



**Bachelor of Arts**

**Major: Theatre**

**2020-2021 Sample 4-Year Plan**

**Total Degree Requirements: 120 credits**

Student \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID# \_\_\_\_\_ Student Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Minimum GPA 2.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Minor/Career Interest(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Students are not limited to this plan; it is meant to be used as a guide for planning purposes in consultation with your advisor. The sample schedule is one possible path to completing your degree within four years. For official program requirements, please refer to the [Undergraduate Catalog](#).

**First Year**

**Fall**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
AHSS 111	Introduction to Global Citizenship and Diversity		3		
ENGL 101	Composition I (SGR #1)	p. Placement	3		
THEA 119	First Year Seminar		2		
SGR #6	Natural Sciences (SGR #6)	Suggested GEOG 131-131L	4		
THEA 131	Introduction to Acting		3		
THEA 135/145 or DANC 135	Activity Credits – Acting and Technical OR Dance Activities	Take at least one each semester to participate in theatre productions.	1		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			16		

**Spring**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
Minor/ 2nd Major Course			3		
SGR #2	Oral Communication	Suggested SPCM 101	3		
SGR #3	Social Sciences/Diversity (SGR #3)	SGR #3 satisfied by coursework finished in 2 difference disciplines	3		
SGR #5	Mathematics	p. Placement; Suggested MATH 103	3		
THEA 135/145 or DANC 135	Activity Credits – Acting and Technical OR Dance Activities	Take at least one each semester to participate in theatre productions.	1		
THEA 240	Stage Costuming		3		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			16		

**Second Year**

**Fall**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
Modern Foreign Language	Student must complete through the 202 level in an approved Modern Language (SGR #4)	Placement testing is required to determine proficiency level.	4		
SGR #6	Natural Sciences (SGR #6)	Suggested GEOG 132-132L	4		
THEA 135/145 or DANC 135	Activity Credits – Acting and Technical OR Dance Activities	Take at least one each semester to participate in theatre productions.	1		
THEA 241-241L	Stagecraft and Lab		3		
THEA 250	Play Analysis		3		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			15		

**Spring**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
DANC 131	Movement Theory		2		
Modern Foreign Language	Student must complete through the 202 level in an approved Modern Language (SGR #4)	p. 101	4		
SGR #1	Written Communication	p. ENGL 101	3		
SGR #3	Social Sciences/Diversity (SGR #3)	SGR #3 satisfied by coursework finished in 2 different disciplines	3		
THEA 135/145 or DANC 135	Activity Credits – Acting and Technical OR Dance Activities	Take at least one each semester to participate in theatre productions.	1		

**Information Subject to Change. This is not a contract.**

p. = Course Prerequisite  
Semester: F = Fall, S = Spring, SU = Summer



Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
THEA 361	Literature and History of Theatre I		3		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			16		

**Summer**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
THEA 480*	Summer Theatre	DR	1		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			1		

**Third Year**

**Fall**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
Minor/2 <sup>nd</sup> Major Course			3		
Modern Foreign Language Course	Students must complete through the 202 level in an approved Modern Language.	p. 102	3		
THEA 336/346 or DANC 336	Activity Credits – Acting and Technical OR Dance Activities	Take at least one each semester to participate in theatre productions.	1		
THEA 452	Stage Management		3		
THEA 470	Portfolio and Resume Building	Capstone	3		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			13		

**Spring**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
Minor/2 <sup>nd</sup> Major Course			3		
Modern Foreign Language Course	Students must complete through the 202 level in an approved Modern Language.	p. 201	3		
THEA 336/346 or DANC 336	Activity Credits – Acting and Technical OR Dance Activities	Take at least one each semester to participate in theatre productions.	1		
THEA 364	Literature and History of Theatre II		3		
THEA elective			6		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			16		

**Summer**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
THEA 480*	Summer Theatre	Capstone	2		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			2		

**Fourth Year**

**Fall**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
Electives		Taken as needed to reach 120 credits	3		
Minor/2 <sup>nd</sup> Major Course			6		
THEA 336/346 or DANC 336	Activity Credits – Acting and Technical OR Dance Activities	Take at least one each semester to participate in theatre productions.	1		
THEA 351	Directing		3		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			13		

**Spring**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
Electives		Taken as needed to reach 120	6		
Minor/2 <sup>nd</sup> Major Course			3		
THEA 336/346 or DANC 336	Activity Credits – Acting and Technical OR Dance Activities	Take at least one each semester to participate in theatre productions.	1		
THEA elective			3		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			13		



## Comments/Notes

Students from all academic majors can pursue graduation with Fishback Honors College distinction. View the [Honors program requirements](#).

As part of the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, students in this program must complete/earn:

- a minimum of 33 upper division credits (300-400 level courses)
- a capstone course in the major
- a designated diversity, equity, and inclusion course – AHSS 111 (or AIS 211 for teaching specializations students only)
- a minor, second major, or teaching certification

As part of the Theatre major, students in this program must complete/earn:

- a “C” or better in each major course (THEA)
- activities credits each semester to participate in theatre productions.
  - first and second year take at least four activities credits in THEA 135/145 & DANC 135
  - third and fourth year take at least four activities credits in THEA 336/346 & DANC 336
  - a total of four are required: one acting credit, one technical credit, and one dance credit required
  - the fourth can be either acting or technical.
- at least 3 credits of THEA 480 – Summer Theatre; it can be taken any summer or substituted for an internship.

Testing into a higher-level language course may reduce time to graduation. To begin coursework above the 101 level, take the free modern language placement test at <https://www.sdstate.edu/modern-languages-global-studies/mfl-placement-information>. Students with any modern language experience are strongly encouraged to complete the placement test.