THE Doudna Fine Arts Center

The EIU Department of Theatre Arts is housed in the Doudna Fine Arts Center – remodeled in 2008, which houses a 285-seat proscenium space (The Theatre), a flexible 120-seat space (The Black Box), and a 40-seat experimental space (The Globe Studio). Fully equipped costume and scenery production areas are in close proximity to all performance spaces. The instructional rooms include a traditional classroom of 40 seats, a student rehearsal room, and a drafting/computer lab.

Each season, the department produces three to four faculty-directed productions representing a wide variety of styles and genres. Additionally, there are opportunities for a variety of student-directed productions, youth theatre tours, and class presentations open to the public.

To learn more about the Theatre Arts Department and its programs, contact:

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ABOUT EASTERN

Eastern Illinois University, located in the east-central Illinois community of Charleston, is recognized among the top universities in the country – a choice for more than 7,500 students annually who can select from a broad range of academic programs and degree offerings. Students attending Eastern receive a high-quality education characterized by small classes taught by a dedicated and caring faculty who place student success as their top priority. For additional information, visit our website or call the office of Undergraduate Admissions at 800-252-5711.
JUMP IN!
We encourage our students to get involved with productions at EIU as soon as they arrive. Whether your focus is in acting, directing, design or theatre technology, our students learn about the theatrical process by experiencing every facet of the production. Students receive academic credit for their participation on productions – whether working onstage or off. This approach trains our students to be well-rounded, versatile thinkers and creators. Throughout your years as a theatre major or minor, you will have the opportunity to explore many styles, genres, and approaches by working closely with our faculty and guest artists throughout the production process.

DO YOU HAVE A PASSION FOR THEATRE?
EIU Theatre is looking for students that are passionate about theatre; students that understand the value and importance of theatre as an art form, an agent of change, and a discipline that examines what it means to be human. As a theatre student at EIU, you will work closely with faculty made up of dynamic, professional theatre artists in state-of-the-art facilities. Our B.A. in Theatre Arts will nurture your intellect and creativity, as well as give you hands-on skills and knowledge that will help you become a marketable theatre artist in the 21st century.

SCHOLARSHIPS
Scholarships are available through the department. Application guidelines and tools are available on the Theatre Arts webpage: www.eiu.edu/theatre/scholarships.php. Incoming freshmen planning to enter EIU as a theatre arts major have the opportunity to apply for the Excellence in Fine Arts (EFA) Scholarship. The EFA is a four-year scholarship offered to outstanding theatre majors who demonstrate a commitment to excellence. To apply go to: www.eiu.edu/scholarships

WHY THEATRE ARTS AT EIU?
- A strong, diverse faculty
- Strictly undergraduate
- A small but active program providing many opportunities for young creative artists
- Multiple and varied performance opportunities
- A broad-based liberal arts curriculum
- Four emphases of study: performance, musical theatre performance, technology/design, and generalist
- State-of-the-art facilities in Doudna Fine Arts Center opened in 2008
- Guest Artists of national and international reputation
- Department honors program and study abroad opportunities
- National Association of Schools of Theatre accredited

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY DEGREE?
A Bachelor of Arts degree in Theatre provides many opportunities to the graduate. Some will successfully enter the theatre profession as actors, stage managers, or technicians. Many of our graduates are currently working in professional theatre, television and film. Some move on to related careers such as media, advertising, or public relations, while others pursue graduate degree programs.