



Theatre Arts AA-T Degree - California State University GE Breadth

This program is designed for students who plan to transfer to a campus of the California State University (CSU). Other than the required core, the courses you choose to complete this degree will depend to some extent on the selected CSU for transfer. For students wishing to transfer to other universities, the AA-T may not provide adequate preparation for upper-division transfer admission; it is critical that you meet with a CRC counselor to select and plan the courses for the major, as programs vary widely in terms of the required preparation.

Total Units: 56-69

First Year

Semester 1

13-16 Units

COURSE	UNITS	PRE-REQS [^]	SEMESTERS OFFERED*	GE AREA
TA 300 ^Z Introduction to the Theatre or	3		F(O), S(O), Su	CSU Area C1
TA 302 ^Z History and Theory of the Theatre I	3		F(odd year)	CSU Area C1
TA 350 ^Z Theory and Techniques of Acting I	3		F, S, Su (odd yr)	CSU Area C1
1 unit from List A	1-3	See List A	See List A	
CSU Area A2-Written Communication ^Z	3	Recommend meeting with a counselor	F, S, Su	CSU Area A2
CSU Area B4-Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning ^Z	3-4	Recommend meeting with a counselor	F, S, Su	CSU Area B4

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Semester 2

16-18 Units

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1 unit from List A	1-3	See List A	See List A	
3 units from List B	3	See List B	See List B	
CSU Area A1-Oral Communication ^Z	3		F, S, Su	CSU Area A1
CSU Area A3-Critical Thinking ^Z	3		F, S, Su	CSU Area A3

Career

Options/Outlook:

Set and Exhibit Designers design special exhibits and movie, television, and theater sets. May study scripts, confer with directors, and conduct research to determine appropriate architectural styles. **Career opportunities require more than an associate degree.**

A sample of reported job titles:

Acting, Design for the Theater, Teaching, Theatre Technician/Stage Management, Theatre Arts Management, Publicity and Public Relations, Box Office Management, Design Chief, Designer, Display Coordinator, Exhibit Designer, Exhibit Preparator, Production Designer, Scenic Designer, Set Decorator, Set Designer, Show Design Supervisor

Projected job openings in California (20120-2030):

290

Projected growth in California (2020-2030):

3% growth

COURSE	UNITS	PRE-REQS [^]	SEMESTERS OFFERED*	GE AREA
CSU Area D-Social & Behavioral Sciences ¹ Z	3		F, S, Su	CSU Area D
CSU Area B2-Life Science ^Z	3		F, S, Su	CSU Area B2

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Year 2

Semester 3

14-17 Units

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1 unit from List A	1-3	See List A	See List A	
3 units from List B	3	See List B	See List B	
CSU Area D-Social & Behavioral Sciences ¹ Z	3		F, S, Su	CSU Area D
CSU Area B1-Physical Science ^Z	3		F, S, Su	CSU Area B1
CSU Area B3-Lab ^Z	1		F, S, Su	CSU Area B3
CSU Area E-Lifelong Learning & Self-Development ^Z	3		F, S, Su	CSU Area E
Any Transferable Elective ²	0-1		F, S, Su	

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² Units required are determined by the number of units needed to total 60 units for graduation. Refer to [Course Number](#) for the appropriate course level necessary for the degree.

Semester 4

13-18 Units

COURSE	UNITS	PRE-REQS [^]	SEMESTERS OFFERED*	GE AREA
1 unit from List A	1-3	See List A	See List A	
3 units from List B	3	See List B	See List B	
CSU Area F-Ethnic Studies ^Z	3		Check Class Schedule for offering	CSU Area F

Median Salary in California with advanced degree (2021):

\$57,180/yr

Source:

<https://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/27-1027.00>

Transfer notes:

Please meet with a counselor for specific transfer course evaluation or transferring to a specific 4-year institution.

General Education (GE):

Please meet with a counselor for specific transfer course evaluation or transferring to a specific 4-year institution.

