

ADVANCED TOPICS IN THEATRE STUDIES: BOB FOSSE

- Sept 8 First Meeting/ A&E Biography (1998 - 50 min)
- Sept 15 Early Work: Clips from GIVE A GIRL A BREAK (1953 Film), KISS ME KATE (1953 Film), THE PAJAMA GAME (1954/1957 Film), MY SISTER EILEEN (1955 Film), DAMN YANKEES (1955/1958 Film), BROADWAY: THE AMERICAN MUSICAL (Part V: Tradition - 1957 to 1979 - 60 min)
- Sept 22 MERELY MARVELOUS: THE DANCING GENUIS OF GWEN VERDON (2019 – 82 min)
- Sept 29 SWEET CHARITY (1966/1969 Film – 153 min)
- October 6 CABARET (1972 Film - 124 min)
- October 13 PIPPIN (1972/1981 Television Broadcast – 112 min)
- October 20 LIZA WITH A Z (1972 Broadcast – 50 min)/Forbidden Broadway Parody/FOSSE Appearance in THE LITTLE PRINCE (1974 Film)
- October 27 LENNY (1974 Film – 111 min)
- November 3 CHICAGO (1975) – Original Cast Recording/Charlie Rose Discussion of 1997 Revival/Select Forbidden Broadway parodies
- Nov 10 Fall Break – No Class
- Nov 17 CHICAGO (2012 Rob Marshall Film – 113 min)
- Nov 24 ALL THAT JAZZ (1979 Film – 123 min)
- December 1 STAR 80 (1983 Film – 103 min)
- December 8 FOSSE (Posthumous 1999 Retrospective – 127 min)/Final Forbidden Broadway parody
Term Papers due Friday, December 11

RECOMMENDED READING

Kevin Boyd Grubb. RAZZLE DAZZLE: THE LIFE & WORK OF BOB FOSSE. St. Martin’s Press, 1989.
Martin Gottfried. ALL HIS JAZZ: THE LIFE & DEATH OF BOB FOSSE. Bantam, 1990.
Sam Wasson. FOSSE. Mariner, 2014.
Kevin Winkler. BIG DEAL: BOB FOSSE & DANCE IN THE AMERICAN MUSICAL. OXFORD UP, 2018.

ASSIGNMENTS/DETERMINATION OF THE FINAL GRADE

Seminar Participation.....	50%
Term Paper.....	50%
	100%

TERM PAPER (c. 1500-2000 words)

The term paper may be on any topic approved in consultation with the instructor. However, students may elect to write on a common topic: The Achievement of Bob Fosse. The paper must be sent to me as a document attached to an email and will be due no later than Midnight of December 11.

GRADING SCALE

Grades for all termwork components will be given in the numerical scale as follows:

- 90-100: A+
- 85-89: A
- 80-84: A-
- 75-79: B+
- 70-74: B
- 65-69: B-
- 60-64: C+
- 55-59: C
- 50-54: C-
- 45-49: D+
- 40-44: D
- 00-39: F

The final course grade will be awarded in the University of Calgary letter-grade which most closely approximates the numerical average attained in the termwork components.

OFFICE HOURS

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Drama 483. Advanced Topics in Theatre Studies (3-0) 3 Units
Advanced study in various topics related to theatre studies.
Prerequisite: Drama 340 or 346 or consent of the Division.

Fall 2020: Sem 01 Tuesdays 1:00PM – 3:45PM Instructor: Heery Lynn
WEB-BASED SECTION

COURSE OVERVIEW

Bob Fosse (1927-87) was a major American stage director, choreographer, writer and filmmaker. The course will survey his life and work, beginning with his early work as a performer in both vaudeville/burlesque and Hollywood musicals. It will then move into his mature stage work as choreographer-writer-director, concluding with a study of his feature films.

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the completion of this course, successful students will:

- 1) have been exposed to the work of a major modern theatre and film artist.
- 2) have gained additional and advanced practice in the preparation of a research paper.



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Course Number and Title:
Session:

Instructor Office Email Office Hours	
Day(s),time(s) and location of Class	
Learning resources: required readings, textbooks and materials	
Learning Technologies and Requirements	<p>There is a D2L site for this course which contains required readings and other relevant class resources and materials (see d2L.ucalgary.ca).</p> <p>In order to successfully engage in their learning experiences at the University of Calgary, students taking online, remote and blended courses are required to have reliable access to the following technology:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A computer with a supported operating system, as well as the latest security, and malware updates; • A current and updated web browser; • Webcam (built-in or external); • Microphone and speaker (built-in or external) or headset with microphone; • Current antivirus and/or firewall software enabled; • Broadband internet connection. <p>Most current laptops will have a built-in webcam, speaker and microphone.</p>
Prerequisites	
Course description	
Course learning outcomes	<p>By the completion of this course, successful students will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2. 3. 4.
Course schedule	
Assessment components	<p><u>Assignment 1</u>: Assessment Method: Description: Weight: Due Date:</p> <p><u>Final Exam</u> (The dates, times and locations of final exams are scheduled by the Registrar during the final exam period) Assessment Method: Description: Weight:</p>

