Degree Program Assessment Plan

Degree Program - VPA - Theatre - Theatre Arts (MFA)

CIP Code: 50.0506.00; 50.0504.00; 50.1004.00
Disciplinary Accrediting Body: NAST
Next Program Review: 12-13
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Program Purpose Statement: The MFA degree is a terminal professional degree that provides for intensive specialization in one of four areas: Arts Administration/ Theatre Management; Design; Performance and Pedagogy; and Playwriting; and. A minimum of 60 hours is required beyond the baccalaureate. Completion of the MFA degree requires a thesis. In the case of Performance and Pedagogy and Design candidates, the thesis is based on a performance or production project accomplished during their program. In the case of playwriting candidates, the thesis is based on a script produced during their program. The Arts Administration/ Theatre Management concentration prepares management and administrative professionals for careers in non profit arts organizations.

Assessment Coordinator: Linda Donahue

Student Learning Outcome: Theatre Aptitude 17-18

Students will demonstrate the aptitude to pursue a career in theatre.
Outcome Status: Active
Outcome Type: Student Learning
Start Date: 08/31/2017

Assessment Methods

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<th>Portfolio Review - Applicable work will be reflective of a successful MFA student. (Active)</th>
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<td><strong>Criterion</strong>: 90% of students will receive a satisfactory rating on their two end-of-semester juries.</td>
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<th>Performance - Students will be actively involved in ongoing productions. (Active)</th>
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Student Learning Outcome: Academic Degree Progress 17-18

Students will make satisfactory progress toward completion of their degrees.
Outcome Status: Active
Outcome Type: Student Learning
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<th>Course Level Assessment - Students will make appropriate academic progress within the degree. (Active)</th>
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| **Criterion**: 90% of students will successfully complete 18 credits of their required courses by the end of their second long }
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Professional Development Activities - Faculty will meet and review individual student degree progress and performance. (Active)
Criterion: 80% of students will be evaluated as on-track by the entire theatre faculty.
Schedule: Evaluations compiled annually.

Student Learning Outcome: Community Awareness 17-18
Students will serve the community during their program.
Outcome Status: Active
Outcome Type: Student Learning
Start Date: 08/31/2017

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Student Projects - Students will successfully lead and complete a community outreach initiative. (Active)
Criterion: 80% of students will successfully complete THA 5351 “Mentoring Community Outreach in the Arts.”
Schedule: Facilitated each semester; results compiled annually.

Peer Assessments - MFA degree students community outreach leadership skills will be evaluated by the student peers they lead. (Active)
Criterion: 80% of students in THA 5351 will be evaluated as “effective leaders” by their undergraduate mentees.
Schedule: Facilitated each semester; results compiled annually.