

BFA: THEATRE DEGREE PLAN (THEA)	
UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS	
Please see the University Requirements section of this catalog (page 38).	
MAJOR REQUIREMENTS	
Theatre Core	
THEA 101 The Transforming Artist: Orientation	1
THEA 137 Theatre Workshop: Technical (7 units)	7
THEA 220 Introduction to Theatre	(3) ¹
THEA 226 Beginning Acting	3
THEA 227 Introduction to Technical Theatre	3
THEA 230 Fashion History	3
THEA 454 Beginning Directing	3
THEA 469 Stage Makeup	3
THEA 480 Arts and Culture: A Christian Aesthetic (capstone)	3
THEA 495 History of Theatre I (writing-intensive course)	3
THEA 496 History of Theatre II	3
TOTAL	32
¹ Hours (in parentheses) may also fulfill university requirements and are not included in total major hours	
TRACK REQUIREMENTS	
Acting (THAC)	
THEA 320 Voice and Diction for the Stage	3
THEA 321 Movement for the Stage	3
THEA 325 Intermediate Acting	3
THEA 327 Improvisational Acting	3
THEA 350 Acting in Period Styles	3
THEA 353 Stanislavski/Method Acting	3
THEA 455 Advanced Acting	3
THEA 456 Auditioning	3
Voice: MPVN 211/411 or THEA 211/411	2
Total	26
Design/Technical (THDT)	
THEA 330 Theatre Management	3
THEA 332 Costume Design	3
THEA 466 Scene Design	3
THEA 467 Theatre Lighting	3
Art History (221, 222, 323, 324)	3
Choose from: ART , DSGN or spec. topic/guided study THEA.....	9
Total	24
Directing (THDI)	
THEA 320 Voice and Diction for the Stage	3
THEA 321 Movement for the Stage	3
THEA 325 Intermediate Acting	3
THEA 330 Theatre Management	3
THEA 353 Stanislavski/Method Acting	3
THEA 457 Playwriting	3
THEA 460 Musical Theatre Directing Workshop	3
THEA 467 Theatre Lighting	3
THEA 470 Advanced Directing	3

Total	27
Musical Theatre (THMT)	
THEA 221, 222, 223, 224, 421, 422, 423, 424 Dance (Choose 6, one may be used for PEAC credit)	(1) ¹ /5
THEA 320 Voice and Diction for the Stage	3
THEA 321 Movement for the Stage	3
THEA 325 Intermediate Acting	3
THEA 327 Improvisational Acting	3
THEA 350 Acting in Period Styles or	
THEA 455 Advanced Acting	3
THEA 353 Stanislavski/Method Acting	3
THEA 360 Musical Theatre Directing Workshop	3
THEA 456 Auditioning	3
MUST 111 Elementary Theory: Sight Singing and Ear Training	1
MUST 120 Music Fundamentals	2
Voice: MPVN 211/411 or THEA 211/411	4
Total	36
Theatre Ministry (THMN)	
THEA 320 Voice and Diction for the Stage	3
THEA 325 Intermediate Acting	3
THEA 327 Improvisational Acting	3
THEA 330 Theatre Management	3
THEA 457 Playwriting	3
THEA 461 Children's Theatre	3
THEA 467 Theatre Lighting	3
THEA 470 Advanced Directing	3
6 hours of Philosophy or advanced Bible courses	6
Total	30
Theatre for Teacher Certification (THED) (minimum GPA 2.75)	
THEA 320 Voice and Diction for the Stage	3
THEA 325 Intermediate Acting	3
THEA 327 Improvisational Acting	3
THEA 461 Children's Theatre	3
THEA 463 Educational Theatre	3
THEA 467 Theatre Lighting	3
THEA 460 Musical Theatre Directing Workshop or	
THEA 470 Advanced Directing	3
Professional Education Requirements	
EDUC 211 Educational Foundations and Multicultural Perspectives	(3) ¹
EDUC 221 Educational Psychology	(3) ¹
EDUC 412/432 Secondary Curriculum and Media/Secondary Management and Methods	6
EDUC 476 Effective Teaching Strategies for English Language Learners	3
EDUC 490 Student Teaching	6
SPED 371 Teaching Students with Special Needs	3
Total	33
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ELECTIVES	
Areas of Emphasis	

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[EDUC 490](#) Student Teaching . 6

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Acting	14
Design/Technical	16
Directing	13
Musical Theatre	4
Teacher Certification	4
Theatre Ministry	4
TOTAL MAJOR HOURS	56-68
CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION TO TEACHER EDUCATION	
In accordance with Texas state law, students must meet the admission criteria described on page 119.	
OTHER GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS	
Minimum GPA in major (all THEA courses are included)	2.50
Minimum GPA for graduation	2.50
Minimum GPA in major in Education Theatre Track	2.75
Minimum GPA for Education Theatre Track	2.75
Minimum advanced hours	≥33
Minimum total hours	≥128
<i>Courses numbered 0** do not count in minimum hours required for degree.</i>	

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English Language Proficiency Requirement for International Students: International students with primary languages other than English must demonstrate English language proficiency by the following:¶

Obtain an official TOEFL score of at least 600 (computer-based score of 250, iBT of 100);¶

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A grade of C or better is required for all majors courses.

Junior and senior transfer students must take the THEA and be admitted to the Teacher Education Program during their first semester at Abilene Christian University to continue in professional education course work. Arrangements to take the THEA should be made as quickly as possible by contacting the Office of Academic Development.

Note:

A candidate who does not have an overall GPA of 2.75 or higher **may** be conditionally admitted to the program if **all** other admissions criteria are met and if **all** of the following are true:

An overall GPA of 2.75 or higher in the last 60 hours

A GPA of 2.75 in the teaching content field

No university disciplinary actions filed – academic or otherwise

A formal letter of request submitted to the admissions committee describing the candidate's academic history and articulating motivations for wanting to enter the teaching profession

An interview with the Teacher Education Admissions Committee