Northwest Arkansas Community College

(Communication and Arts Division)

Discipline Code

THTR

Course Number

2753

Course Title

Directing I

Catalog Description

An introductory course in the fundamentals of directing a play for the stage. Students will examine various directing theories, script analysis, working with the creative team, and conducting rehearsals.

Prerequisites

None

Credit Hours

3 credit hours

Contact Hours

45 contact hours

Load Hours

3 load hours

Semester Offered

Fall and Spring

ACTS Equivalent

N/A

Grade Mode

A - F

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this course, students will:

- Develop and apply skills in script analysis.
- Demonstrate the ability to organize a play production.
- Apply the basics of blocking and actor coaching.
- Explain critical evaluation of plays and performers in rehearsal.

General Education Outcomes Supported

N/A

Standard Practices

Topics List

Dramatic criticism, genres, acting styles, directing theories, working with performers scenery, lighting, properties, costumes, publicity, social implications, cultural differences.

Learning Activities

N/A

Assessments

- A minimum of 3 critical papers in script analysis.
- A minimum of blocking 3 assigned scenes, one of which may be a monologue.
- One in-depth semester research project, addressing one element of directing.

Grading guidelines

N/A

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