THE1310- 01E
Introduction to Theatre
COURSE SYLLABUS: Fall, 2019

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Classroom: PAC 100
Class Time : MW, 9:00 AM-9:50 AM
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COURSE INFORMATION

Course Description:
A survey of the fields of theatre activity designed to provide introductory knowledge of all phases of drama, literature, performance, theatre plants and equipment, and production procedures.

Objective: The objective of this course is to provide the student with an overview of the fundamentals of theatre through practical experience in the various crafts of theatre.

Student Learning Outcomes: By the end of this course, the student will make progress on:
1.Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories
2.Developing creative capacities
3.Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving and decisions)

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Instructional / Methods / Activities Assessments
Methodology: This course will be conducted through readings, lectures, discussions, practical exercises, a mid-term exam and a practical final exam. All materials for this course are available on-line or through Gee Library

The student's final grade will be determined by the average of the following scores:
Attendance and participation.
Daily assignments or activities
Mid-term exam
*****Attendance of a University Playhouse production
2 hours service learning (Always wear closed toed shoes.)
Playwriting exercise
Practical final exam (Acting)

***NOTE: There are no alternative assignments. Please don't ask. When you attend a performance be polite to staff and other patrons. Arrive at least ten minutes prior to curtain time. There is no late seating. When asked, turn devices OFF. Sit in the seats properly, and don't climb over seats to get to another row of seating. Do not bring**

food or liquids into the theatre. In the event of any rude, or disruptive behavior, you will be asked to leave the theatre and no credit will be given.

IMPORTANT: You will receive a program when you attend a performance. You must get the program signed by the HOUSE MANAGER. He or she will introduce themselves before the performance. Put your name, Course and section number, and CWID on the program, and turn it in to my mailbox in PAC 101 during business hours.

Grading

A 90%-100% (exceptional quality work)
B 80%-89% (above average quality work)
C 70%-79% (average quality work)
D 60%-69% (below average quality work)
F0%-59% (fails to meet expectations in quality of work)

COMMUNICATION AND SUPPORT

It is important that instructors and students maintain an open and on-going communication. Please feel free to drop by my office any time during my office hours, contact me to make an appointment, or call my office, or contact me by e-mail.
If you are having trouble with any assignment don't hesitate to ask for help.
Students are responsible for learning all the information in this, or any course syllabus.

COURSE AND UNIVERSITY PROCEDURES/POLICIES

Course Specific Procedures:

Clothing: Wear comfortable clothing and shoes that do not restrict movement and your ability to participate fully in all physical and vocal activities.
Written work: Written assignments should be in Times New Roman, or similar font using a 12 point type size.
When submitting written work by email, send it as a PDF, or RTF file.
Food and drink: Other than bottled water, bring no food or drink to class
Phones and other devices: Please silence all devices during class and turn them off during tests and performances.

University Specific Procedures: *ADA Statement*

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is a federal anti-discrimination statute that provides comprehensive civil rights protection for persons with disabilities. Among other things, this legislation requires that all students with disabilities be guaranteed a learning environment that provides for reasonable accommodation of their disabilities. If you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact:

Office of Student Disability Resources and Services
Texas A&M University-Commerce
Gee Library 132
Phone (903) 886-5150 or (903) 886-5835
Fax (903) 468-8148
StudentDisabilityServices@tamu-commerce.edu
Student Disability Resources & Services

Student Conduct.

All students enrolled at the University shall follow the tenets of common decency and acceptable behavior conducive to a positive learning environment. (See *Code of Student Conduct from Student Guide Handbook).*To this, let me add that courtesy and respect are required at all times. Intellectual dishonesty will not be tolerated.

Campus Concealed Carry:

Texas Senate Bill - 11 (Government Code 411.2031, et al.) authorizes the carrying of a concealed handgun in Texas A&M University-Commerce buildings only by persons who have been issued and are in possession of a Texas License to Carry a Handgun. Qualified law enforcement officers or those who are otherwise authorized to carry a concealed handgun in the State of Texas are also permitted to do so. Pursuant to Penal Code (PC) 46.035 and A&M-Commerce Rule 34.06.02.R1, license holders may not carry a concealed handgun in restricted locations. For a list of locations, please refer to ((http://www.tamuc.edu/aboutUs/policiesProceduresStandardsStatements/rulesProcedures/34SafetyOfEmployeesAndStudents/34.06.02.R1.pdf) and/or consult your event organizer). Pursuant to PC 46.035, the open carrying of handguns is prohibited on all A&M-Commerce campuses. Report violations to the University Police Department at 903-886-5868 or 9-1-1.