

# UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY FACULTY OF ARTS

## **SCHOOL OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS**

Course Number and Title: Dram 320 Introduction to Lighting Design

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Day(s),time(s):	SEM 1 Mo 3:00PM - 4:50PM	
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Learning resources:	Recommended Reference:	
required readings,	Theatrical Design and Production	
textbooks and materials	by J. Michael Gillette, University of Arizona	
	Backstage Handbook: An Illustrated Almanac of Technical Information.	
	Paul Carter. Broadway Press, New York, 1994	
	Please Note: You will be required to purchase some supplies.	
Learning Technologies	There is a D2L site for this course which contains required readings and other	
and Requirements	relevant class resources and materials (see d2L.ucalgary.ca).	
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	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:	
	A computer with a supported operating system, as well as the latest	
	security, and malware updates;	
	A current and updated web browser;	
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	Microphone and speaker (built-in or external) or headset with	
	microphone;	
	Current antivirus and/or firewall software enabled;	
	Broadband internet connection.	
	Most current laptops will have a built-in webcam, speaker and microphone.	
Prerequisites	Prerequisite or Corequisite: <u>Drama 319</u>	
Course description	Basic principles of lighting for live performance including conceptualization of the	
	lighting approach, techniques in communication and skills in execution of a	
	performance.	
Course learning	-Through in-class projects and assignments, students will demonstrate a basic level	
outcomes	of understanding of theory of lighting design and what a professional designer	
	would need to communicate with Director, Technical Director, Production staff	
	and Actors.	
	-Students will examine and critique the work of professional designers and study	
	how that might inform their own process.	
	-Students will demonstrate the ability to be proficient in developing a lighting	
	design and with class presentations students will develop the ability to	
	communicate their ideas to a group and to accept criticism as well as adapt to that	
	criticism.	
	-Students will develop the ability to develop a process from text analysis to	
	completing a lighting design.	

By the completion of this course, successful students will be able to:

- 1. Produce a lighting plot and accompanying paperwork.
- 2. Have an understanding of color in light.
- 3. Analyze a text from the standpoint of a lighting design.
- 4. Produce a lighting design.

Course schedule To be

To be posted on D2L

Components (Assignment, Paper, Project, Quiz, or Test)	Description	Due Date	Worth (%)
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In-class projects	5 in class presentations. Time of day observation: Film observation: Stephen Ave observation (Downtown): Night walk Observation: Your choice observation:	Posted on D2L	25%
Color theory assignment:	Color theory assignment	February 26, 2024	10%
Plot and paperwork assignment:	Plot and paperwork assignment based on the Matthews Theatre	March 18, 2024	15%
Final project:	includes lighting plot, paperwork, and execution of a design	April 3, 2024	25%
Final Quiz	Written exam on course content D2L	April 8, 2024	20%
Critique of the lighting design of a professional production:	Attend a professional production and submit a 1-3-page review of the Lighting Design	April 8, 2024	5%

## Assessment expectations

In the area of Scenography, all skills are cumulative and the various steps in the process of designing a show are necessary to complete the subsequent steps/projects. Missing classes will mean missing critical information and assignments which will have negative repercussions on further classes and discussions. It is necessary to participate in and complete all given projects to achieve success in this course.

## **Guidelines for Submitting Assignments:**

Unless otherwise indicated, assignments will be accepted in D2L only.

#### Missed or Late Assignments:

All assignments must be completed to pass this course.

Late assignments will be downgraded by one letter grade for every day late.

#### Attendance and Participation Expectations:

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#### **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.

### Grading scale

**Undergraduate:** <a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1-1.html">https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1-1.html</a>

- 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.

Grading Scale numerical rubric:

A+ 95-100 A 90-94.9 A- 85-89.9

B+ 80-84.9 B 75-79.9 B- 70-74.9

C+ 65-69.9 C 60-64.9 C- 55-59.9

D+50-54.9 D 45-49.9 F 0-44.9

Graduate: https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1-2.html

 All grades of "C+" or lower 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.

#### Guidelines for Zoom Sessions

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.

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.

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 <u>Code of Conduct</u>). 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 <u>Student Non-Academic Misconduct Policy</u>). 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/.

If you are unable to attend a Zoom session, please contact your instructor to arrange an alternative activity for the missed session (e.g., to review a recorded session). 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.).

The instructor may 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. Students will be 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.
Academic Accommodation	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 <a href="https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/access/prospective-students/academic-">https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/access/prospective-students/academic-</a>
	accommodations.
	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 ( <a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-">https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-</a>
	services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Accommodation-for-Students-with-
	<u>Disabilities-Procedure.pdf</u> ).
	Students who require an accommodation in relation to their coursework or to fulfill
	requirements for a graduate degree, based on a Protected Ground other than Disability
	should communicate this need in writing to their Instructor.
	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>www.ucalgary.ca/access/</u> .
Academic integrity,	Academic Misconduct refers to student behavior which compromises proper assessment of
plagiarism	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.
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	For information on the Student Academic Misconduct Policy and Procedure please visit:
	https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Student-
	Academic-Misconduct-Policy.pdf and https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-
	services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Student-Academic-Misconduct-
	<u>Procedure.pdf</u> . Additional information is available on the Academic Integrity Website
	at <a href="https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success/learning/academic-integrity">https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success/learning/academic-integrity</a> .
Internet and electronic	The use of laptop and mobile devices is acceptable when used in a manner appropriate to
communication device	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/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-
	Acceptable-Use-of-Electronic-Resources-and-Information-Policy.pdf.
Intellectual Property	Course materials created by instructors (including presentations and posted notes, labs,
	case studies, assignments and exams) remain the intellectual property of the instructor.
	These materials may NOT be reproduced, redistributed or copied without the explicit
	consent of the instructor. The posting of course materials to third party websites such as
	note-sharing sites without permission is prohibited. Sharing of extracts of these course
	materials with other students enrolled in the course at the same time may be allowed
	under fair dealing.
Copyright	All students are required to read the University of Calgary policy on Acceptable Use of
	Material Protected by Copyright (https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-
	services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Acceptable-Use-of-Material-Protected-by-
	Copyright-Policy.pdf) and requirements of the copyright act (https://laws-
	lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/C-42/index.html) to ensure they are aware of the consequences
	of unauthorised sharing of course materials (including instructor notes, electronic versions
	of textbooks etc.). Students who use material protected by copyright in violation of this
	policy may be disciplined under the Non-Academic Misconduct Policy
	https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html.
Freedom of Information and	Student information will be collected in accordance with typical (or usual) classroom
Protection of Privacy	practice. Students' assignments will be accessible only by the authorized course faculty.
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Student Support	Please visit this link for important information on UCalgary's student wellness and safety resources: <a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines">https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines</a>
Arts Students' Centre Program Advising:	Have a question but not sure where to start? The Arts Students' Centre is your information resource for everything in the Faculty of Arts. Call us at 403-220-3580 or email us at <a href="mailto:ascarts@ucalgary.ca">ascarts@ucalgary.ca</a> .  You can also visit the Faculty of Arts website at <a href="http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate">http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate</a> which has detailed information on common academic concerns.
Faculty of Graduate Studies:	For graduate studies email: <a href="mailto:graduate@ucalgary.ca">graduate@ucalgary.ca</a> or call 403 220 4938.  Visit the Faculty of Graduate Studies for more details: <a href="https://grad.ucalgary.ca/">https://grad.ucalgary.ca/</a>