

# UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY FACULTY OF ARTS

# SCHOOL OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS - DRAMA DRAM 610 – SELECTED PROBLEMS IN DIRECTING FALL/WINTER 2018/19

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Instructor	Christine Brubaker	
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Office Hours	Wednesday 10am-1pm (Or by Appointment)	
Day(s),time(s) and	F.R. Matthews Theatre (CHF101)	
location of Class	Tuesday 9am-11:45 Lab / Thursday 10am-11:45 Seminar	
Out of class activities	Students will be expected to attend one production meeting, one tech rehearsal (level	
	setting), and one tech run for one mainstage show during the year. They will also be	
	required to attend at least four professional theatrical performances.	
Learning resources:	REQUIRED READING:	
required readings,	Ball, David; Backwards and Forwards, Southern Illinois University Press, 1983.	
textbooks and	Bogart, Anne; And Then, You Act; Making Art in an Unpredictable World, New York:	
materials	Routledge, 2007.	
	Bogart, Anne; A Director Prepares: Seven Essays on Art and Theatre. London: Routledge, 2001.	
	Mitchell, Katie; <i>The Director's Craft: A Handbook for the Theatre</i> . London: Routledge, 2009.	
	SUPPLEMENTAL READING:	
	Crook, Paul B.; The Art and Practice of Directing for Theatre, Routledge, 2017	
	Boenisch, Paul; Directing Scenes and Senses: the thinking of Regie, University of	
	Manchester Press, 2015 (in Library)	
	Assorted Additional Readings will be provided through the year.	
Prerequisites	Admission to the MFA Directing Program	
Supplementary fees	Ticket costs to attend up to four professional theatre performances each semester.	
	These will be determined in consultation with the instructor.	
	There are potential plans for a trip to Stratford and/or Shaw in the spring of 2018	
	depending on student's interest and availability. Students are responsible for securing	
	travel funding and per diems. Different resources for this will be discussed in class.	
Course description	This advanced course for student directors will investigate both the theoretical and	
'	executive functions of the director. Emphasis will be placed on contemporary theatre	
	practices through research and conceptual design, rehearsal and creation methods,	
	and the development and articulation of a personal approach to theatre making.	
Course learning	By the completion of this course, successful students will be able to:	
outcomes	Articulate an informed conceptual framework that can be communicated in the	
	realization of a theatrical production.	
	2. Design and execute an effective process for research, rehearsal and production	
	3. Demonstrate effective leadership and productively engage all creative partners in	
	pursuit of an articulated concept.	
	4. Apply a variety of techniques in rehearsal and production.	
	5. Articulate a personal theory and approach to performance creation and research.	
Course schedule	To be presented on Day One of class	
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Assessment	<ol> <li>Annotated Bibliography</li> </ol>	10% (1 per term worth 5% each)
components	2. Project #1	5%
	3. Project #2	10%
	4. Project #3	15%
	5. Project #4	25%
	6. Pre-thesis Project (30) & Paper (5	5) 35%

# **Guidelines for Submitting Assignments:**

Students will work collaboratively with the instructor to establish both presentation dates and submission of research/analysis paper dates.

#### Criteria That Must Be Met to Pass:

Students will be expected to complete all assignments and receive a minimum of 70% in order to pass this course as per the Graduate Calendar.

## **Expectations for Writing:**

Students are expected to follow the individual guidelines for writing for each assignment as determined and communicated by the instructor.

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

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

#### Late Assignments:

Realistic deadlines will be agreed upon between the student and instructor. Each student will also be allowed 3 free late days (24 hour period) which s/he/they can use through the course without penalty. After those days have been used, deductions will be applied as follows: Late written assignments will be subject to a 10% per-day-past-deadline penalty. Late performance presentations will be discussed on a case-by-case basis between the student and the instructor.

### Grading scale

For the course as a whole, letter grades should be understood as follows, as outlined in the section G.1 Distribution of Grades of the Graduate Calendar for 2018-2019:

Grade	GPA	Graduate Description
A+	4.00	Outstanding
А	4.00	Excellent - superior performance showing
		comprehensive understanding of the subject matter.
A-	3.70	Very good performance
B+	3.30	Good performance
В	3.00	Satisfactory performance
B-	2.70	Minimum pass for students in the Faculty of Graduate
D-		Studies
C+	2.30	All grades below "B-" are indicative of failure at the
		graduate level and cannot be counted toward Faculty
		of Graduate Studies course requirements. Individual
		programs may require a higher passing grade.
С	2.00	
C-	1.70	
D+	1.30	
D	1.00	
F	0.00	

The following numerical equivalences will be used:

