

Theatre Arts

At UW-Eau Claire

The arts of the theater — acting, directing, playwriting, stagecraft, design, literature, costuming, makeup and lighting — enable students to explore the cosmic experience of man in the universe. At UW-Eau Claire you will enhance your ability to present the experience of human beings to audiences through practical experimentation and practice that will entertain and enlighten.



Well-trained

As a theatre arts major you will receive training in various aspects of theater including technical theater, acting, directing, dance, dramatic literature, playwriting, oral interpretation and arts management.

Life is a stage

The department produces an active theatre season that includes four main-stage productions, a Theatre for Young Audiences touring production, student-directed Short Play Festivals and a dance concert — all produced in facilities with state-of-the-art equipment. Our comprehensive theatre seasons expose students to a full range of styles, genres and periods, including comedy, tragedy and musical theatre. Opportunities for involvement in

Our graduates

Typical positions held by theatre arts graduates include actor/actress in theatre, film or television; theatre teacher; scriptwriter; casting agent; costume designer; set, lighting or prop designer; director; technical director; or stage manager.

productions are open to all UW-Eau Claire students.

More than acting

In addition to course offerings, students actively participate in production work in areas such as acting, directing, designing, stage managing, play writing, theatre promotion and technical theatre. Practical experience is supported by a dynamic faculty who work closely with students and are active in their fields.

Uniquely UW-Eau Claire

We offer a theatre education major and minor toward Wisconsin state certification, grades PK-12. Each spring we tour a Theatre for Young Audiences production to elementary schools throughout Western Wisconsin, serving about 3,000 children in grades 1-5. Many UW-Eau Claire grads will either



go into acting or continue onto graduate school to pursue their master of fine arts degree.

Outstanding facilities

Students have access to outstanding theater facilities including Kjer Theatre, a 400-seat proscenium theatre; Riverside Theatre, a 200-seat thrust stage; and Gantner Hall, a 600-seat concert hall.

Great shops

Student theater technicians work in two fully equipped scene shops and a costume shop and the department maintains an extensive costume design collection.

Majors

Theatre Arts, Liberal Arts*

Theatre Arts, Teaching*

Theatre Arts, Liberal Arts

*comprehensive major; requires no minor

Minors

Dance, Liberal Arts

Theatre Arts, Liberal Arts

Theatre Arts, Middle Childhood Early Adolescence Teaching

Theatre Arts, Early Adolescence/ Adolescence Teaching

Certificate program

Fine Arts Administration

Course work

Study in the department advances the student's development and practical application of knowledge, theory and skills. Courses explore areas such as:

Stagecraft and play production

Stage lighting

Voice and diction

Theatre history

Stage Makeup

Costume history and design

Acting and directing

Historical and modern drama and theater



"In the theatre department at UW-Eau Claire, I get to learn my craft with the guidance of talented, caring professors, each with their own strength and expertise. Studying theatre arts here is a special way to gain hands-on experience."

- Sam

Places our grads go:

- Children's Theatre Director, City of Eau Claire, Eau Claire, WI
- Professional Acting, Freelance
- Actor, Climb Theatre, St. Paul, MN
- Drama Teacher, Monroe County, Madison, WI
- Comedic Magician, Las Vegas, NV

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Students planning to enroll in theatre programs are encouraged to complete courses in English composition and public speaking during high school. They should also be involved in school or community theater productions — on stage or behind the scenes.

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