

UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY FACULTY OF ARTS SCHOOL OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS DRAM 301 B02 - Fall 2019

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| Office Hours | M 12:00 – 1:00 PM or by appointment |
| Day(s),time(s) and | M & W 10:00-11:45 |
| location of Class | RT 128 |
| Out of class activities | Students will be expected to rehearse outside of class time. Attendance at theatre |
| Out of class activities | events and plays is encouraged |
| Learning resources: | A variety of readings will be provided by the Instructor. |
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| textbooks and | Required Reading: |
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| materials | Actions: The Actors' Thesaurus by Marina Caldarone & Maggie Lloyd-Williams |
| | Recommended Readings: |
| | An Actor's Work by Konstantin Stanislavski |
| | Stanislavski in Focus by Sharon Carnicke |
| | The Actor & the Target by Declan Donnelan |
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| | To The Actor by Michael Chekhov The Actor's Art and Croft by William Fener and Damon DiMarco |
| | The Actor's Art and Craft by William Esper and Damon DiMarco |
| | Audition by Michael Shurtleff |
| Prerequisites | DRAM 200 / 210 and consent of the Division Chair, Drama |
| Supplementary fees | N/A |
| Course description | Further development of fundamental acting techniques; participation in Drama's |
| course description | season of plays may be required. |
| Course learning | By the completion of this course, successful students will be able to: |
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| outcomes | Responsibly and respectfully participate with and actively support the culture of |
| | respect and inclusion in the studio environment |
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| | 2. Prepare full script analysis for contemporary texts. |
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| | 4. Confidently approach and present text based work in a dynamic ensemble, in a |
| | partnership, in solo work, and in creation/devised models. |
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| | 5. Perform a physical and vocal acting warm-up |
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| | 6. Offer thoughtful and considered self- assessment and constructive |
| | feedback/observations to fellow students using appropriate models. |
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| | 7. Integrate acting techniques and analysis in presentation work and |
| | apply working knowledge of acting techniques and analysis methods and |
| | vocabularies. |
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| | 8. Be able to engage fully in play and imaginative, impulse work: understand and readily access the state of being necessary for acting work and exploration: present, fully available, grounded and focused in the moment, dropped into given circumstances |
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| Course schedule | Getting ready to work: physical and vocal warm ups - every class |
| | Script Analysis: how an actor implements the research – Sept - Dec |
| | Monologue prep an execution: application of research – Sept / mid- Oct |
| | Acting Explorations: imagination, improvisation, embodiment – Oct/ Nov |
| | Getting what you want: Objective – tactic – Nov / Dec |
| | Scene work: affecting your scene partner – Nov / Dec |
| Assessment | By accepting an offered position in this course, students warrant that they are able |
| components | and willing to handle the physical and emotional demands of the class. |
| | Grading / assessment for this course is as follows: [detailed assignment descriptions |
| | will be posted on D2L, as well as the grading rubric] |
| | 1) Participation 10% - includes attendance and constructive contribution |
| | 2] Growth & Development 20% |
| | 3) Journal/Paper 20% |
| | 4) Assignment 1 - Monologue 10% |
| | 5) Assignment 2 - Song/Monologue 10% |
| | 5) Assignment - Scene & Script Analysis 30% |
| | Detailed handouts will be provided for each major assignment. There are no formal |
| | examinations. Each presentation represents the same opportunity to articulate |
| | progress as an examination and are weighted accordingly. |
| | Each student will receive a private end of semester assessment interview. The |
| | instructor will be observing and assessing in the following areas: |
| | A] The students' ability to be responsible for their own learning process |
| | B] A willingness and commitment to move forward in the work |
| | C] Discipline, focus, risk-taking, consistency, preparation, diligence and organization |
| | D] Successful integration and application of the learned material |
| | E] Generosity, respect for, and ability to work well with others and overall positive |
| | contribution to class discussions and activities |
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| | Assignment 1: Monologue presentation |
| | Value: 10% |
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| | Due Date: Oct. 9, 2019 |
| | Type: Presentation |
| | Description: Student will present their monologue, based on the in-class work as well as outside rehearsal and preparation, including script analysis to be handed in [Further] |
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| | details on D2L] |
| | Assignment 2: Song/Monologue presentation |
| | Value: 10% |
| | Due Date: Oct 30, 2019 |
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| | Type: Presentation Description: Student will choose a contemporary song to present as a monologue |
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| | applying the in-class work [script analysis, actor's process, presence, etc] making the |
| | song an actor's exploration in connection and revelation. [Further details on D2L] |
| | Assignment 2: Scene presentation |
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| | Value: 30% [scene 10% - analysis 20%] |

Due Date: Dec. 4, 2019

Type: Presentation and written analysis

Description: Students will present their scenes, based on the in-class work as well as outside rehearsal and preparation, including script analysis to be handed in. This is the

Final Project for this course [Further details on D2L]

Assignment 3: Journal / Self-Evaluation

Value: 20%

Due Date: Dec. 4, 2019

Type: Written journal and assessment paper

Description: Student will document daily class activities and exercises throughout the semester. A final evaluation, articulating their progress through the process of the work will be the bulk of this project. [Please see detailed assignment for further description of expectations]

Assessment expectations

Expectations for Attendance and Participation

DRAM 301 is an experiential course and attendance is mandatory. Students must be in the space and prepared to begin at the scheduled start of class. Arriving as the class is beginning is unacceptable. The work is collaborative in nature and respect for everyone in the space is required.

