



The Wayne D. McMurray School of Humanities and Social Sciences

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN THEATRE ARTS

The theatre arts major at Monmouth University is a challenging program that guides students as they grow into accomplished performers, stage managers, designers, or technicians. Theatre arts majors experience intensive preparation in a small, responsive department, whose aim is to ready students to enter the professional theater world or go on to specialized graduate programs in theatre arts. The major covers both onstage and offstage training; in addition to theatre performance, students can choose to participate in other areas of theatrical production, such as set construction, lighting, costuming, or stage management.

All theatre arts majors are required to participate in a summer theatre workshop the summer following their first year of study. This is in conjunction with the department's Shadow Lawn Stage, an Actors' Equity theatre on the campus of Monmouth University, where students will work behind the scenes and occasionally onstage during these professional productions. There they will have opportunities to make lasting contacts with professional actors or stage managers and earn points toward Equity membership.

Studies have shown that people with theatre arts experience are well-regarded as having superior teamwork skills, as well as excellent public speaking ability. Students who pursue a theatre arts minor will be able to develop these sought-after skills and use them in whatever career they choose.

Faculty

Theatre arts faculty members bring professional and academic experience from their work on Broadway or in regional theatre, television, playwriting, directing, scene design, and costume management. Students of either music or theatre arts have the rare opportunity to share the same facilities and learn from the same faculty. Students work collaboratively, displaying their talents together in concerts, plays, or musicals.

Great Location

Monmouth University is an ideal location to become immersed in the study of theatre arts. Access to the local train station, a short walk from campus, offers students a convenient way to get to the biggest Broadway hits and daring off-Broadway fare. West Long Branch is also surrounded by well-known arts districts with professional theatre troupes offering engaging and challenging theatre productions.

Courses Available in Theatre Arts

- Acting I, II, III, and IV
- History of Theatre I and II

- Intro to Theatre Production and Design
- Applied Theatre Tech I and II, Theatre Design, Theatre Management
- Theatre Appreciation
- Summer Theatre Workshop
- Actors' Equity Workshop
- Musical Theatre History
- Acting for Television
- Theatre History I and II
- Creative Dramatics

About Monmouth University

Monmouth University is an independent, comprehensive institution of higher learning, committed to service in the public interest, lifelong learning, and the enhancement of the quality of life. Seven schools within the University provide a wide variety of academic programs at both undergraduate and graduate levels. The Wayne D. McMurray School of Humanities and Social Sciences includes the Department of Music and Theatre Arts.

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