

# UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY FACULTY OF ARTS SCHOOL OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS - DRAMA DRAMA 210 S03/B03 – Introduction to Acting II

**Session: Winter 2018** 

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Office Hours						
	W 2:00-3:00 PM (or by appointment)					
Day(s),Time(s) and	Mo 12:00PM- 2:50PM					
Location of Class	We 12:00 – 1:50PM					
	CHE004					
Out of Class	Mandatory attendance at one professional theatre production as chosen by each student-					
Activities	Generally speaking, students will be encouraged to participate in and/or view all SCPA productions as					
	part of the ongoing learning process.					
Learning Resources:	No text book required.					
Required Readings,						
Textbooks and						
Materials						
Prerequisites	None.					
Supplementary Fees	None.					
Course Description	Practical experience in acting; improvisation and introductory work from texts; the development of communication skills and personal acting creativity.					
Course Overview	Drama 211 is an experiential, studio - based course designed to introduce the student					
	to the craft of acting. The aim of Drama 211 is to enhance confidence and self-					
	awareness in performance and to provide practical tools to develop the students'					
	creativity, imagination and a skillful understanding of analysis techniques.					
	The year of studio style classes will cover:					
	Physical and Vocal warm ups/explorations					
	Acting technique /improvisation/analysis					
	Monologues					
	Scene work					
	Ensemble and solo creation projects					

## **Course Learning** By the completion of this course, successful students will be able to: **Outcomes** 1. Collaborate responsibly with both groups and partners. 2. Actively support the culture of respect and inclusion in the studio environment 3. Analyze and breakdown a script by applying the primary elements of acting technique, including playing objectives, tactics and listening. Able to discern and identify the difference between demonstrating/indicating versus truthful, embodied acting. 5. Choose appropriate monologues for an audition. Develop skills for presentational speaking. **Course Schedule:** The semester of studio style components will cover: Physical and Vocal warm ups/explorations (every class) Acting technique /improvisation/analysis (every class) Scene work -January 8-Feb 14th Solo creation projects – Actors Legacy Feb.26<sup>th</sup> Ensemble work- Greek Chorus Project—Feb 28- March 14 Audition Monologues – March19- April 9 Students will receive handouts with clear details, due dates, assessment criteria and instructions for each major assignment. There are no formal examinations. Each student will receive a private end of year assessment interview with the Instructor. Journal The journal is designed to provide a written record of class activities as well as the opportunity for self-reflection and clear articulation of discoveries within the work. The final journal paper will be a compilation of the term's discoveries and highlights presented in essay form. Please see Journal Handout for additional details. Assessment This is a full year course. The final grade is a combination of the grades from the Fall Components and Winter terms based on the following outline: 1) Participation 10% 2) Growth and Development 10% 10% 3) Journal /Paper 4) Assignment #1 20% 5) Assignment #3 10% 15% 6) Assignment#4 25% 7) Assignment #5 **Assignment 1**: Scene Study Value:20% Due Date: **Type**: Scene Study Component **Description**: Scene presentation, script analysis **Assignment 2**: Greek Chorus Project Value: 10% Due Date: TBD Type: Presentation and Peer Assessment Description: Ensemble Presentation of Greek Chorus

Assignment 3: Actor's Legacy

**Value**: 15%

**Due Date**:Monday , Feb 26 **Type**: Solo presentation

**Description**: Actor Legacy Creation

Assignment 4: Audition Monolgue and Play Response

**Value**: 25%

Due Date: Monday, April 9

**Type**: Presentation

**Description:** Presentation audition monologue

Journal and Journal Paper

**Value**: 10%

**Due Date**:Wed. April 11 **Type**: Written Reflection

**Description:** The journal assignment has two components.

Students will be expected to record daily class activities as well as their reflections on

the work as the ongoing preparation for the final paper.

At the end of term, the student will write a compilation paper based on important

discoveries, reflections and development throughout the term.

Although this assignment is worth only 10% of the term, the paper will have significant bearing on both the Participation and Growth and Development grades.

### **Growth and Development and Participation Assessment**

The instructor will be observing and assessing the following:

- 1) Willingness and commitment to move forward in the work
- 2) Discipline, focus, risk taking, working from a growing sense of truth for the actor
- 3) Openness, consistency, preparation, diligence
- 4) Successful integration and application of learned skills
- 5) Generousity, respect for, and ability to work well with others and overall positive contribution to class discussions, activities and a safe and inclusive environment.

# Assessment Expectations

### **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.

### **Expectations for Attendance and Participation:**

This course is developmental, experiential and often collaborative in nature and therefore attendance is mandatory. Please inform the instructor prior to the class in the event of extenuating circumstances or *legitimate* absence. Failure to attend class and/or tardiness will impact the participation standing. If for a medical emergency, the student must be late or absent from class, they MUST ADVISE THE INSTRUCTOR BY EMAIL OR PHONE CALL well before the start of class.

When absence affects a collaborative process, a more severe deduction will be made. Throughout the year, students will be required to rehearse outside of class time and

<u>attend theatre productions.</u> Please be on time and ready to begin at the scheduled time.

Please refer to the Undergraduate Calendar E.3 Attendance for details.

