

Visual and Performing Arts Program Fee: Theatre & Dance

1. The Department of Theatre & Dance provides specialized classroom, technology support, equipment production based materials and performance spaces for all students majoring and minoring in Theatre & Dance. This includes dance and acting studios, musical theatre rehearsal space, scene shop, costume shop, lighting lab and 3 performance areas.
2. Performance is an integral part of training in Theatre & Dance. As a part of the applied learning component we present 6 main season performances during the academic year, 3 summer theatre performances and host the Snowy Range Summer Dance Festival. The department also supports student directed/choreographed performances and hosts regional conferences and festivals. Associated costs include royalties, costumes, lighting instruments and sound technology, scenic items and publicity.
3. Hiring of temporary faculty members to offset loss of faculty lines integral to the maintenance of excellence in the different degree concentrations.
4. Hiring of part-time student workers for scene and costume shops and accompanists for dance and Musical Theatre classes.
5. Student travel opportunities.
6. Day to day running of the department, including bills for Physical plant and IT. With the renovations to the Buchanan Center we have 4 new classrooms, a new Thrust Theatre performance venue, new dressing rooms and make up rooms, however our support budget has been diminished over the past two years.

The new budget shortfalls planned for FY 17/18 + would necessitate drastic cuts to all section 1 monies, including support budgets. Theatre and Dance cannot operate without establishing another revenue stream to continue to provide the excellent, high quality programs and disciplines we are known for or to maintain the upkeep on the studios and classrooms in the Buchanan Center and appropriate costs. We currently charge fee for all studio classes: dance, design/tech, musical theatre workshop and performance.

Based on comparators, many Theatre & Dance departments charge some form of program fees assessed per credit hour.

Current budget scenario for Theatre & Dance

Section 1 support budget (\$66,420)

Current course fees for dance and musical theatre accompaniment (\$27,000)

3-5 Temporary Faculty lines (\$140,000-\$230,000)

Student travel and registration fees for conference/recruiting (\$7000)

Production Budget, including part-time funds (Costume shop, lighting, scene shop) (\$78,000)

Summer Theatre/Snowy Range Summer Dance Festival (\$82,000)

This amount is currently offset by ticket income (39,844 FY 2016 and Fine Arts Fee money.)

Comparator Institutions:

All comparator institutions with Theatre & Dance Programs have some form of fee structure. Many times, the fees are included in tuition, or in some cases are charged as a semester-to-semester program fee. Many others use a per-credit-hour fee model. Our proposal would be a per-credit-hour fee for all students who enroll in a THEA course.

Comparator Institution	Undergraduate Tuition per academic year	Fees
Utah State University	Base tuition: \$5812	\$525 for 12-18 Credit hours Plus \$37.26/credit hour differential tuition for Arts classes
Oklahoma State	Base tuition and fees: \$10,090	Unknown
Montana State University	Base tuition: \$6850 Tuition and Fees \$11595	General fees
South Dakota State University	Base tuition: \$7170 (\$239 per credit hour)	Unable to locate on website
North Dakota State University	Base tuition: \$6,924	Range \$15-\$150 (dance classes higher) flat amount per course
Idaho State	Base tuition \$6784	None listed

Competitive Programs in Theatre & Dance		
Utah Valley University	Base Tuition: \$4678.00	\$39/credit hour up to 10 hours (Capped at 345/semester)
University of Colorado	Base Tuition \$11,091	\$25/credit hour Theatre \$100/specialty courses or \$25/credit hour for dance accompanist
University of Montana	Base tuition and fees: Lower division \$3119 Upper Division \$3349	
Colorado State University	Base Tuition: 10,558	\$72/credit hour
University of Utah	Base Tuition \$9496	Theatre: \$100/year freshman, \$250/year Sophomore - Senior
University of Arizona	Base Tuition and fees: Fr/So 11,400, \$12,400 6,194 per semester	
University of Wyoming	Base tuition: \$3720	Current: \$25/course studio fee

OIA Data

Departments	Faculty/ APL# FY15	Graduating BS/BA students in past 5 years FY11-FY15	Undergraduate Minors - past 5 years FY11-FY15	<u>ALL</u> CH by <u>Dept</u> average over 5 years FY11-FY15	<u>ALL</u> CH by faculty <u>home Dept</u> average over 5 years FY11-FY15	Cost per CH (using OIA#13)
Theatre and Dance	11	114	12	5325	5530	\$224

Proposed per credit hour fee for Theatre & Dance

The Department of Theatre & Dance will need to charge a **per-credit-hour** fee of \$50.00.

