

Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA)

Ranked in the Top 30 musical theatre programs in the nation, as well as the #1 undergraduate theatre program in the state of Missouri, the BFA in Musical Theatre is a professional degree designed to prepare students for a career in theatre, film, TV and the entertainment industry.

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THE HOLLAND COLLEGE OF ARTS AND MEDIA PREPARES YOU TO EARN A LIVING "DOING WHAT YOU LOVE TO DO."

What You'll Do . . .

/Training. Study with experienced faculty and staff in the areas of acting, singing, and dancing for live theatre, film, and television.

/Performance. Opportunities in four mainstage theatre productions, one mainstage dance concert, two second stage theatre productions, and one second stage dance concert, as well as a host of one-acts, readings, cabarets, improv shows, and so on.

/Fault Line Film Festival. Act in one of dozens of student films produced as part of the annual nationwide festival.

/Career Development. Prepare to launch a career in the industry through auditioning classes, as well as entrepreneurship classes and Senior Portfolio.

/Housing. Live and train in the beautiful River Campus

/Guest Artists. Benefit from an established program of master classes and residencies with professional guest actors, directors, and industry professionals.

/Study Abroad. Train at the prestigious NSKI University College in Oslo, Norway, the only institution in Scandinavia to teach Method Acting at degree level, as well as musical theatre.

/Professional Auditions. Participate in numerous combined and individual professional theatre auditions across the country.

/Intensives and Professional Employment. Complete a required internship through various summer intensive acting programs and professional employment.

/Lanford Wilson New American Play Festival. Perform in the annual new play festival with guest artists and playwrights from across the country.

/Student Organizations. Join Alpha Psi Omega Honorary Theatre Fraternity, as well as Black Light, or one of the other cabaret groups.

/BFA Reviews. Learn from faculty committees dedicated to providing individual feedback on training, academics, and career development for every student.

/BFA Project. Perform in a faculty or guest-artist directed mainstage or second stage production, followed by a project review with a faculty committee.

/NYC or Los Angeles Showcase. Participate in one of two showcases: New York City with CRY HAVOC Company or Los Angeles with Actors Connection.

Internships and Employment Opportunities of Recent Graduates

- Broadway, NYC
- Off Broadway, NYC
- National & International Tours
- International Cruises
- NBC Universal
- The MUNY, St. Louis
- Second City, Chicago
- Lucille Lortell Theatre in NYC
- Upright Citizens Brigade in NYC
- Actor's Theatre of Louisville
- Neighborhood Playhouse in NYC
- Stella Adler School of Acting in NYC
- Steppenwolf Theatre in Chicago
- Disney Internships
- Olney Theatre in Washington, DC
- Discovery Channel

Admission Requirements

All students seeking admission into the BFA in Musical Theatre professional training program must successfully audition and submit application materials. Audition requirements can be found at:
https://semo.edu/theatreanddance/prospective/thd_scholarship.html

Transfer and Dual Credit Students

If you have dual credit or transfer credit, please visit our transfer course equivalencies guide at
<https://semo.edu/transfercredit>.

Musical Theatre Option

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Theatre: Musical Theatre Option

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This is a guide based on the 2021-2022 Undergraduate Bulletin and is subject to change. The time it takes to earn a degree will vary based on several factors such as dual enrollment, remediation, and summer enrollment. Students will meet with an academic advisor each semester and use Degree Works to monitor their individual progress.

CURRICULUM CHECKLIST

Theatre: Musical Theatre Option – 83 hours

A minimum grade of 'C' is required in each core course. Students must maintain a 3.0 GPA in the major and a 2.5 overall GPA. No minor is required.

- ___ TH 105 Rehearsal & Production I (2)
- ___ TH 107 Theory Skills & Analysis for Musical Theatre (3)
- ___ TH 111 Introduction to Theatre Design & Technology (3)
- ___ TH 122 Class Voice for Musical Theatre I (3)
- ___ TH 123 Class Voice for Musical Theatre II (3)
- ___ TH 181 Script Analysis (3)
- ___ TH 201 Private Voice for Musical Theatre I (2)
- ___ TH 218 Acting I (3)
- ___ TH 219 Auditioning I (1)
- ___ TH 228 Acting II (3)
- ___ TH 301 Private Voice for Musical Theatre II (2)
- ___ TH 305 Rehearsal & Production II (4)
- ___ TH 307 Musical Theatre Score Study (3)
- ___ TH 318 Musical Theatre Performance I (3)
- ___ TH 327 Auditioning II (3)
- ___ TH 328 Acting III (3)
- ___ TH 329 Acting IV (3)
- ___ TH 401 Private Voice for Musical Theatre III (2)
- ___ TH 411 Musical Theatre Vocal Styles (3)
- ___ TH 418 Musical Theatre Performance II (3)
- ___ TH 488 Senior Portfolio for Acting & Musical Theatre (3)
- ___ TH 490 Theatre History I (3)
- ___ TH 491 Musical Theatre History (3)

