

The following courses are required for students in the Technical Direction program in the Theater Department at Rutgers' Mason Gross School of the Arts.

All students have a liberal arts requirement of 33 credits which must be completed for graduation. Theater Department courses which count towards this requirement are noted below with an asterisk (\*). Additional courses must be taken in accordance with the MGSA liberal arts curriculum. The department recommends students complete these requirements in specific semesters, as noted below.

Grading Policy: The Theater Department grading policy, as appears in the department handbook is outlined below

Production & Design Projects  
 07:966:422

Students may be assigned a production assignment in any semester, beginning in the second year. These assignments are not guaranteed and will be assigned to students who are in good academic and artistic standing, and as their advisor deems appropriate. Credits for the assignment will be determined by the advisor based on the size and scope of the project, and the student's role.

Program Credit Total: 124

1 year Fall Semester			
Course Name	Course number	Credits	Notes
Introduction to Western Art History*	01:082:105	3	May be taken online
Theater History*	07:965:281	3	
Theater Homeroom	07:966:103	0	
Theater Practice	07:966:123	2	Run Crew
Th Pract: Des/Act	07:966:124	1	Weekly shop hours and/or run crew assignment
Intro to Design*	07:966:215	3	
Stagecraft	07:966:219	2	
Elements of Design	07:966:243	3	
<i>Liberal Arts*</i>		3	Dpt. recommends completing a liberal arts requirement
	Theater semester credits:	20	

1 year Spring Semester			
Course Name	Course number	Credits	Notes
Introduction to Western Art History*	01:082:106	3	May be taken online
Theater History*	07:965:282	3	
Theater Homeroom	07:966:104	0	
Th Pract: Des/Act	07:966:124	1	Weekly shop hours and/or run crew assignment
Production Planning	07:966:201	2	
Intro to Design	07:966:216	3	
Intro to Stage Lighting	07:966:242	2	
Elements of Design	07:966:244	3	
	Theater semester credits:	17	

Theater Department  
 BFA Technical Direction Curriculum  
 Effective Fall 2015

as of 8/29/18  
 Subject to Change

2 year Fall Semester

Course Name	Course number	Credits	Notes
Global Theater I*	07:965:370	3	
Theater Homeroom	07:966:103	0	
Stagecraft II	07:966:220	3	
Fundamentals of Drafting*	07:966:251	3	
Advanced Stage Lighting Technology	07:966:305	2	
Theater Practice	07:966:323	2	Shop hours: 10 per week
Production & Design Projects	07:966:422	1	
Liberal Arts*		3	
	Theater semester credits:	17	

2 year Spring Semester

Course Name	Course number	Credits	Notes
Global Theater II	07:965:370	3	
Theater Homeroom	07:966:104	0	
Fundamentals of Drafting	07:966:252	3	
Theater Practice	07:966:323	2	Shop hours: 10 per week
Advanced Stagecraft	07:966:339	3	
Production & Design Projects	07:966:422	1	
Computer Drafting	07:966:468	2	Vectorworks
<i>Liberal Arts*</i>		3	Dpt. recommends completing a liberal arts requirement
	Theater semester credits:	17	

3 year Fall Semester

Course Name	Course number	Credits	Notes
Theater Homeroom	07:966:104	0	
Introduction to Production Management	07:966:280	3	
Advanced Stagecraft	07:966:340	3	
Sound Technology & Design for the Theater	07:966:361	2	
Production Techniques	07:966:411	3	Shop hours: 12 per week
Topics in Technical Direction	07:966:419	3	
Production & Design Projects	07:966:422	2	
<i>Liberal Arts*</i>		3	Dpt. recommends completing a liberal arts requirement
	Theater semester credits:	19	

3 year Spring Semester

Course Name	Course number	Credits	Notes
Theater Homeroom	07:966:104	0	
Production Properties	07:966:277	2	
Introduction to Projection Design	07:966:308	3	
Production Techniques	07:966:411	3	Shop hours: 12 per week
Draft & Thea Tech AD	07:966:416	3	
Production & Design Projects	07:966:422	3	
Computer Illustration	07:966:470	2	Photoshop
<i>Liberal Arts*</i>		3	Dpt. recommends completing a liberal arts requirement
	Theater semester credits:	19	

3.5 year Fall Semester			
Course Name	Course number	Credits	Notes
Theater Homeroom	07:966:103	0	
Scenic Painting	07:966:316	2	
Portfolio Preparation	07:966:358	1	
ProductionTechniques	07:966:411	3	Shop hours: 12 per week
Topics in Technical Direction	07:966:420	3	
Production & Design Projects	07:966:422	3	
Computer Drafting	07:966:468	2	AutoCAD
Professional Development Seminar	07:966:496	1	
	Theater semester credits:	15	

The grading policy for all required courses in the theater department are as follows:

Students are expected to receive a C+ or better in all required theater department courses to maintain good artistic standing in the department.

A grade of “C” in one required course is grounds for artistic warning

Two or more “C’s” in one semester, or a grade of “C” in one course over two consecutive semesters, is grounds for artistic probation

A grade of “D” in one required course is grounds for artistic probation

Two or more “D’s” in one semester, or a grade of “D” in one course over two consecutive semesters, is grounds for artistic dismissal

A grade of “F” in one required course is grounds for artistic dismissal. In the event the student is not dismissed, they will be placed on artistic probation. A grade of “F” will not count towards the degree. The same course, or a comparable course approved by the department, will have to be successfully completed to fulfill the requirement for graduation.