PERFORMING ARTS

DEPARTMENT

MAJORS

MUSICAL THEATRE (B.F.A.)
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CAREER POTENTIAL

Actor
Choreographer
Dancer
Director
Educator
Theatre technician
Singer

→ *Auditions are required to join the musical theatre program. They take place on campus and in New York City in the fall, winter and early spring.*

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Musical theatre majors are the singular focus of the Performing Arts Department, meaning all performances are planned intentionally to expose students to a variety of experiences, from musicals to classic plays to modern dramas.

B.F.A. DISTINCTION

As one of the only musical theatre B.F.A. programs in SUNY, preparation emphasizes studio practice and creative work. This includes ballet training and dance classes in jazz, tap and theatre; private lessons with a voice teacher; and coursework in acting and theatre history. The department prides itself on a focused commitment to educating in all three areas — singing, acting and dancing — to produce versatile, well-rounded performers.

SHINING ON ONSTAGE

A spring industry showcase takes place to highlight graduating seniors. Graduates are performing in lead roles on national tours in productions such as “Wicked” and “Miss Saigon,” while many others are working in regional theatres, summer stock shows, cruise lines and New York City.

By the numbers

400 **seats in the Dowd Fine Arts Center Theatre**

→ *A recent $22 million renovation brought upgrades to two theatres plus a new studio and performance space.*

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