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	A+ 95-100%
	A 90-94
	A- 85-89
	B+ 80-84
	B 75-79
	B- 71-74
	C+ 67-70
	C 63-66
	C- 59-62
	D+ 55-58
	D 50-54
	F 0-49
Important Term	Fall 2018
Dates	Thursday, September 6th to Friday December 7th 2018
	Reading Week: November 11-17
	Winter 2019
	Thursday, January 10th to Friday April 12th 2019
	Reading Week: February 17-23
Deferrals of	Instructors are normally free, subject to any established departmental or faculty
exams/term work	procedures, to administer their own policies regarding deadlines for the completion of
	term papers or assignments. However, should an extension of time be sought for
	completion of any such term work beyond five days after the end of lectures, a
	Deferral of Term Work form must be completed. Deferrals may only be granted at the
	discretion of the dean and will normally not exceed thirty days. Application forms are
	available at ucalgary.ca/registrar or at Enrolment Services.
Academic	
	Students seeking an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should
accommodation	contact 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>ucalgary.ca/access/accommodations/policy</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 <u>ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy.pdf</u>
Academic integrity,	The University of Calgary is committed to the highest standards of academic integrity
plagiarism	and honesty. Students are expected 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
	(ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-3.html; ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-
	5.html) 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.
Internet and	elearn.ucalgary.ca/category/d2l/
electronic	ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/emergency-instructions/uc-emergency-app

communication	The in-class use of computers may be approved by your Instructor. Cell phones and
device	other electronic communication 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 in a charge of misconduct. No audio or video
	recording of any kind is allowed in class without explicit permission of the Instructor.
	For more information on freedom of information and privacy visit:
	ucalgary.ca/legalservices/foip
Convright	It is the responsibility of students and professors to ensure that materials they post or
Copyright	, , ,
	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).
Emergency	Assembly points for emergencies have been identified across campus. THE PRIMARY
evacuation	ASSEMBLY 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>
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. For
	Safewalk info visit: <u>ucalgary.ca/security/safewalk</u>
Students' union and	GSA: ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/grad/current/graduate-students-association-gsa-
ombudsperson	grad.html
contacts	Student Ombudsman: <u>ucalgary.ca/ombuds/contact</u>
Student Wellness and	The University has a wealth of resources to support student physical and mental
Mental Health	health, please see the SU Wellness Centre ( <a href="http://www.ucalgary.ca/wellnesscentre/">http://www.ucalgary.ca/wellnesscentre/</a> )
	or the Campus Mental Health Strategy (https://www.ucalgary.ca/mentalhealth/) for
	more information on these resources.
SCPA Claim Your Seat	1. The Claim Your Seat (CYS) program allows all University of Calgary students to
Program: Student	attend on-campus School of Creative and Performing Arts (Dance, Drama and
Guidelines	Music) events free of charge.
	2. Depending on the performance, there is a limited number of seats available for
	CYS. There is not a guarantee that tickets will be available for all CYS patrons for
	every performance, based on audience size, demand, etc.
	3. CYS tickets are a privilege. If a student receives a ticket to attend a performance, it
	is expected that they will respect the value of the admission and attend the
	performance.
	4. Process for students: On the date of the performance, from the time the Box
	Office opens until 15 minutes prior to the performance start time, students should
	find the UTS staff member with an IPad and show their UCID card to print their CYS
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	ticket. If students arrive after 15 minutes prior to the performance start time, they
	can also go to the Box Office and purchase a ticket at the student rate. Students
	should not go to the Box Office unless they are purchasing a ticket.
	5. If students have a course requirement to attend a performance for a specific date,
	access to the tickets will be communicated by the instructor to University Theatre
	Services prior to the event. The best guarantee for a free ticket is to arrive early,
	up to 45 minutes prior to the performance start time.
i	6. Respect for the Front of House and theatre staff, performers and fellow patrons is
	an absolute requirement. Failure to comply with this will lead to being asked to
SCPA Librarian	an absolute requirement. Failure to comply with this will lead to being asked to leave the venue and could result in the revoking of CYS privileges.  Marc Stoeckle, MLIS, BA

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	Learning & Services Librarian for School of Creative & Performing Arts and School of
	Languages, Linguistics, Literatures & Cultures   Libraries & Cultural Resources,
	University of Calgary
	Ph: 403.220.6777, Email: mstoeckle@ucalgary.ca, Office: TFDL 160D
Faculty of Arts	For academic advising, contact the SCPA Graduate Program Administrator Alison
program advising and	Schmal at aschmal@ucalgary.ca
student information	Specific questions regarding graduate regulations, policies or registration issues, can
resources	be addressed with the Faculty of Graduate Studies, located in the MacKimmie Tower
	Room 213. They are open 10:00 – 4:30 Monday to Friday except statutory holidays,
	and the phone number is 403-220-4938 or visit the website at grad.ucalgary.ca/home.
Course outlines for	It is possible that you will be asked for copies of this outline for credit transfers to
transfer credit	other 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.
Studying at another	If you wish to study at another institution while registered at UCalgary, you must gain
University	approval from your program and the Faculty of Graduate Studies before the course(s)
	begin. If the university you wish to attend is not a part of the Western Deans'
	Agreement or the Canadian Mobility Agreement, you will require a Letter of
	Permission from your University of Calgary graduate program and the program at the
	other institution.
	If you want to go on an exchange, you will need to fill out an Application for Exchange
	form.
Graduate	Graduate Music Society (GMS) can be contacted at <a href="mailto:musicgradconference@gmail.com">musicgradconference@gmail.com</a> ;
associations	School of Creative and Performing Arts Graduate Society (SCPAGS) can be contacted
	via Facebook at ' <u>University of Calgary SCPA Grads'</u> or by email at
	<u>uofc.scpags@gmail.com</u>