

# Theater



## What is the theater program?

HCC's Theater Program is an outstanding educational foundation that provides immediate opportunity for students to perform and/or work with a technical crew. The A.A. degree in theater allows students to enhance their resumes as actors or technicians and/or to transfer to four-year institutions as theater majors.

## What can I do with my theater degree?

There are many opportunities for people with a theater degree. Many employers accept applications from graduates with a wide-variety of degree subjects.

Students often pursue opportunities in one or more of the following careers:

- Actor
- Arts administrator
- Broadcast presenter
- Community arts worker
- Dancer
- Drama therapist
- Film director
- Music therapist
- Stage manager
- Teacher
- Theater director

## Why should I study theater at HCC?

The curriculum at HCC has two concentrations: performance or technical aspects of theater, depending on the students'



interests. As an HCC student, there are many opportunities to be a part of a cast and crew of the Robinwood Players, Maryland Entertainment Group (MEG), Washington County Playhouse, Authentic Community Theatre (ACT), and other community theater groups.

### The Kepler Center

The Kepler Performing and Visual Arts Education Center provides an attractive and inspiring space for students studying the arts. The Kepler Center features a dance studio/

## PROGRAM OPTIONS

- 🎓 A.A. Degree, Arts and Sciences, Theater Concentration

## CAREER OUTLOOK

MEDIAN SALARY

**\$24K**

median hourly wage  
for actors

EMPLOYMENT



8% growth over  
next 10 years

Earnings and employment will vary by location, industry, education, and experience.

(source: [www.bls.gov/ooh](http://www.bls.gov/ooh))

black box theater, campus gallery, classrooms, practice rooms, art rooms, and faculty offices. The 491-seat Kepler Theater includes dressing rooms, a costume shop, and extensive wardrobe storage.

## How can I get involved on campus?

HCC supports an active social life combined with academics. There is a wide variety of student organizations for students to get involved and make new friends. The Robinwood Players Theater Club is open to students interested in the performing arts. The club's goals are to promote a better understanding of all aspects of the performing arts and to foster the performing arts at HCC by providing opportunities to explore, develop, create, share and support dance, dramatic and musical productions.

The Robinwood Players Theater Club raises and offers up to two \$500 scholarships every spring semester to its club members. The scholarships are given to students who demonstrate dedication to the club, as well as academic achievement and interest in the performing arts field. For more information, visit [www.hagerstowncc.edu/student-activities/clubs-organizations/robinwood-players](http://www.hagerstowncc.edu/student-activities/clubs-organizations/robinwood-players).





A.A. Degree  
**Arts and Sciences,  
 Theater Concentration**

The theater concentration prepares students to transfer to a four-year theater program at the university level. Students may select a concentration in either performance or technical aspects of theater.

**General Education Requirements 31-32 credits**

**Arts/Humanities**

Select one of the following: ENG 201, ENG 202, ENG 203, ENG 204, ENG 205, or ENG 206..... 3

Select a course from the approved General Education course list ..... 3

**Behavioral/Social Sciences**

Select two courses from the approved General Education course list ..... 6

**Biological/Physical Science**

Select two courses from the approved General Education course list – one must be a laboratory course..... 7-8

**Diversity**

Select one course from the approved General Education course list ..... 3

**English**

ENG 101 English Composition ..... 3  
 (ELL 101 English Composition for English Language Learners is an approved substitution for ENG 101)

*\*minimum grade of "C" or better is required*

ENG 102 Advanced English Composition..... 3

**Mathematics**

MAT 109 Statistics ..... 3

**OR**

MAT 115 Quantitative Reasoning ..... 3

**OR**

MAT 160 Precalculus I ..... 3

**Program Requirements 19 credits**

THR 101 Introduction to the Theater ..... 3

THR 106 Fundamentals of Acting..... 3

THR 112 Costume Design..... 3

THR 114 History of the Theatre ..... 3

THR 120 Theater Practicum I ..... 1

THR 207 Stage Craft ..... 3

THR 210 Script Analysis ..... 3

**Restricted Electives 6 credits**

Select restricted elective credits from the following list:

DNC 105 Tap Dance I ..... 3

DNC 205 Tap Dance II ..... 3

DNC 111 Jazz Dance I..... 3

DNC 211 Jazz Dance II..... 3

DNC	114	Ballet I .....	3
THR	113	Introduction to Directing: Television and Theater .....	3
THR	115	Introduction to Theater Makeup .....	3
THR	121	Theater Practicum II .....	1
THR	122	Theater Practicum III .....	1
THR	123	Theater Practicum IV .....	1

**Free Electives**

**3-4 credit**

Electives should be selected in consultation with a transfer advisor and/or the transfer institution. Some recommended courses are listed below:

COM 103 Public Speaking..... 3

COM 108 Introduction to Human Communication..... 3

GDT 116 Digital Imaging..... 3

HUM 201 The Arts: A Creative Synthesis ..... 3

**Degree Requirement.....60**



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