

THEATRE MAJOR

The Fordham theatre program is a B.A. program offering four pre-professional concentrations for theatre majors: performance, directing, playwriting, and design and production. Admission into the performance concentration is by audition only. Admission into the directing, playwriting, and design and production concentrations is by interview and a review of portfolio work (directing and design and production) or writing samples (playwriting). Directing applicants with a portfolio of work may submit that as well. Students should visit the Fordham theatre website to obtain extensive information regarding the program and to schedule an audition or interview via www.fordham.edu/theatre.

Please note that both the theatre major and minor include a lab requirement (THEA 1000 Theatre Practicum) each semester. If a student fails to complete a lab contract, then he or she loses eligibility to participate in any production (mainstage or studio) the following semester. If a student fails to complete a lab contract twice, then he or she may be dropped from the program.

The Fordham theatre program has a policy called warn/cut. In cases when the faculty has doubts about whether a student should continue in his or her concentration, a warning is given. Then the student has another semester to dispel the questions. If the evaluation remains unchanged after the following semester, then the student has the option of remaining a theatre minor, but must choose another major.

THEA 3004 Global Theatre History: Foundational Impulses and
THEA 3005 Global Theatre History: Evolutions of the Present each fulfills the Advanced Literature Core requirement.

Theatre majors concentrating in design and production must substitute THEA 3920 History of Theatre Design for any of the two required theatre history courses. Students pursuing other concentrations may request permission to take THEA 3920 in place of one of the two courses.

Theatre majors are exempt from the fine arts requirement in the core curriculum. The minimum acceptable grade in a major course is C-.

CIP Code

50.0501 - Drama and Dramatics/Theatre Arts, General.

You can use the CIP code to learn more about career paths associated with this field of study and, for international students, possible post-graduation visa extensions. Learn more about CIP codes and other information resources.