



1. Programme Title(s) and Code(s):

<i>Programme Title</i>	<i>UCAS Code</i>	<i>GU Code</i>
MA Honours Theatre Studies	W440	W440-2000

2. Academic Session:

2018-19

3. SCQF Level (see [Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework Levels](#)):

10

4. Credits:

480

5. Entrance Requirements:

Please refer to the current undergraduate prospectus at: <http://www.gla.ac.uk/prospectuses/undergraduate/>

6. ATAS Certificate Requirement (see [Academic Technology Approval Scheme](#)):

ATAS Certificate not required

7. Attendance Type:

Full Time

8. Programme Aims:

The Theatre Studies degree programme examines the nature and function of the theatrical event and theatre culture from critical, historical and practical perspectives. Theatre Studies at Glasgow has strong links with the professional theatre sector, giving students opportunities to work with practitioners of national and international standing, alongside staff with reputations as world-class researchers.

¹ This specification provides a concise summary of the main features of the programme and the learning outcomes that a typical student might reasonably be expected to achieve and demonstrate if full advantage is taken of the learning opportunities that are provided. More detailed information on the learning outcomes, content and teaching, learning and assessment methods of each course can be found in course handbooks and other programme documentation and online at www.gla.ac.uk/

The accuracy of the information in this document is reviewed periodically by the University and may be checked by the Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education.

Theatre Studies at Glasgow aims to:

- give students the opportunity to become proficient in a variety of approaches to the study of theatre, including the techniques of historical, sociological and theoretical analysis of the theatrical process, past and present;
- encourage students to test theoretical concepts by means of practical experimentation and to make a critical assessment of the results achieved;
- increase students' awareness of current debates surrounding the provision of theatre and allied arts in the United Kingdom, Europe and beyond, and to facilitate their informed contribution to such debates;
- facilitate the establishment of links between students and the professional theatre in Scotland by means of the employment of visiting professional practitioners to teach or lecture, theatre visits and placement schemes;
- promote in students a facility to communicate both orally and in writing on topics relevant to the Theatre Studies course;
- develop further in students the ability to work together in groups and/or teams, and to develop their ability to report coherently on collective or individual findings with rigour and constructive self-assessment.

9. Intended Learning Outcomes of Programme:

On the successful completion of the Honours programme in Theatre Studies students will be able to demonstrate the knowledge, understanding and skills outlined below.

Knowledge and understanding of:

- histories, forms and traditions of performance, and theoretical explanations of those histories;
- historical and contemporary contexts of production, circulation and reception of performance;
- key practitioners and/or theorists, which may include writers, actors, directors, designers, and producers and the cultural and/or historical contexts of such practitioners;
- traditional and contemporary critical perspectives on performance, and of relevant theories, issues and debates relating to the subject;
- the processes by which performance is created, realised, and managed, such as the processes of rehearsal, writing, devising, improvisation, and production;
- a range of key components of performance within the disciplines: text, movement, scenography, the performer; and,
- significant sources, and critical awareness of the main research methods used to collect and analyse data within the disciplines.

Skills

Subject-specific – intellectual and practical skills

- describing, interpreting and evaluating performance texts and performance events from a range of critical perspectives;
- reading the performance possibilities implied by a script, score and/or other documentary sources;
- contributing to the production of performance, for example through direction, choreography, dramaturgy, stage management, scenography, sound and lighting production;
- engaging in independent research, whether investigating past or present performances or as part of the process of creating new performance;
- creating a presentation based on a knowledge of devising skills;
- identifying and interpreting the cultural frameworks which surround performance events and on which these events impinge;
- engaging with current debates on cultural policy and funding;
- making records of performance, drawing on skills in notation and/or documentation; and,
- working within a group towards workshop-based and performance-based presentations.

