



UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO  
AT COLORADO SPRINGS

COLLEGE OF LETTERS, ARTS  
AND SCIENCES

**Department of Visual & Performing Arts**  
 Program Coordinator: Dr. Laura Tesman, Assistant Professor  
 Columbine Hall 2045 (719) 262-4083 ltesman@uccs.edu  
 Department Website: <http://web.uccs.edu/vapa/index.shtml>

**Objectives:**

- ◆ The Visual and Performing Arts Department administers a range of courses, degrees and minor programs in the disciplines of art history, film studies, music, studio art and theatre.
- ◆ Course offerings in Visual Art are supported by the exhibition and lecture programs of the Gallery of Contemporary Art and the resources of our Slide Library Collection which contains over 40,000 slide reproductions of art works from all historical periods.
- ◆ Get more involved on campus! Join the Screenwriters Group, the Thespian Society, Act Too, Student Art Club or Student Artist Connection to meet other students also interested in this field. Contact the ROAR office at [roar@uccs.edu](mailto:roar@uccs.edu) or 262-3470 for information.

<b>Visual &amp; Performing Arts-Theatre Option</b> -60 credits, 33 upper division (9 credit hours must be taken in residence)	<u>Credits</u>
<b><u>VAPA Core Requirements</u></b>	
VAPA 100-level Foundation course (VAPA 100 or VAPA 110)	3
Two upper division courses with VAPA prefix (e.g. VAPA390)	6
VAPA 400-level Capstone course	3
<b><u>Theatre Option Requirements</u></b>	
THTR100 Introduction to Theatre	3
THTR200 Introduction to Technical Theatre	3
THTR202 Acting Workshop I	3
THTR320 History of Theatre I	3
THTR321 History of Theatre II	3
THTR406 Directing I	3
All students must participate in FIVE productions, earning credit in at least 2 of the following areas:	5
THTR336 Acting Practicum (1 credit)	
THTR337 Technical Practicum (1 credit)	
THTR407 Directing Practicum (1 credit)	
THTR Electives (4 credits must be upper division)	13
<b><u>Cross-Disciplinary Requirements</u></b>	
Four Cross-Disciplinary courses (6 credits must be upper division)	12
Any course within VAPA, but not additional THTR coursework.	
<i>(You may be able to use these courses toward General Education also, see an Advisor in the Student Success Center)</i>	
<b><u>General Education Requirements**</u></b>	
**Students are required as part of their general education requirements to complete courses in Oral Communication, Cultural Diversity, and Global Awareness. These courses are identified in the LAS section of the schedule of courses and in the bulletin.	
Composition Requirement	6
Reasoning Skills Requirement	3
Humanities Area Requirement	
General	9
Core	3
Natural Science Area Requirement (including a lab course)	12
Social Science Area Requirement	12
General electives	<u>+15</u>
<b>Total Credits</b> - 45 upper division (300-400) level	<b>120</b>

# **MODEL DEGREE PROGRAM**

## **VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS (THTR / VAPA)**

### Theatre Option

The following four-year plan lists all the specific course requirements for the Bachelor of Arts in Visual & Performing Arts-Theatre degree. The order in which these courses are taken may vary with course availability. **Students are responsible for completing all course prerequisites.** Please note that this is a *suggested* degree program; your program may vary.

#### ***Suggested First Year***

##### **FALL**

- \_\_\_\_\_ ENGL131 Rhetoric & Writing I  
*(Prer. of ENGL099 or ACT 19+ or SAT 450+)\**
- \_\_\_\_\_ THTR100 Introduction to Theatre
- \_\_\_\_\_ VAPA 100-level Foundation course
- \_\_\_\_\_ General Humanities Elective
- \_\_\_\_\_ ID101 Freshmen Seminar OR General Elective
- TOTAL=15 credits**

##### **SPRING**

- \_\_\_\_\_ ENGL141 Rhetoric & Writing II  
*(Prer. of ENGL131 or ACT 29+ or SAT 650+)\**
- \_\_\_\_\_ VAPA Cross-Disciplinary course *(Prer. may apply)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ General Humanities Elective
- \_\_\_\_\_ Social Science Elective
- \_\_\_\_\_ ID105 OR I D 200 Reasoning Skills Requirement
- TOTAL=15 credits**

#### ***Suggested Second Year***

##### **FALL**

- \_\_\_\_\_ THTR202 Acting Workshop I
- \_\_\_\_\_ THTR200 Intro to Technical Theatre **(FALL ONLY)**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Social Science Elective
- \_\_\_\_\_ Natural Science Elective (w/lab)-4 cr
- \_\_\_\_\_ Oral Communication requirement
- TOTAL=16 credits**

##### **SPRING**

- \_\_\_\_\_ THTR Elective *(Prer. may apply)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ VAPA Cross-Disciplinary course *(Prer. may apply)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Upper Division (UD) General Elective
- \_\_\_\_\_ Natural Science Elective
- \_\_\_\_\_ Social Science Elective
- TOTAL=15 credits**

#### ***Suggested Third Year***

##### **FALL**

- \_\_\_\_\_ THTR320 History of Theatre I **(FALL ONLY)**
- \_\_\_\_\_ UD VAPA Core Course  
*(VAPA prefix; Prer. may apply)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ UD VAPA Cross-Disciplinary course *(Prer. may apply)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ THTR Practicum-1 cr. *(See reverse side for options; Prer. may apply)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Natural Science Elective
- \_\_\_\_\_ General Humanities Elective
- TOTAL=16 credits**

##### **SPRING**

- \_\_\_\_\_ THTR321 History of Theatre II **(SPRING ONLY)**
- \_\_\_\_\_ THTR Elective *(Prer. may apply)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ THTR Practicum-1 cr. *(See reverse side for options; Prer. may apply)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ UD VAPA Cross-Disciplinary course *(Prer. may apply)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ UD VAPA Core Course *(VAPA prefix; Prer. may apply)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Social Science Elective
- TOTAL=16 credits**

#### ***Suggested Fourth Year***

##### **FALL**

- \_\_\_\_\_ THTR406 Directing I **(FALL ONLY)** *(Prer. THTR100)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ UD THTR Elective-1 cr. *(Prer. may apply)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ THTR Practicum-1 cr. *(See reverse side for options; Prer. may apply)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ HUM300+ Core Humanities *(Prer. of junior status)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ THTR Elective *(Prer. may apply)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ UD General Elective

**TOTAL=14 credits**

##### **SPRING**

- \_\_\_\_\_ VAPA Capstone Course *(Prer. may apply)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ THTR Practicum-1 cr. *(See reverse side for options; Prer. may apply)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ THTR Practicum-1 cr. *(See reverse side for options; Prer. may apply)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Natural Science Elective-2 cr.
- \_\_\_\_\_ UD THTR Elective *(Prer. may apply)*
- \_\_\_\_\_ UD General Elective
- TOTAL=13 credits**

All courses are 3 credits unless otherwise stated.

\*ACT/SAT placement scores are based on the English section of the exam only.

Courses fulfilling General Humanities, Social Sciences and Natural Sciences, as well as the Global Awareness (G), Cultural Diversity (D) and Oral Communication (O) requirements, may be found in the Bulletin or the current schedule.

Electives may be used toward a minor, a 2<sup>nd</sup> major, prerequisites, additional courses in VAPA (up to 69 credits maximum) or just for fun!