



Arts, Media, and Technology Career and Academic Pathways (CAPs) Program Map: Associate in Arts Degree for Theater Arts with Costume Focus

Total number of units: 60 units

Top Code/Academic Plan: 1007.00

Updated on March 30, 2022

Fall Odd Semester	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program/GE Course	THEATER 100	Introduction to Theater	3	This course is offered every semester. It also fulfills GE Area C Humanities.	This course is offered day, evening, short term and online. This course has sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Honors Program website or contact Dr. Bermudez at bermudn@elac.edu .
Program Course	TECTHTR 345	Costume Practicum	2	This elective course is from list B. Offered every Fall and Spring.	This is a weekly afternoon course. This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
Program/GE Course	TECTHTR 367	Costume and Fashion History	3	This elective course also fulfills GE Area C Humanities. Offered Fall odd.	This is a weekly morning course.
Program Course	TECTHTR 366	Fantasy Costume Sewing and Pattern Making	3	This is an elective course. Other options are TECTHTR 365 and TECTHTR 363. Offered Fall odd.	This is a weekly morning course. TECTHTR 363 has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
GE Course	ENGLISH 101	College Reading and Composition I	3	This course fulfills GE Area D1: ENGLISH Composition. Milestone Course. ENGLISH 072 is a support course which can be added for a total of 4 units. ENGLISH 101 has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."	This course is offered day, evening, short term and online. Also available at South Gate. This course has sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Honors Program website or contact Dr. Bermudez at bermudn@elac.edu .

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Program Course	TECTHTR 350	Makeup for Theater	3	This course is offered every spring.	This is a weekly morning course. This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
Program Course	TECTHTR 363	Costume Crafts, Dye, and Fabric Printing	3	This course is offered every semester. This course is suggested as an elective.	This is a weekly morning course. This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
GE Course	MATH 125S	Intermediate Algebra with Support	5	This course fulfills GE Area D2: Communications and Analytical Thinking. MATH 125 or higher is needed for transfer. Please see a counselor for appropriate placing. MATH 125S offers additional lab support and can be substituted for 125. Another option for this requirement is MATH 137.	This course is offered day, evening, short term and online. Also available at South Gate. This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
GE Course		Area E1: Health Education	3	The department recommends HEALTH 002, which covers both E1 and E2.	
GE Course		Area E2: Physical Education Activity	1	Although any course from the list may be selected, the department recommends a DANCETQ course.	

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Fall Even Semester	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	TECTHTR 305	Orientation to Technical Careers in Entertainment	2	Offered Fall even.	This is a Friday morning course.
Program Course	TECTHTR 365	Historical Costume Sewing and Pattern Making	3	This is an elective course. Other option is TECTHTR 366 and TECTHTR 363. This course is recommended for your elective. Offered Fall even.	This is a weekly morning course. TECTHTR 363 has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
Program Course	THEATER 130	Playwriting	3	Core course. Options offered every Fall and Spring.	This is a weekly morning course. This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."

Fall Even Semester	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	TECTHTR 323	Stage Management	3	This course is offered every Fall.	This is a weekly morning course with lab requirements out of scheduled class time.
GE Course		Area B2: Social and Behavioral Sciences	3	Although any course from the list may be selected, PSYCH 001, SOC 001, CH DEV 001, COMM 190 are suggested, as they are IGETC and CSU GE courses for transfer. SOC 001 and CH DEV 001 have sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."	SOC 001 has sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Honors Program website or contact Dr. Bermudez at bermudn@elac.edu .

