

TPA 4930: Advanced Costume Design

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Tuesday/Thursday 4:05- 6:00
CON 0218

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W 10:00-12:00

Syllabus

Objective:

1. To demonstrate an understanding and appreciation of the fundamentals of design as integrated into costume design.
2. To deepen understanding of character analysis and its impact on design choice.
3. To take principals of theatrical design and apply them to other areas of entertainment.
4. To analyze and investigate the production needs related to costumes.
5. To broaden understanding of cultural expression through clothing.

Outcomes:

1. Students will gain a broad understanding of the many ways in which their skills in theatrical costume design can be applied to other areas of the broader entertainment industry.
2. Students will learn in-depth research skills and how research impacts their ability to achieve design goals.
3. Students will understand cultural context of design choices.
4. Students will understand the impact of movement and the body on design choice.

Recommended Texts:

The Magic Garment: Rebecca Cunningham
Costume Character
Figure Drawing: Tan Huaixiang
Drawing and Rendering for The Theatre: Clare P. Rowe

Required Supplies: Rendering medium will be determined by each student. In addition to these you will need a sketch book no smaller than 11x14.

GRADING:

The grading scale will be as follows:

A	94-100%
A-	90-93%
B+	87-89%
B	83-86%
B-	80-82%
C+	77-79%
C	73-76%
C-	70-72%
D	68-69%
E	0-67%

The university grading policies for assigning grade points may be found at <https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx>

The final grade for the semester will be weighted as follows:

Design Challenges	20%
Project Phase One	20%
Project Phase Two	20%
Project Phase Three	20%
Project Phase Four	20%

ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS:

The success of this course is based on discussion and class participation. Attendance is vital. Only one (1) unexcused absences from class will be permitted without penalty. Each additional unexcused absence will lower your final grade by 5%. Two (2) late arrivals and/or early departures to/from class will count as one (1) absence. Three unexcused absences will result in a failing grade in this class.

Excused absences are consistent with university policies in the undergraduate catalog (<https://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-regulations/attendance-policies/>) and require appropriate documentation.

COVID SPECIFIC:

If you are not vaccinated, get vaccinated. Vaccines are readily available at no cost and have been demonstrated to be safe and effective against the COVID-19 virus. Visit this link for details on where to get your shot, including options that do not require an appointment: <https://coronavirus.ufhealth.org/vaccinations/vaccine-availability/>. Students who receive the first dose of the vaccine somewhere off-campus and/or outside of Gainesville can still receive their second dose on campus.

You are expected to wear approved face coverings at all times during class and within buildings even if you are vaccinated. Please continue to follow healthy habits, including best practices like frequent hand washing. Following these practices is our responsibility as Gators.

Sanitizing supplies are available in the classroom if you wish to wipe down your desks prior to sitting down and at the end of the class.

Hand sanitizing stations will be located in every classroom.

If you are sick, stay home and self-quarantine. Please visit the UF Health Screen, Test & Protect website about next steps, retake the questionnaire and schedule your test for no sooner than 24 hours after your symptoms began. Please call your primary care provider if you are ill and need immediate care or the UF Student Health Care Center at 352-392-1161 (or email covid@shcc.ufl.edu) to be evaluated for testing and to receive further instructions about returning to campus. UF Health Screen, Test & Protect offers guidance when you are sick, have been exposed to someone who has tested positive or have tested positive yourself. Visit the UF Health Screen, Test & Protect website for more information.

Course materials will be provided to you with an excused absence, and you will be given a reasonable amount of time to make up work.

If you are withheld from campus by the Department of Health through Screen, Test & Protect you are not permitted to use any on campus facilities. Students attempting to attend campus activities when withheld from campus will be referred to the Dean of Students Office.

Continue to regularly visit coronavirus.UFHealth.org and coronavirus.ufl.edu for up-to-date information about COVID-19 and vaccination.

USE OF ELECTRONIC DEVICES:

The use of cell phones or other mobile devices is disruptive, and therefore is PROHIBITED during class. Except in emergencies, those using such devices must leave the classroom for the remainder of the class period. Students are not permitted to use computers during class without specific permission from the instructor, and in that case, students using the computer for work not related to the class must leave the classroom for the remainder of the class period. Classes may not be recorded without express permission from the instructor.

ONLINE COURSE EVALUATIONS:

Students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing online evaluations at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu>. Evaluations are typically open during the last two or three weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students <https://evaluations.ufl.edu/results/>

HONESTY POLICY:

UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge which states, “We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code. On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: “On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment.” The Honor Code (<http://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honorcode/>) specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES:

Students with disabilities requesting accommodations should first register with the Disability Resource Center (352- 392-8565, www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/) by providing appropriate documentation. Once registered, students will receive an accommodation letter which must be presented to the instructor when requesting accommodation. Students with disabilities should follow this procedure as early as possible in the semester.

COUNSELING AND WELLNESS CENTER:

<https://counseling.ufl.edu/>

UNIVERSITY POLICE: 392-1111 or 911 for emergencies