Theatre and Television

A.A. Degrees
Acting Option
Technical Production Option
Television Performance Option*

Certificate of Achievement
Television Performance*

*This degree and certificate of achievement are pending Chancellor’s Office approval. Please see a Gavilan counselor or check the college website for current status. Refer to page 64.

The following three Theatre/Television Associate of Arts degrees require completion of the following

CORE COURSES:

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Core Courses Unit Total: 13-14 UNITS

Completion of the core courses and the additional requirements in a selected area (on following pages) will qualify students for an associate’s degree in Theatre Arts with an emphasis in Acting, Technical Production or Television.

* Pending Curriculum Committee approval THEA 2A will be a 3 unit class effective spring 2010.

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Students enrolled in Theatre and Television degrees gain self confidence, creativity and teamwork skills through class projects and performances.

Theatre and Television production in the college environment allows us to create and learn through a shared artistic experience. The creation of Theatre, Performance and Television is an important cultural and social link between the Gavilan Campus and the South Valley communities.

The Theatre and Television Program offers three different associate’s degrees: Acting, Technical Production and Television. Descriptions of each, including program learning outcomes, are included on the following pages.
Acting Option  **A.A. Degree**

**CORE COURSES** (listed on page 146): .......................... 13-14 units

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS** (11 unit minimum):
- THEA 13 B-D Actor’s Workshop ............................. 3-9 units
- THEA 7  Theatre Appreciation ................................. 3 units
- THEA 11  Dance and Movement for the Theatre ............... 2 units
- THEA 78  Dance Repertory ................................ 1-7 units

Choose additional units from the seven courses listed below:

- MUS 8A-D  Beginning/Intermediate Voice (2-2-2-2 units)
- THEA 7  Theatre Appreciation ................................. 3 units
- THEA 11  Dance and Movement for the Theatre ............... 2 units
- THEA 78  Dance Repertory ................................ 1-7 units
- Choose two of the following four courses:
  - CMUN 2/THEA 4  Oral Reading (3 units)
  - THEA 2B  Children’s Theatre Repertory (2-3 units*)
  - THEA 12B  Acting Techniques (2 units)
  - THEA/MCTV 19  Television and Film Acting (3 units)

Total Units Required: .................................................. 23 UNITS

Plus completion of general education requirements: .................. units vary

Total Units Required: .................................................. 60 UNITS

* Pending Curriculum Committee approval THEA 2B will be a 3 unit class effective spring 2010.

The Acting Option is designed to give a sound basic knowledge in acting and public performance. Students take a variety of courses including Theatre History (THEA1) and Stage Production (THEA 14). Gavilan offers a variety of performance related courses including Acting (THEA 12 a/b), Children’s Theatre (THEA 2A/B) and Actor’s Workshop (THEA 13) – our spring production course. For those interested in educational theatre, the program also offers hands on experience through the spring Arts Back in the Classroom (ABC) Internship Program.

Acting students perfect teamwork skills and gain self confidence through projects and public performances. Acting and theatre shows one how to take risks, how to focus and concentrate, and the tremendous power of commitment to a project or a play. Studying acting allows one to change themselves, using their own personal experiences to create new characters and existences.

The Acting option prepares students for a career in the public eye, whether onstage, in front of a classroom or television camera, or making presentations for large groups or conventions. Students completing the Acting Option are also prepared to transfer to a four year B.A. program in Acting or Performing Arts. Gavilan theatre art students have recently been accepted for transfer to San Jose State, Cal State Hayward, U.C. Davis and U.C. Berkeley.

**Program Learning Outcomes:** after completing this degree the student will be able to:

- describe significant movements or genres in theatre history, and to elaborate on their social and cultural significance.
- work effectively in a team, having developed collaboration and teamwork skills through class exercises, assignments and performances.
- articulate the differences in theatrical styles and modes of creation. Students participate in both the organic creative process (in which the students participate in the creation of the performance or play) and the more traditional approaches to theatre and performance using an established or already created text.
- discuss and critique theatrical performances, articulating the playwright’s view and director’s interpretation of the text. Students can evaluate the various technical elements of the production (costume, sets, lights & sound), to determine whether they support or detract from the production and text.
- demonstrate practical knowledge regarding the responsibilities of the different technical and creative jobs related to theatre and theatre production.
- master fundamental concepts and vocabulary relating to acting through class exercises and public performances.

**General Education Requirements:** A student may complete the Gavilan College AA/AS general education, the CSU-GE Breadth or the IGETC pattern, plus sufficient electives to meet a 60 unit total. See pages 47-57 or see a counselor for details.

