

THEATRE, AN OPTION TO THE ASSOCIATE IN ARTS IN PERFORMING ARTS

Program Description

Students interested in theatre can complete the first two years of course work and gain performance and/or production experience which will prepare them to transfer to a baccalaureate program and pursue a career in theatre. The focus of the program is on theatre performance and includes courses on acting technique and analysis, technical aspects of stagecraft, and stage direction. The curriculum is designed to promote students' development of their academic and theatrical/production potential. Students will gain performance experience through participation in Ocean County College Theatre productions.

Transfer Information

Students pursuing the Performing Arts degree can transfer into majors such as music, dance, acting, and music/theatre production & design. Admission for these majors is often competitive and usually requires an audition and testing of fundamental knowledge of theory. Students are encouraged to work closely with OCC faculty and Advising Transfer Services. Students planning to transfer to a four-year institution in NJ can explore the "Transfer Programs" feature on NJ Transfer www.njtransfer.org (<http://www.njtransfer.org>).

Career Information

The Associate of Arts and the Associate of Science Degrees are designed to provide students with the coursework needed to transfer to a four-year institution and pursue a bachelor's degree. The curriculum provides students the knowledge and skills needed to pursue various career pathways, while providing a credential beyond the high school degree. Students are strongly encouraged to consult with OCC faculty and Career Services as they begin to explore career options. Students can also utilize Career Coach, a resource provided by OCC, to explore degree programs and corresponding careers <https://ocean.emsicc.com/>

Students are encouraged to keep track of degree requirements by using the "My Progress" screen on Student Planning. Student Planning can be accessed via logging into Ocean Connect.

Program Requirements

First Semester		Credit Hours
ENGL 151	English I	3
THTR 193	Introduction to Acting I	3
THTR 195	Theatre Appreciation	3
Social Science Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#social)		3
STSC 150	Student Success Seminar	2
Credit Hours		14
Second Semester		Credit Hours
ENGL 152	English II	3
Mathematics Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#math) ¹		3
THTR 194	Introduction to Acting II	3
COMM 154	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3

History Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#history)		3
Credit Hours		15
Third Semester		Credit Hours
THTR 189	Musical Theatre Workshop	3
Humanities Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#humanities)		3
Social Science Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#social)		3
Lab Science Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#lab) ¹		4
Technology Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#tech) ¹		3
Credit Hours		16
Fourth Semester		Credit Hours
Any THTR Theatre course(s)		3
Mathematics or Lab Science Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#math) ¹		3-4
Diversity Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#diversity)		3
History Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#history)		3
Humanities Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#humanities)		3
Elective (to meet 60 credits)		0-1
Credit Hours		15-17
Total Credit Hours		60-62

¹ Students must select one math course, one lab science course, and one technology course and complete the 12 credit requirement with any additional math or science course from the list of Approved General Education Courses. Students may attempt to "test out" of the technology requirement. If they succeed, they must take an additional course in math or science from the List of Approved General Education Courses.