

THEATRE ARTS

Associate of Art / Associate of Science degree



Program and Career Description:

The Theatre Arts emphasis is a two-year program for students planning to complete a bachelor's degree at a four-year school. Students can pursue careers in writing screen plays, acting, television, choreography, and music. A few examples of career and salary estimates are listed below.

Career	Beginning Salary with BS degree	Experienced Salary Median
Actors	Amount varies based on number of jobs	\$29.05 an hour
Choreographers	Amount varies based on number of jobs	\$20.13 an hour
Musicians	Amount varies based on number of jobs	\$28.28 an hour

Career and salary information taken from www.bls.gov. Check out this web site for additional information about education requirements and preferred work styles and abilities for these careers. Salaries are not guaranteed.

Transfer Options

Per the *Complete College Tennessee Act of 2010*, this degree will be transferable to any of the following universities offering a Baccalaureate degree in this major:

- Austin Peay State University
- East Tennessee State University
- Middle Tennessee State University
- Tennessee State University
- Tennessee Tech University
- University of Memphis
- University of Tennessee, Chattanooga
- University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- University of Tennessee, Martin

Articulation agreements exist between other private and non-TN public institutions. These agreements are available at www.columbiastate.edu/admissions/transfer-information.



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Major in Tennessee Transfer Pathway with Emphasis in Theatre Arts (A.A., A.S.)

Program Requirements

Students may be required to take additional Learning Support courses.

Communications Requirement

ENGL 1010, 1020
SPCH 1010 or SPCH 1030

History Requirement (Take 2 courses)

HIST 1110, 1120, 2010, 2020, 2030

Humanities/Fine Arts

THEA 1030
(Take 2 courses -one must be a literature course)
ART 1030
ARTH 2010, 2020
ENGL 2015
HUM 1130, 1131
MUS 1030
PHIL 1030, 2030, 2033
Literature Options: ENGL 2130, 2230, 2310, 2320, 2920

Natural Sciences Requirement (Take 2 courses)

ASTR 1030
BIOL 1030 (must not take with another BIOL)
BIOL 1110, 1120, 2010, 2020
CHEM 1110, 1120
GEOG 1010, 1020
PHYS 2010, 2020, 2110, 2120
PSCI 1030

Mathematics Requirement (Take one course)

MATH 1010, 1130, 1530, 1630, 1710, 1720, 1730, 1830, 1910

Social/Behavioral Sciences

ANTH 1200, 1300
ECON 2010, 2020
GEOG 2010
PHED 2120
POL 201
POLS 1030, 1501, 2010
PSYC 1030, 2130
SOC 1010, 1020, 2010

Major Required Courses

THEA 1020, 1400
THEA Electives (excluding theatre history)
**Electives

**Note: An elective can be any college-level course.

If you have completed TN eCampus courses, run a degree audit from the student tab in myChargerNet to determine how these courses apply to this program.

Requirements for Graduation include:

- earning 25% of total program credits in residence at Columbia State.
- cumulative GPA must be 2.0.
- taking the Exit Exam.

Sample Academic Plan

First Year – Fall Semester

___ ENGL 1010	Composition I	3
___ Mathematics Requirement		3
___ Humanities/Fine Arts		3
___ History Requirement		3
___ THEA 1020	Acting	3
___ COLS 101	Columbia State College Success	1
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First Year – Spring Semester

___ ENGL 1020	Composition II	3
___ SPCH 1010	Fundamentals of Speech Communication <u>or</u>	
___ SPCH 1030	Argumentation and Debate	3
___ Social/Behavioral Science		3
___ History Requirement		3
___ THEA 1030	Intro to Theatre and Performance	3
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Second Year – Fall Semester

___ Literature Requirement		3
___ Natural Science Requirement		4
___ Social/Behavioral Science		3
___ THEA 1400	Stagecraft	3
___ Elective**		3
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Second Year – Spring Semester

___ Natural Science Requirement		4
___ THEA Electives		7
___ Elective**		2
		13

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS 60

**If pursuing the A.A. degree, the 6 elective hours must be one-year sequence of the SAME foreign language. Requirements for a Bachelor of Arts Degree at universities include demonstrated competency in foreign language at the intermediate level. Community college students are encouraged to attain intermediate-level competency in foreign language before transferring. Complete information regarding foreign language requirements at each university may be found on the transfer and articulation web sites of the Tennessee Board of Regents and the University of Tennessee System. Community college students are encouraged to be familiar with foreign language requirements at the universities and, if applicable, complete the requirements before transferring. The B.S. Degree with a major in Theatre Arts is available at Austin Peay State University, Middle Tennessee State University, and Tennessee State University.

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