Lateness and absence, without prior notice to the Instructor, will be reflected in the students' Participation grade. Phone calls and/or emails regarding absences or lates must be made in advance of the start of class and acceptance of excuse or reasoning is up to the discretion of the Instructor. Lateness and /or absence are not tolerated in the profession and will not be here.

Clothing that allows you to move is required. No clothing that restricts your ability to fully participate is allowed \rightarrow no jeans, hats, belts, or short skirts.

A water bottle is recommended but no food is allowed in the studio [unless for medical reasons]

No outdoor shoes in the studio. Be prepared to be bare foot

No cellphone use at any time

A notebook, pen and pencil are required for each class.

Any concerns or issues must be brought to the Instructors attention immediately. Do not muddle through, but arrange to speak with the Instructor, either in person, or through office hours, as soon as possible to seek a resolution to your concerns

Guidelines for Submitting Assignments

Students may submit an electronic copy of any written assignments, or a hard copy. An e-copy must be in a document that the Instructor can make comments directly on the assignment. Pages and PDF are not acceptable. Assignments must be submitted by the start of class on the due date.

Criteria That Must Be Met To Pass

Punctual attendance and preparation; respectful and active participation and support for the work of the ensemble as well as commitment to applying the processes being learned. This is the minimum to pass but students are encouraged to challenge themselves to go beyond the minimum, to discover the full potential in the work.

Expectations regarding grading are as follows:

- o A student who shows up, does the minimum amount of work and manages to shows signs of progress will receive a grade in the neighbourhood of a C.
- o A student who participates actively, is curious about the process and applies the work diligently will receive a grade in the neighbourhood of a B.

A student who really takes on the work, challenges themselves and the group to move forward and goes well beyond the minimum of requirements, will receive a grade in the neighbourhood of an A.

Expectations for Writing:

Writing skills are important to academic study across all disciplines. Consequently, instructors may use their assessment of writing quality as a factor in the evaluation of student work. Please refer to the Undergraduate Calendar E.2 Writing Across the Curriculum policy for details.

Guidelines for Formatting Assignments

Expectations for the format of written assignments are outlined in the assignments as posted in D2L

Late Assignments

The student must speak with the Instructor prior to the due date to discuss options for late assignments. The student is responsible for meeting the agreed upon due date. The Instructor maintains the right to not accept late assignments without prior arrangement having been established with between the student and the Instructor.

Grading scale

For the course as a whole, letter grades should be understood as follows, as outlined in the section F.1.1 Undergraduate Grading System of the Undergraduate Calendar for 2019-2020 OR as outlined in the section H.1 Distribution of Grades of the Graduate Calendar for 2019-2020:

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| Grade | Grade Point Value | Description |
| A+ | 4.00 | Outstanding performance |
| Α | 4.00 | Excellent performance |
| A- | 3.70 | Approaching excellent performance |
| B+ | 3.30 | Exceeding good performance |
| В | 3.00 | Good performance |
| B- | 2.70 | Approaching good performance |
| C+ | 2.30 | Exceeding satisfactory performance |
| С | 2.00 | Satisfactory performance |
| C- | 1.70 | Approaching satisfactory performance. |
| *D+ | 1.30 | Marginal pass. Insufficient preparation for subsequent courses in the same subject |
| *D | 1.00 | Minimal Pass. Insufficient preparation for subsequent courses in the same subject. |
| F | 0.00 | Failure. Did not meet course requirements. Several Faculties utilize an F grade that does not carry weight in calculating the grade point average. This will be noted in the calendar description as "Not Included in GPA" where applicable. |
| ** | 0.00 | Incomplete. Sufficient work has not been submitted for evaluation, unable to adequately assess. May also be used when a final exam is not submitted. |
| CR | | Completed Requirements. Carries no weight in calculating the grade point average. This will be noted in the calendar description as "Not Included in GPA" where applicable |

Notes:

• A grade of "C-" or below may not be sufficient for promotion or graduation, see specific faculty regulations.

| | The number of "D" and "D+" grades acceptable for credit is subject to specific and arrando to the faculty area metioned a client. |
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| | undergraduate faculty promotional policy. |
| | The following numerical equivalences will be used: |
| | A+ 95-100% |
| | A 90-94 |
| | A- 85-89 |
| | B+ 80-84 |
| | B 75-79 |
| | B- 71-74 |
| | C+ 67-70 |
| | C 63-66 |
| | C- 59-62 |
| | D+ 55-58 |
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| | D 50-54 |
| | F 0-49 |
| Student Support | Please visit this link for a concise list of UCalgary's student support services: |
| A and a main in the muit. | https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines |
| Academic integrity, | The University of Calgary is committed to the highest standards of academic integrity and honesty. Students are expected to be familiar with these standards regarding academic honesty |
| plagiarism | and to uphold the policies of the University in this respect. Students are referred to the section |
| | on plagiarism in the University Calendar (ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-3.html; |
| | ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-5.html) 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. |
| Internet and electronic | elearn.ucalgary.ca/category/d2l/ |
| communication device | ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/emergency-instructions/uc-emergency-app |
| | 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 |
| | 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 |
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| | unauthorised sharing of course materials (including instructor notes, electronic versions of |
| | textbooks etc.). Students who use material protected by copyright in violation of this policy may |
| | be disciplined under the Non-Academic Misconduct Policy. |
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