The Theatre Arts Department at Liberty University has 5 dynamic specializations to prepare students for a career in Theatre. They include Acting, Musical Theatre, Drama Ministry, Production and Teacher Licensure.

Students are required to take:
- a minimum of 120 credit hours—at least 35 credit hours must be 300/400 level courses
- 49 credit hours of General Education courses
- 28 hours of core theatre courses
- 15 hours of specialization courses
- 10 hours of electives
- 6 hours of Integrative Studies courses
- 12 hours of language courses
- Teacher Licensure- 30 hours of education courses

Acting
- The acting specialization prepares students for a career in theatrical acting. Classes emphasize stage accents, stage movement, and classical acting.

Musical Theatre
- The musical theatre specialization prepares students for a career in theatrical acting with an emphasis in musical presentation. Classes include voice lessons, stage movement, and musical theatre performance.

Drama Ministry
- The drama ministry specialization prepares students to use their theatrical ability for Christian ministry. Classes include church ministries, directing, script writing, and drama in the church.

Teacher Licensure
- The teacher licensure specialization prepares students to teach theatre in a secondary education setting. Classes include costume and makeup design, directing, stage management, and education.

Production
- The production specialization prepares students for a career in theatre production.
- Classes include directing, script writing, costume and makeup design, stage management, and lighting and scene design.

Students interested in pursuing a Theatre Arts major should contact the Theatre Arts Department (434-582-2891) for specific learning outcomes for each major or visit www.liberty.edu/academics. Students should contact the Theatre Arts Professional Advisor to review the Degree Completion Plan (DCP) requirements for their specific course of study.

Web: www.liberty.edu/CASAS  Email: CASAS@liberty.edu  Phone: (434) 592-4110  Location: DH 2016
Frequently Asked Questions

1. **Where do I declare my major?**
   You must declare your major in the Center for Academic Support and Advising Services (CASAS) in DeMoss Hall 2016.

2. **What is required to declare my major?**
   There are no requirements. You may declare your major at any time.

3. **How many classes am I required to take to receive a specialization?**
   15 credit hours are required for each of the specializations.

4. **May I declare more than 1 specialization?**
   Yes. Be sure to complete all requirements required for each specialization.

5. **How is my Advisor determined and what do they do?**
   You are assigned a Professional Advisor according to major. This Professional Advisor is a full-time employee in the Center for Academic Support and Advising Services (CASAS) who will assist you each semester with your class scheduling and graduation tracking.

6. **Do I need to apply to the Theatre Arts Major?**
   No, but you will be required to pass a sophomore hearing audition to continue in the Theatre Arts program.

7. **Am I required to have an internship to graduate?**
   No, the Theatre Arts major does not require an internship.

8. **If I made a “D” in a required course in my major, do I need to take it again?**
   You must earn at least a “B” in all upper-level (300-400) classes that count towards your major in Theatre Arts.

9. **How many shows do I need for the Theatre Arts major?**
   8 shows are required to fulfill the degree.

10. **What is the main difference between the Teacher Licensure specialization and the other Theatre Arts specializations?**
    The main difference is that there are 30 hours of teacher licensure required courses, included in this is a semester of student teaching.

11. **What is the Senior Project?**
    The Senior Project is a graduation requirement. The details of the project may vary according to each student's concentration within the major, but all must be approved by the department. The project is a capstone of the student's major and must occur during the student's final semester of study.

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