

# Bachelor of Arts: Theatre

## THE SCHOOL OF THEATRE AT FLORIDA STATE

Our Goal: The Bachelor of Arts program at the School of Theatre at FSU offers diversified and rigorous studies of practical, historical, and cultural contexts of theatre. Building on a strong liberal arts foundation, the BA program fosters expressive skills, creative mindsets, and theoretical and critical thinking essential to success in theatre and other professions. With close faculty contact, department majors pursue areas of interest that may include acting, directing, writing, dance, devised theatre, design, stage management, performance theory, and cultural studies.

### PERFORMANCE

The Performance Track offers the student practical, exploratory engagement with the tools of the acting and directing process.



*Hairspray onstage at the Fallon Theatre (2018 - 2019)*

### DESIGN & PRODUCTION

The Design & Production Track brings the student behind the scenes to experience the artistry of theatrical creation in design, media and technology.



*Freshman Run Crew in action (Brendan Murphy, Clare Rearer, and Holly Carroll)*

### STAGE MANAGEMENT

The Stage Management Track prepares the student with the managerial, leadership, and communication skills necessary to support the production process.



*Senior Stage Manager Sarah Mattis calls a show in the Fallon Theatre*

### THEATRE THEORY & PERFORMANCE

The Theatre Theory & Performance Track offers the student critical skills in theory, dramaturgy and the transformation of documents into performance.



*Mr. Burns, A Post-Electric Play onstage at the Lab Theatre (2018 - 2019)*

## STUDENTS IN THE BA PROGRAM WILL:

- Develop skills as performers, technicians, and theatre-makers
- Build foundations in the diversified crafts of theatre
- Become familiar with key historical and contemporary plays
- Explore the traditions and history that make theatre a vital part of culture
- Practice creative expression, critical thinking, and oral and written communication skills

## OPPORTUNITIES IN THE BA PROGRAM:

- Participate onstage and backstage in the productions of the School of Theatre
- Study abroad at FSU's Study Center in London
- Collaborate with the Student Theatre Association
- Pursue practice-based or scholarly projects to achieve Honors in the Major
- Compete for Undergraduate Research and Creativity grants
- Customize the curriculum to suit individual interests and needs
- Minor or double major in other disciplines

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## THE CURRICULUM

All BA students must successfully complete Foundation Courses that provide knowledge and experience of different aspects of theatre inherent to the theatre-maker's art.

BA Students then declare a Focus Track. These tracks provide advanced-level coursework in a particular area of study within the vast art of theatre. The Focus Tracks offered in the program are as follows: Performance, Design & Production, Stage Management, Theatre Theory & Performance

## APPLICATION AND ADMISSION

### STEP ONE

All students must complete an application to Florida State University and be accepted. Applicants must adhere to FSU Office of Admissions deadlines and requirements. No one will be permitted to submit an application for the BA program until accepted to Florida State University.

### STEP TWO

After receiving notification of acceptance to Florida State University by the Office of Admissions, prospective students must complete and submit the BA program application to the School of Theatre.

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*Chicago onstage at the Fallon Theatre (2019 - 2020)*

## The School of Theatre at Florida State

For additional information about the program, the faculty, and how to apply, please visit: <http://theatre.fsu.edu/undergraduate/ba>