

Bachelor in Fine Arts in Acting (132 units)

This new state-supported program was recommended by the Academic Senate on November 30, 2017 and concurred by the President on December 7, 2017.

The BFA in Acting is a rigorous, focused and sequential actor-training degree. This degree prepares its graduates to enter the acting profession and work across all media: stage, film, television and web-based work. The degree nurtures and develops both skilled, transformative actors and self-generating, collaborative theatre artists. The degree aims to train young artists whose work is truthful, physically and imaginatively engaged, vocally dynamic and versatile, and who can work successfully in a highly competitive global market place.

Initially the BFA sequence focuses work on “Self” via the introduction of fundamentals of acting, and the development of the actor’s body, voice, imagination, and creative individuality. Work also addresses creative blocks and unproductive habits.

The sequence then goes on to deliver rigorous exploration work on the “Role” through a wide variety of dramatic texts and genres that the student will encounter in a career as a professional actor. It continues to develop the core principles introduced in the first year and adds more advanced techniques and methodologies.
an expanded mastery of the fundamentals introduced in the first year.

The degree culminates in an online Showcase, which introduces our graduates to industry professionals.

Admission Requirements:

To be eligible for admission to the BFA degree applicants must demonstrate the following, prior to the semester for which the application is submitted:

Applicants must have met requirements for admission to the university as a freshman, or articulating transfer student with 60 completed units at a previous institution.

Applicants must have completed at least 33 semester units of baccalaureate-level work applicable toward a degree at CSULB including the following Theatre Arts courses: 103, 111, 112, 114 A, 116, two units of 140, and 141 A & B or transfer articulation equivalencies.

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