

UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY FACULTY OF ARTS

SCHOOL OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS - DRAMA

Drama 300B Advanced Acting I Session: Winter 2016

Instructor	
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Office Hours	by appointment only
Day(s),Time(s) and	Mondays and Wednesdays 10:00 – 11:50 am
Location of Class	Reeve Secondary Room 128
Out of Class	Two professional theatre productions to be viewed and critiqued
Activities	
Learning Resources:	Actions: The Actors' Thesaurus by Marina Caldrone and Maggie Lloyd Williams
Required Readings,	The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Riverside Edition is recommended)
Textbooks and	Audition by Michael Shurtleff
Materials	
Prerequisites	Drama 200 and consent of Division Chair, Drama
Course Description	Further development of fundamental acting techniques; participation in Drama's season
	of plays may be required.
Course Overview	The study of acting in Drama 300B is intended to deepen the student's commitment to
	their development as an actor. The work will be guided by a philosophy of observation,
	versus outcome. Students will work on scenes from Shakespeare, and contemporary
	theatre. Research techniques will be shared for text analysis, the building of
	characters, and examining the world of the play. The weekly Friday session will be
	devoted to Voice.
Course Learning	By the completion of this course, successful students will be able to:
Outcomes	1. utilize more easily ones abilities in imagination and expression
	2. integrate better ones practices in acting, movement and voice
	3. develop a systemic approach to analyzing text, building a character and
	understanding the world of the play
	4. explore interpersonal dynamics and working in pairs
	5. Deepen a personal relationship to the art form of acting
	6. develop professional, ethical practices appropriate to the art form of acting
Course Schedule:	Module One will focus on the study of Shakespeare scenes. Module One will last for
	eight weeks of class and culminate in the presentation of scenes. Module Two will last
Assessment	Module One scene presentation 15%
Components	•
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	World of the Play research essay due right after Reading Week 10%
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	Voice lab component 30%
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-	components: an accurate record of class activities on a daily basis; and a personal
	reflection of the class activities. The journal must be legible and may be typed or hand
	written.
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Expectations for Attendance and Participation:

Class work is experiential in nature, and missed classes cannot be regained or made up. Participation in regular classes is a requirement of the class. Attendance is essential. Repeated lateness and absences which are not justified may result in the student having to meet with the Chair of the Drama Department before being allowed to continue in the class.

Guidelines for Formatting Assignments

Two professional play assessments are due by the end of the term. Each assessment should address the following: acting, directing, the script, design and audience reaction. Submissions may be typed or handwritten, but must be legible.

The World of the Play is a research paper of 4-5 pages, a minimum of 1,000 words. The paper is due after Reading Week. The subject for the paper is to be drawn from the Shakespeare play from which the student's scene is taken.

Guidelines for Submitting Assignments

All assignments, with the exception of the research paper on The World of the Play, are due by the last day of classes. Written assignments are to be handed in during class, or to the Drama Department Secretary no later than 12:00 noon on the last day of classes.

Late Assignments

Written assignments will not be accepted after the last day of classes.

Criteria That Must Be Met To Pass

Students must prepare and present with an assigned partner: a scene from Shakespeare, and a scene from a contemporary play. In both instance the student must memorize the lines, and remember blocking for each scene. The student must be present in class for at least 80% of class time rehearsals on both scenes. Two professional play assessments, and a research paper must be handed in by the end of term, and mid-term respectively. These are the minimum requirements to achieve a passing grade in the course.

Grading Scale

For the course as a whole, letter grades should be understood as follows, as outlined in the section F.2 of the Undergraduate Calendar for 2015-2016:

Grade	GPA	Description
A+	4.00	Outstanding.
А	4.00	Excellent-superior performance, showing comprehensive
		understanding of subject matter.
A-	3.70	
B+	3.30	
В	3.00	Good - clearly above average performance with knowledge
		of subject matter generally complete.
B-	2.70	
C+	2.30	
С	2.00	Satisfactory - basic understanding of the subject matter.
C-	1.70	Receipt of a grade point average of 1.70 may not be
		sufficient for promotion or graduation. (See individual
		undergraduate faculty regulations.)
D+	1.30	
D	1.00	Minimal pass - marginal performance; generally insufficient
		preparation for subsequent courses in the same subject.

