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THTR 45E: TECHNICAL THEATRE MANAGEMENT IN PRODUCTION

Foothill College Course Outline of Record

Heading	Value
Units:	6
Hours:	2 lecture, 12 laboratory per week (168 total per quarter)
Advisory:	Completion of or concurrent enrollment in THTR 21A and 45A; lab hours will occur on specific evenings and weekends during the quarter; required meeting with instructor during first week of quarter to assign responsibilities and hours per production schedule; this course is included in the Production-Technical family of activity courses; not open to students with credit in THTR 99E.
Degree & Credit Status:	Degree-Applicable Credit Course
Foothill GE:	Non-GE
Transferable:	CSU/UC
Grade Type:	Letter Grade (Request for Pass/No Pass)
Repeatability:	Not Repeatable

Student Learning Outcomes

- Successful students will be able to demonstrate basic skills for organizing and managing a live theatrical production. The student shall be able to create and utilize common forms for managing data and personnel during a theatrical production.
- Successful students will be able to demonstrate correct and effective usage of common theatrical terminology used in the planning and operation of a live theatrical production.

Description

Students will gain practical experience in the application of production management responsibilities in any of the following: stage management, house management, production management, or technical department management.

Course Objectives

The student will be able to:

- A. Demonstrate proficiency in the terminology and processes necessary to run a technical department or supervise a cast and crew during the production of a play or musical.
- B. Employ basic organizational skills required to run a technical department or supervise cast and crew in the production of a play or musical.
- C. Demonstrate the ability to work cooperatively with designers, directors, technicians and cast in the production of a play or musical.

Course Content

- A. Assignment to production and performance responsibilities (Lec)
- B. Preparation for production, including processes and forms required (Lec and Lab)
- C. Psychology of group dynamics, including Maslow's hierarchy of needs (Lec and Lab)
- D. Theatre management terminology (Lec)
- E. Recognize and demonstrate collaborative responsibilities with the director, designers, and crew supervisors (Lab)
- F. Demonstrate and apply basic skills in running a production or theatre (Lab)
- G. Organize and schedule the design, creation and implementation of production elements with the assistance of an assigned crew (Lab)

Lab Content

- A. Participation, observation and evaluation of rehearsal process for scheduled production
- B. Perform various productions support functions dependent on the demands of costumes, set construction, properties, lighting, etc.
- C. Design, create or facilitate production elements for the stage, as required by the production

Special Facilities and/or Equipment

- A. Rehearsal space with an unobstructed, flat floor, approximately 30' x 40' for rehearsal.
- B. Fully-equipped theatre for performance; make-up studio and dressing room facilities.
- C. Fully-equipped scenic shop.

Method(s) of Evaluation

Methods of Evaluation may include but are not limited to the following:

- A. Evaluation of individual projects in technical theatre production
- B. Faculty observation and performance review
- C. Skill demonstrations
- D. Final evaluation of performance responsibilities and outcomes

Method(s) of Instruction

Methods of Instruction may include but are not limited to the following:

- A. Lecture
- B. Discussion
- C. Cooperative learning exercises
- D. Oral presentations
- E. Laboratory
- F. Demonstration

Representative Text(s) and Other Materials

Production scripts and instructor handouts.

Types and/or Examples of Required Reading, Writing, and Outside of Class Assignments

A. Read scripts for production preparation.

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- $\ensuremath{\mathsf{B}}.$ Read and assess background materials for production preparation and relevance.
- $\mbox{C.}$ Research materials and methods of implementing required production elements.
- D. Create and maintain rehearsal and production schedules for a theatrical production.

Discipline(s)

Stagecraft, Theater Arts