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B.F.A. in Theatre Arts **Description**

The B.F.A. major in theatre arts is intended for individuals who seek a professional career in theatre or who wish preparation for graduate work in the discipline. The B.F.A. must be completed with an emphasis in either acting, design/technology, or musical theatre. Students must have a successful audition or portfolio review by theatre arts faculty for admission to the BFA degree program.

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 129

Course Requirements

A major in theatre arts for the B.F.A. degree requires 129 semester hours. Students are required to choose one of three emphases: acting, design/theatre technology, or musical theatre.

Other Academic Requirements

A grade of C or higher is required on all theatre courses applied toward the B.F.A. degree.

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The emphasis in design/theatre technology is a comprehensive design program that allows students to concentrate in costume design and technology, lighting design, or scenic design. In addition to rigorous classroom work--in their field of study as well as in theory, history, literature, directing, and business and employment practices--students have individualized instruction and multiple opportunities for realized design projects in main-stage and studio productions and are able to compile portfolios that will help them achieve professional employment or enter graduate school.

Course Requirements

The emphasis in design and theatre technology requires 129 total semester hours, including 72 hours of theatre arts courses, comprising the following:

Design and Technology	Hours
Thea 171--Rendering for the Theatre	3
Thea 192, 291, 292, 391, 392, 491, 492 -- Production Studies I-VII	20
Thea 271--Stagecraft	3
Thea 272--Introduction to Costumes for the Stage	3
Thea 274--Theatre Design Graphics	3
Thea 276--Fundamentals of Computer-aided Design for Theatre	3
Approved electives in theatre design	12
 Theory, History, and Literature	
Thea 320--Theory and Practice of Drama	3
Thea 321, 322--Theatre History I, II	6
Thea 326, 327--Dramatic Literature I, II	6
Thea 374, 377--Introduction to the History of Dress and Decor I, II	6
 Other Theatre Requirements	
Thea 481--Directing	3
Thea 499--Senior Review	1

In addition to the core curriculum and theatre arts requirements, the emphasis in design/technology requires 3 hours of art history and elective hours (19-21) chosen from any area, including theatre arts, to bring the total number of credits to 129 semester hours.

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The academic regulations for this degree program, as entered in the University of Mississippi Catalog, are in effect for the current or selected academic year and semester. The University of Mississippi reserves the right to 1) change or withdraw courses; 2) change rules for registration, instruction, and graduation; and 3) change other regulations affecting the student body at any time.

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General Education

REQUIREMENT	HOURS	DESCRIPTION
First Year Writing I	3	Complete Hon 101 , Writ 100 or Writ 101 with a passing grade.



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First Year Writing II	3	Complete one of the following courses with a passing grade: Liba 102 , Writ 102 or Hon 102 .
2 associated science labs	2	Successfully complete at least two science laboratory courses.
3 hrs math 100+	3	Successfully complete 3 hours of Math at the 100 level or above except for Math 245 and Math 246 .
6 hrs literature survey	6	Complete 6 hours of literature survey with a passing grade. Choose from the following courses: Engl 221 , Engl 222 , Engl 223 , Engl 224 , Engl 225 , or Engl 226 .
6 hrs history	6	Complete 6 hours of History coursework with a passing grade.
6 hrs social science	6	Successfully complete 6 semester hours in anthropology, economics, political science, psychology or sociology.
6-8 hrs science	6	Complete 6-8 hours of natural science courses with labs from the following areas: biology, chemistry, geology, physics, or astronomy.

Major Requirements

REQUIREMENT	HOURS	DESCRIPTION
Select an emphasis		Select an emphasis area within the B.F.A. Theatre program.
Theatre residency hrs	12	Student must earn at least 12 hours of their major courses in residence. A grade of C or better is required on all theatre courses applied toward the major.
Resident Major GPA		Please contact your academic advisor for grade point requirements.
Overall Major GPA		Please contact your academic advisor for grade point requirements.

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Thea 171 - C min	3	Complete Thea 171 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 192 - C min	2	Complete Thea 192 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 271 - C min	3	Complete Thea 271 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 272 - C min	3	Complete Thea 272 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 274 - C min	3	Complete Thea 274 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 276 - C min	3	Complete Thea 276 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 291 - C min	2	Complete Thea 291 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 292 - C min	2	Complete Thea 292 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 320 - C min	3	Complete Thea 320 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 321 - C min	3	Complete Thea 321 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 322 - C min	3	Complete Thea 322 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 326 - C min	3	Complete Thea 326 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 327 - C min	3	Complete Thea 327 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 374 - C min	3	Complete Thea 374 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 377 - C min	3	Complete Thea 377 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 391 - C min	2	Complete Thea 391 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 392 - C min	2	Complete Thea 392 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 481 - C min	3	Complete Thea 481 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 491 - C min	2	Complete Thea 491 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 492 - C min	2	Complete Thea 492 with a grade of C or better.
Thea 499 - C min	2	Complete Thea 499 with a grade of C or better.
3 hrs art history	3	Successfully complete 3 hours of Art History coursework with a grade of C or better.
12 hrs electives	12	Complete 12 hours of electives in theatre design with a grade of C or better in each course.

