

**Department:**

Theatre

**Course Description:**

This course will provide a thorough survey of the basic elements of theatre and the dramatic arts.

**Course Competencies:**

Upon completion of the course, the student should be able to:

1. Explain the value of theatre and the dramatic arts to society.
2. Describe the financial support structures for the theatre.
3. Describe the role and explain the value of dramatic arts critics.
4. Describe the dynamic role of the theatre audience.
5. Explain the role and purposes of the playwright in society.
6. Define and explain basic theatre terminology.
7. Describe basic dramatic structure, form, and style.
8. List the general responsibilities of the theatre production team.
9. Explain the fundamental concepts of acting.

**Course Content:**

- A. The Theatre
- B. The Play
- C. The Actor
- D. The Playwright
- E. Designers and Technicians
- F. The Director
- G. Brief History of Modern Theatre

**Learning Assessments:**

Course competencies will be assessed by class attendance and participation, quizzes, exams, critiques, and play reviews.

**Instructional Materials:**

Theatre, Brief Version, Cohen, 9th Ed., McGraw-Hill, 2010

**Guidelines for Requesting Accommodations Based on  
Documented Disability or Medical Condition**

It is the intention of Highland Community College to work toward full compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, to make instructional programs accessible to all people, and to provide reasonable accommodations according to the law.

Students should understand that it is their responsibility to self-identify their need(s) for accommodation and that they must provide current, comprehensive diagnosis of a specific disability or medical condition from a qualified professional in order to receive services. Documentation must include specific recommendations for accommodation(s). Documentation should be provided in a timely manner prior to or early in the semester so that the requested accommodation can be considered and, if warranted, arranged.

In order to begin the process all students **must** complete the “Disabilities Self-Identification Form” at this link:

<https://highlandcc.edu/pages/disability-services>.

This form can also be accessed at the Highland Community College homepage under Students Services/Student Resources/Disability Service or by contacting the Disabilities Coordinator.