creativity.

Graceland's liberal arts environment encourages students to think critically in many areas, so they have room to pursue other passions while working toward their degree.

Why Graceland

- Graceland's small student-to-faculty ratio gives theatre majors personalized instruction.
- Students learn and perform in Shaw Center, a state-of-the-art performance facility that provides flexible venues and nontraditional environments.
- Theatre majors have the opportunity for casting and technical positions in their freshman year. Production auditions are open to all Graceland students.
- Internships are encouraged starting their sophomore year. Students are prepared to pursue graduate-level studies or start their theatre career following graduation.



“The Graceland Theatre Department is a family that works together to tell stories and impact people. The techniques taught here are not only good for theatre majors but also for the everyday person.”

Ashley Gress '22



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Division of Visual & Performing Arts

Theatre Degree Requirements

Students who have completed an Associate of Arts (AA) or Associate of Science (AS) degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher education will automatically receive an Essential Education waiver.

Minimum Requirement: 120 s.h. [24 Theatre Major + 39 Upper Division Elective + 73 Transfer Credit]

BA DEGREE - THEATRE MAJOR	Semester Hours	IHCC Transfer Courses	Completed	To Complete
ENGL3530 Digital Filmmaking	3 s.h.			3
THTR1200 Introduction to Theatre	3 s.h.	DRA101 (3)		
THTR1220 Beginning Acting	3 s.h.	DRA130 (3)		
THTR1310 Introduction to Stagecraft	3 s.h.	DRA132 (3)		
THTR2240 Stagecrafts 2	3 s.h.			3
THTR2260 Acting 2	3 s.h.	DRA132 (3)		
THTR3370 Theatre History I	3 s.h.			3
THTR3380 Theatre History II	3 s.h.			3
THTR3140 Playwriting	3 s.h.			3
THTR4100 Directing I	3 s.h.			3
THTR4120 Directing 2	3 s.h.			3
THTR4200 Senior Seminar I	1 s.h.			1
THTR4210 Senior Seminar II	2 s.h.			2
Theatre Electives**	9 s.h.	DRA110, 133 (6) DRA180,181 (2) DRA280 (1)		
<i>One of the following two Production Studies courses must be taken each semester a student is a declared Theatre Major:</i>	**See Notes			
THTR2350 Theatre Production Studies* (4 semesters)	0-2 s.h.	DRA180, 181, 280 (0) DRA281 (0)		0-1 each semester
THTR4350 Advanced Theatre Production Studies* (4 semesters)	0-2 s.h.			
Total Hours — Theatre Major	45 s.h.	21 s.h.		24 s.h.
Total Hours — Upper Division Elective (3000-4000 level)				39 s.h.
Total Hours — IHCC Transfer Credit			73 s.h.	

NOTES

~ Lower division course meets the intent of Graceland course

* No more than 8 s.h. of Theatre Production Studies/Advanced Theatre Production Studies may be counted toward credits required for graduation.

**Up to 3 s.h. of THTR2350 and/or THTR4350 will be applied towards the required 9 s.h. of Theatre Electives.

ADDITIONAL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of 120 semester hours [Completed: 73]

39 upper division semester hours (3000 or 4000 level) [Completed: 0]

2.00 GPA on all work and in major(s)

30 of last 60 semester hours taken immediately prior to graduation must be through Graceland University



DISCLAIMER

This information must be used in conjunction with the 2020-21 Graceland University catalog and does not reflect a student's official record of progress. Students are expected to use the Degree Audit tool found in MyGraceland and meet with their advisor when planning coursework to complete graduation requirements.