THEATRE & DANCE, BACHELOR OF ARTS

College of Letters & Science

The A.B. degree in Theatre & Dance provides students with an appreciation for an understanding of performance and its role in culture and society. Students build skills in specific areas as well as a broad knowledge of theatre and dance.

Productions & Facilities

Each year's schedule includes opportunities to work with professional artists (directors, choreographers and writers) in Granada Artistsin Residence productions, faculty and student-led workshops and productions, and the Film Festival at UC Davis. These productions are staged in our proscenium (Main), thrust (Wyatt), black box (Arena), performance studio (Della Davidson Performance Studio) and intimate laboratory theatre (Lab A). These productions are part of the academic program of the department and serve an important purpose in the study of theatre and dance. Participation is open to all students.

Production Requirements

All students completing a major in Theatre & Dance must participate in productions, including work in at least two of the following three areas: performance (acting/dance), design, and directing/playwriting/stage management, as well as crew assignments and work in production labs. More information about working in productions can be found at Undergraduate Courses.

Graduate Study

The Department of Theatre & Dance offers programs of study and research leading to the M.F.A. in Dramatic Art (admissions currently paused) and contributing to the Graduate Group Ph.D. in Performance Studies (https://catalog.ucdavis.edu/departments-programs-degrees/ performance-studies-graduate-group/). Detailed information may be obtained by contacting the Graduate Program Administrator for the Graduate Group in Performance Studies (https://catalog.ucdavis.edu/ departments-programs-degrees/performance-studies-graduate-group/), 530-754-6973.

The major requirements below are in addition to meeting University Degree Requirements (https://catalog.ucdavis.edu/undergraduateeducation/university-degree-requirements/) & College Degree Requirements (https://catalog.ucdavis.edu/undergraduate-education/ college-degree-requirements/); unless otherwise noted. The minimum number of units required for the Theatre & Dance Bachelor of Arts is 66.

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Units
Preparatory Subject	Matter	
Choose DRA 021A or	4 units from DRA 040A, 040B, 042A, 042B:	4
DRA 021A	Fundamentals of Acting	
OR 4 units from:		
DRA 040A	Beginning Modern Dance	
DRA 040B	Intermediate Modern Dance	
DRA 042A	Beginning Ballet	
DRA 042B	Intermediate Ballet	

DRA 024	Visual Aspects of Dramatic Art	4
DRA 024	Entertainment Engineering & Management:	4
	Stagecraft to Stage Management	7
Choose three:		12
DRA 055	Contemporary Local, National & Global Theatre, Dance & Performance	
DRA 056A	History of Theatre & Dance I: Myth, Magic & Madness	
DRA 056B	History of Theatre & Dance II: Romance, Revenge & Rebellion	
DRA 056C	History of Theatre & Dance III: Sex, Society & the State	
Preparatory Subject	Matter Subtotal	24
Depth Subject Matte	er	
Choose two:		8
DRA 114	Theatre on Film	
DRA 116	Design on Screen	
DRA 142	History of Modern Dance	
DRA 150	American Theatre & Drama	
DRA 151	Musicals: History, Practice & Production	
DRA 153	Latinx Theatre & Performance	
DRA 154	Asian Theatre & Drama: Contexts & Forms	
DRA 155	Representing Race in Performance	
DRA/AAS 155A	African American Dance & Culture in the United States, Brazil & the Caribbean	
DRA 156A	Performance Analysis	
DRA 156B	Theatre in History & Place: Local, National	
	& Global Conditions for Production	
DRA 156C	Modern Aesthetic Movements in Performance	
DRA 156D	Theatre History Through Shakespeare	
DRA 158	Performance Studies Undergraduate Seminar	
DRA 159	Contemporary Experimental Performance, Theatre & Drama	
Choose one:		4
DRA 124A	Principles of Theatrical Design: Scenery	
DRA 124B	Principles of Theatrical Design: Scenery	
DRA 124C	Principles of Theatrical Design: Lighting	
DRA 124D	Principles of Theatrical Design: Costume	
DRA/CTS 124E	Costume Design for Film	
DRA 126	Principles of Performing Arts Stage Management	
DRA 126A	Topics in Entertainment Engineering	
DRA 128	Principles of Theatre Sound	
Choose one:		4
DRA 120	Intermediate Acting/Gateway: The Actor's Toolkit	
DRA 141	Introduction to the Fundamentals of Movement	
DRA 144A	Introduction to Traditional Chinese Embodied Culture	
DRA 146A	Professional Track Modern Dance I	
Choose one:		4