<p>Assessment expectations</p>	<p>Due Date:</p> <p><u>Guidelines for Submitting Assignments:</u></p> <p><u>Missed or Late Assignments:</u></p> <p><u>Expectations for Writing:</u> 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.</p>
<p>Grading scale</p>	<p>For the course as a whole, letter grades should be understood as follows, as outlined in the section F.1.1 Grading System and Transcripts of the Calendar: https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1.html.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 undergraduate faculty promotional policy.
<p>Guidelines for Zoom Sessions</p>	<p>Zoom is a video conferencing program that will allow us to meet at specific times for a “live” video conference, so that we can have the opportunity to meet each other virtually and discuss relevant course topics as a learning community.</p> <p>To help ensure Zoom sessions are private, do not share the Zoom link or password with others, or on any social media platforms. Zoom links and passwords are only intended for students registered in the course. Zoom recordings and materials presented in Zoom, including any teaching materials, must not be shared, distributed or published without the instructor’s permission.</p> <p>The use of video conferencing programs relies on participants to act ethically, honestly and with integrity; and in accordance with the principles of fairness, good faith, and respect (as per the Code of Conduct). When entering Zoom or other video conferencing sessions (such as MS Teams), you play a role in helping create an effective, safe and respectful learning environment. Please be mindful of how your behaviour in these sessions may affect others. Participants are required to use names officially associated with their UCID (legal or preferred names listed in the Student Centre) when engaging in these activities. Instructors/moderators can remove those whose names do not appear on class rosters. Non-compliance may be investigated under relevant University of Calgary conduct policies (e.g Student Non-Academic Misconduct Policy). If participants have difficulties complying with this requirement, they should email the instructor of the class explaining why, so the instructor may consider whether to grant an exception, and on what terms. For more information on how to get the most out of your zoom sessions visit: https://elearn.ucalgary.ca/guidelines-for-zoom/.</p> <p>Please be prepared, as best as you are able, to join class in a quiet space that will allow you to be fully present and engaged in Zoom sessions. Students will be advised by their instructor when they are expected to turn on their webcam (for group work, presentations, etc.).</p> <p>Recording Zoom class sessions is at the discretion of the instructor; missing a Zoom class is equivalent to missing an in-person class. The instructor <i>may</i> record online Zoom class sessions for the purposes of supporting student learning in this class – such as making the recording available for review of the session or for students who miss a session – but this is not a requirement. Should an instructor choose to record a class session, students will be</p>

	<p>advised before the instructor initiates a recording of a Zoom session. These recordings will be used to support student learning only and will not be shared or used for any other purpose.</p>
Academic Accommodation	<p>It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations according to the University policies and procedures listed below. The Student Accommodations policy is available at https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/access/prospective-students/academic-accommodations.</p> <p>Students needing an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact Student Accessibility Services (SAS) in accordance with the Procedure for Accommodations for Students with Disabilities (https://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/procedure-for-accommodations-for-students-with-disabilities.pdf). 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.</p> <p>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 www.ucalgary.ca/access/.</p>
Academic integrity, plagiarism	<p>Academic Misconduct refers to student behavior which compromises proper assessment of a student's academic activities and includes: cheating; fabrication; falsification; plagiarism; unauthorized assistance; failure to comply with an instructor's expectations regarding conduct required of students completing academic assessments in their courses; and failure to comply with exam regulations applied by the Registrar.</p> <p>For information on the Student Academic Misconduct Policy and Procedure please visit: https://ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-academic-misconduct-policy.pdf and https://ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-academic-misconduct-procedure.pdf. Additional information is available on the Academic Integrity Website at https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success/learning/academic-integrity.</p>
Internet and electronic communication device	<p>The use of laptop and mobile devices is acceptable when used in a manner appropriate to the course and classroom activities. Please refrain from accessing websites and resources that may be distracting to you or for other learners during class time. Students are responsible for being aware of the University's Internet and email use policy, which can be found at https://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/electronic-communications-policy.pdf</p>
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Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy	<p>Student information will be collected in accordance with typical (or usual) classroom practice. Students' assignments will be accessible only by the authorized course faculty. Private information related to the individual student is treated with the utmost regard by the faculty at the University of Calgary.</p>
Student Support	<p>Please visit this link for important information on UCalgary's student wellness and safety resources: https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines</p>