Please Note:

- 1) Proper dress is mandatory. Please wear clothing that allows for complete freedom of movement. (No jeans, hats, or restrictive clothing)
- 2) Please bring writing materials- notebook and pen to each class.
- 3) No cell phone use in the classroom at any time.
- 4) Please bring a water bottle to class.
- 5) Much of the work will require bare feet.
- 6) Any problems or concerns should immediately be brought to the attention of the instructor. Students are encouraged to use the posted office hours whenever necessary.

### **Guidelines for Formatting Assignments**

As noted in assignment handouts

### **Guidelines for Submitting Assignments**

All assignments must be delivered by the student, in hard copy form to the instructor at the beginning of the class on the due date. An electronic copy should always be saved and available for re-submission if the necessity should present itself.

# **Late Assignments**

No late work will be accepted except in the case of extenuating circumstances that have been brought to the attention of and agreed upon by the instructor well in advance of the due date. Grade deduction will be at the discretion of the instructor base on the circumstances.

### **Criteria That Must Be Met To Pass**

Consistent and punctual attendance, respectful and active participation in all course components and passing grades in each assignment will ensure a passing grade. Students are encouraged to go well beyond these minimum requirements and take full advantage of all opportunities for growth and learning potential.

### **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
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A+	4.00	Outstanding.
Α	4.00	Excellent-superior performance, showing comprehensive
		understanding of subject matter.
A-	3.70	Good - clearly above average performance with knowledge
		of subject matter generally complete.
B+	3.30	
В	3.00	Good - clearly above average performance with knowledge
		of subject matter generally complete.
B-	2.70	
C+	2.30	
С	2.00	Satisfactory - basic understanding of the subject matter.

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	C-	1.70	Receipt of a grade point average of 1.70 may not be			
			sufficient for promotion or graduation. (See individual			
	<u> </u>	4.00	undergraduate faculty regulations.)			
	D+	1.30				
	D	1.00	Minimal pass - marginal performance; generally insufficient			
			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	December for Fall 2015 term; 16-27 April for Winter 2016 term); students should therefore					
SCHEDULING	avoid making prior travel, employment, or other commitments for this period. If a student is					
	unable to write an exam through no fault of his or her own for medical or other valid reasons,					
			provided and an opportunity to write the missed exam may be			
	given. Students are encouraged to review all examination policies and procedures:					
			ams/deferred_final			
DEFERRALS OF	It is possible to request a deferral of term work or final examinations for reasons of illness,					
EXAMS/TERM WORK	accident, family or domestic affliction, or religious obligations. Please check with your advisor if					
	any of these issues make it impossible for you to sit an exam or finish term work by stated					
	deadlines. ucalgary.ca/registrar/exams/deferred_final					
	ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/g-6.html					
			ar/current/g-7.html			
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COMMUNCATION			uters may be approved by your Instructor. Cell phones and other			
DEVICE	electronic communication devices should be silenced or turned off upon entering the					
	-		the Instructor's policy regarding the use of electronic communication			
			, 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					
	explicit permi					
ACADEMIC INTEGRITY,	-		is committed to the highest standards of academic integrity and			
PLAGIARISM	-		xpected to be familiar with these standards regarding academic			
	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> )					
			lagiarism Using any source whatsoever without clearly documenting			
		•	us academic offence. Consequences include failure on the assignment,			
			possibly suspension or expulsion from the university. You must			
		•	t quotations but also paraphrases and ideas where they appear in your			
			he end is insufficient by itself. Readers must be able to tell exactly			
	-		leas end and other people's words and ideas begin. This includes n non-traditional formats such as Web pages or visual media, and			
			n sources. Please consult your instructor or the Student Success Centre			
CODVDICUT			ave any questions regarding how to document sources.			
COPYRIGHT	•	•	students and professors to ensure that materials they post or			
			ply with the Copyright Act and the University's Fair Dealing Guidance			
			pyright information for students is available on the Copyright Office			
ACADEMIC			ry.ca/copyright).			
ACCOMMODATION		_	commodation because of a Disability or medical condition should			
ACCOMMODATION			polity Services ( <u>ucalgary.ca/access</u> ) in accordance with the Procedure for			
			idents with Disabilities available at <u>ucalgary.ca/policies/forms/title</u> .			
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	this need, preferably in writing, to their instructor or the appropriate Associate Dean or Division			
	Chair.			
FOIP	ucalgary.ca/secretariat/privacy			
STUDENT	ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html			
MISCONDUCT				
ACADEMIC STANDING	ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f.html			
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 <u>arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate</u> 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 <a href="mailto:success@ucalgary.ca">success@ucalgary.ca</a> or visit their website at			
	ucalgary.ca/ssc/ 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 <a href="mailto:futurestudents@ucalgary.ca">futurestudents@ucalgary.ca</a> 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.			
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			
LINDEDCDADUATE	Student Ombudsman: su.ucalgary.ca/page/quality-education/academic-services/student-rights			
UNDERGRADUATE	DUS: Drama Undergraduate Society, CHC 005 <u>uofcdus@gmail.com</u>			
ASSOCIATIONS	MUS: Music Undergraduate Society, CHF 219 <u>undmusic@ucalgary.ca</u>			