## Department of Theatre and Dramatic Arts

## Discipline Content

## About the B.F.A. (Dramatic Arts) Program

## Audition Information

## Drama Production Credit

Contact an Academic Advisor

The insights of playwrights, concepts of directors and designers, interpretations of actors, organization of stage managers, and expertise of theatre technicians are all part of the intoxicating appeal of live theatre. Previous experience in drama is not a prerequisite for entry into this program, which provides a broad focus and the flexibility for students to shape their studies to reflect specific areas of interests.

> All B.F.A. (Dramatic Arts) students study aspects of theatre performance and production as well as history, theory, and criticism. They also participate, in some capacity, in the series of major productions produced annually by the Department of Theatre and Dramatic Arts.

For audition and other information about the Department of Theatre and Dramatic Arts activities, visit the Virtual Call Board: www.uleth.ca/finearts/drama. Students are also encouraged to refer to the Department's Information Handbook (www.uleth.ca/finearts/departments/drama/informationhandbook).

Drama 2600, 3600, and 4600 are courses that allow credit for participation in productions produced by the Department of Theatre and Dramatic Arts. Participation includes all aspects of the production process (acting, design, props, lighting, sound, stage management, etc.). Drama 2611, 3611, and 4611 are similar, but are limited to technical or design assignments. Registration in Drama 2611 requires the corequisite of Drama 2810. Drama 2611 is a prerequisite for Drama 3611 and 4611.
Procedure:

1. The production season is established in the spring of each year. The list is available from the Chair of the Department of Theatre and Dramatic Arts.
2. Students may contact the faculty member responsible for directing the play or watch the bulletin boards for notice of audition dates. Those interested in the technical aspects of the production may wish to contact the Technical Director.
3. Registration in the relevant course number normally occurs in the semester in which the production(s) will be completed. The usual course registration deadlines do not apply; however, if the course is not registered before November 15 for the Fall or March 15 for the Spring, registration will be delayed until the following semester.
4. The forms required to register are available from the Fine Arts Advising Office (W660). Registration is coordinated by the Faculty of Fine Arts Advising Office.

To book an appointment with an Academic Advisor in the Faculty of Fine Arts, visit www.uleth.ca/ finearts/student-advising.

## Faculty of Education

## Drama and Education

Education 2500

Field Experience

Success in Drama and Education has similar requirements including commitment, organization, creativity, and persistence.

Education 2500 is an introductory course that must be completed before admission to the program. Its main focus is to assist students in making a decision about the suitability of teaching as a career.

One of the strengths of the University of Lethbridge Education program is the extensive amount of field experience students acquire during their two years in the faculty. Beyond Education 2500, all students teach in the schools during Professional Semesters I (five weeks), II (six weeks), and III (full semester internship). Practicum placements in PS II and PS III focus on teaching drama in a variety of classroom contexts, while PS I is a more generic placement.

## Performance

## 'Methods for Non-majors'

 Elective
## Career Opportunities

Teaching in the Practicum

## Education Minors

Because performance is an important form of communication for Drama teachers, students are encouraged to gain as much performance experience as possible by taking advantage of all the productions presented by Department of Theatre and Dramatic Arts. Although optional, Drama 2600, 3600, and 4600 are useful courses to help students gain additional performance experience.

Education students are encouraged to take at least one 'methods for non-majors' elective such as Mathematics, Language Arts, or Social Studies after admission to the Faculty of Education and before entering Professional Semester II, and definitely before PS III.

Completing a B.F.A/B.Ed. or B.A/B.Ed. Combined Degrees program enables graduates to teach from $K$ to 12 . However, the B.F.A./
B.Ed. program better equips graduates to teach Grades $7-12$, and is especially valuable for teaching Grades $10-12$.

During their practicum, students may teach units on orientation, improvisation, reader's theatre, story theatre, mime, movement, and scene study. Possessing experience with some or all of these subjects helps ensure success in the classroom.

