



## Arts, Media, and Technology Career and Academic Pathways (CAPs) Program Map: Associate in Arts Degree for Theater Arts with Acting Emphasis

Total number of units: 60 units

Top Code/Academic Plan: 1007.00

Updated on March 30, 2022

Fall Semester 1	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program/GE course	THEATER 100	<b>Introduction to Theater</b>	3	This course is offered every semester and fulfills GE Area C Humanities.	This course is offered every intercession. This course is available for Dual Enrollment.  This course has sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the <a href="#">ELAC Honors Program</a> website or contact Dr. Bermudez at <a href="mailto:bermudn@elac.edu">bermudn@elac.edu</a> .
Program Course	THEATER 270	<b>Beginning Acting</b>	3	This course is offered every semester and is a prerequisite for THEATER 272 and THEATER 273. This class can also be swapped out for THEATER 260, which is available for Dual Enrollment.	This course is offered day and evening.  THEATER 260 has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
Program Course	THEATER 240	<b>Voice and Articulation for The Theater</b>	3	This course is an elective course from list C. It is offered every Fall and Spring.	This is a weekly day class.  This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
Program Course	THEATER 323	<b>Stage Management</b>	3	This required course is offered every Fall.	This is a weekly morning course with lab requirements out of scheduled class time.
GE Course	ENGLISH 101	<b>College Reading and Composition I</b>	3	This course fulfills GE Area D1: English Composition. ENGLISH 072 is a support course which can be added for a total of 4 units.  This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."	This course is offered day, evening, short term and online. Also available at South Gate.  This course has sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the <a href="#">ELAC Honors Program</a> website or contact Dr. Bermudez at <a href="mailto:bermudn@elac.edu">bermudn@elac.edu</a> .

**Total Units 15**

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Program/GE Course	THEATER 114	<b>Script Analysis</b>	<b>3</b>	This course is offered every spring. This course is required by select UC/CSU colleges for transfer.	This is a once weekly evening course.  This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
Program/GE Course	THEATER 293	<b>Rehearsals and Performances</b>	<b>3</b>	This course is offered every semester. This class requires an audition, but if you are not cast another option is to take THEATER 252 or THEATER 257. Substitutions can also include the summer TECTHTR 701 class or other production classes. See a Theatre Arts Faculty member for assistance.	THEATER 293 rehearsals are usual weekday nights and weekend days. Anticipate evening and weekends for two weeks during production rehearsals and performances.  THEATER 252 has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
Program /GE Course	THEATER 244	<b>Voice and Articulation for Performance</b>	<b>3</b>	Other options are THEATER 246, 273, 278, and 286. These options offer varied acting training and students should see the acting faculty for individualized recommendations.	This is a weekly day course.  This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
GE Course	MATH 125	<b>Intermediate Algebra</b>	<b>5</b>	This course fulfills GE Area D2: Communications and Analytical Thinking. MATH 125 or higher is needed for transfer. Please see a counselor for appropriate placing. MATH 125S offers additional lab support and can be substituted for 125.	This course is offered day, evening, and short term. Also available at South Gate.  This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."

**Total Units    14**

Fall Semester 2	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program/GE Course	THEATER 272	<b>Intermediate Applied Acting</b>	<b>3</b>	This is an elective course from list C. It is a prerequisite for THEATER 273, which is an elective course in the Acting Emphasis. This course has a lab component with public performance. Offered every Fall.	This is a weekly Morning course.  This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
Program/GE Course	THEATER 265	<b>Movement for The Actor</b>	<b>2</b>	This is an elective course from list C.	This is a weekly afternoon course.

Fall Semester 2	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program/GE Course	THEATER 225	<b>Beginning Direction</b>	3	This course is offered every Fall. Other options include THEATER 130 Playwriting. This course has a lab component with public performance.	This is a weekly day course. THEATER 130 has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
GE Course		<b>Elective</b>	2	Choose any CSU Transferable course. The department recommends THEATER 244, 246, and 278.	THEATER 244 and 278 have sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
GE Course		<b>Area E1 and 2: Physical Education and Activity</b>	3	Although any course from the list may be selected, the department recommends HEALTH 002, which covers both E1 and E2.	
GE Course		<b>Area B2: Social and Behavioral Sciences</b>	3	Although any course from the list may be selected, the department recommends COMM 190, PSYCH 001 and 041, SOC 013 and 086, and CH DEV 001, which is also on the IGETC and CSU GE pattern for transfer.	CH DEV 001 and SOC 086 have sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."

**Total Units 16 Course load can be reduced by utilizing the intercession semesters.**

Spring Semester 2	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	THEATER 205	<b>Actors' Orientation for The Professional Theatre</b>	2	This required course is offered every Spring.	This is a once weekly evening course. This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
Program Course	THEATER 342	<b>Technical Stage Production</b>	2	This is an elective course from list B. Options offered every Fall, Spring and intercession. An alternative option is to take this course during winter or summer intercession, especially for Acting Emphasis students and those acting in department productions.	This lab course is scheduled on a per show basis. An orientation will be held to discuss schedule and requirements at the beginning of the semester. This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."

