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The Department of Theatre is a hub for creative practice research anchored in values of generosity, integrity, respect, and rigor. We explore theatre and performance as a living art that engages across disciplines to generate new knowledge and new understanding. We blend a vibrant spirit of innovation with vigorous academic inquiry and foster significant interactions between disciplines to deliver a fuller educational experience.

Our students are actors, directors, designers, technicians, playwrights, stage managers, producers, and administrators who are interested in propelling the art form into the future. We offer them a transformative education that aligns collaborative theatre making (production, design, and performance) with academic study and practice-based research. Our students develop and hone the basic human literacies of creativity, collaboration, and communication through critical creative practice and a flexible curriculum that embraces diverse techniques, philosophies, and measures of success. By teaching the foundation of art as ethical responsibility, we prepare them for a promising future with vital and employable skills such as creative problem solving, active collaboration, and deep empathy.

We produce a variety of productions in the Studio Theatre and Ryder Theatre Lab, where students collaborate with faculty, staff, and professional guest artists to achieve the highest standard of professionalism. With more than 40 co-op partners around the globe, students can connect classroom and stage experiences with the professional world.

Programs

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

- Theatre (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/arts-media-design/theatre/theatre-ba/>)
- Communication Studies and Theatre (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/arts-media-design/communication-studies/communication-studies-theatre-ba/>)
- Cultural Anthropology and Theatre (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/social-sciences-humanities/sociology-anthropology/cultural-anthropology-theatre-ba/>)
- English and Theatre (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/social-sciences-humanities/english/english-theatre-ba/>)
- Media and Screen Studies and Theatre (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/arts-media-design/communication-studies/media-screen-studies-theatre-ba/>)
- Theatre and Journalism (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/arts-media-design/theatre/theatre-journalism-ba/>)

Bachelor of Science (BS)

- Theatre (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/arts-media-design/theatre/theatre-bs/>)
- American Sign Language and Theatre (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/social-sciences-humanities/cultures-societies-global-studies/american-sign-language-theatre-bs/>)
- Computer Science and Theatre (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/computer-information-science/computer-information-science-combined-majors/computer-science-theatre-bs/>)
- Design and Theatre
- Media and Screen Studies and Theatre (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/arts-media-design/communication-studies/media-screen-studies-theatre-bs/>)
- Performance and Extended Realities (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/arts-media-design/theatre/performance-extended-realities-bs/>)
- Psychology and Theatre (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/science/psychology/psychology-theatre-bs/>)

Minors

- Theatre (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/arts-media-design/theatre/theatre-minor/>)
- Global Fashion Studies (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/arts-media-design/theatre/global-fashion-studies-minor/>)
- Improvisation and Storytelling (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/arts-media-design/communication-studies/improvisation-storytelling-minor/>)
- Performing Arts Administration (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/arts-media-design/theatre/performing-arts-minor/>)
- Playwriting (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/arts-media-design/theatre/playwriting-minor/>)

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- Theatre, Performance, and Social Change (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/arts-media-design/theatre/theatre-performance-social-change-minor/>)
- Theatrical Design (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/arts-media-design/theatre/theatrical-design-minor/>)

The college has approved suspension of admissions to these programs for 2025-2026:

- Theatre and Interaction Design, BA (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/arts-media-design/theatre/theatre-interaction-design-ba/>)
- Theatre and Interaction Design, BS (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/arts-media-design/theatre/theatre-interaction-design-bs/>)