



Theatre

Looking for a dramatic difference? We have a reputation as one of the best Christian college theatre programs in the country. Ours isn't a competitive, cutthroat environment. Instead students praise our ensemble approach where every role—from actor to usher—is equally valued.

5 study options

- Theatre major/minor
- Theatre education major/minor
- Worship arts major (*interdisciplinary*)
- Arts administration minor
- Christian theatre ministries career concentration

Directors and producers

Northwestern's theatre faculty is an ensemble of professional actors, directors, designers and playwrights. They'll mentor you, collaborate with you, and treat you as a fellow artist.

The King and I

Students say the collaborative, excellence-oriented environment of Northwestern's theatre program is unlike anything they've ever experienced. The program's goal is to help you as a theatre artist develop your creative gifts for service in God's kingdom. That will happen as you commit to ensemble work, emphasize process over product and cultivate a servant's heart in every role.

Superb facilities

Playing a supporting role is the award-winning DeWitt Theatre Arts Center. With both proscenium and black box theatres; a spacious lobby; and scenery, costume and lighting studios, it's been called "the best college theatre in Iowa."

A role for everyone

You'll gain experience in all aspects of theatre—producing, directing, acting, lighting, sound design, scenery and costuming—through a full season of productions.

Mainstage shows

Our season includes 4 faculty-directed productions each year, from Sophocles and Shakespeare to contemporary plays and premieres of new dramas.

Children's theatre

Our annual children's show is presented to thousands of area schoolchildren and gives theatre students opportunities for physical comedy.

World Premiere Festival

Northwestern's program offers a unique playwriting focus with courses in one-act and full-length script writing. The work of student playwrights hits the stage annually in a spring festival of original plays.

Touring company: Drama Ministries Ensemble

Students selected for DME collaborate with the company's director to develop original work suitable for worship and evangelism. The plays are performed on request and during tours overseas and across the U.S.

Take a bow

Northwestern theatre graduates live all over the U.S. acting, directing, designing and writing plays. From a New York playwright to an acclaimed Chicago "scene stealer" to an actor who appeared on screen during the Sundance Film Festival, Northwestern theatre alumni have dramatic roles.

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To learn more about our professors and students, and see what graduates are doing:

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