Spring Semester 2	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Progra Course	TECTHTR 350	<b>Make-up for Theater</b>	<b>3</b>	This required course is offered every Spring.	This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
Program Course	THEATER 273	<b>Advanced Acting</b>	<b>2</b>	This elective course is offered every Spring semester. The prerequisite for this course is THEATER 272. Other options for this class are THEATER 246, 278, and 286. Taught concurrently with THEATER 286. These options offer varied acting training and students should see the acting faculty for individualized recommendations.	THEATER 278 has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
GE Course		<b>Area A: Natural Sciences</b>	<b>3</b>	Although any course from the list may be selected, see a counselor for transfer requirements, which includes a lab course in addition or embedded into a class.	
GE Course		<b>Area B1: American Institutions (History)</b>	<b>3</b>	Although any course from the list may be selected, POL SCI 001, and HISTORY 006 and 012 are also on the IGETC and CSU GE pattern for transfer.  POL SCI 001 has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."	POL SCI 001 has sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the <a href="#">ELAC Honors Program</a> website or contact Dr. Bermudez at <a href="mailto:bermudn@elac.edu">bermudn@elac.edu</a> .

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#### Degree Path and Requirements:

Associate of Arts Degree in Theater Arts. Requirement for an AA include: 33-41 program units, 1-9 units any CSU transferable course elective, and 21 units LACCD GE pattern. 3 units of program courses may be doubled towards LACCD GE Area C. (This map uses the CSU GE Pattern. This map is a suggested term-by-term sequence of courses to complete the program in a recommended time frame. This is an efficient and recommended plan, but actual plans may vary by individual student need. This map cannot replace a meeting with [counselors](#). Students can apply for certificates as soon as the necessary courses are completed. Meet with a counselor and the financial aid office to ensure continued financial aid. Check with [financial aid](#) for eligibility.

#### Department Advising Notes:

Program courses are offered in specific semesters and odd/even years as noted. Program courses offered every Fall and every Spring semester include THEATER 100, 240, 260, 270, 293 and 342, TECTHTR 340, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348 and 349. Fall only classes mentioned include: THEATER 225, 246, 265, and 272, and TECTHTR 323. Spring only classes listed include: THEATER 114, 205, 273 and TECTHTR 350. The list course 2 unit practicums include: TECTHTR 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348 and 349. All program courses are offered on ELAC main campus only, with the exception of THEATER 100. All program courses are offered on ELAC main campus only, with the exception of THEATER 100. We advise you take Shakespeare Festival Workshop classes TECTHTR 701-704 and TECTHTR 700. All for the purposes of portfolio and audition material. The Associate of Arts Degree in Theater Arts can be combined with the Theater in the Community Certificate of Achievement, Acting Skills Certificate, Classical Acting Skills Certificate, Language and Dialects for Performance Skills Certificate and Script Analysis Skills Certificate. These certificates better prepare students for a professional portfolio for internship and employment opportunities. Also note that THEATER 272: Intermediate Applied Acting is only offered in the FALL semester and it has a prerequisite of THEATER 260 or THEATER 270. Please note that TA 293 does require an audition for the class, but if you are not cast, there are other performance based classes that can be substituted for this class. See a Theatre Arts Professor to guide you in this selection.

#### Program Description

Our primary AA degree provides professional training to prepare students to enter the entertainment field or transfer to a four-year institution. It is a rigorous two year program where students learn valuable skills in the major area of theater, with emphasis in acting. The program is designed for the student who recognizes the social and occupational value of this training.

#### Career and Transfer Opportunities

The Associate of Arts in Theater Arts prepares student to enter the entertainment field or transfer to a four-year institution. In the entertainment industry, students with a four-year or graduate level degree have a greater network and skill set which can be beneficial in a competitive field. CSU and UC schools have acting programs within their Theater Arts Departments for either a BA, BFA, MA or MFA degree. Students that obtain an AA in Theater Arts or transfer and continue study in acting will be able to pursue positions in entertainment, including: theatre, dance, theme park, live performance, corporate events, film, television, commercials, industrials and new media. Industry job titles include: actor, director, voice actor, teaching artist, and writer.

Job descriptions include: Play parts in stage, television, radio, video, motion picture productions, or other settings for entertainment, information, or instruction. Interpret serious or comic role by speech, gesture, and body movement to entertain or inform audience. May dance and sing. Average hourly earnings range from \$23 to \$39, based on job title. Wages for these occupations that do not generally work year-round, full time, are reported either as hourly wages or annual salaries depending on how they are typically paid.

[Bureau of Labor Statistics](#)

[Career Coach](#)

Visit the [Transfer Center](#) for transfer information, which varies based on transfer college. Make an appointment with a [counselor](#). Students can visit [Career and Job Services](#) for career counseling and further exploration. For additional resources, students pursuing a certificate can visit the [American Job Center of California](#) on ELAC main campus.

#### **Youtube Videos**

[Working in Theater: Actor](#)

#### **Program Map**

A suggested sequence of classes to complete a degree, certificate, or program of study. Students should consult an academic counselor for variations to this plan based on part-time or full-time status, transfer plans, pre-requisites needed, etc.

#### **Prerequisite Course**

A specific course that must be completed before advancing to the next course.

Check the online catalog at [elac.edu](http://elac.edu) for the latest and most accurate information.

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