

UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY FACULTY OF ARTS

SCHOOL OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS - DRAMA Course Title: DRAMA 360 Performance Creation I

Session: Fall/Winter 2015/16

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Office Hours	Tuesday and Thursday after class or by appointment.					
Day(s),Time(s) and	Tuesdays 9 am to 10:50 am					
Location of Class	Thursdays 9 am to 10:50 am					
	CHE 107					
Out of Class	Students will be required to attend two theatre productions outside of the University.					
Activities	One per semester.					
Prerequisites	Antirequisite(s): Not open to students with credit in Drama 366.					
Course Description	Explorations in personal/group creative process; facilitation of performance forms that					
	may include sound and movement exploration, storytelling, ritual, mask, puppetry, and					
	the collaborative creation of original performance. Theory and history of performance					
	creation is integrated with practical experience.					
	Notes: Required for combined BFA (Drama Education)/BEd.					
Course Overview	DRAMA 360 is an introductory level course that investigates interdisciplinary aspects					
	of dramatic process and performance. Through lectures, workshops and practical					
	work—solo, group and collaborative projects—students will experientially participate					
	in developing embodied techniques for creating and exhibiting different performance					
	models.					
Course Learning	By the completion of this course, successful students will have an understanding of:					
Outcomes	 Investigating performance: Through discussion, readings, films and in-studio 					
	practical work, students will develop a foundational understanding of the					
	creative process and performance.					
	Inspiration and development: Starting from initial emotional responses					
	through to final presentations, students will explore, experiment and					
	document a personal development process.					
	 Creation: Students will participate in and develop several creation projects, 					
	ranging from personal narratives, mini-theatre, site-specific performances and					
	collaborative group work.					
	Collaboration: Students will learn team-based leadership skills and techniques					
	relating to the successful creation and development of group projects.					
Course Schedule:	Solo Activities:					
	• (Sept 22) Process of Characterization – fall semester – (Not Marked): Develop					
	a character based on a piece of music that inspires you, and create an object					
	that represents that character.					
	• (Oct 27/29) Personal Narrative - fall semester (5%): Create and perform a solo					
	piece of theatre between 3-5 minutes including staging and design, inspired by					
	a real personal experience.					
	 (April 8/12) Final Solo Project – winter semester (20%): Students will finish 					
	the year by returning to solo work and creating a 5 minute piece using the					
	skills acquired throughout the year on a topic chosen by the Instructor.					

Group Activities:

- (Dec 8) Mini-Theatre fall semester (10%): In small groups, students will work together to re-create a 3-5-minute scene from a play chosen by the Instructor. This scene will be presented using small puppets, cut-outs, projections or body parts within a created 'set'. The presentations will be projected live onto a screen in the classroom.
- (Feb 25) Site-Specific Performance winter semester (15%): In small groups, students will create and develop a 7-minute site-specific performance (on campus). Students will be responsible for all aspects of the performance, including permission to use their intended performance space.

Papers/Written:

- Idea Book (10%): handed in at the end of each semester.
- (Nov 5 and Mar 3) Performance Essay (5% each: Total 10%): Students will submit a written critique on two separate, locally produced performances (one per semester) Not University shows referencing lecture topics, theories and practical experience from the studio work.
- Process Journals (10%): Students will write a process report on each activity, addressing the question of "How did I get here from there?"

Assessment Components

Personal Narrative (5%)

Mini Theatre (10%)

Site-Specific Performance (15%):

Final Solo Project (20%):

Idea Book (10%):

Performance Essays (5% each: Total 10%)

Process Journals (10%):

Growth and Participation (20% - 10% per semester)

Total: 100%

Assessment Expectations

Growth:

Demonstrates successful application of concepts and skills learned during in-class exercises, as well as the student's initiative, their commitment to the work, their willingness to take risks, and their ability to receive and to integrate criticism into successive class activities.

Participation:

Demonstrates punctual attendance, interest in the work, concentration, focus and commitment to class and group projects, preparation, and an overall positive contribution to class discussions and activities.

A documented illness or family emergency is an acceptable reason for late written work or inability to make scheduled presentations. In the case of a missed oral presentation or class participation assignment, the instructor would appreciate advance notification if possible. "Documented" means a fully explanatory note from an appropriate authority, e.g., physician or counselor.

Late written assignments with no documented excuse will be accepted with the penalty of three points deducted from the final mark for EACH DAY or portion thereof past the deadline.

	** Attendance and participation in all classes is <i>mandatory</i> . Failure to attend classes and rehearsals may result in academic penalty unless excused by medical certificate or equivalent justification.						
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	As an experientially based studio course, in most cases it will not be possible to make						
	up missed classes or presentations. As well, student progress depends on interaction						
		and participation of peers to a greater degree than in a standard lecture-based course.					
	The absence of one student may negatively impact several others. The theatre is a						
			er than a solo flight, requiring that participants work togeth	er.			
			dition of theatre ethics within this class.				
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	Catisfactam, basis understanding of the subject months	1			
	C C-	2.00 1.70	Satisfactory - basic understanding of the subject matter. Receipt of a grade point average of 1.70 may not be	-			
		1.70	sufficient for promotion or graduation. (See individual				
			undergraduate faculty regulations.)				
	D+	1.30		1			
	D	1.00	Minimal pass - marginal performance; generally insufficient	1			
			preparation for subsequent courses in the same subject.				
	F	0	Fail - unsatisfactory performance or failure to meet course				
			requirements.				
MIDTERM AND FINAL	Final examinations may be scheduled at any time during the examination period (11-22						
EXAMINATION SCHEDULING	December for Fall 2015 term; 16-27 April for Winter 2016 term); students should therefore avoid making prior travel, employment, or other commitments for this period. If a student is						
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	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						
			ouraged to review all examination policies and procedures:				
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DEFERRALS OF	It is possible to request a deferral of term work or final examinations for reasons of illness, accident, family or domestic affliction, or religious obligations. Please check with your advisor if						
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			ar/current/g-7.html				
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COMMUNCATION			uters may be approved by your Instructor. Cell phones and othe	r			
DEVICE			on 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						
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PLAGIARISM			xpected to be familiar with these standards or academic integrity and	J			
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	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 (library.ucalgary.ca/copyright).			
ACADEMIC	Students seeking an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact			
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ACCOMMODATION	Student Accessibility Services (SAS); SAS will process the request and issue letters of			
	accommodation to instructors. For additional information on support services and			
	accommodations for students with disabilities, visit <u>www.ucalgary.ca/access/</u> . 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.			
	The full policy on Student Accommodations is available			
	at http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy 0.pdf .			
FOIP	<u>ucalgary.ca/secretariat/privacy</u>			
STUDENT	ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html			
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:			
	<u>ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/assemblypoints</u>			
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 ascarts@ucalgary.ca 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			
	<u>ucalgary.ca/ssc/</u> 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 email			
	at futurestudents@ucalgary.ca 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.			
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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 uofcdus@gmail.com
ASSOCIATIONS	MUS: Music Undergraduate Society, CHF 219 <u>undmusic@ucalgary.ca</u>