

# Certificate in Theater and Community Engagement

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The Certificate in Theater and Community Engagement allows undergraduates from other disciplines to pursue their interest in theater and how it relates to the world at large. The required course for the Certificate, *Community Engaged Theater*, will give students the opportunity to explore how theater companies and individual artists from the United States and abroad have used performance to address local to global social issues. Students can then choose among a menu of courses that address more specific issues of identity, representation and oppression including gender, race and sexuality. This certificate will allow students to utilize art and creativity to address issues that impact their lives and the lives of those in their communities. This certificate will develop skills in creativity and community organization; will enhance students' experience at Temple University; will prepare them for graduate-level work and will increase their awareness of social issues that are relevant in the workplace, in the classroom and in our daily lives.

The Department of Theater offers this undergraduate Certificate in Theater and Community Engagement on the Main Campus only. The certificate consists of a four-course, 12-credit sequence.

Students must be concurrently enrolled in a baccalaureate degree and the certificate to earn the certificate.

Students interested in declaring this certificate in the Department of Theater can do so by submitting a Change of Program Request form to Theater Advisor Lara Taylor Strayer ([larataylor@temple.edu](mailto:larataylor@temple.edu)). If approved, the form will be submitted electronically to the Office of the University Registrar. In 3 to 5 business days, the request will be processed and then visible within Self-Service Banner (Student Information).

To seek assistance in monitoring their progress with the certificate declared, students are asked to meet with David Ingram ([dingra@temple.edu](mailto:dingra@temple.edu), 215-204-6257). Meetings should take place regularly from the time of declaration to applying for graduation within their home school/college.

## Requirements

A grade of C- or higher must be earned in all required courses.

| Code                         | Title                     | Credit Hours |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| THTR 3058                    | Community Engaged Theater | 3            |
| Select 3 from the following: |                           | 9            |
| THTR 1008                    | Poetry as Performance     |              |
| THTR 2008                    | Poetic Ethnography        |              |
| THTR 3052                    | Theater of Protest        |              |
| THTR 3053                    | Women in Theater          |              |
| THTR 3054                    | African-American Theater  |              |
| THTR 3055                    | Performance Art           |              |
| THTR 3057                    | Queer Theater             |              |
| Total Credit Hours           |                           | 12           |