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General Information

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About

FOUNDED AS THE GOODMAN SCHOOL OF DRAMA IN 1925

The Theatre School is a member of the League of Chicago Theatres, Illinois Arts Alliance, ASSITEJ/USA, American Alliance for Theatre and Education (AATE), USITT, and the Illinois Alliance for Arts Education.

When The Theatre School was founded in 1925 at The Art Institute of Chicago, it was called the Goodman School of Drama. By all measurements the school is stronger now than it has ever been. Although our name has changed, the essential life and purpose of the school remains the same. Our basic principles and standards are exactly what they have been for over 80 years. The Theatre School is a conservatory, a strong part of a vital urban University, and we operate with professional concentrations on the development of artists for the theatre and related professions. Further information about The Theatre School is available via the internet at The School's web site, located at <http://theatreschool.depaul.edu> .

GRADUATE STUDY IN THE THEATRE SCHOOL

The MFA Programs are designed for the student who has had considerable experience at the undergraduate level, the student seeking additional training as a consequence of prior professional work, or the student whose life experience and professional potential meet the qualifications for advanced training.

The goals of the training are accomplished by an intense and eclectic process that combines classroom work with a variety of production experiences that:

Help the student find a way of working that is effective and unique to his or her talent.

Aid the student in integrating his or her individual work into the collaborative demands of production experiences.

Equip the student with the skills and released imagination necessary for the highly competitive theatre professions.

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Administration

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Administration

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Facilities

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Facilities

Faculty and Staff

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Faculty and Staff

In keeping with the schools concept of the dual importance of theory and practice and of producing a superior quality of instruction, The Theatre Schools faculty and staff are highly qualified, both professionally and academically. The faculty is regularly, supplemented by accomplished working professionals.

In addition, visiting artists and professionals appear in our guest speaker series, CHICAGO LIVE: THE ARTS. Among them have been playwright David Mamet; actresses Celeste Holm, Florence Henderson, and Julie Harris; actors Rip Torn, Charles Durning, Ray Liotta, Jonathan Pryce, Brian Dennehy, and Laurence Fishburne; Chicagos nationally known Steppenwolf Ensemble including John Malkovich, Jeff Perry, and Gary Sinise; the late comedian Avery Schrieber; director JoAnne Akalaitis, Anne Bogart, Frank Galati, and Paul Sills; and alumni Gillian Anderson, Joe Mantegna, John C. Reilly, and Kevin Anderson, among scores of others. In addition, master classes have recently been conducted by Oscar-winners Faye Dunaway and F. Murray Abraham.

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Programs of Study

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Programs of Study

The Theatre School offers programs leading to the Master of Fine Arts degree in the areas of acting, arts leadership and directing. The minimum quarter hour requirements vary from program to program. The acting and directing programs require a three-year course of study. The arts leadership program requires a two-year course of study and a two-year fellowship employment placement at Chicago Shakespeare Theater.

Admission

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Admission

Auditions for Candidates in Acting and Directing

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Auditions for Candidates in Acting and Directing

ACTING

Our auditions place special emphasis on the applicants potential for future growth. We believe that imagination, personal initiative, self-discipline, stamina, seriousness of commitment to the acting profession and trainability are fundamental.

By trainability, we mean that we attempt to judge the applicants potential for growth. We believe that this potential can be assessed by evaluating how the student reveals inner resources through the work. We look for the students ability to focus personal energies in a relaxed manner which will enhance communication of the conflict the character faces in the context of the play. Students who get trapped in characterization or style tend to demonstrate their level of virtuosity rather than tapping their deeper, inner resources.

MFA Acting applicants should prepare two (2) monologues one contemporary and one classical, a maximum of four minutes total. The classical monologue must be Shakespearean, or from the Restoration, Jacobian or Elizabethan periods. You are urged to select material for which you are temperamentally suited; preferably something in which you might conceivably be cast now or in the near future. Avoid material which causes you to disguise yourself or put on a character. The pieces selected should be from plays. Recital of poetry or cuttings from short stories are not acceptable. Concentration and a sincere interest in your pieces are important. During your audition, keep your attention on what you are doing rather than on the effect you are having on the audition committee.

The audition begins with group physical and vocal work. Wear comfortable clothes appropriate for physical activity (examples: sweats, tee-shirts, shorts, leotards). You may be asked to remove your shoes and socks. If you wish, you may bring a change of clothing to change into after the warm up, though this is not required. After the group session, each person presents his or her monologues privately with our committee. After the monologues, you are assigned a scene partner from among the other auditionees and you and your partner will be given a six-line open scene to work on with our faculty. Once you have completed your scene, you have completed the audition and are done for the day. There are no callbacks.

DIRECTING

In addition to the audition process outlined above, directing students interview with faculty in the directing program and submit a series of written statements including a directorial analysis of a play previously assigned by the program head. Please contact The Theatre Schools Admissions Office for exact written requirements.

Interviews for Candidates in Arts Leadership

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Interviews for Candidates in Arts Leadership

In addition to the application materials, arts leadership applicants submit a series of written statements including a personal statement. Please contact The Theatre Schools Admissions Office for exact written requirements.