	F 0 Fail - unsatisfactory performance or failure to meet course
	requirements.
	Letter %
	A + 95 - 100
	A 90 - 95
	A- 85 - 90
	B+ 80 - 85
	B 75 - 80 B- 70 - 75
	B- 70 - 75 C+ 67 - 70
	C 63 - 67
	C- 60 - 63
	D+ 55 - 60
	D 50 - 55
	F fail
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MIDTERM AND FINAL	Final examinations may be scheduled at any time during the examination period (11-22
EXAMINATION	December for Fall 2015 term; 16-27 April for Winter 2016 term); students should therefore
SCHEDULING	avoid making prior travel, employment, or other commitments for this period. If a student is
	unable to write an exam through no fault of his or her own for medical or other valid reasons,
	documentation must be provided and an opportunity to write the missed exam may be
	given. Students are encouraged to review all examination policies and procedures:
	ucalgary.ca/registrar/exams/deferred_final
DEFERRALS OF	It is possible to request a deferral of term work or final examinations for reasons of illness,
EXAMS/TERM WORK	accident, family or domestic affliction, or religious obligations. Please check with your advisor if
	any of these issues make it impossible for you to sit an exam or finish term work by stated
	deadlines. <u>ucalgary.ca/registrar/exams/deferred_final</u>
	ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/g-6.html
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INTERNET AND	elearn.ucalgary.ca/category/d2l/
ELECTRONIC COMMUNCATION	ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/emergency-instructions/uc-emergency-app
DEVICE	The in-class use of computers may be approved by your Instructor. Cell phones and other electronic communication devices should be silenced or turned off upon entering the
DEVICE	classroom. If you violate the Instructor's policy regarding the use of electronic communication
	devices in the classroom, you may be asked to leave the classroom; repeated abuse may result
	in a charge of misconduct. No audio or video recording of any kind is allowed in class without
	explicit permission of the Instructor.
ACADEMIC INTEGRITY,	The University of Calgary is committed to the highest standards of academic integrity and
PLAGIARISM	honesty. Students are expected to be familiar with these standards regarding academic
	honesty and to uphold the policies of the University in this respect. Students are referred to the
	section on plagiarism in the University Calendar (<u>ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-2.html</u>)
	and are reminded that plagiarism Using any source whatsoever without clearly documenting
	it—is an extremely serious academic offence. Consequences include failure on the assignment,
	failure in the course and possibly suspension or expulsion from the university. You must
	document not only direct quotations but also paraphrases and ideas where they appear in your
	text. A reference list at the end is insufficient by itself. Readers must be able to tell exactly
	where your words and ideas end and other people's words and ideas begin. This includes
	assignments submitted in non-traditional formats such as Web pages or visual media, and
	material taken from such sources. Please consult your instructor or the Student Success Centre
	(TFDL 3rd Floor) if you have any questions regarding how to document sources.
COPYRIGHT	It is the responsibility of students and professors to ensure that materials they post or
	distribute to others comply with the Copyright Act and the University's Fair Dealing Guidance
	for Students. Further copyright information for students is available on the Copyright Office
	web page (<u>library.ucalgary.ca/copyright</u>).
ACADEMIC	Students seeking an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact
ACCOMMODATION	Student Accessibility Services (SAS); SAS will process the request and issue letters of

	accommodation to instructors. For additional information on support sorvices and
	accommodation to instructors. For additional information on support services and accommodations for students with disabilities, visit www.ucalgary.ca/access/ . Students who
	require an accommodation in relation to their coursework based on a protected ground other
	than disability should communicate this need in writing to their Instructor.
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	The full policy on Student Accommodations is available
	at http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy_0.pdf .
FOIP	<u>ucalgary.ca/secretariat/privacy</u>
STUDENT	<u>ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html</u>
MISCONDUCT	
ACADEMIC STANDING	<u>ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f.html</u>
SAFEWALK	220-5333 anytime. <u>ucalgary.ca/security/safewalk</u>
CAMPUS SECURITY	220-5333. Help phones: located throughout campus, parking lots, and elevators. They connect
	directly to Campus Security; in case of emergency, press the red button.
EMERGENCY	Assembly points for emergencies have been identified across campus. The primary assembly
EVACUATION	point for Craigie Hall is the Professional Faculties Food Court. For more information, see the
	University of Calgary's Emergency Management website:
	ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/assemblypoints
FACULTY OF ARTS	For academic advising, visit the Arts Students' Centre (ASC) for answers about course
PROGRAM ADVISING	registration, graduation checks, and the 'big picture' on programs and majors. Drop in at
AND STUDENT	SS102, email us at <u>ascarts@ucalgary.ca</u> or call us at 403-220-3580. You can also visit the
INFORMATION	Faculty of Arts website at arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate which has detailed information on
RESOURCES	common academic concerns.
	For academic success support, such as writing support, peer support, success seminars, and
	learning support, visit the Student Success Centre on the third floor of the Taylor Family
	Digital Library (TFDL), email them at success@ucalgary.ca or visit their website at
	ucalgary.ca/ssc/ for more information or to book an appointment.
	• For enrolment assistance, including registration (add/drop/swap) changes, paying fees, and
	navigating your Student Centre, contact Enrolment Services at 403-210-ROCK [7625], by
COLUDE OUTUNES FOR	email at <u>futurestudents@ucalgary.ca</u> or visit them at the MacKimmie Block 117.
COURSE OUTLINES FOR	It is possible that you will be asked for copies of this outline for credit transfers to other
TRANSFER CREDIT	institutions or for proof of work done. It is the student's responsibility to keep these outlines
	and provide them to employers or other universities when requested. Please ensure that
	outlines of all the courses you take are kept in a safe place for your future reference.
	Departments/Programs do not guarantee that they will provide copies.
LETTER OF PERMISSION	If you wish to study at another institution while registered at the U of C, you must have a letter
	of permission. You can submit your request through your Student Centre at MyUofC. Students
	must have the Letter of Permission before they take the course at another school. Failure to
	prepare may result in no credit awarded and could result in suspension from the faculty.
STUDENT UNION	Student Union: su.ucalgary.ca/about/who-we-are/elected-officials/
CONTACT	Faculty of Arts reps: arts1@su.ucalgary.ca; arts2@su.ucalgary.ca; arts3@su.ucalgary.ca;
STUDENT	arts4@su.ucalgary.ca
OMBUDSPERSON	Graduate Student's Association: gsa.ucalgary.ca/executive
	Student Ombudsman: su.ucalgary.ca/page/quality-education/academic-services/student-rights
UNDERGRADUATE	DUS: Drama Undergraduate Society, CHC 005 <u>uofcdus@gmail.com</u>
ASSOCIATIONS	MUS: Music Undergraduate Society, CHF 219 <u>undmusic@ucalgary.ca</u>