



DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE & DANCE

The performing arts are an important component of the academic and cultural life of the UW-Stevens Point campus. The emphasis placed on preparing students for professional careers in the arts contributes to our uniqueness in the UW System. The high quality academic and production programs have established UW-Stevens Point as the primary undergraduate center in Wisconsin for students interested in the performing arts.

Programs Offered

The Department of Theatre & Dance offers the following:

- Dance (Bachelor of Arts)
- Drama (Bachelor of Arts)
- Acting (Bachelor of Fine Arts)
- Design & Technology (Bachelor of Fine Arts)
- Musical Theatre (Bachelor of Fine Arts)
- Pilates Certification

BA Dance students study a comprehensive and varied Bachelor of Arts degree in a liberal arts setting. The program provides dancers with many opportunities to perform, choreograph, create multimedia work, and present original research.

Courses in **BA Drama** offer opportunities to students with a passion for theatre in areas other than those focused upon by our BFA degrees. Who finds the BA their pathway? Those with a desire to direct, manage, and write.

The **BFA Acting** program offers comprehensive, conservatory-style training in stage and screen acting for the student interested in a performance career. In-depth studio classes, “real world” training in audition and camera techniques and a strong liberal arts education make the BFA Acting program an exciting choice for disciplined and talented students who share a passion for performance.

BFA Design & Technology courses are offered in all levels of scenic, lighting, costume, makeup, sound, and properties design. Specialty courses include scene painting, costume crafts, rendering techniques, technical production, costume construction, stage management, and computer technology.

The **BFA Musical Theatre** program is one of the few in the Midwest that integrates the study of acting, dance, and voice. The program is designed to create a rigorous and comprehensive series of courses that prepare students to pursue a professional career in musical theatre.

Pilates Certification allows students to complete both the Pilates Mat I and Mat II Instructor training modules, then continue additional Comprehensive Pilates Teacher training modules at any Balanced Body Host Site, whether in Wisconsin or worldwide. Our program, like those of other leaders in the Pilates industry, offers an assessment-based certificate of completion based on the recommendations of the nationally recognized Pilates Method Alliance (PMA).

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“I am thankful to now be training at one of the top graduate theatre programs in the country and I thank you for helping make that possible.”

— Andrew Broomell
Inaugural Recipient of the
Laird Exceptional Artist Award



GET ACCEPTD How to apply

The Department of Theatre and Dance is partnering with Acceptd.com so you can submit your application and materials online! You can even schedule the location and date of your audition/interview. The department accepts a limited number of new students each year so if you want to be learning, working and performing with a select group of students under the guidance of our world-class faculty you should:

- Submit your application and schedule your audition/interview at Acceptd.com
- Submit your University application for UW-Stevens Point at <https://apply.wisconsin.edu/>

If you have any questions about the application process, feel free to contact our Academic Department Associate Ruth Daniels. She'd be happy to help you!



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Accreditation

The Department of Theatre & Dance is accredited by the National Association of Schools of Dance (NASD) and the National Association of Schools of Theatre (NAST).

Our Faculty

Faculty in the Department of Theatre & Dance have worked professionally as directors, dancers, playwrights, choreographers, actors and designers and through their experience and dedication help ensure our students are successful.

Facilities

The Noel Fine Arts Center offers numerous rehearsal, performance and production spaces including: scene shop, costume shop, two dance studios, 150-seat black box theatre, 372-seat proscenium theatre, dressing rooms and a prop shop.

High School Preparation

We believe that well-rounded students provide their best chances for success. In addition to the usual university requirements for admission, recommended areas of study should include the arts, science, literature, communication, foreign language and math.

Study Abroad

More UW-Stevens Point students travel abroad than any other UW System campus. The College of Fine Arts and Communication and UWSP International Programs offer many study abroad programs where students can earn credits while experiencing the world. The summer Theatre in London program continues to be one of the most popular ways to study abroad for students in the department. Our dance program also has International Exchange programs with Liverpool Hope University, UK and University of Limerick Irish World Academy of Music and Dance.

Student Organizations

Players is a student-run theatre and dance performing arts organization designed to foster interest in social and performance activities at UW-Stevens Point. Each year, Players produces student-directed and designed productions as well as travels to shows and workshops to broaden student's knowledge of theatre and dance.

After Graduation

With an average placement rate of over 90%, our alumni work! Throughout the program, faculty and guest artists make the realities of a profession in the arts clear to our students and teach them the practical and basic skills necessary to face and meet the challenges of the business.



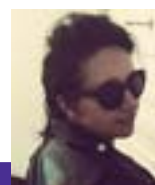
Andrew Cao
On Broadway in
Aladdin



Richard Ballering
ABC Executive Director,
Production *Jimmy
Kimmel Live*



Andrea Anders
Television and film:
*Better off Ted, Joey,
Modern Family*



Lydia Graboski-Bauer
Costume designer in
Hollywood, CA