

Theatre Minor

Housed in the Department of Music, TCNJ's Theatre Minor provides students with immersive creative experiences in theater, including musical theatre, enhanced by course options in technical and literary aspects of theatre. An audition is not required to enter the Theatre Minor.

Students are encouraged to start the Theatre Minor no later than the first semester of their second year. Students will be assigned a Department of Music advisor and must consult with their advisor in the selection of courses.

Completion of the Theatre Minor requires a 5-unit/20-credit sequence of courses selected from the following:*

Minimum of 1 unit/4 credits (4 semesters) of:

MUS 229 Lyric Theatre - .25 course unit (When taken four times will yield one full unit)

Lyric Theatre may include performed roles as well as technical participation. Auditions may be required for performed roles in productions.

2 units/8 credits drawn from the following:

VPA 101 Integrated Visual and Performing Arts – 1 course unit

MUS 200 Intermediate Private Voice lessons - .25 course unit (may be taken up to two times for a total of .5 unit. Requires an audition)

VPA 201 Dance and Movement Fundamentals - .5 course unit (may be taken up to two times for a total of one unit)

MUS 229 Lyric Theatre - .25 course unit (may be taken up to four times for a total of one unit)

LIT 233 World Drama – course 1 unit

COM 255 Acting for Stage and Screen – 1 course unit

LIT/WGS 255 Shakespeare and Gender – 1 course unit

2 units/8 credits at the 300- or 400-level, drawn from the following:

MUS 300 Advanced Private Voice lessons - .5 course unit (may be taken up to two times for a total of one unit. Audition required.)

LIT 347 European Drama - 1 course unit

LIT 421 Shakespeare: Comedies & Histories – 1 course unit

LIT 422 Shakespeare: Tragedies & Romances – 1 course unit

MUS 391 Independent Study in Music - .25 to 1 course unit

*Only one course taken toward a student's major program may be double-counted toward a minor.

**A private lesson qualifying audition is required. Generally, lessons for beginners are not offered. Private studio lessons carry a fee of \$500.00 per semester at the 200-level.

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