

# MUSICAL THEATRE MINOR

## Program Overview

The musical theatre program provides students with a solid training in preparation for a career in the professional theatre. Students take classes in movement, voice, singing (both musical theatre and classical) dance (jazz, tap, ballet, modern and musical theatre dance), piano, music theory and various acting styles and techniques. Students are also given opportunities to hone their skills as performers within experimental productions, performances as part of classroom work and the annual musical.

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For students seeking a degree in another area who wish to minor in Musical Theatre, the following courses are required by the department:

| Code                          | Title                                                        | Hours        |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| THEA 003                      | TECHNIQUE OF ACTING I                                        | 3            |
| THEA 004                      | TECHNIQUE OF ACTING II                                       | 3            |
| THEA 012                      | VOICE & MOVEMENT FOR THE ACTOR                               | 3            |
| THEA 060                      | MUSICAL THEATRE I                                            | 3            |
| THEA 123                      | MUSICAL THEATRE HISTORY                                      | 3            |
| Select one of the following:  |                                                              | 2-3          |
| THEA 015                      | MOVEMENT II                                                  |              |
| THEA 032                      | STAGE MAKEUP                                                 |              |
| Select one of the following:  |                                                              | 2            |
| THEA 056                      | JAZZ                                                         |              |
| THEA 057                      | TAP                                                          |              |
| THEA 058                      | BALLET                                                       |              |
| THEA 059                      | MUSICAL THEATRE DANCE                                        |              |
| <b>Required Music Courses</b> |                                                              |              |
| THEA 007                      | MUSICAL THEATRE PIANO LAB I <sup>1</sup>                     | 1            |
| THEA 008                      | MUSICAL THEATRE PIANO LAB II                                 | 1            |
| THEA 010                      | MUSIC THEORY ESSENTIALS                                      | 3            |
| THEA 026                      | PRIVATE VOICE LESSONS (Taken for 1 credit for two semesters) | 2            |
| <b>Total Hours</b>            |                                                              | <b>26-27</b> |

<sup>1</sup> Students must demonstrate competency in piano equivalent to the completion of THEA 008 MUSICAL THEATRE PIANO LAB II. This may require students to take THEA 007 MUSICAL THEATRE PIANO LAB I as a prerequisite depending on level of experience. Students proficient in piano beyond the level of THEA 008 MUSICAL THEATRE PIANO LAB II are eligible to test out of the requirement entirely. All determinations regarding piano proficiency are at the discretion of the piano instructor.