**Theater Arts**

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**Degree(s)**

**Transfer:**
- A.A.-T in Theatre Arts for Transfer 9902 AA THA OPT B or C
  (using General Education Requirements Option B or C)

See Also:
- A.A. in Liberal Arts - Arts, Humanities & Communications Emphasis

**Non-Transfer:**
- A.S. in Technical Theater 8679 AS TTHE
  (with General Education Requirements Option A)

See Also:
- A.A. in Musical Theater
- A.A. in Humanities

**Certificate(s)**
- Certificate in Technical Theater 22134 CT TTHE

See Also:
- Certificate in Musical Theater

**Employment Concentration Certificate(s)**
- None

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**Program Description**

The Theater Arts Program offers one transfer degree, two non-transfer degrees, and two certificates: A.A.-T in Theater Arts, A.A. in Musical Theater, A.S. in Technical Theater, and certificates in Musical Theater and Technical Theater. The Theater Arts Program at MSJC gives the serious student an opportunity to commit to an active and challenging program of class work along with live play and musical productions. Course work is designed to provide students a path to facilitate matriculation to a four-year college or enter the entertainment industry work force. For many individuals currently working within these fields, there may be potential for salary and/or career advancement. For non-majors it offers the opportunity to gain the type of confidence, self-possession and aesthetic awareness that can benefit any career path.

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**Career Opportunities**

All career opportunities listed are representative careers in each field. There are no guaranteed positions for students completing these programs. (See: www.onetonline.org)

**Transfer Degree**

For BA/BS careers, please see your transfer institution.

**Non-Transfer Degree**

**Technical Theater**
- Scenic Artist, Makeup Artist, Stagehand, Sound Technician,
  Wardrobe Supervision, Attendant, Dresser

With further education:
- Scenic and Lighting Designer, Costume Designer, Sound Designer, Stage Manager, Theater Management Specialist, Instructor

**Certificate**

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**Transfer Preparation**

**Theatre Arts**

MSJC offers a range of course work to prepare students to transfer to four-year colleges and universities. All four-year institutions prescribe their own standards for course evaluation and admissions. Prospective transfer students are advised to research careers, degrees and majors in the Career/Transfer Center, access www.assist.org, review the MSJC catalog and meet with a counselor to expedite their transfer plan.

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Technical Theater

MSJC offers a range of course work to prepare students to transfer to four-year colleges and universities. Courses that fulfill major requirements for an associate degree in this program might not be the same as those required for transfer into the major at a four-year university. All four-year institutions prescribe their own standards for course evaluation and admissions. Prospective transfer students are advised to research careers, degrees and majors in the Career/Transfer Center, access www.assist.org, review the MSJC catalog and meet with a counselor to expedite their transfer plan.

Learning Outcomes

- Develop an appreciation for theatre through critical analysis of the performing arts.
- Develop an aesthetic awareness through theater.
- Develop essential skills in the craft of theater.
- Develop knowledge regarding the cultural, artistic and expressive contexts of theater.

Related-Content Groups

(4 attempts within a related-content group/each course 1 time for credit unless otherwise noted)

Acting:
THA-110, 111, 112, 132

Musical Theater Production:
(DAN/MUS/THA-209 thru SU16), DAN-216, MUS-216, THA-216+

Theater Production:
THA-200, 201+, 205, (DAN/MUS/THA-209 thru SU16), THA-216+

Voice and Movement:
COMM/THA-105 (thru SU16), COMM-129/THA-127, DAN/THA-108, THA-109,
+ Repeatable 4 times for credit.

Degrees

Transfer Degree

Theatre Arts

An Associate in Arts in Theatre Arts for Transfer Degree (A.A.-T or ADT) will fulfill the requirements for students to transfer to a CSU institution as a Theatre Arts major. The courses in the A.A.-T in Theatre Arts provide students with an ability to solve quantitative problems and think critically regarding macro and micro Theater Arts ideas and issues they encounter and to demonstrate problem solving through the means of problem based activities.

The major required for an A.A.-T in Theatre Arts for Transfer to CSU may be met by:

- Completion of 60 semester units or 90 quarter units that are eligible for transfer to the California State University.
- The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University General Education-Breadth Requirements.
- A minimum of 18 semester units or 27 quarter units in a major or area of emphasis, as determined by the community college district.
- Obtainment of a minimum grade point average of 2.0.

ADT also requires that students must earn a C or better in all courses required for the major or area of emphasis. A “P” (Pass) grade is acceptable if pass is defined as a grade of C or better.

A.A.-T in Theatre Arts for Transfer (18 units)

Required Core (9 units)

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Units for Major | 18

CSU General Education or IGETC Pattern | 37-39

Possible double counting | 3-6

Transferable Electives (as needed to reach 60 CSU transferable units) | Total Units for A.A.-T Degree | 60 units

This Associate in Arts in Theatre Arts for Transfer degree is intended for students who plan to complete a bachelor’s degree in a similar major at a CSU campus. A student completing this degree is guaranteed admission to the CSU system, but not a particular campus or major. Students should meet with a counselor to develop an educational plan and receive university admission and transfer requirements.
Non-Transfer Degree

A.S. in Technical Theater (18 units)

In addition to the 18 units of the certificate program in Technical Theater, students must also complete all MSJC General Education Option A requirements (a total of 60 units) for the Associate of Science degree in Technical Theater.

The Certificate/Associate in Science (A.S.) degree program in Technical Theater will prepare students for a career in performing arts productions specifically entailing set construction, lighting rigging, costume construction, makeup application, and sound recording and reproduction. Students will develop practical and aesthetic skills necessary for employment in scene shops, costume shops, and recording studios in professional theaters, college theaters, film-television studios, theme parks, and other venues. Students will also build the foundation necessary for transfer to a baccalaureate program or related field of study.

Certificate

Certificate in Technical Theater (18 units)

Core Courses (12 units)

AUD-140/MUS-140  
Beginning Studio Recording  3 units
THA-117  Stagecraft  3 units
THA-120  Stage Lighting  3 units
THA-121  Costume Construction  3 units

Elective Courses (any 6 units)

THA-118  Stage Management  3 units
THA-122  Stage Makeup  3 units
THA-123  Introduction to Scene Design  3 units
THA-124  Scenic Painting  3 units

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