



TRANSFER GUIDE

UWM @ Waukesha/Washington County to B.F.A. – Theatre – Peck School of the Arts

Admission Guidelines

Transfer admission is a holistic and selective process, and no single criterion guarantees admission. The following factors are taken into consideration when reviewing applications:

- Demonstrated satisfactory academic progress
- Successful completion of college-level math and English courses
- Total credit hours completed
- Academic standing at your previous institution

If you have fewer than 12 transferable credits, we will also review your high school academic records.

Please keep in mind that some academic programs within the Peck School of the Arts, School of Architecture and Urban Planning, College of Engineering & Applied Science, and College of Nursing may have additional requirements for direct admission into their majors.

We encourage students to utilize this guide to plan their coursework for their first and second semesters. We highly recommend that students who are interested in transferring contact a UWM Transfer Advisor for more information about additional requirements of specific academic programs.

Admission to Theatre Requirements

Students must meet the following criteria for entry into the BFA Theatre Program:

- Earn a minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA on all coursework
- Acting and Musical Theatre majors must pass the Theatre Entrance Audition, which is typically scheduled multiple times per year on Fridays; dates are posted at uwm.edu/arts/apply/ (application must be complete 2 weeks prior to audition date)
- Production majors must complete the application to schedule a required interview for program entry

The BFA in Acting requires 32 credits in core Theatre curriculum, 47 credits of required Theatre curriculum, 6 credits of electives, and 45 credits of core (UWM) curriculum, 130 credits total. Students pursuing their Bachelor of Fine Arts degree would major in Theatre studying Acting.

The BFA in Musical Theatre requires 19 credits in core Theatre curriculum, 59 credits of required Musical Theatre curriculum covering coursework in the Dance, Music, and Theatre departments, 7 credits of related PSOA electives, and 45 credits of core (UWM) curriculum, 130 credits total. Students pursuing their Bachelor of Fine Arts degree would major in Theatre studying Musical Theatre.

The BFA in Production requires 32 credits in core Theatre curriculum, 14 credits of required Theatre curriculum, 29 credits of electives, and 45 credits of core (UWM) curriculum, 120 credits total.

If you are interested in obtaining a degree in Theatre from UW-Milwaukee, the following recommendations have been established to help you plan your UW-Colleges course work. Because most required Theatre coursework is only offered at UWM, you are encouraged to transfer to UWM after 1 semester at a UW-College campus. Students planning to pursue Musical Theatre should plan to begin studies at the main UWM-Milwaukee campus.

Transfer Admissions Contact Information

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	UWM @ Wauk/Wash Co. courses	Cr.	UWM courses
General Education Requirements (GER)			
Oral and Written Comm Part A (OWCA)	CGS ENG 101 & 102	--	ENGLISH 101 & 102 (see gen elect)
Oral and Written Comm Part B (OWCB)		--	See major
Quantitative Literacy Part A (QLA)	CGS MAT 103 or 105	--	MATH 103 or 105 (see gen elect)
Quantitative Literacy Part B (QLB)	CGS BUS/ECO 243, CGS MAT 211, CGS MAT 221, or CGS PHI 211	3	BUS ADM/ECON 210, MATH 211, MATH 231, PHILOS 211, or other
Foreign Language (FL)	Demonstrated competency*	--	Demonstrated competency*
Art		--	See major
Humanities (6 credits)	Various options**	3	Various options**
	Various options**	3	Various options**
Social Science (6 credits)	Various options**	3	Various options**
	Various options**	3	Various options**
Natural Science (6 credits)	Various options**	3-4	Various options**
(including one lab)	Various options**	3-4	Various options**
Cultural Diversity	May be met by course from above	--	May be met by course from above
Prerequisites and/or Foundation Courses			
Introductory/Fundamentals of Acting course	CGS CTA 232	3	THEATRE 110 or 101 (101 for Production majors only)
Stagecraft***		4	THEATRE 214***
Costume Construction		2	THEATRE 225
The Theatrical Experience***		3	THEATRE 305 (GER Art)***
Acting 2: Text & Performance		3	THEATRE 230
Play Analysis		3	THEATRE 213
Performing Arts Management***		3	THEATRE 275***
Theatre Production & Design		3	THEATRE 236
The Theatre: Beginnings through Realism		3	THEATRE 321 (GER-Art/OWCB)
The Theatre: Modern & Contemporary Period***		3	THEATRE 322 (GER-Art/OWCB)***
Major/College Core Courses			
Arts in PSOA Electives--Choose from 3 different departments outside home dept from approved list on PSOA website (do not utilize GER-Arts list which is a different requirement)		12	Various options***
Major Requirements (Students complete an average of 3 theatre courses per semester at UWM to stay on track with degree progress.)			
Track Requirements		14-59	Varies based on degree track; choose approved Theatre courses in consultation with advisor
Theatre General Electives		6-29	Varies based on degree track; choose approved Theatre courses in consultation with advisor
General Electives			
Electives outside the PSOA (Additional credits will result in total credits in excess of 120 or 130.)	GER competency requirements (OWCA, QLA, FL) or other	12	
Elective outside Theatre		3	Various—consult advisor**
Total Credits = minimum 120 (for Production) or 130 (for Acting & Musical Theatre)			

*Can be satisfied by satisfactory placement exam score or coursework. Foreign language may be met by 2 years of HS study.

**Consult the [Internal Transfer Lookup](#) tool, or discuss GER options with an advisor to see which courses are most appropriate.

***Except for Musical Theatre majors

Recommended Course Plan

If you are interested in obtaining a degree in Theatre from UW-Milwaukee, the following recommendations have been established to help you plan your UWM @ Waukesha/Washington County coursework. To make sufficient progress towards your degree and to graduate in a timely manner, you are encouraged to transfer to UWM after 1-semester at a UWM Branch Campus.

Due to the specificity of courses, students interested in Theatre should only attend a UW-College for a maximum of 1 semester, except for Musical Theatre students who should plan to attend the main UWM-Milwaukee campus at the beginning of studies.

Early interaction with UWM's course of study is the most effective way of completing degree requirements in a timely manner. It is strongly recommended that you contact an advisor at UWM in the PSOA as soon as possible to discuss transfer options. For more information on course equivalencies, visit the UWM Internal Transfer Lookup tool at <https://web.uwm.edu/registrar/tools/internaltransfer>.

For further assistance, please contact the Peck School of the Arts Advising Office at (414)229-4763.

Concurrent enrollment at both a UWM Branch Campus and the main campus would allow you to take the required courses for your major at UWM while finishing up other course work at Waukesha or Washington County. Consult an advisor to explore your options and to plan a curriculum that fully transitions to UWM and fills prerequisites, General Education Requirement credit, and other program requirements.

Semester 1		
UWM Branch Course	Title	UWM Equivalent
CGS ENG 101	English Composition I	ENGLISH 101
CGS MAT 105 OR 103	College Algebra or Contemporary Math	MATH 105 or 103
GER Course	Social Science	GER SS
GER Course	Natural Science or Natural Science w/Lab	GER NS or NS+