

# Applying to a University/Advanced Theater Program

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## Choosing the right school

It doesn't matter – until it matters

Faculty

Location

Cost

Debt is disastrous to artists

NY Showcases

College Visits

College Requirements

Michigan: Freshman applicants should have training and experience in musical theatre techniques and production. The ability to read music fluently and training in ballet are assets. A “B” average (3.0 GPA) or better with good college prep courses and SAT or ACT test results (with Writing) are required.

BFA vs BA

UCF: Requirements same as University plus audition

Accredited vs. Unaccredited

Application to School and College

Accepted (arts specific), Decision Desk, The Common Application

Ask Teachers What they prefer for email

Rec. Letters

Beyond the Resume – becoming a well-rounded artist

Choosing Material

Now

Prescreen

Working with faculty

Michigan: December 1

UCF: Apply to UCF no later than November 1. Prescreen by January 15

Audition

UCF: Callbacks in February

Musical Theater

- An 8 x 10 Headshot (color or b/w)
- Résumé
- Two/Three current letters of recommendation
- One monologue and two contrasting songs from the musical theatre repertoire to total no more than three minutes
- Sheet music in the correct key - no recorded accompaniment will be allowed. Clearly mark starting point, any cuts, and end point.
- Dance wear including dance shoes (ballet slippers or jazz oxfords) for dance audition
- Experienced tap dancers should bring tap shoes
- Transcripts of prior college credit

Acting

- An 8 x 10 Headshot (color or black-and-white)
- Résumé
- Three current letters of recommendation
- Two contrasting monologues to total no more than three minutes
- Transcripts of prior college credits

#### Technical

- Portfolio of theatre work and/or other related areas (art/photography, etc)
- Résumé of theatre-related work
- Three current letters of recommendation
- Transcripts of prior college credits
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#### Stage Management

- Résumé
- Headshot (does not need to be a professional headshot for designers and technicians)
- Three current letters of recommendation
- One Promptbook (or examples of organizational paperwork)
- 250-650 word personal statement discussing their personal and academic goals
- Transcripts of prior college credits

#### Conferences and Resources

Florida Theater Conference

Good for Florida Schools

National Unified Auditions

NYC, LA, CHICAGO

January and February

College Confidential

Educational Theatre Association