



EXPERIENTIAL MAJOR MAP *This major map will help you explore ways and opportunities to make the most of your student life and academic experience*

FIRST YEAR

MIDDLE YEARS

LAST YEAR

YOUR PASSION



Academic Experiences

- Update to Review the University Core and College Core Requirements
- Meet with your advisor to talk about your major selection and review program requirements
- Be sure to complete COTR 2621 Introduction to Theatre, COTR 2627 Principles of Acting

- Apply for an internship or take an experiential learning course
- Complete your CORE 2101, Engaging the World and World Language requirements
- Consider adding a minor to complement your major
- Meet with your advisor to review your academic plan and discuss graduate school or other career plans

- Meet with your advisor to confirm completion of degree requirements
- Complete your Senior Seminar Course
- Apply for Graduation

YOUR CALLING



Community Connections

- Attend the Student Involvement Fair to learn more about CommArts student groups and other organizations
- Attend a Study Abroad Information session to see how you can incorporate an experience into your educational plan
- Attend speaker and special events hosted by the Department of Communication, Media, and the Arts

- Speak with your professors to begin to establish your network and talk about project or research opportunities
- Submit your application to study abroad
- Join the Theatre Council, Music Ensembles or Seton Hall Theatre
- Apply to the CommArts Honor Alumni Mentor Partners (CHAMP) program

- Select major or general electives that broaden your knowledge and expose you to different areas of your discipline
- Participate in Main Stage Productions
- Participate in the American College Theatre Festival

YOUR FUTURE



Career and Professional Success

- Speak with the Career Center regarding potential summer work or internship opportunities
- Conduct an informational interview to help you learn more about potential career fields
- Audition for a production or volunteer for the production crew

- Take on a leadership position within a student organization
- If considering graduate school, prepare to apply to dual-degree or other graduate program
- Attend the Career Fair to explore post-grad opportunities and make connections



Bachelor of Arts **THEATRE**

Students majoring in Theatre learn all aspects of theatrical production from acting, directing and designing to writing and producing. Four main stage productions are produced each year, two on campus in our unique Theatre-in-the-Round, and two at the South Orange Performing Arts Center (SOPAC). An attractive and unique element of the program, students are immediately eligible to audition and participate in all productions, as early as the first semester of freshman year.

Our Theatre faculty is comprised of scholars, classically trained actors, directors and accomplished set designers, and is frequently supplemented by guest instructors active in the industry. Students take advantage of unparalleled internship opportunities both locally and in nearby New York City. Many Theatre majors participate annually in the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival under the guidance of a faculty mentor, where students receive personal feedback and networking opportunities.



ACADEMIC SUCCESS CHECKLIST

- Meet with your Academic advisor at least once per semester
- Create a four year academic and engagement plan
- Take at least 15 credits per semester
- Visit the Academic Resource Center and Writing Center
- Complete the FAFSA annually and apply for scholarships

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Where do students intern?
**Atlanta Shakespeare
Tavern Playhouse,
Lincoln Center Theatre,
NJ Performing
Arts Center, Shubert
Organization**

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CAREER INFORMATION

CAREER READINESS

What do employers want?

- Think critically and problem solve
- Communicate clearly and effectively
- Build collaborative relationships to effectively work as part of a team
- Use technology to ethically and efficiently to solve problems and reach goals

THIS MAJOR GIVES ME THE SKILLS TO

- Collaborate within an artistic team environment.
- Understand the various means through which a theatrical concept is realized.
- Demonstrate research and critical judgment through performance, writing, speaking, etc.
- Understand Theatre standards/practices, playwriting/production processes and aesthetic properties of style.
- Value people's diversity and their creative gifts.

WHAT CAREERS CAN I PURSUE?

- Actor
- Administrator of Arts Program
- Fundraising and Development
- Media Planner
- Performing: Stage, Television, Radio
- Production Manager
- Set Designer
- Theatre Director
- Theatre Technician

CAREER DEVELOPMENT CHECKLIST

- Join a student organization
- Have your resume reviewed by the Career Center
- Create your LinkedIn account and connect with alumni
- Participate in Career Center Networking activities Apply for an internship