> Students may complete an Education minor in addition to the major. The Faculty of Education offers 19 minors. A minor consists of five non-Education courses (excluding those used in the major) and one curriculum and instruction Education course (to be completed after admission to the Faculty of Education). Students may use the same courses to fulfill minor and General Liberal Education requirements. Completing a minor allows students to develop expertise in a second area of teaching and be more versatile and marketable as a graduating teacher. For more information, see the $2011 / 2012$ University of Lethbridge Calendar, Part 8 - Education, Section 7. Education Minors (p. 168).

## Program Requirements

The B.F.A. (Dramatic Arts)/B.Ed. Combined Degrees program requires a minimum of 50 semester courses, including 30 in Fine Arts (and Arts and Science) and 20 in Education. A minimum of 21 courses in Drama is required. Students begin this program in the Faculty of Fine Arts where they progress toward completion of Fine Arts degree requirements, and prepare to meet the admission requirements for the Faculty of Education. Students admitted to the Faculty of Fine Arts may declare their intention of completing the combined B.F.A. (Dramatic Arts)/B.Ed. degrees. Such students who have not yet been admitted to the Faculty of Education are designated pre-B.F.A. (Dramatic Arts)/B.Ed. After completion of the minimum number of courses required to be eligible for admission to the Faculty of Education, students may apply and, if accepted, be formally enrolled in the B.F.A. (Dramatic Arts)/B.Ed. Combined Degrees program. Students are not officially in the program until they have been admitted to BOTH the Faculty of Fine Arts (through admission to the University) and the Faculty of Education.
Remember that you may use both University of Lethbridge credit and credit transferred from another college or university to meet degree and major requirements. Transfer credit may be either specified or unspecified. Specified credit is indicated on your transcript by the subject name and the specific number of the course, e.g., Drama 1000, Drama 2130, etc. Unspecified credit (1XXX, 2 XXX , etc.) is indicated by the subject name and the level of the course in parentheses, e.g., Drama ( 1000 level), Drama ( 2000 level), etc.

## Unspecified Course Credit

Unspecified course credit means that the University of Lethbridge does not offer the same course you transferred in, but we recognize it and treat it as a regular course. An unspecified course would meet an elective requirement in your program, but it could not meet a specific course requirement. For example if Drama 2810 is required in your program, you could not use Drama (2000 level) to fulfill that requirement. Students with unspecified transfer credit need to consult an Academic Advisor to establish how the transfer credit fits in the degree program. This should be done as soon as possible after transfer credit is awarded.

## Admission to the Faculty of Education

Completion of a minimum of 20 semester courses ( 60.0 credit hours).
Minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.50 on all UofL and transferable courses taken within the semesters containing the last 20 courses ( 60.0 credit hours).
Completion of a minimum of eight courses ( 24.0 credit hours) in Dramatic Arts, including all transferable courses, with a minimum cumulative average of 2.50 .

Credit in Education 2500 - Practicum I - Orientation to Teaching (or equivalent) including a favourable recommendation from the instructor. Students who do not receive a favourable recommendation for admission to the Faculty of Education may be permitted to re-enroll in the course after one full year provided they can demonstrate that they have sufficiently remediated inadequacies in their previous performance.
Completion of an acceptable portfolio, performance audition and interview.
Demonstrated proficiency in written and oral English by the June 1 document deadline. A student may meet the Writing Proficiency Requirement in any of the following ways:

- obtaining a grade of 75 percent or higher on the English Language Arts 30-1 Alberta Diploma exam
- obtaining a final grade of 80 percent or higher in English Language Arts 30-1 or its equivalent from any province
- passing the Alberta Universities' Writing Competence Test (AUWCT)
- obtaining a pass in the 'Writing for University' course
- obtaining a grade of ' B ' ( 3.00 on a 4.0 scale) or higher in Writing 1000
- obtaining a grade of ' B ' ( 3.00 on a 4.0 scale) or higher in a university English course
- successful completion of a recognized degree from an English-language university

Students are encouraged to consult early with the Faculty of Education, Student Program Services Office regarding procedures for meeting the Writing Proficiency Requirement.