Transferable skills

- critical, analytical and physical skills;
- creative and imaginative skills as shown through the realisation of practical research projects;

- the capacity to analyse and critically examine diverse forms of discourse and their effects on representation in the arts, media and public life;
- communication in a variety of oral, written, visual and performance media;
- reflexive and independent thinking;
- awareness of inter-disciplinary approaches to study, and the capacity to engage with different theories or paradigms of knowledge;
- developing ideas and constructing arguments and the capacity to present them in appropriate ways;
- understanding of group dynamics and an ability to implement them in practical contexts;
- handling creative, personal and interpersonal issues in group work;
- negotiation and pursuing goals with others;
- managing personal workloads and meeting deadlines;
- producing written work with appropriate scholarly conventions;
- information retrieval skills, involving the ability to gather, sift, synthesise and organise material independently and critically evaluate its significance; and,
- the ability to make effective and appropriate use of library and bibliographical research skills
- the ability to make effective and appropriate use of IT, both as a learning tool and as a means of communication.

10. Typical Learning and Teaching Approaches:

Learning and teaching takes place through a number of modes: lectures; seminars and tutorials; practical workshops; group projects leading to presentations and other practical projects facilitated by staff but driven by student research and practice; individual practical and other research projects under the supervision of staff.

11. Typical Assessment Methods:

Typical assessment methods in this programme include:

- essays
- group projects
- project reports
- marks for contribution in seminars
- examinations
- class presentation
- practice-based projects
- dissertations
- viva voce exams

12. Programme Structure and Features:

A typical single honours curriculum in Theatre will be constructed as follows:

Year	Courses	Credits	Possible Exit Points
1	Theatre 1001	20	Certificate of Higher Education (120 credits)
	Theatre 1002	20	
	40 credits at Level 1 in another subject	40	
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2	Theatre 2001	20	Diploma of Higher Education (240 credits)
	Theatre 2003	20	
	40 credits at Level 2 in another subject	40	

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3	Core course (THEATRE4009 - Performance Theory and Analysis)	30	MA (General) 360 credits
Junior Honours	Core course (THEATRE4014 Single Honours Group Project)	30	
	2 Honours Option Courses drawn from those offered in that session (30 credits each)	60	
4	Dissertation (THEATRE4012P)	30	MA with Honours 480 credits
Senior Honours	Core course (THEATRE4083 – Shaping Futures)	30	
	2 Honours Option Courses drawn from those offered in that session (30 credits each)	60	

Features

To be admitted to Single Honours study you must satisfy subject and College of Arts requirements and obtain a grade of B3 or above in both Level 2 courses in Theatre in the first sitting.

Regulations

This programme will be governed by the relevant regulations published in the University Calendar. These regulations include the requirements in relation to:

- (a) Award of the degree
- (b) Progress
- (c) Early exit awards
- (d) (For undergraduate programmes, where appropriate) Entry to Honours

<http://www.gla.ac.uk/services/senateoffice/calendar/>

13. Programme Accredited By:

Not applicable

14. Location(s):

Glasgow

15. College:

College of Arts

16. Lead School/Institute:

Culture and Creative Arts [REG10100000]

17. Is this programme collaborative with another institution:

No

18. Awarding Institution(s):

University of Glasgow

19. Teaching Institution(s):

20. Language of Instruction:

English

21. Language of Assessment:

English

22. Relevant QAA Subject Benchmark Statements (see [Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education](#)) and Other External or Internal Reference Points:

The relevant QAA Benchmarking statement is available at <http://www.qaa.ac.uk/en/Publications/Documents/Subject-benchmark-statement-Communication-media-film-and-cultural-studies.pdf>

23. Additional Relevant Information (if applicable):

Support for students is provided by the Postgraduate/Undergraduate Adviser(s) of Studies supported by University resources such LEADS (www.gla.ac.uk/myglasgow/leads/), Counselling & Psychological Services (www.gla.ac.uk/services/counselling/), the Disability Service (www.gla.ac.uk/services/studentdisability/) and the Careers Service (www.gla.ac.uk/services/careers/).

Further information may be found on the Theatre Studies web pages at: <http://www.gla.ac.uk/tfts>

24. Online Learning:

No

25. Date of approval:

28/02/2019