

# MUSIC THEATRE CERTIFICATE

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The Music Theatre Certificate supports emerging artists from The School of Communication majoring in theatre, dance, or performance studies and the Bienen School of Music students majoring in voice to create a second area of specialization that is important to their development as musical theatre artists.

The program provides training in acting and other theatre courses for voice majors. Theatre, dance, and performance studies majors will have voice classes and exposure to different music offerings. Students must remain in the theatre, dance, performance studies, or voice major to remain in the Music Theatre Certificate program; students who leave an eligible major for a non-eligible one will be required to leave the program.

Interested students may interact with faculty and curriculum in their 1st and 2nd years through quarterly workshops and various course offerings. Only second-year students enrolled as theatre, dance, or performance studies majors in the School of Communication or as voice majors in the Bienen School of Music are eligible to interview for the Music Theatre Certificate; other students will not be admitted. Interviews will be held each winter quarter for admission to the certificate commencing fall of the junior year. Students are required to present a performance piece (solo or group) or portfolio (scores, manuscripts, directorial design concepts, etc.) and participate in an interview with the Area Director and select faculty about their goals and prospective outcomes.

## Program Requirements for Theatre, Dance, and Performance Studies Majors (9 units)

All courses for SoC majors, minors, fields of concentration and distribution requirements must be completed with a grade of C- or higher and may not be taken P/N.

### • Applied Voice (3 units)

Course	Title
THEATRE 251-1 & THEATRE 251-2 & THEATRE 251-3	Intermediate Voice I and Intermediate Voice II and Intermediate Voice III
THEATRE 351-1 & THEATRE 351-2 & THEATRE 351-3	Advanced Voice I and Advanced Voice II and Advanced Voice III

### • Music Theatre Techniques (3 units)

Course	Title
THEATRE 252-0	Intermediate MT Techniques
THEATRE 352-1 & THEATRE 352-2	Advanced Music Theatre Techniques I and Advanced Music Theatre Techniques II (2 units)

### • Musicianship and Music Theatre History (2 units)

Course	Title
THEATRE 253-0	Music Theatre History
THEATRE 256-0	Musicianship for Actors

### • Dance (0.34 unit) 1 Class from Group A: Music Theatre Dance

Course	Title
DANCE 130-0	Music Theatre Dance I
DANCE 230-0	Music Theatre Dance II
DANCE 161-0	Jump Rhythm Technique 1
DANCE 261-0	Jump Rhythm Technique II
DANCE 181-0	Jump Rhythm Tap 1
DANCE 281-0	Jump Rhythm Tap II

### • Dance (0.68 unit) 2 Classes from Group B: Dance/Movement Elective

Course	Title
DANCE 110-0	Movement for the Stage
DANCE 120-0	Topics in Preparation for Performance
DANCE 140-1	Basic Theatrical Dance I
DANCE 140-2	Basic Theatrical Dance II
DANCE 140-3	Basic Theatrical Dance III
DANCE 150-0	Modern/Contemporary I
DANCE 160-0	Dances of the African Diaspora I
DANCE 161-0	Jump Rhythm Technique 1
DANCE 170-0	Classical Dance I
DANCE 180-1	Funk Jazz
DANCE 180-2	Theatre Jazz
DANCE 180-3	Street Jazz
DANCE 181-0	Jump Rhythm Tap 1
DANCE 250-0	Modern/Contemporary II
DANCE 260-0	Dances of the African Diaspora II
DANCE 261-0	Jump Rhythm Technique II
DANCE 270-0	Classical Dance II
DANCE 281-0	Jump Rhythm Tap II
DANCE 350-0	Modern/Contemporary III
DANCE 360-0	Dances of the African Diaspora III
DANCE 370-0	Classical Dance III
DANCE 380-0	Tap III

### Program Requirements for Voice Majors (9 units)

### • 3 Quarters of Acting (3 units)

Course	Title
THEATRE 273-1	Acting I
THEATRE 273-2	Acting I
THEATRE 273-3	Acting I

### • Music Theatre Techniques (3 units)

Course	Title
THEATRE 252-0	Intermediate MT Techniques
THEATRE 352-1	Advanced Music Theatre Techniques I
THEATRE 352-2	Advanced Music Theatre Techniques II

### • Music Theatre History (1 unit)

Course	Title
THEATRE 253-0	Music Theatre History

- **Dance (0.34 unit) 1 Class from Group A: Music Theatre Dance**

Course	Title
DANCE 130-0	Music Theatre Dance I
DANCE 230-0	Music Theatre Dance II
DANCE 161-0	Jump Rhythm Technique I
DANCE 261-0	Jump Rhythm Technique II
DANCE 181-0	Jump Rhythm Tap I
DANCE 281-0	Jump Rhythm Tap II

- **Dance (0.68 unit) 2 Classes from Group B: Dance/Movement Elective**

Course	Title
DANCE 110-0	Movement for the Stage
DANCE 120-0	Topics in Preparation for Performance
DANCE 140-1	Basic Theatrical Dance I
DANCE 140-2	Basic Theatrical Dance II
DANCE 140-3	Basic Theatrical Dance III
DANCE 150-0	Modern/Contemporary I
DANCE 160-0	Dances of the African Diaspora I
DANCE 161-0	Jump Rhythm Technique I
DANCE 170-0	Classical Dance I
DANCE 180-1	Funk Jazz
DANCE 180-2	Theatre Jazz
DANCE 180-3	Street Jazz
DANCE 181-0	Jump Rhythm Tap I
DANCE 250-0	Modern/Contemporary II
DANCE 260-0	Dances of the African Diaspora II
DANCE 261-0	Jump Rhythm Technique II
DANCE 270-0	Classical Dance II
DANCE 281-0	Jump Rhythm Tap II
DANCE 350-0	Modern/Contemporary III
DANCE 360-0	Dances of the African Diaspora III
DANCE 370-0	Classical Dance III
DANCE 380-0	Tap III

- Design, Dance, or Acting Elective (1 unit)