DRA 127A	Principles of Directing		DRA 156A	Performance Analysis	
DRA 140A	Dance Composition		DRA 156B	Theatre in History & Place: Local, National	
DRA 160A	Principles of Playwriting			& Global Conditions for Production	
Choose 8 units:		8	DRA 156C	Modern Aesthetic Movements in	
DRA 114	Theatre on Film			Performance	
DRA 115	Advanced Study of Major Film Makers		DRA 156D	Theatre History Through Shakespeare	
DRA/CTS 116 DRA 120	Design on Screen Intermediate Acting/Gateway: The Actor's		DRA 158	Performance Studies Undergraduate Seminar	
	Toolkit		DRA 159	Contemporary Experimental Performance, Theatre & Drama	
DRA 121A	Advanced Acting: Scene Study & Script Analysis		DRA 160A	Principles of Playwriting	
DRA 121B	Advanced Acting: Rehearsal Processes &		DRA 160B	Principles of Playwriting	
	Practices		DRA 170	Media Theatre	
DRA 121C	Advanced Acting: Character & Style			07 Acting for Camera	
DRA 122A	Advanced Acting: Devising & Collaboration		DRA/TCS 175	Small Scale Film Production	
DRA 122B	Advanced Acting: Shakespeare & His		DRA 185A	Special Topics: Artist in Residence-Seminar	
	Contemporaries		DRA 185B	Special Topics: Artist in Residence-Studio	
DRA 122C	Advanced Acting: Special Topics in Acting		Choose 6 units from	m at least two of:	6
DRA 124A	Principles of Theatrical Design: Scenery		DRA 145	Directed Choreography Projects	
DRA 124B	Principles of Theatrical Design: Scenery		DRA 180A	Theatre Laboratory: Performance	
DRA 124C	Principles of Theatrical Design: Lighting		DRA 180B	Theatre Laboratory: Design	
DRA 124D	Principles of Theatrical Design: Costume		DRA 180C	Theatre Laboratory: Management,	
DRA/CTS 124E	Costume Design for Film			Directing, other Production Team	
DRA 125	Scenic Painting: Studio		Choose 4 units:		4
DRA 126	Principles of Performing Arts Stage		DRA 180D	Theatre Laboratory: Crew	
	Management		Choose 2 units:		2
DRA 126A	Topics in Entertainment Engineering		DRA 180E	Theatre Laboratory: Scenic	
DRA 127A	Principles of Directing		DRA 180F	Theatre Laboratory: Costume	
DRA 127B	Principles of Directing		DRA 180G	Theatre Laboratory: Lighting/Sound/	
DRA 128	Principles of Theatre Sound		DRA 195	Projection Senior Capstone Experience	2
DRA 130	Approaches to Theatrical Design: Practice & Theory		Depth Subject Mat		42
DRA 135	Voice in Performance	Total Units		66	
DRA 140A	Dance Composition				
DRA 140B	Dance Composition		Honors Major Requirements		
DRA 140C	Dance Composition		Code	Title	Units
DRA 141	Introduction to the Fundamentals of		Preparatory Subject	t Matter	
	Movement		Choose DRA 021A	or 4 units from DRA 040A, 040B, 042A, 042B:	4
DRA 142	History of Modern Dance		DRA 021A	Fundamentals of Acting	
DRA 143	Dance & Movement Studio		OR 4 units from:		
DRA 144A	Introduction to Traditional Chinese		DRA 040A	Beginning Modern Dance	
0011110	Embodied Culture		DRA 040B	Intermediate Modern Dance	
DRA 144B	Traditional Chinese Physical Culture		DRA 042A	Beginning Ballet	
DRA 144C	Daoist Philosophy in Traditional Chinese Movement Culture		DRA 042B	Intermediate Ballet	
DRA 146A	Professional Track Modern Dance I		DRA 024	Visual Aspects of Dramatic Art	4
DRA 1468	Professional Track Modern Dance II		DRA 028	Entertainment Engineering & Management:	4
DRA 1460	Professional Track Modern Dance III			Stagecraft to Stage Management	
DRA 1400	American Theatre & Drama		Choose three:		12
DRA 150	Musicals: History, Practice & Production		DRA 055	Contemporary Local, National & Global	
DRA 151 DRA 153	Latinx Theatre & Performance			Theatre, Dance & Performance	
DRA 153 DRA 154			DRA 056A	History of Theatre & Dance I: Myth, Magic &	
DRA/AAS 155A	Asian Theatre & Drama: Contexts & Forms African American Dance & Culture in the			Madness	

DRA 056B	History of Theatre & Dance II: Romance, Revenge & Rebellion		
DRA 056C	History of Theatre & Dance III: Sex, Society & the State		C
Preparatory Subject	Matter Subtotal	24	0
Depth Subject Matte	er		
Choose two:		8	
DRA 114	Theatre on Film		
DRA/CTS 116	Design on Screen		
DRA 142	History of Modern Dance		(
DRA 150	American Theatre & Drama		A
DRA 151	Musicals: History, Practice & Production		c
DRA 153	Latinx Theatre & Performance		t
DRA 154	Asian Theatre & Drama: Contexts & Forms		t
DRA 155	Representing Race in Performance		6
DRA/AAS 155A	African American Dance & Culture in the United States, Brazil & the Caribbean		C
DRA 156A	Performance Analysis		
DRA 156B	Theatre in History & Place: Local, National & Global Conditions for Production		
DRA 156C	Modern Aesthetic Movements in Performance		
DRA 156D	Theatre History Through Shakespeare		
DRA 158	Performance Studies Undergraduate Seminar		
DRA 159	Contemporary Experimental Performance, Theatre & Drama		
Choose one:		4	
DRA 124A	Principles of Theatrical Design: Scenery		
DRA 124B	Principles of Theatrical Design: Scenery		
DRA 124C	Principles of Theatrical Design: Lighting		
DRA 124D	Principles of Theatrical Design: Costume		
DRA/CTS 124E	Costume Design for Film		
DRA 126	Principles of Performing Arts Stage Management		
DRA 126A	Topics in Entertainment Engineering		
DRA 128	Principles of Theatre Sound		
Choose one:		4	
DRA 120	Intermediate Acting/Gateway: The Actor's Toolkit		
DRA 141	Introduction to the Fundamentals of Movement		
DRA 144A	Introduction to Traditional Chinese Embodied Culture		
DRA 146A	Professional Track Modern Dance I		
Choose one:		4	
DRA 127A	Principles of Directing		
DRA 140A	Dance Composition		
DRA 160A	Principles of Playwriting		
Choose 6 units from	at least two of:	6	
DRA 145	Directed Choreography Projects		
DRA 180A	Theatre Laboratory: Performance		
DRA 180B	Theatre Laboratory: Design		

