

Graduate Certificate: Theater Instruction

Center for the Performing and Cinematic Arts / SCHOOL OF THEATER, FILM AND MEDIA ARTS

Learn more about the graduate certificate in Theater Instruction.

About the Certificate

The graduate certificate in Theater Instruction is designed for teachers who have a desire to teach drama or lead after-school drama programs in a K-12 setting or who currently teach drama and want to refine their skills. The certificate program also allows teachers of other disciplines to pursue their interest in Theater Instruction. In either case, teachers take a sequence of courses that enhances their marketability. In accordance with the guidelines of the Pennsylvania Department of Education, the coursework may be taken for Act 48 Continuing Education credit and re-certification and gains the teacher an extra skill set that can be utilized in the classroom, during after-school activities, and to enhance the teacher's classroom presence. Skills acquired through the certificate program in Theater Instruction include confidence in public speaking and presentation, creativity, collaboration, technical theater and management, professionalism and empathy.

The certificate consists of a five-course, 15-credit sequence that satisfies the PA Department of Education's Theatre Endorsement. Further, since the five required courses constitute one-half of the courses needed to complete the MA in Theater Instruction, students may choose to continue their studies beyond the certificate.

Time Limit for Degree Completion: 3 years

Campus Location: Main, with a combination of hybrid, online and intensive course formats accommodating students' teaching schedules

Full-Time/Part-Time Status: The graduate certificate can be completed on a part-time basis. NOTE: International students may not be eligible to apply for a student visa based on admission to the certificate program. Please contact the recruitment coordinator for the School of Theater, Film and Media Arts for more information.

Non-Matriculated Student Policy: Non-matriculated students may take up to 9 credits within the department at the discretion of individual instructors.

Admission Requirements and Deadlines

Fall, Spring and Summer II admissions are on a rolling basis.

For information on how to apply, contact Matthew Miller, the Head of Theater Education, at mbmiller@temple.edu.

Bachelor's Degree in Discipline/Related Discipline: Applicants must hold a baccalaureate degree, but it need not be in a theater-related field.

Certificate Requirements

Number of Credits Required to Complete the Certificate: 15¹

Required Courses:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
THTR 8102	Acting 1 for Teachers	3
THTR 8104	Methods of Teaching Theater for Teachers	3
THTR 8105	Stage Management for Teachers	3
THTR 8106	World of the Play for Teachers	3
THTR 8111	Welcome Backstage for Teachers	3
Total Credit Hours		15

¹ Completion of the 15 credits of coursework satisfies the Theatre Endorsement from the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

GPA Required to be Awarded the Certificate: 3.0 minimum

Contacts

Certificate Program Web Address:

<https://www.temple.edu/academics/degree-programs/theater-instruction-certificate-graduate-ca-thin-grad>

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