## Program Worksheet

Name: $\qquad$ ID: $\qquad$

## Required Drama Courses:



## General Liberal Education Requirement:

23-30. GLER (eight non-Drama courses):
Fine Arts and Humanities
Drama
Social Science
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$\qquad$
Science
27. $\qquad$
Drama
24.
28.
$\qquad$ 29.
9.

Drama
26. $\qquad$ 30.
Bachelor of Fine Arts (Dramatic Arts)/Bachelor of Education

## Education Requirements:

31. Education 2500 - Orientation to Teaching (including a favourable recommendation)
32-36. Professional Semester I (Fall only)
37-41. Professional Semester II (Spring only)
42-46. Professional Semester III: Education 4574 - Fine Arts Internship in Dramatic Arts (Fall only)
32. ONE Education Foundation course, from among the following:
Education 4310 - Comparative Studies of Education in Developed and Third World Nations
Education 4311 - World Issues and Problems in Education
Education 4320 - Education and Society from a Sociological Perspective
Education 4321 - Social Issues in Education
Education 4341 - Foundations of Multicultural Education in Canada
Education 4360 - Studies in the History of Western Education
Education 4361 - History of Canadian Education
Education 4362 - Concepts of Childhood in the History of Education
Education 4380 - Developing a Philosophy of Education
Education 4381 - Ethics of Teaching
Education 4391 - Seminar in Educational Foundations (Series)
One appropriate Independent Study in Education

48-50. THREE Education electives:
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## Other Graduation Requirements:

Fine Arts:
Completion of 21 Drama courses ( 63.0 credit hours) with a grade point average of at least 2.00 .

Completion of at least 10 Drama courses ( 30.0 credit hours) at the 3000/ 4000 level.

Completion of the General Liberal Education Requirement. A maximum of four courses from one department may be counted toward this requirement. (Please refer to the 2011/2012 Calendar, p. 85, for further details.)

A maximum of three Independent Study courses in Fine Arts.
Not more than eight courses at the 0100-1000 level. For 0100-1990 courses that have a $0100 / 1000$ level background or prerequisite, only the first course in the series counts toward this limit.

## Education:

Maintenance of a grade point average of 2.50 in Education courses.
Completion of the Drama Education major with a grade point average of 2.50 .

## Sample Sequencing Plan

Year 1, Fall
Drama 1000
Drama 2100
GLER course
GLER course
GLER course

## Year 2, Fall

Drama 2120
Drama 2611
One of: Drama 2320/2340/2510/
2710 or Drama 2420
Education $2500^{1}$
GLER course
Year 3, Fall
Drama 3150 or Drama elective
Drama 3000/4000-level elective
Drama 3000/4000-level elective
Drama 3000/4000-level elective
Drama Elective

## Year 1, Spring

Drama 2310
Drama 2810
GLER course
GLER course
Elective

## Year 2, Spring

Drama 2130
Drama 3100
One of: Drama 2320/2340/2710/
2830 or Drama 2420
GLER course
GLER course
Year 3, Spring
Drama 3600
Drama 4420
One of: Drama 3130/4211 or
Drama elective
Drama 3000/4000-level elective
Drama 3000/4000-level elective

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| Year 4, FalI | Year 4, Spring |
| Professional Semester I (PS I) | Professional Semester II (PS II) |
| Year 5, FaII | Year 5, Spring |
| Professional Semester III (PS III): Fine | Drama 3000/4000-level elective |
| Arts Internship in Dramatic Arts | Education Foundation course |
|  | Education elective |
|  | Education elective |
|  | Education elective |

[^0]A maximum of two Independent Study courses in Education.

## Residence Requirement:

Completion of a minimum of 30 courses ( 90.0 credit hours) at the University of Lethbridge, including a minimum of six Drama courses ( 18.0 credit hours) and 15 Education courses.


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Education 2500 may also be taken in Spring or Summer semester.