Honors option:

The CRC Honors Program is designed specifically for academically accomplished students and for students with the potential for high achievement. Students who complete 15 units or more in honors-designated courses will earn special recognition as an Honors Scholar, a distinction that may entitle the student to guaranteed transfer and scholarship opportunities at select transfer colleges and universities.

About this program map:

This program map represents one possible pathway to complete the program. Please see a counselor to create an education plan customized to meet your needs. This map is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

Zero Textbook Costs (ZTC):

COURSE	UNITS	PRE-REQS [^]	SEMESTERS OFFERED*	GE AREA
CSU Area C2-Humanities ^Z	3		F, S, Su	CSU Area C2
Any Transferable Elective ¹	3		F, S, Su	
Any Transferable Elective ¹	0-3		F, S, Su	

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[^]You must have passed the prerequisite course(s) with a "C" or better; Corequisite must be taken during the same semester; Advisory means it is recommended but not required to enroll in the course.

*(O) = online available (P) = partially online

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List A-a minimum of 3 units from the following. Students must enroll in 1 of the TAP courses below each semester.

COURSE	UNITS	PRE-REQS [^]	SEMESTERS OFFERED*	GE AREA
TAP 300 ¹ ^Z Modern Rehearsal and Performance I or	1-3	Audition (please check with department for audition date)	F(even year)	
TAP 320 ¹ ^Z Classical Rehearsal and Performance I or	1-3	Audition (please check with department for audition date)	S(even year)	
TAP 340 ¹ ^Z Musical Rehearsal and Performance I or	1-3	Audition (please check with department for audition date)	S(odd year)	
TAP 360 ¹ Children's Theatre Rehearsal and Performance I	1-3	Audition (please check with department for audition date)	F(odd year)	
TAP 310 ¹ ^Z Modern Technical Production I or	1-3	Interview	F(even year)	
TAP 330 ¹ Classical Technical Production I or	1-3	Interview	S(even year)	

The Zero Textbook Costs designation and logo are added to any course that provides free access to all required instructional materials. These are typically shared with students through Canvas. Courses that are designated as ZTC may still require students to purchase supplemental materials such as lab coats, a calculator, art supplies, etc. See full definitions and searching tips on the [Zero Textbook Costs page](#) of the college website.

COURSE	UNITS	PRE-REQS [^]	SEMESTERS OFFERED*	GE AREA
TAP 350¹ Z Musical Technical Production I or	1-3	Interview	S(odd year)	
TAP 370¹ Children's Theatre Technical Production I	1-3	Interview	F(odd year)	

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¹ Students may choose to use 3 units of Rehearsal & Performance courses or 3 units of Technical Production courses to satisfy the core requirement.

List B-a minimum of 9 units from the following:

COURSE	UNITS	PRE-REQS [^]	SEMESTERS OFFERED*	GE AREA
TA 305 Script Analysis	3		F	CSU Area C1
TA 351 Z Theory and Techniques of Acting II	3	TA 350; Advisory: ENGWR 300	F, Su	
TA 420 Z Stagecraft	3		F, S	
TA 422 Stage Lighting	3		F	
TA 430 Costume Construction	3		F, S	
TAP 300 Z Modern Rehearsal and Performance I or	1-3	Audition (please check with department for audition date)	F, S	
TAP 320 Z Classical Rehearsal and Performance I or	1-3	Audition (please check with department for audition date)	F, S	
TAP 340 Z Musical Rehearsal and Performance I or	1-3	Audition (please check with department for audition date)	F, S	
TAP 360 Children's Theatre Rehearsal and Performance I	1-3	Audition (please check with department for audition date)	F, S	

COURSE	UNITS	PRE-REQS [^]	SEMESTERS OFFERED*	GE AREA
TAP 310 ^Z Modern Technical Production I or	1-3	Interview	F, S	
TAP 330 Classical Technical Production I or	1-3	Interview	F, S	
TAP 350 ^Z Musical Technical Production I	1-3	Interview	F, S	

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¹ If Rehearsal & Performance was used in the core, you may select 3 units of Technical Production here.

² If Technical Production was used in the core, you may select 3 units of Rehearsal & Performance here.

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