



# DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE AND DANCE



**ABOUT US** The Department of Theatre and Dance provides educational opportunities for a diverse urban population by providing a full range of introductory, advanced, and collaborative teacher/learner centered program offerings. We provide theoretical foundations and practical applications to prepare students for graduate school, employment, and personal and aesthetic development, all grounded in a strong liberal arts tradition.



**STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES** We serve the University, campus, and greater Denver community by providing courses, performance opportunities, applied technology opportunities, student employment positions, academic and professional collaborations, and cultural enrichment.



**MAJOR/MINOR** We offer a B.A. in Theatre and Dance, a B.F.A in Theatre with two concentration options in Music Theatre or Applied Theatre Technology and Design. Our two minors in Theatre or Dance accompany any major.



**WHAT MAKES US SPECIAL** We achieve our mission through the faculty's dedication to excellence in instruction, both in-person and online using advanced technology; the implementation of the creative process; professional renewal; and participation in a variety of initiatives with public schools, businesses, health care agencies, non-profit organizations, and the National Association of Schools of Theatre accrediting agency.

## SIGNATURE EVENTS

Work and perform in the King Center performing arts complex, one of the most accessible and adaptive performance facilities in the nation. Join the Theatre Program in any of their 4 mainstage productions (two musicals and non-musicals) or participate in the Dance Program's productions (6-8) each year.



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# THEATRE | Bachelor of Arts

## Experiential Major Map



COLLEGE OF LETTERS,  
ARTS AND SCIENCES

### First Year Middle Years Last Year

**Cultivate**  
Learning &  
Academic Excellence

- Attend Theatre's Fall convocation
- Meet with your CLAS Arts academic advisor and program area coordinator
- Declare your BA Theatre Major

- Audition for the BFA Music Theatre Degree
- Audition for all Mainstage Productions
- Participate in weekly BFA Coaching with program area coordinator

- Work with an advisor to ensure you have no outstanding course(s) or performance participation requirements
- Complete the Senior Experience course
- Apply to graduate

**Engage**  
Globally and Locally

- Enroll in Introduction to Theatre and beginning tech and acting courses
- Audition for THE 4230
- Directing final scenes
- Attend Theatre's Fall convocation

- Audition for the BFA Music Theatre Program, into the Music Theatre Solo Performer Track or the Ensemble Track
- Audition for all theatre program productions per academic year

- Develop your Audition repertoire
- Take on a leadership in a student organization and/or as part of the Theatre and Dance Department's Student Advocacy Council

**Prepare**  
for Postgraduation  
Success

- Check out on-campus and career aligned jobs
- Begin to develop and explore a career pathway
- Build your early experience resume

- Connect with the C2 Hub on professional mentoring and networking opportunities
- Learn Intimacy Coaching and Boundary Practice skills

- Attend alumni and campus-wide networking events
- If considering graduate school discuss options with your faculty advisor

Employment in Theatre is projected to grow by **6.2%** in 2024-2026.

- Academic Success Checklist**
- Discover library resources
  - Book an appointment with your academic advisor
  - Visit the writing and tutoring center
  - Complete FASFA and academic scholarship applications

- Career Development Checklist**
- Update your resume early & often
  - Drop into the C2 Hub's Career Lab
  - Secure an internship or career aligned part time job to develop essential skills for graduation

**Career Information**

**What skills do employers want?**

- Solve problems creatively
- Collaborate effectively
- Demonstrate entrepreneurial mindset and abilities
- Lead others and contribute to/develop an inclusive environment

**This major gives me the skills to:**

- Create, devise, perform, teach, and present with confidence, competence, and inventiveness
- Understand the aesthetic, historical, and cultural context of theatre and other arts in society
- Engage thoughtfully and creatively with diverse communities and populations

**What careers can I pursue?**

- Artistic (Performance/Directing)
- Teaching and Community Outreach
- Administration/Entrepreneurship/Business
- Documentation, Research, and Writing
- Production/Technical/Design
- Stage and Production Management

