Theatre

The OSU Department of Theatre offers the Bachelors of Arts Degree with emphases in Performance, Design & Technology, and Theatre Comprehensive. The Department also offers the Master of Arts Degree in Theatre. Students may also choose to minor in Theatre. The OSU Department of Theatre is accredited by NAST, the National Association for Schools of Theatre. Theatre is a comprehensive degree with course work in all areas of theatre study and practice: Performance, Technical Theatre, Design, Directing, Theatre History and Dramatic Literature

**Curriculum**

- Oral & written communication
- Creative thinking & problem solving
- Collaboration & team work
- Independent thinking
- Time management
- The ability to take initiative
- Promptness & respect for deadlines
- Ability to listen, learn quickly & apply skills
- Respect for colleagues and authority
- Adaptability and flexibility
- The ability to work under pressure
- A sense of personal discipline
- Goal-oriented approach to work
- Dedication
- Leadership
- Willingness & ability to accept responsibility
- Appreciation of quality
- Motivation and commitment
- Self-confidence

**Get Involved**

Theatre Council
OSU Filmmakers Association
CineCulture Club

A complete list of student clubs and organizations can be found online at: https://campuslink.okstate.edu

**College of Arts & Sciences Career Services**

213 Life Science East
Tel: 405 744 5658

For appointments and resources: http://cascareers.okstate.edu

**Job and Internship Websites**

- Art Search: Theatre Communication Group http://www.tcg.org/artsearch/
- Offstage Jobs http://offstagejobs.com/
- Playbill http://www.playbill.com/jobs/find/
- Greenroom Oklahoma http://www.greenroomok.com/
- Theatre Tulsa http://www.theatretulsa.org/
- Oklahoma Shakespeare in the Park http://www.oklahomashakespeare.org/
- Oklahoma Community Theatre Association http://www.oktheatre.org/
- Interlochen Center for the Arts http://www.interlochen.org/
- Art Jobs http://artjobs.artsearch.us/
- Southeastern Theatre Conference, Inc http://www.setc.org/theatre-jobs
- Americans for the Arts http://jobbank.artsusa.org/jobs/
- League of Chicago Theatres http://www.leagueofchicagoteatres.org
- Chicago Artists Resource http://www.chicagoartistsresource.org
Design:
Designers design for movies, television, theatre productions, pageants, theme parks, and special events. Designers study scripts, confer with directors, and conduct research to determine the architectural styles, costumes, sound, light, and materials appropriate for the production.

Direction:
Directors assume oversight of the creative decisions of a production. They interpret scripts, express concepts to the design team, conduct rehearsals, audition and select cast members, and provide guidance for cast and crew. Directors also collaborate on the design elements of a production, which include sets, costumes, music, and choreography.

Performance:
Actors perform in stage, radio, television, video, and motion pictures productions. They also work in cabarets, nightclubs, theme parks, commercials, and “industrial” films used for training and educational purposes.

Technology:
The technical director works with the technicians to provide behind the scenes support with sets, costumes, props, lights, and sound. Technicians also work closely with designers.

Film & Television:
Theatre majors use the degree as a stepping stone into careers in electronic media as producers, directors, story writers, technicians, and designers.

Instruction:
Some actors, designers, and technicians also teach in high school or university theatre departments, acting conservatories, children’s theatres, and public programs.

Theatre Management:
Managers handle the day-to-day operations of the theatre and its facilities: box office, scene shop, costume shop, PR, advertising, fundraising, etc.

Writing:
Working as playwrights, entertainment editors, screen writers, and film critics, writers write for the stage, film, television, mass media, and radio.

Potential Job Titles

**Backstage:**
- Scene Painter
- Technical Director
- Carpenter
- Costume Designer
- Master Electrician
- Film Editor
- Sound Engineer
- Lighting Designer
- Make Up Designer
- Scene Designer
- Sound Designer
- Special Effects Designer
- Stage Manager
- Costume Technologist
- Sound Editor
- Properties Designer

**Performers:**
- Actor
- Dancer
- Voice-Over Artist
- Choreographer
- Stand-in
- Fight Choreographer
- Clown
- Comedian
- Mime
- Puppeteer

**Production:**
- Talent Agent
- Booking Manager
- Producer
- Literary Manager
- Box Office Manger
- Casting Director
- Company Manager
- Executive Director
- Marketing Director
- General House Manager
- Dramaturge
- Production Manager

**Other:**
- Script Writer
- Advertising Specialist
- Drama Therapist
- Coach
- Stunts
- Disc Jockey
- Communications Specialist
- Newscaster

Potential Employers

- Theatre companies
- Touring companies
- Operas
- Amusement and Theme Parks
- TV and Film Production Companies
- Cruise lines
- Radio Stations
- Talent Agencies
- Computer & Video Games
- Art Councils
- Entertainment law firms
- Educational institutions
- Cultural institutions
- Colleges, universities, schools
- Performing arts organizations
- Advertising agencies
- Nonprofit organizations
- Communications