DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE ARTS

SUMMARY OF CHANGES

Theatre Arts presents a series of catalog cleanup and small program adjustment issues, existing in three groups as outlined below

**Group One: Addition of Theatre Studies to emphases within minor**

Upon the advice of our APR external reviewer, we are adding the three theatre studies courses (THA 250, 251, 350) as additional elective options to four of our emphases within the minor.

Stage Management emphasis

Arts Administration emphasis

Performance emphasis

Design Tech emphasis

The two additional emphases within the minor remain unchanged. The General emphasis already includes these courses. The Music Theatre emphasis is a special combined program with the Department of Music. A music theatre history course is part of that minor, and the nature of the program makes it impractical to add other electives.

**Group Two: removal of graduate level offering**

Several courses have been cross-listed for a number of years. The graduate level is never taught, and is not in line with the current structure of the department (no graduate students.)

Two of these courses are also undergoing small additional catalog changes

THA 421- Performance Studio

THA 440- Costume Design/History

THA 450- Internship

THA 470- Symposium in Theatre Arts

THA 471- Playwriting (also change when offered)

THA 481- Independent Study

THA 482- Special Topics in Theatre Arts (also change course description)

**Group Three: removal of lab component**

When originally created, these three courses contained a lab component, practical when the department was small and all students could work at the same time. Now that the department has grown, the students are better served by having the flexibility to approach the hands-on work as fits into their schedules. Additionally, some class sessions have been devoted to the practical work when simultaneous full-class instruction is required.

THA 320- Acting II

THA 331- Theatre Technology

THA 420- Directing

FOR GCC: COURSE DELETIONS

 THA 521- Performance Studio

 THA 540- Costume Design/History

 THA 550- Internship

 THA 570- Symposium in Theatre Arts

 THA 571- Playwriting

 THA 581- Independent Study

 THA 582- Special Topics in Theatre Arts