

Course Title TPP 6237, MFA Acting Comp Workshop
Summer C 2018

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Office Hours M-F 9:00-4:00 by appointment

Meeting Location Rehearsal studios and labs in McGuire Pavilion, as assigned

Meeting Time To be arranged based on assignments

Course Description

Student actors study, experiment, and produce in a laboratory emphasizing specialized skills and methods; and nonrealistic and period genres.

Textbooks

There are no required textbooks. Playscripts will be provided based on assignments.

Weekly Course Schedule

The weekly schedule is determined by the project director in conjunction with the school's Production Manager. For many projects, individual time management is the responsibility of the student. Students must start or confirm their rehearsal and work schedules by the start of the term, May 14.

Attendance

Requirements for class attendance and make-up exams, assignments, and other work in this course are consistent with university policies that can be found at:
catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx

Disability Accommodation

Students with disabilities requesting accommodations should first register with the Disability Resource Center (352-392-8565, www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/) by providing appropriate documentation. Once registered, students will receive an accommodation letter which must be presented to the instructor when requesting accommodation. Students with disabilities should follow this procedure as early as possible in the semester.

Grading

Graduate students enrolled in TPP 6237 will be given roles and assignments of significant complexity and responsibility.

TPP 6237 is graded with the awarding of a letter grade. Project directors will provide input for

the final grading based on direct observation of student performance.

Information on current UF grading policies for assigning grade points may be found at:
<https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx>

Grading evaluation is based upon the following: attitude, professionalism, promptness, attendance, effort, ability to complete assigned tasks, adherence to safety procedures, positive collaborations with the repertory theatre ensemble, arriving in appropriate attire for rehearsals or shops, and overall quality of work. Each rehearsal or shop may establish ground rules for expected demeanor and work performance. Failure to arrive on time for a crew call, strike, performances or rehearsals, as well as unexcused absences, will significantly impact the final grade.

A = Excellent. Demonstrates a desire to learn and develop skills. Takes interest and initiative in planning, executing, and completing assignments. Displays an interest and ability to work with minimal supervision. Consistently available for job assignments that require performance above and beyond the minimum requirements.

B = Above Average. Learns from job assignments. Demonstrates knowledge of rehearsal techniques and/or shop equipment and facilities procedures. Takes interest and initiative in participating in rehearsal or lab activities. Displays a cooperative and positive demeanor.

C = Average. Attends all scheduled rehearsals, labs and performances on time. Is properly dressed for the work environment. Observes all safety rules and completes assignments satisfactorily.

D = Not available. Does not constitute a passing grade for School of Theatre and Dance majors.

E = Failure. Failure to complete the minimum number of required hours. Pattern of tardiness and lack of preparation. Disregard for other collaborators. Negligence in regard to safety procedures. Failure to meet established project deadlines. Work completed in an unacceptable manner. Failure to complete the minimum number of required hours will result in failure of the course, regardless of whether or not other criteria have been met.

Online Course Evaluation

Students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing online evaluations at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu>. Evaluations are typically open during the last two or three weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students at: evaluations.ufl.edu/results

Course Fees

Course fees may be found at: registrar.ufl.edu

UF Honesty Policy

“UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge which states, “We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code. On all work submitted for credit by students at the

University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: "On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment." The Honor Code (<http://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honor-code/>) specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor or TAs in this class."

Counseling and Mental Health

Please be aware that there are professionals on campus to assist you if you feel the pressures of a semester are too great for you to manage. Contact information for the Counseling and Wellness Center: <http://www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc/Default.aspx>, 392-1575; and the University Police Department: 392-1111 or 9-1-1 for emergencies.

Master Classes and Panels

There will be a number of professional guest artists in commercial theatre practice and producing in residence as part of the school's Summer Repertory Theatre program. Optional master classes and/or roundtable panels may be offered for students enrolled in this course. While attendance is not mandatory, all students are encouraged to attend. Flyers promoting such classes will be posted on callboards.