	DRA 180C	Theatre Laboratory: Management,	
C۲	noose 4 units:	Directing, other Production Team	4
	DRA 180D	Theatre Laboratory: Crew	4
C۲	noose one:	meatre Laboratory. Grew	2
	DRA 180E	Theatre Laboratory: Scenic	2
	DRA 180E	Theatre Laboratory: Costume	
	DRA 180G	Theatre Laboratory: Lighting/Sound/	
	DRA 1000	Projection	
Cł	noose 16 units:		16
cc th to ac	nsultation with a fa e honors project. Co fulfill this requirem lvisor. Consult the T	ts must be in a specific area determined in culty advisor and reflecting preparation for burses from other departments may be used ent with permission of Chair and faculty heatre & Dance advisor for alternative filling this requirement	
	DRA 114	Theatre on Film	
	DRA 115	Advanced Study of Major Film Makers	
	DRA/CTS 116	Design on Screen	
	DRA 120	Intermediate Acting/Gateway: The Actor's Toolkit	
	DRA 121A	Advanced Acting: Scene Study & Script Analysis	
	DRA 121B	Advanced Acting: Rehearsal Processes & Practices	
	DRA 121C	Advanced Acting: Character & Style	
	DRA 122A	Advanced Acting: Devising & Collaboration	
	DRA 122B	Advanced Acting: Shakespeare & His Contemporaries	
	DRA 122C	Advanced Acting: Special Topics in Acting	
	DRA 124A	Principles of Theatrical Design: Scenery	
	DRA 124B	Principles of Theatrical Design: Scenery	
	DRA 124C	Principles of Theatrical Design: Lighting	
	DRA 124D	Principles of Theatrical Design: Costume	
	DRA/CTS 124E	Costume Design for Film	
	DRA 125	Scenic Painting: Studio	
	DRA 126	Principles of Performing Arts Stage Management	
	DRA 126A	Topics in Entertainment Engineering	
	DRA 127A	Principles of Directing	
	DRA 127B	Principles of Directing	
	DRA 128	Principles of Theatre Sound	
	DRA 130	Approaches to Theatrical Design: Practice & Theory	
	DRA 135	Voice in Performance	
	DRA 140A	Dance Composition	
	DRA 140B	Dance Composition	
	DRA 140C	Dance Composition	
	DRA 141	Introduction to the Fundamentals of Movement	
	DRA 142	History of Modern Dance	
	DRA 143	Dance & Movement Studio	
	DRA 144A	Introduction to Traditional Chinese Embodied Culture	

DRA 144B	Traditional Chinese Physical Culture			
DRA 144C	Daoist Philosophy in Traditional Chinese Movement Culture			
DRA 146A	Professional Track Modern Dance I			
DRA 146B	Professional Track Modern Dance II			
DRA 146C	Professional Track Modern Dance III			
DRA 150	American Theatre & Drama			
DRA 151	Musicals: History, Practice & Production			
DRA 153	Latinx Theatre & Performance			
DRA 154	Asian Theatre & Drama: Contexts & Forms			
DRA/AAS 155A	African American Dance & Culture in the United States, Brazil & the Caribbean			
DRA 156A	Performance Analysis			
DRA 156B	Theatre in History & Place: Local, National & Global Conditions for Production			
DRA 156C	Modern Aesthetic Movements in Performance			
DRA 156D	Theatre History Through Shakespeare			
DRA 158	Performance Studies Undergraduate Seminar			
DRA 159	Contemporary Experimental Performance, Theatre & Drama			
DRA 160A	Principles of Playwriting			
DRA 160B	Principles of Playwriting			
DRA 170	Media Theatre			
DRA 174/CDM 107	' Acting for Camera			
DRA/TCS 175	Small Scale Film Production			
DRA 185A	Special Topics: Artist in Residence-Seminar			
DRA 185B	Special Topics: Artist in Residence-Studio			
DRA 194HA	Special Study for Honors Students	3		
DRA 194HB	Special Study for Honors Students	3		
DRA 195	Senior Capstone Experience	2		
Depth Subject Matter Subtotal				
Total Units		80		