Deliverables for students:

- Fees would be used to provide all production costs for performances.
- Fees would provide access to faculty from the professional world
- Fees cover cost of live accompanists for dance and musical theatre classes
- Fees would allow students access to the most current programs in theatre and dance technology.
- Fees would cover any equipment repairs, replacements or upgrades.
- Fees would provide guaranteed seats and necessary equipment in all required courses.
- Fees would provide safe studio environments
- Fees would enable upkeep of classrooms, studios and performance spaces. Our new technology-based classrooms require costly upgrades, projectors need bulbs and our studio classrooms have similar technological maintenance and upgrades.
- Fees would cover entry costs for regional and national competitions and adjudications.
- Fees would enable students to participate in travel to and from conferences and field trips.
- Hosting student welcome picnic, graduation brunch and patron receptions
- Subscriptions to magazines/ resources

Breakdown of THEA credits by semester/year and total fees by concentration for 4 years.

BA DANCE

Freshman Year

Fall Semester
THEA CREDITS: 3

Spring Semester
THEA CREDITS: 4

Sophomore Year
THEA CREDITS: 9

THEA CREDITS: 5

Junior Year
THEA CREDITS: 8

THEA CREDITS: 10

Senior Year
THEA CREDITS: 7

THEA CREDITS: 4

- 57 CREDITS @ \$50.00=\$2850 in Fees over 4-year period
- Fees plus tuition of \$14,880 = \$17730.00 /4-year period

BFA DANCE PERFORMANCE REQUIRES ADDITIONAL HOURS IN THEATRE & DANCE

- 70 CREDITS @ \$50.00 = \$3500.00 in Fees over 4-year period
- Fees plus tuition of \$14,880 = \$18380.00/ 4-year period

BFA DANCE SCIENCE REQUIRES 3 ADDITIONAL HOURS IN THEATRE & DANCE AND 15 HOURS OUTSIDE OF THEATRE & DANCE

- 60 CREDITS @ \$50.00=\$3000.00 in Fees over 4-year period
- Fees plus tuition of \$14,880 = \$17880 /4-year period

BFA THEATRE PERFORMANCE

Freshman Year
THEA CREDITS: 9.5

THEA CREDITS: 6.5

Sophomore Year
THEA CREDITS: 8

THEA CREDITS: 7

Junior Year
THEA CREDITS: 5

THEA CREDITS: 6

Senior Year
THEA CREDITS: 9

THEA CREDITS: 9

- 60 CREDITS @ \$50.00=\$3000.00 in Fees over 4-year period
- Fees plus tuition of \$14,880 = \$17880 /4-year period

BFA MUSICAL THEATRE PERFORMANCE

Freshman Year		
THEA CREDITS: 10.5		THEA CREDITS: 10.5
Sophomore Year		
THEA CREDITS: 12		THEA CREDITS: 8
Junior Year		
THEA CREDITS: 5		THEA CREDITS: 4
Senior Year		
THEA CREDITS: 9		THEA CREDITS: 9

- 70 CREDITS @ \$50.00 = \$3500.00 in Fees over 4-year period
- Fees plus tuition of \$14,880 = \$18380.00/ 4-year period

BFA DESIGN/TECH

Freshman Year		
THEA CREDITS: 6.5		THEA CREDITS: 6.5
Sophomore Year		
THEA CREDITS: 9		THEA CREDITS: 9
Junior Year		
THEA CREDITS: 8		THEA CREDITS: 6
Senior Year		
THEA CREDITS: 9		THEA CREDITS: 6

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Using the UBER report numbers for enrollment during 2015-16, Theatre & Dance generated 3472.5 credit hours.

At \$50/Credit hour we would generate \$173,625.00