Photo (above) depicts A Midsummer Night’s Dream (spring 2008)

Photo (left) depicts Lend Me a Tenor (spring 2007).
Technical Production Option  **A.A. Degree**

**CORE COURSES** (listed on page 146): ........................................... 13-14 units

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:**
- THEA 15  Introduction to Design for Stage, Film and Television ............ 3 units

Choose eight units from classes listed below:
- ART 2A  Two Dimensional Design/Form and Color (2-3 units*)
- THEA 7  Theatre Appreciation (3 units)
- ART 8A  Photography (3 units)
- ART 10A/B  Cultural History of Ceramics/Ceramics (3/3 units)
- ART 12A/B  Sculpture (3/2 units)
- ART 13  Three Dimensional Design (3 units)
- ART 14  Stage Production (1-3 units)
- Any Music performance course or any Computer Graphics & Design course (1-3 units) ........................................... .8 units

Choose one or more of the classes listed below:
- CMUN/THEA 2 Oral Reading (3 units)
- THEA 2B  Children’s Theatre Repertory (2-3 units*)
- THEA 12B  Acting Techniques (2 units)
- THEA 19  Television and Film Acting (3 units)

Total Units Required: ................................................................. 2-3 units

Total Units Required: ................................................................. minimum of 26 UNITS

**NOTE:** A course may be used to satisfy both general education and major courses. See "Double Counting rule" on page 41.

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The Technical Production Option is designed to provide a foundation for those interested in pursuing a career in Design and Technical careers in the entertainment industry, as well as those interested in becoming involved in creating live theatre in their community.

The degree offers practical courses in stagecraft (THEA 14), Introduction to design (THEA 15) as well as many opportunities for students to become involved in creative process of mounting live theatrical productions and events at Gavilan. Hands on experience in technical production is emphasized in the Gavilan Theatre Arts Program, including experience in stage management, lights, sound, costume & makeup, as well as scenic painting and construction.

Career opportunities for a graduate of the Technical Production Option include jobs at theatre facilities as well as convention and recreational centers. While most professional companies prefer further education (BAs or MAs), there are lucrative careers with the touring companies of live performances and musical events for specialists in technical theatre.

**Program Learning Outcomes:** Students completing this degree will:
- master vocabulary and a working knowledge regarding the different technical and creative jobs related to theatre and theatre production.
- develop creative proficiency in designing sets, costumes, lights or sound for Gavilan productions.
- work effectively in a team, having developed collaboration and teamwork skills through class exercises, assignments and performances.
- describe significant movements or genres in theatre history, and to elaborate on their social and cultural significance.
- discuss and critique theatrical performances, evaluating the various technical elements of the production (costume, sets, lights & sound), to determine whether they support or detract from the production and text.

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Television Performance Option*  

**A.A. Degree**

**CORE COURSES** (listed on page 146): ........................................... 13-14 units

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:**

- THEA/MCTV 16  Television History and Practice .............................. 3 units
- THEA/MCTV 17A  Television and Video Workshop ............................ 3 units
- THEA/MCTV 19  Television and Film Acting .......................... 3 units

Choose one or more:

- THEA/MCTV 17B  Television and Video Workshop (3 units)
- THEA 20  Introduction to Scriptwriting (3 units)
- HUM 25A  Film Production (3 units)

.......................................................... 3-9 units

Total Units Required: ............................................. 25-32 UNITS

Plus completion of general education requirements: .................. units vary

Total Units Required: ............................................. minimum of 60 UNITS

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The following Certificate of Proficiency does not require the core courses:

**Television Performance Certificate of Achievement***

- THEA/MCTV 6  Introduction to Audio Production .......................... 3 units
- THEA/MCTV 16  Television History and Practice ......................... 3 units
- THEA/MCTV 17A or B  Television and Video Workshop ................. 3 units
- THEA/MCTV 19  Television and Film Acting .......................... 3 units
- THEA 20  Introduction to Scriptwriting ................................. 3 units
- THEA 98  Special Topics: GavTV Production & Post-production 1-2 units

Total Units for Certificate of Achievement: .......................... 16-17 UNITS

* Pending Chancellor's Office approval, this certificate will show on students' transcripts as a certificate of achievement. Please check the Gavilan College website or consult a counselor to check current status.

Students completing the requirements will receive a Certificate of Proficiency if the Chancellor's Office does not approve as Certificate of Achievement.