

# SCHOOL OF THEATRE

*College of Visual and Performing Arts*

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## Mission

The UNC Greensboro School of Theatre educates and trains students as professional artists in performance, design and technology, theatre for youth, and theatre education. Our rigorous B.A., B.F.A., and M.F.A. programs produce exemplary theatre artists with the knowledge, skills, and vision to work professionally in the performing arts.

## Undergraduate Study

The School of Theatre offers a full range of liberal arts and professional degree programs that prepare undergraduate students for a variety of career opportunities in theatre. The school offers the following undergraduate degree programs:

- B.A. in Drama
- B.F.A. in Drama, with concentrations in
  - Acting
  - Design and Technical Production
  - Musical Theatre
  - Theatre Education (Teacher Licensure)

The degrees, which are accredited by the National Association of Schools of Theatre, provide students with a vital mix of course work that combines both theory and practice and allows for the development of skills and talents.

The School also offers three minors in Drama, Musical Theatre, and Technical Theatre. Each minor requires completion of 18 credit hours of courses. The minors are broadly designed and include a variety of course selections and should be of interest to students with general interests in these areas who are majoring in complementary fields such as Media Studies, Communication Studies, English, Art, and Dance.

The School's rich and varied curriculum is matched by an extensive co-curricular program that includes opportunities to participate in productions at UNC Greensboro Theatre, North Carolina Theatre for Young People, Triad Stage, and Workshop Theatre. Participation in school-sponsored plays and musicals is open to majors and non-majors alike.

The School encourages students to pursue internship opportunities, particularly in the summer months. Students are also encouraged to investigate study abroad programs offered by the university.

The School utilizes office, classroom, laboratory, studio, and performance space in the Taylor, Brown, UNC Greensboro Auditorium, and Curry buildings on campus. Our buildings at 326 and 328 Tate Street house additional labs, studios, and our costume shop. Adjacent to campus is our scene shop located at 812 Lilly Street. The school's faculty is composed of talented artists and scholars with excellent reputations as

teachers. Students are encouraged to collaborate with faculty on creative and research projects during their course of study.

Admission to the School's degree programs is competitive. The requirements stated below are minimum requirements, and marginal compliance with them does not automatically imply admission.

## Graduate Study

The School of Theatre offers one graduate degree: the M.F.A. in Drama (with concentrations in acting, design, directing, and theatre for youth). The M.F.A. is a terminal master's degree designed to develop individual artistry and provide advanced, specialized training in acting, design, directing, and theatre for youth. The M.F.A. is accredited by the National Association of Schools of Theatre.

The School offers a rich and varied curriculum that combines theory and practice and demands the development of skills and talents. Curricular offerings are matched by an extensive co-curricular program that includes opportunities to participate in the School's extensive theatre production program, which includes UNC Greensboro Theatre, N.C. Theatre for Young People, Studio Theatre, Workshop Theatre, and a professional summer theatre workshop. Students may also be provided production opportunities at Triad Stage, an equity regional theatre in Greensboro.

Office, classroom, laboratory, studio, and performance space is used in Taylor, UNC Greensboro Auditorium, Brown, Ferguson, Curry, 812 Lilly, 326 Tate, and 328 Tate. The faculty of talented artists and scholars have excellent national reputations and are deeply committed to teaching and learning. Graduate students are expected to work closely with faculty on creative and research projects during their course of study.

VISIONS students are restricted from taking any 500-level course without the permission of the Director of the School of Theatre and course instructor. Only students officially admitted to the M.F.A program can register for 600-level courses.

In addition to the information contained in the University Catalog, students are also required to be familiar with the policies and procedures contained in all School handbooks that can be obtained from the school's Main Office, Room 202, Taylor Building.

### Professor

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- Drama, B.A. (<https://catalog.uncg.edu/visual-performing-arts/theatre/drama-ba/>)
- Drama, B.F.A. (<https://catalog.uncg.edu/visual-performing-arts/theatre/drama-bfa/>)
- Drama Undergraduate Minor (<https://catalog.uncg.edu/visual-performing-arts/theatre/drama-minor/>)
- Technical Theatre Undergraduate Minor (<https://catalog.uncg.edu/visual-performing-arts/theatre/technical-theatre-minor/>)
- Theatre Management Undergraduate Minor (<https://catalog.uncg.edu/visual-performing-arts/theatre/theatre-management-minor/>)
- Drama, M.F.A. (<https://catalog.uncg.edu/visual-performing-arts/theatre/drama-mfa/>)