

<b>Course Title</b>	B.A. (Hons.) Musical Theatre
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<b>Course Fees</b>	£9,250 (Annually)
<b>Welcome</b>	
<p>Dear Musical theatre Student,</p> <p>Welcome to the Musical theatre Programme!</p> <p>We are very much looking forward to working with you, and are sure that your time here is going to be engaging, exciting and fun.</p> <p>Welcome Week will allow you to meet all the students on your course, as well as those within the Performing Arts Departments and across different programmes of study.</p> <p>There are some items of clothing and books that you will need to buy, so please read the following information below.</p> <p>If you require any help or want to know anything before you arrive, please email me via the details at the end of this page.</p> <p>Best wishes, Victoria Barbé Programme Leader &amp; Senior Lecturer of Musical Theatre</p>	
<b>Additional Costs</b>	
<p>All students need to be aware that they will incur additional costs whilst on programme. The list below will provide you with an overview of additional costs.</p>	
<b>Books and Journals</b>	
<p>It would be really useful for you to start reading some of the set books for each module as listed below. Some of these are available for free through our online programme, One Search, which will be introduced to you during Welcome Week.</p> <p>Please set about £100 - £150 aside for book purchases for throughout the year.</p> <p>Please also bring any music you have worked on before, and anything you have purchased for your own interest. This course will have opportunities to share your enthusiasm for the shows you love with other people, so bring everything you have!</p> <p>Our library is well equipped with music, so you do not need to buy any new music or books beforehand. However, as we help you to build your repertoire and academic skills, you will be required to invest in sheet music for your solo repertoire and books for reading. Please allocate part of the £100 - £150 for books for this purpose.</p>	
<b>Stationery</b>	
<p>Students should budget for stationery and consumables for your own personal use. This should include notebooks, pens and pencils for taking notes in class and/or rehearsals. Students should</p>	

also budget for the purchase of USB pen drives, as well as occasional printing and photocopying costs incurred in the preparation or submission of coursework.

Whilst you will choose how much you need, expect to pay around £30 - £40 per year for these items.

### **Clothing and Equipment**

Students are required to wear plain black clothes and comfortable flat footwear for all their practical classes, showings and some performances. Clothing should be plain black, durable and provide for a freedom of movement (i.e. be flexible and comfortable). Students should budget approximately £100 - £150 for appropriate rehearsal clothing.

#### **Essential Equipment:**

Base layers:

- Neutral black leggings or footless tights and leotard (for dance)
- Footless pink or black tights for Ballet
- Suitable garments for appropriate support

Outerwear:

- Neutral black trousers and/or tracksuit bottoms
- Neutral black t-shirts (high neck lines please)
- Neutral black long-sleeved baggy tops or sweatshirts (no hoods)

Footwear:

- Neutral black socks
- Neutral black jazz shoes (preferably split sole)
- Soft Ballet shoes (pointe shoes optional)
- Foot Thongs (optional)

Accessories:

- Kneepads for dance (optional)
- Sports Water Bottle
- Personal Care Kit (useful items include inhalers, personal medication, support bandages as required, plasters, instant cold compress, baby wipes, deodorant)

Students should not wear jeans, skirts, hipster trousers or revealing tops to class. ALL jewellery is strictly prohibited in class and rehearsals due to health and safety requirements. This includes ALL piercings.

For performances, assessments or additional projects, you may be required to buy specific equipment or clothing. Your tutors will give you sufficient time to source these. It is recommended to keep approximately £100 resource budget available.

However, on the BA (Hons) Musical Theatre Degree students are expected to have 'smart' practical wear for use in showings and performances. This can be a smart outfit made up of your choice of the following items, as appropriate:

- A neutral black jacket
- A neutral black shirt/blouse
- Neutral black socks
- Neutral black skirt (past the knee)
- A neutral black dress (past the knee)

- A neutral black jumpsuit
- A pair of neutral black dress shoes

Please ensure you can move comfortable in your choices.

If you are struggling to source any of these items, please get in touch. We have experience suggesting sources for some of the less readily available items and are happy to help.

### **Theatre Trips**

Students are encouraged to attend the Stanwix Theatres on campus as regularly as possible to support their fellow performers and attend productions by professional touring theatre companies and performers who visit the campus. Prices for performances at the Stanwix Theatre can vary, and while some performances are free, student shows typically cost around £8 for Guests, £6 for concessions and £4 for members. Membership for students currently costs £10 per annum. Attendance at these shows are not compulsory however, so what you see and how much you spend is at your discretion.

In addition to your studies, you may also have the opportunity to go on theatre trips to professional venues across the country. The cost for these trips can vary enormously ranging from £20 - £200 depending on the theatre and the distanced travelled. These trips are however optional, so which shows you choose to see and how many trips you go on is your decision.

### **Contact Us**

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