This program leads to a profession which requires an occupational license as defined under Texas Occupations Code 58.001 This requires that all applicants seeking to become licensed must undergo a criminal background check prior to licensure. Students in this program should check with the College of Education and P-16 Integration on the requirements for a criminal background check prior to student teaching.

The Bachelor of Arts in Theater with focus on Theater/Television/Film prepares a student to work in the arts and entertainment industries, in either live theater or recorded media such as film, television, commercials, and music videos. Depending upon their concentration within the program, students may be prepared for performance or direction in multiple media; theatrical design and technical production jobs; and/or film and television production. The BA in Theater also prepares students for entry into graduate school or secondary education. Other employment opportunities in related fields, such as advertising and development, exist due to the liberal arts emphasis of this degree. Students also gain social skills, including teamwork and project leadership that are valuable to employers in any field.

A – GENERAL EDUCATION CORE – 42 HOURS

Students must fulfill the General Education Core requirements. The courses listed below satisfy both degree requirements and General Education core requirements.

Required

090 - Integrative and Experiential Learning - 3 hours

Choose one:

COMM 1311 Introduction to Communication COMM 1315 Public Speaking

Recommended

050 - Creative Arts - 3 hours

Choose one: THTF 1310 Theatre Appreciation THTF 2366 Cinema Appreciation

B - MAJOR REQUIREMENTS - 42 HOURS (27 advanced)

1 – Theatre/Television/Film Core – 24 hours (12 advanced)

THTF 1351 Acting I THTF 1330 Stagecraft THTF 1336 Introduction to Film & Video Production THTF 2361 Video and Film Editing I THTF 4311 Directing I THTF 4312 Directing II THTF 4316 History of Theatre I THTF 4317 History of Theatre II

2 – Design Technical Electives – 18 hours (15 advanced)

THTF 1342 Costume Technology THTF 3321 Creative Drama Choose one: THTF 3311 Contemporary Drama

THTF 3312 World Drama

Choose one:

THTF 3331 Scene Design THTF 3333 Costume Design THTF 4120 Practicum Theatre Television Film THTF 4120 Practicum Theatre Television Film THTF 4120 Practicum Theatre Television Film THTF 4351 Theory and Styles of Acting

C – TEACHER CERTIFICATION – 27 HOURS (24 advanced)

Area of Certification: Theatre (EC-12) EDFR 2301 Intercultural Context of Schooling The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley EDUC 3301 The Teaching Profession and Student Learning in Contemporary Schools EDUC 3302 Knowledge of Student Development and Learning EDUC 3303 Evidence-Based Teaching in Positive Learning Environments EDUC 3304 Instructional Planning and Assessment in Culturally Sustaining Classrooms EDUC 4306 Implementing and Assessing Effective Secondary Content Pedagogy READ 4305 Disciplinary Literacy in Content Area Classrooms EDUC 4611 Student Teaching Secondary or All-Level

D – FREE ELECTIVES – 9 HOURS

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS FOR GRADUATION – 120 HOURS TOTAL ADVANCED HOURS – 51 HOURS

ADMISSION, PROGRESSION, AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS, if applicable:

Progression requirements

All courses in the major require a grade of 'C' or better. For teacher certification, students must apply for admission and be accepted to the College of Education and P-16 Integration prior to enrolling in teacher certification courses, except for EDFR 2301 which is open to all students. Students unable to be admitted to student teaching program will be required to substitute EDUC 4611 for 6 advanced hours, as recommended by advisor.

Graduation requirements

In addition to the graduation requirements listed in the UTRGV 2018-2019 Undergraduate Catalog, demonstration of proficiency in a language other than English is required at the undergraduate level equivalent to a minimum of six credit hours. Proficiency can be demonstrated by a college credit exam, a placement test approved through the UTRGV Department of Writing and Language Studies, and/or up to six credit hours of college-level language coursework.