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Spring Odd Semester	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	TECTHTR 360	Costume Design for Theater	3	This elective course is from list C. Offered Spring odd.	This is a weekly morning course.
Program Course	THEATER 114	Script Analysis	3	This course is offered every spring. This course is required by select UC/CSU colleges for transfer, although there are other options.	This is a weekly evening course. This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
Program Course	TECTHTR 350	Make-up for Theater	3	This course is offered every spring.	This is a weekly morning course. This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
Program Course	TECTHTR 348	Stage Management Practicum	2	This elective course is from List A. Offered every semester.	This course is offered in the evening/weekend short term. This course has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."
GE Course		Area A: Natural Sciences	3	Although any course from the list may be selected, see a counselor for transfer requirements, which includes a lab course in addition or embedded into a class.	
GE Course		Area B1: American Institutions (History)	3	This course can be moved to another semester that is lower in units if needed, to create a balanced schedule.	

Total Units 17

Degree Path and Requirements:

Associate of Arts Degree in Theater Arts. Requirement for an AA include: 33-41 program units, 1-9 units any CSU transferable course elective, and 21 units LACCD GE pattern. 3 units of program courses may be doubled towards LACCD GE Area C.

This map is a suggested term-by-term sequence of courses to complete the program in a recommended time frame. This is an efficient and

recommended plan, but actual plans may vary by individual student need. This map cannot replace a meeting with [counselors](#).

Department Advising Notes:

This map was created using the LACCD GE requirements. Students should consult a counselor for specific information about transfer, IGETC, and CSU GE requirements. Program courses are offered in specific semesters and odd/even years as noted. All program courses are offered on ELAC main campus only, with the exception of THEATER 100. The Associate of Arts Degree in Theater Arts can be combined with the Costume Certificate of Achievement Costume Design and Technology, Costume Design Skills Certificate, Wardrobe Skills Certificate, and Costume Technology Skills Certificate. These certificates better prepare students for a professional portfolio for internship and employment opportunities. Follow sewing and costume courses on social media with East Los Angeles College Costume Department on Facebook and [@ELACcostumes](#) on Instagram.

Program Description

Our primary AA degree provides professional training to prepare students to enter the entertainment field or transfer to a four-year institution. It is a rigorous two year program where students learn valuable skills in the major area of theater, with emphasis in costuming. The program is designed for the student who recognizes the social and occupational value of this training.

Career and Transfer Opportunities

The Associate of Arts in Theater Arts prepares student to enter the entertainment field or transfer to a four-year institution. In the entertainment industry, students with a four-year or graduate level degree have a greater network and skill set which can be beneficial in a competitive field. CSU and UC schools have costume programs within their Theater Arts Departments for either a BA, BFA, MA or MFA degree. Students that obtain an AA in Theater Arts or transfer and continue study in costuming will be able to pursue entry-level positions in entertainment costuming, including: theatre, dance, theme park, live performance, corporate events, film, television, commercials, and new media. Industry job titles include: stitchers, wardrobe attendants, costume technicians, pattern makers, costume designers, costume assistants, costumer, draper, dresser, wardrobe manager, wardrobe supervisor, costume buyer, historic clothing and costume maker, fashion designer and costume design director.

Job descriptions include: select, build, construct, fit, and take care of costumes for cast members and aid entertainers. May assist with multiple costume changes during a performance. Design costumes and accessories. Create original costume designs. Annual average earnings range from \$55,000 to \$77,000 based on job title. Explore [Costume](#) and [Stitching](#) careers here.

Visit the [Transfer Center](#) for transfer information, which varies based on transfer college. Make an appointment with a [counselor](#). Students can visit [Career and Job Services](#) for career counseling and further exploration.

Youtube Videos

[Working in the Theater: Costume Designer](#)

[A Day in the Life of a Dresser](#)

[Costume, Wigs, and Makeup at the National Theater](#)

[An Overview of the Costume Department](#)

Program Map

A suggested sequence of classes to complete a degree, certificate, or program of study. Students should consult an academic counselor for variations to this plan based on part-time or full-time status, transfer plans, pre-requisites needed, etc.

Prerequisite Course

A specific course that must be completed before advancing to the next course.

Check the online catalog at [elac.edu](#) for the latest and most accurate information.

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