

**NorthWest Arkansas Community College**  
**Division of Communication and Arts**  
**Theatre Department**

**Course Number and Title**

THTR 1253, Stage Management

**Catalog Description**

This course offers students a unique look of how theatre is run from behind the scenes. In this course, students will learn how to manage their time, necessary organizational skills that can be carried on with them in other courses, and how to improve their communication skills. Stage management offers students a chance to understand event planning, organizing properties and costumes, working with personnel, and the craft skills that go into creating the magic of theatre.

**Prerequisites**

None

**Credit hours/Contact hours/Load hours**

Three

**Target Audience/Transferability**

This course is designed to introduce students to the professional role of the Stage Manager. THTR 1253 may transfer to other institutions to fulfill a humanities requirement or hours toward a theatre major.

**General Education Outcome(s)**

Students develop higher order thinking skills.

Students develop effective oral communication skills.

**Student Learning Outcomes**

Upon completion of this course, students will:

- Describe the responsibilities of the stage manager
- Create and implement a prompt book for a theatrical production
- Write effective notes and create reports
- Practice running rehearsals and performances, including calling cues

**Topics**

Theory of stage management, developing and maintaining a prompt book, the rehearsal and performance process, theatrical technology including lighting and sound equipment.

**Assessment**

- Written reports
- Completed prompt book
- In class exercises

**Required Materials**

A two-inch binder