Dance - Choose 2 hours:

- ___ TH 499 Internship (2)
- ___ TH 800 Summer Theatre & Dance Workshop (3)

Dance - Choose 3 hours:

- ___ LI 432 Shakespeare's Comedies & Histories (3)
- ___ LI 433 Shakespeare's Tragedies (3)

Dance - Choose 4 hours:

- ___ DA 112 Ballet for Musical Theatre I (2+2)
- ___ DA 129 Ballet for Musical Theatre II (2)
- ___ DA 211 Ballet I (2)
- ___ DA 311 Ballet II (2)

Dance - Choose 4 hours:

- ___ DA 118 Jazz Dance for Musical Theatre I (2)
- ___ DA 127 Jazz Dance for Musical Theatre II (2)
- ___ DA 226 Jazz Dance I (2)
- ___ DA 326 Jazz Dance II (2)

Dance - Choose 2 hours:

- ___ DA 236 Tap Dance I (2)
- ___ DA 336 Tap Dance II (2)
- ___ DA 436 Tap Dance III (2)

Musical Theatre - choose 5 hours:

- ___ DA 131 Introduction to Aerial Arts (1)
- ___ DA 211 Ballet I (2)
- ___ DA 221 Modern Dance I (2)
- ___ DA 226 Jazz Dance I (2)
- ___ DA 311 Ballet II (2)
- ___ DA 321 Modern Dance II (2)
- ___ DA 326 Jazz Dance II (2)
- ___ DA 336 Tap Dance II (2)
- ___ DA 391 Topics in Dance (3)
- ___ DA 411 Ballet III (2)
- ___ DA 421 Modern Dance III (2)
- ___ DA 426 Jazz Dance III (2)
- ___ DA 436 Tap Dance III (2)
- ___ MM 105 Aural Skills (1)
- ___ MU 151 Functional Piano (1)
- ___ TH 317 Voice for the Actor (3)
- ___ TH 319 Acting for Film & Television (3)
- ___ TH 321 Stage Combat I (3)

SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN

	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	Course #	Hrs	Course #	Hrs
FIRST YEAR	UI100	1	EN100	3
	TH105	1	TH105	1
	TH107	3	TH123	3
	TH111	3	TH228	3
	TH122	3	TH307	3
	TH218	3	Dance Elective	2
	TH219	1	General Education	3
	Dance Elective	2		
	Total	17	Total	18
SECOND YEAR	TH201	1	TH201	1
	TH305	1	TH305	1
	TH328	3	TH329	3
	Dance Elective	2	Dance Elective	2
	General Education*	3	General Education	3
	General Education	3	General Education	3
	General Education	3	General Education	3
Total	16	Total	16	
THIRD YEAR	TH181	3	TH301	1
	TH301	1	TH305	1
	TH305	1	TH327	2
	TH318	3	TH411	3
	TH490	3	TH418	3
	Dance Elective	2	Dance Elective	2
	General Education	3	General Education	3
	Total	16	Total	15
Summer		TH499 or TH800	2	
FOURTH YEAR	LI432 or LI433	3	TH401	1
	TH401	1	TH491	3
	TH488	3	TH498	2
	Musical Theatre Elective	2-3	Musical Theatre Elective	2-3
	General Education	3	General Education	3
	General Education	3	General Education	3
Total	15-16	Total	14-15	

General Education Requirements – some requirements may be fulfilled by coursework in major program

- Social and Behavioral Sciences – 6 hours
- Constitution Requirement – 3 hours
- Written Communication – 6 hours
- Oral Communication – 3 hours
- Natural Sciences – 7 hours (from two disciplines, one to include a lab)
- Mathematics – 3 hours
- Humanities & Fine Arts – 9 hours (from at least two disciplines, with TH233 recommended*)
- Additional requirements – 5 hours (to include UI100 for native students)
- Civics examination

Degree requirements for all students: a minimum of 120 credit hours, completion of the General Education program, and completion of 39 senior division hours (300-599). Refer to the Undergraduate Bulletin or Degree Works for additional graduation requirements for your program.

A minimum 3.0 GPA in the major and overall 2.0 are required to graduate with a BFA-Dance degree.

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Degree Map 2021-2022

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