

Course | Level Theatre 621.01 - Theatre Graphics I | U / G | Autumn 2008 | 3 credits

Description An examination of drafting techniques and graphics presentation in relation to theatre design and technology.

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Class Meetings:

Lecture/Lab Monday / Wednesday 8:30 - 10:18 | Drake 1112

Texts / Supplies:

- Dorn, Dennis, and Shanda, Mark. *Drafting for the Theatre*, SIU Press, 1997
- Carter, Paul. *The Backstage Handbook*, Broadway Press, 1994 (recommended)
- architect's scale rule

Learning Objectives:

- to examine the history of theatre graphics, in particular, hand-drawn and computer-aided design and drafting techniques
- to develop a drafting style for the contemporary presentation of theatre graphics
- to begin development of a digital design portfolio through the construction and presentation of quality theatre graphics
- to understand and develop a facility for creating typical theatre drawings: ground plans, sections, front elevations, and detail drawings
- to become familiar with the production "path" of design and technical drawings, from idea to implementation

Teaching Method: Lecture / Demonstration / In-Class Exercises

Projects / Grading:

Drafting Exercises (7 at 5% each)	35%
Ground Plan and Section Project ( <i>Romeo and Juliet</i> ) (15% plan view; 15% section view)	30%
Portfolio Project	25%
Class Participation	10%

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Grading Scale

A	93 - 100
A-	90 – 92.9
B+	87 – 89.9
B	83 – 86.9
B-	80 – 82.9
C+	77 – 79.9
C	73 – 76.9
C-	70 – 72.9
D+	67 – 69.9
D	60 – 66.9
E	0 – 59.9

Final Portfolio: Monday, Dec 3 – 7:30am

Note All exercises and assignments will have specific due dates, as noted in the weekly syllabus. Late work is generally not accepted, unless you obtain advance permission of the instructor or justified by a doctor's note.

Attendance Policy Attendance and punctuality are mandatory. Three “lates” = an absence. Repeated absences and/or tardiness will result in the lowering of the final course grade by 1/3 letter. One warning will be given prior to this rule going into effect.

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weekly syllabus (subject to change)

<u>Wk</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Topics</u>	<u>Reading/Assignment</u>
1	W	9-19	Course Introduction, historical perspectives Production design/tech "path"	
2	M	9-24	Professional Graphics Standards visit TRI resources – professional practice	p. 3-34
	W	9-26	AutoCAD intro and plotting	p. 152-160 <b>Ex. 1 (3.1, 3.2, 3.3) due</b>
3	M	10-1	AutoCAD lines and shapes	<b>Ex. 2 (CAD text) due</b>
	W	10-3	Orthographic projections	p. 57-67 <b>Ex. 3 (4.1) due</b>
4	M	10-8	Dimensioning and Notation	p. 68-81 <b>Ex. 4 (6.2) due</b>
	W	10-10	Drawing Management Layers, Model and Paper Space	<b>Ex. 5 (7.1) due</b>
5	M	10-15	More Drawing Management – blocks and images	
	W	10-17	Technical Drawings – plan and elevation	
6	M	10-22	CAD and creating Light Plots, workspaces	p. 217-226 <b>Ex. 6 (Tech Dwg) due</b>
	W	10-24	File types and exporting techniques Understanding .dwg / .dxf / .doc / .wmf / .jpeg / PDF	
7	M	10-29	Photoshop techniques for theatre (handout)	
	W	10-31	Photoshop: image manipulation <i>Romeo and Juliet</i> drafting project assigned	
8	M	11-5	Ground Plans and Sections	
	W	11-7	Drafting Project work	<b>Ex. 7 (Photoshop) due</b>
9	M	11-12	NO CLASS, VETERAN'S DAY	
	W	11-14	Drafting Project work	
10	M	11-19	Power Point, creating presentations	<b>Romeo and Juliet due</b>
	W	11-21	Power Point, inserting images, graphics, media	
11	M	11-26	Portfolio layout techniques	
	W	11-28	First draft of portfolios / individual conferences	

All reading assignments are from *Drafting for the Theatre*

**Exercise and Project due dates are noted in bold**

Course Portfolios shown in Final Exam slot, Monday, December 3, starting at 7:30am