

# MS Theatre Education

AT FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY



THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY  
COLLEGE OF VISUAL ARTS, THEATRE & DANCE



*Much Ado About Nothing (2012 - 2013)*

## The Master of Science in Theatre Education

### The goal of the Master of Science in Theatre program:

Designed specifically for the working theatre educator, students work closely with full-time FSU faculty and guest artists during the intensive sessions over three summers, graduates will develop and refine the skills needed to grow as teachers and artists. Students also participate in two online courses as part of the program

The Master of Science degree in Theatre is specifically designed for theatre practitioners working in secondary education as artists and/or teachers. The program offers education and training that focuses on all aspects of theatre including acting, directing, design, marketing, dramatic literature and history.

### Application Process

#### Step One

All students must complete an application to Florida State University. Applications must be received by the University Admissions Office no later than March 1. Admission to all programs is conditional upon acceptance to Florida State University.

Submitted to the Florida State University Graduate School:

- A Florida State University Graduate Application Completed online at: <http://gradschool.fsu.edu>
- GRE Test Scores
- Official Transcripts from all institutions attended

#### Step Two

In addition to applying to the Graduate School through the University Admissions Office, prospective students must apply directly to the School of Theatre.

### Items to be submitted to the Florida State University School of Theatre:

- A completed School of Theatre Application (download at [theatre.fsu.edu/Graduate-Application-Form](http://theatre.fsu.edu/Graduate-Application-Form) OR contact the Office of Academic and Student Services at 850-644-7234).
- At least three current letters of recommendation containing an assessment of teaching, artistic, and/or craft-related abilities are required. Letters should address the potential for completing the program and for making significant continuing contributions as an artist / teacher. They should speak to accomplishments that indicate achieved success and future directions. Letter writers can include: school administrators, teaching peers, theatre professionals, competition adjudicators, state or district thespian officers.
- A resume of education, experience, and theatre background should indicate clearly the amount and type of work done. Indicate your exact responsibilities, supervisor's contact information, and work locations. Highlight any special honors, awards, or responsible assignments.
- A statement of purpose (250-500 words) should include career goals, professional standards and personal objectives.

Applicants will submit the above to the School of Theatre at:  
Office of Academic and Student Services  
School of Theatre  
P.O. Box 3061160  
Florida State University  
Tallahassee, Florida 32306-1160

## 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/graduate>.

## Plan of Study for MS Theatre

### SUMMER I

Theatre History and Literature I	3
Performance I	3
Technical Theatre I	3

### FALL I

Costume History (Online)	3
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### SUMMER II

Theatre History and Literature II	3
Performance II	3
Technical Theatre II	3

### SPRING II

Marketing (Online)	3
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### SUMMER III

Theatre History and Literature III	3
Performance III	3
Design for the Stage	3



*If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* (2010 - 2011)

## Application and Admission

The following criteria must be met for consideration of acceptance into the program:

1. A Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university. (Students who do not hold a Theatre Education degree must show evidence of substantial course work and/or experience in theatre to indicate probability of achieving success in advanced theatre studies.)
2. A grade point average of at least 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) during the last two years of study for a bachelor's degree.
3. A competitive score on the verbal and quantitative portions of the Graduate Record Examination taken within the last 5 years.
4. Specific approval of the program director within the School of Theatre.

For admissions procedures contact the Office of Academic and Student Services at 850.644.7234.

*"The Master of Science Program for Working Educators at Florida State's School of Theatre enabled me to have something that I never dreamed possible: a master's degree from FSU. As a high school theatre teacher, I wanted to gain an increased knowledge base in my field, yet I had no idea how I would be able to complete a master's degree given the time constraints. I recommend this program to any theatre teacher considering graduate studies in theatre!"*

**David Michael Giambrone**  
2006 MS Theatre Graduate

*"The FSU MS in Theatre program allowed me to spend my summers working with incredibly talented professors, colleagues and classmates without stealing me away from my students during the school year."*

**Robert Stuart**  
2006 MS Theatre Graduate

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