Arts Leadership applicants are evaluated by an admissions committee and semi-finalists are contacted for phone interviews. Finalists are selected for an in-person interview with personnel from The Theatre School and Chicago Shakespeare Theater. The in-person interview will take place in Chicago at applicant's expense. Significant consideration regarding the admissions decision will be placed on the in person interview.

Procedures for Admission

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Procedures for Admission

Applicants for admission should complete the graduate application either online at http://www.depaul.edu/admission/apply_online.asp or obtain a hard copy application by writing, calling or e-mailing the Director of Admissions, The Theatre School, 2135 N. Kenmore Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60614- 4111, (773) 325-7999. Outside Illinois, you may call toll free: 1-800-4DEPAUL, extension 57999. E-mail is: theatreadmissions@depaul.edu . In addition to the completed application, a photograph, resume, three letters of recommendation, and official transcripts of undergraduate credit should be submitted to the above address. An audition or interview may be scheduled by contacting the admissions office. There is a \$50.00 application and audition/interview fee. Applicants are informed of their decision status in March. Applicants are accepted for the Autumn quarter only.

Residence Requirements for the Master of Fine Arts Degree

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Residence Requirements for the Master of Fine Arts Degree

All courses for the Master of Fine Arts degree must be taken at DePaul University. Graduate credit for courses completed at other institutions may not be applied toward the degree, though in some exceptional cases they may be used as a foundation for advanced placement in the design areas only.

Candidates for acting and directing must complete nine quarters of a three year course of study. Each course of study is sequential and begins in the Autumn quarter only. While it is possible for a student to apply for a leave of absence for one year between two given years of study (i.e., between the second and third year, first and second year), it is never possible to skip one quarter within a single year.

Candidates for arts leadership must complete six quarters of a two year course of study and complete a two year fellowship employment placement at Chicago Shakespeare Theater. The fellowship is full-time, salaried with benefits.

All requirements for the degree must be completed within eight calendar years from the time a student is admitted to the degree program. For special students removing deficiencies, this period will begin when all deficiencies are removed and admission to the MFA degree program has been formally granted.

Terminal Requirements for the Master of Fine Arts Degree

The Theatre School - Graduate Studies □ Terminal Requirements for the Master of Fine Arts Degree

Terminal Requirements for the Master of Fine Arts Degree

Grades and Retention

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Grades and Retention

Graduate students are expected to maintain a higher level of academic achievement than undergraduate students. The basic grade of C+, or C will be acceptable in no more than half the graduate courses required in the major field. (See page 271 for grade information.)

Students in all programs of the school are evaluated annually by the faculty. The evaluation, a professional and confidential process, is based on four key elements: growth in the chosen field, professional discipline, collaboration and professional potential. Students continue their program of study in the following year by invitation of the faculty as conveyed by the dean. The school's policies about admission, retention, evaluations of students, invitations to return, and related matters are defined in the Student Handbook (available through The Theatre School web site at <http://theatreschool.depaul.edu>).

Major Field Requirements

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Major Field Requirements

I. MFA IN ACTING FIRST YEAR

Acting I: 511, 512, 513
Voice I: 531, 532, 533
Speech: 530, 540
Movement I: 521, 522, 523, 525, 525
Improvisation: 551
Acting, Meisner Technique: 552, 553
Rehearsal and Performance: 563
Studio I: 571, 572, 573
Graduate Seminar: 601, 602, 603

SECOND YEAR

Stage Combat: 580
Acting II, Classical: 611, 612, 613
Movement II: 621, 622, 623
Voice and Speech II: 631, 632, 633
Acting II, Contemporary: 641, 642, 643
Rehearsal and Performance: 661, 662, 663
Studio II: 671, 672, 673

THIRD YEAR

Graduate Showcase: 416
Movement I: 525
Internship: 690
On-Camera Seminar: 720
Movement III: 723
On-Camera Practicum: 730
Voice and Speech III: 731
Voiceover: 733 Audition Techniques: 714
Professional Preparation Seminar: 790
Rehearsal and Performance: 763

II. MFA IN DIRECTING FIRST YEAR

Directing I: 581, 582, 583
Survey: Art, Architecture, Fashion and Furniture: 381, 382, 383
Acting I: 511, 512, 513
Rehearsal and Performance: 561 or 562, 563
Dramaturgy I: 234, 235, (236)
Directing Theories: 591, 592

SECOND YEAR

Directing II: 681, 682, 683
Theatrical Collaboration: 641, 642
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Rehearsal and Performance: 661, 662, 663

THIRD YEAR

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Theatre Elective or Independent Study: 599, 599, 599
Rehearsal and Performance and/or Internship: 761, 762, 763, 690
New Play Workshop: 418, 419

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III. MFA IN ARTS LEADERSHIP

FIRST YEAR

Introduction to Public Service Management
Business and Professional Communication
Writing in the Professions
Financial Administration
Leadership in Organizations
Fundraising and Development for Non-Profit Organizations
Synthesis Seminar
Graduate Management Practicum

SECOND YEAR

Working with and External Board
Law and Non-Profit Organizations
Organizational and Interpersonal Dynamics
Synthesis Seminar
Graduate Management Practicum
Elective Courses
Graduate Thesis Project

Current Courses

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Current Courses

Please visit Campus Connection at <https://campusconnect.depaul.edu/> for current course information. If you do not have a password for Campus Connection you may log on as a guest. Once you are on Campus Connection please select Course Descriptions followed by the department.