

Degree: Associate in Arts

Degree: Bachelor of Arts

Focus: Theatre-Performance (Acting/Directing)

Major: Theatre

Credits completed at College of Lake County: 60

Credits at Columbia College Chicago: 60

Great leaders in theatre are well-rounded. The program brings three key leadership roles together in practice: the writer, the director, and the stage manager. Designed to mirror the theatre industry, your courses will give you experience across disciplines, allowing you to build strong working relationships with different kinds of theatre professionals. Learn more at colum.edu/academics.

College of Lake County Courses	Credits	Columbia Equivalencies
CLC 120 College Success Seminar	3	*Collegewide Elective
ENG 121 English Composition I	3	ENGL 111 Writing and Rhetoric I
THE 121 Introduction to Theatre	3	Humanities course
THE 125 Principles of Acting	3	*With THE 126 Stagecraft in 4 th semester
IAI Social and Behavioral Science course	3	Social Science course
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	

College of Lake County Courses	Credits	Columbia Equivalencies
ENG 122 English Composition II	3	ENGL 112 Writing and Rhetoric II
THE 123 Diversity in American Theatre	3	Humanities course
THE 145 Voice for the Stage	3	Collegewide Elective*
THE 229 Stage Make-up	3	Collegewide Elective*
IAI Physical or Life Science course with Lab	4	Science course with Lab
Total Semester Credit Hours	16	

College of Lake County Courses	Credits	Columbia Equivalencies
CMM 121 Fundamentals of Speech	3	Meets IAI Communication requirement
THE 223 Play Analysis for Production	3	THEA 205 Text Analysis
THE 225 Acting II	3	Collegewide Elective*
IAI Mathematics course	3	Mathematics course
200-Level IAI Social and Behavioral Science course	3	200-Level Social Science course
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	

College of Lake County Courses	Credits	Columbia Equivalencies
THE 126 Stagecraft (with THE 125 above)	3	THEA 111 Theatre Foundation 1: Theatre Making
THE 228 Directing I	3	THEA 266 Directing I
200-Level IAI Social and Behavioral Science course	3	200-Level Social Science course
IAI Humanities course	3	Humanities course
IAI Physical or Life Science course	3	Science course
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	
Completion of AA Degree: 60 credit hours		

COLUMBIA COLLEGE CHICAGO COURSES

5th Semester Courses

THEA 106 Theatre Survey I: Global Drama	Credits	2
THEA 152 Aesthetics for Theatre Makers		3
THEA 168 Playwriting I		3
Concentration course		3
Concentration course		3
Collegewide Elective/Minor Course		2
Total Semester Credit Hours		16

6th Semester Courses

THEA 202 Traditions of World Theatre	Credits	3
THEA 254 Stage Management I		3
THEA *** Production Practicum		2
Concentration course		3
CCCX 3** Innovation and Impact course (Columbia Experience)		3
Total Semester Credit Hours		14

7th Semester Courses

THEA 320 Dramaturgy or THEA 346 Period Styles for Theatrical Design	Credits	3
Concentration course		3
Concentration course		3
Concentration course		3
Collegewide Elective/Minor Course		3
Total Semester Credit Hours		15

8th Semester Courses

THEA 390 Theatre Career	Credits	1
Internship/Practicum Requirement		1
Concentration course		3
Collegewide Elective/Minor Course		4
Collegewide Elective/Minor Course		3
Collegewide Elective/Minor Course		3
Total Semester Credit Hours		15

Completion of BA Degree: 120 credit hours

Theatre Concentrations

Directing

You'll hone your leadership and collaborative skills as you guide teams of actors, designers, and technicians and work within budgets to stage theatrical productions. You'll develop a professional portfolio of work with at least three opportunities to direct productions, starting with a scene, then a 20-minute one-act play, and finally a full 90-minute production. After graduation, many directing students work at theatre companies or apply for graduate study.

Playwriting

As a Playwriting student, you'll learn how to create unique stories and captivating characters for the stage. In the classroom, your scripts will be given table readings, followed by feedback from your instructors and peers. You'll then be invited to submit your scripts to be performed in staged readings and workshop productions for live audiences. The program culminates with the fully produced Playwriting Senior Showcase.

Stage Management

Stage managers work on every production at Columbia; they coordinate schedules, run rehearsals, track props and blocking, and collaborate closely with directors. You'll learn how to create a safe, comfortable environment for the entire cast and crew on several shows, including large-scale musicals, dance productions, one-acts, and devised theatre. You'll work with faculty mentors to create a professional resume, research post-graduate opportunities, and launch your career.

Theatre Studies

Considering the intersection of theory and performance, this major emphasizes the scholarly study of theatre. After graduation, students will be prepared for careers as dramaturgs, literary managers, arts administrators, and educators. It will also prepare students to pursue an MFA or MA/PhD program.

Columbia College Chicago participates in the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI). Students who complete the AA degree prior to transferring to Columbia College Chicago will have completed the Essential Liberal Arts & Sciences section of the Columbia Core requirements. Additionally, all degree-seeking Columbia students are required to complete 9 credit hours of 200-level (or higher) coursework, Columbia Experience courses as indicated, as well as at least two courses (6 credit hours) with a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) designation to meet graduation requirements.

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