

ACADEMIC ROADMAP

(Proposed) Stage and Screen Arts B.A.

Fall 2026

Freshman Year (30 credits)

FIRST SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
College Writing I	CWP 101	
Introduction to Theater	THA 106	
Acting Fundamental for Stage and Screen	THA 226	
Prologue - recommended	THA 216 Prologue	Appropriate for first semester, first-year incoming students
GE – recommend COM 100, HUM 100, or MAT 103 Or Course recommended by BSU to support your transition to BSU		

Notes and recommendations:

- Do not fall below full-time (12 credits) in any semester if you receive financial aid.
- See your theater academic advisor every semester, even if you are also seeing your professional advisor.
- Join Casting Hall on Bengal Connect and attend monthly meetings.
- Audition for Spring show(s)!

SECOND SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
College Writing II	CWP 102	
Recommended: Jazz	DAN 250	
Introduction to Production	THA 230	
GE – recommended: MAT 103 if not taken first semester		
GE – recommended: DAN 234 or ENG 206		
GE – recommended: GES 132 or BIO 100		

Notes and recommendations:

- If on Excelsior Scholarship, you must successfully complete 30 credits per year! If you had 12 your first semester, you need 18 to be compliant.
- Do not fall below full-time (12 credits) in any semester if you receive financial aid.
- See your theater academic advisor every semester, even if you are also seeing your professional advisor.
- Attend at least one faculty office hour; visit Academic Commons (Math & Writing Centers, tutoring); view your degree audit sheet in Degree Works.
- Attend Casting Hall monthly meetings
- Audition for Fall show(s)!
- Consider a summer undergraduate research opportunity

Sophomore Year (30 credits end with 60)

THIRD SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Applied Production I	THA 231	
Recommended: Scene Acting for Stage and Screen	THA 227	THA 226
Recommended: Design for Stage and Screen, or Applied Stagecraft	THA 234 or THA 330	THA 230
1 major electives – one from history/lit category	See list attached	
CWP 102 if not complete or GE – recommended: GES 132 or BIO 100		
GE – recommended: DAN 234 or COM 100		

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- See your theater academic advisor every semester, even if you are also seeing your professional advisor.
- Attend Casting Hall Monthly Meetings
- Audition for Fall show(s)!
- Form a study group; consider enrolling in a minor or certificate program
- Research and consider study abroad options
- Consider applying for a summer undergraduate research opportunity
- Consider taking part in SRCC (Student Research and Creativity Conference)

FOURTH SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Applied Production I or II	THA 231 / 331	
Recommended: Advanced Voice Topics for the Actor or Musical Theater or Any major elective	THA 400 or THA 359	THA 226
GE – recommend ENG 206 or HUM 100		CWP 102 for ENG 206
GE – recommend ANT 101 or SOC 240		

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- See your theater academic advisor every semester, even if you are also seeing your professional advisor.
- Attend Casting Hall Monthly Meetings
- Audition for Fall show(s)!
- Form a study group; consider enrolling in a minor or certificate program
- Research and consider study abroad options
- Consider a summer undergraduate research opportunity

Junior Year (30 – end with 90 credits)**FIFTH SEMESTER**

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Directing for Stage and Screen	THA 350	Junior/Senior status and instructor permission
Recommended: Advanced Acting on Camera OR Acting Styles for Stage and Screen	THA 426 or THA 327	THA 226
If haven't already taken, Applied Production I or II	THA 231/331	
Finish any remaining GE – use academic advisor for compliance		
Courses by advisement determined with academic advisor for major, career goals, and university degree requirements		
Total of 15 credits		

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- Do not fall below full-time (12 credits) in any semester if you receive financial aid.
- See your theater academic advisor every semester, even if you are also seeing your professional advisor.
- Attend Casting Hall Monthly Meetings
- Research and consider study abroad options
- Consider a summer undergraduate research opportunity
- Audition for Spring show(s)!
- Visit the Career Counseling Center

SIXTH SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Sixth Semester Seminar	THA 416	Junior/Senior status and instructor permission
Recommended: Advanced Voice Topics for the Actor, or Musical Theater Performance, or Any major elective	THA 400 or THA 359	THA 226
If haven't already taken, Applied Production I or II	THA 231/331	
Courses by advisement determined with academic advisor for major, career goals, and university degree requirements		
Total of 15 credits		

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- Do not fall below full-time (12 credits) in any semester if you receive financial aid.
- See your theater academic advisor every semester.
- Audition for Fall show(s)!
- Discuss internships and graduate school options with your advisor.
- Visit the Career Development Center to have your resume reviewed
- Professional Headshot

Senior Year (30 – end with 120 credits! And your degree!)

SEVENTH SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Recommended: Advanced Acting on Camera OR Musical Theater Performance	THA 426 or THA 327	THA 226
Courses by advisement determined with academic advisor for major, career goals, and university degree requirements		
Total of 15 credits		

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- Do not fall below full-time (12 credits) in any semester if you receive financial aid.
- See your theater academic advisor every semester.
- Audition for Spring show(s)
- Apply for graduation
- Apply to graduate school, if applicable
- Visit the Career Development Center to have your resume reviewed

EIGHTH SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Courses by advisement determined with academic advisor for major, career goals, and university degree requirements		
If haven't already taken: Advanced Voice Topics for the Actor, or Musical Theater Performance, or Any major elective	THA 359/400	
Total of 15 credits		

Notes and recommendations:

Attend Graduation!

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Sign up with Alumni Center – you earned it!