

Acting & Drama BTEC Diploma Level 2 (Sept '12)

Course code: B2002

Course category: Full-time

End Qualification: BTEC First Diploma in Performing Arts (Acting)

Starting and ending month: September to June

Course duration: 36 weeks

Formal assessment: Formal assessment required

Course location: City College East

Course aims:

This course is the introductory level of the Acting courses at City College. It is designed to provide a thorough grounding in Acting in order to allow students to progress on to the Acting BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma.

The performing arts industry offers many exciting opportunities including acting, direction, stage management and theatre and arts administration. Acting & Drama courses at City College prepare you for further training and employment in the performing arts industry.

By focusing on the practical application of acting skills through a series of professionally realistic, public performance projects you will be introduced to the skills needed by this highly exciting and competitive industry and be able to begin to develop them.

You'll be part of a very committed team, working closely with all the other students to produce your work. The emphasis is on creativity, self-discipline, and total professionalism. In other words, "the show must go on".

As well as providing acting training, this course emphasises the skills that all employers are looking for, including team work, self-confidence, communication skills, self-motivation and the ability to meet targets.

To find out more about our acting and drama department follow the link
www.ccb.ac.uk/public/college-life/acting-and-drama

Course content:

You will develop acting and performance skills through a mixture of skills lessons and practical performance projects.

Skills lessons will focus on the fundamental acting skills: acting technique, voice and movement. You will have at least one session in these areas every week, giving you plenty of opportunity to develop your abilities

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as an actor.

In order to gain a true understanding of the skills you will be developing, through the year you will be involved in at least 3 public performances in a range of performance areas. In the past these have included:

- Performance of well known plays – giving you the opportunity to get to know different well known playwrights and practise ways of staging their work
- Devised Theatre – giving you the chance to create theatre as a group based on a theme
- Dance Performance – giving you the chance to improve the way you move on stage.

At the end of the year you will be involved in a major production of a play that will be performed at the Tower Theatre in Pelham Street. This will give you the opportunity to develop an extended piece of work ready for a longer number of performances. This show is part of the college wide JAM festival and will be open to and advertised to the general public in Brighton.

The Units you will cover in your course are:

Performing Arts Production Process

The Performing Arts Business

Performing Scripted Plays

Acting

Devising Plays

Performing Dance

This course includes opportunities for you to develop your English, Maths and/or ICT skills, as appropriate. You will be expected to complete Key Skills qualifications as part of your course.

Facilities for students:

Based at the Performing Arts and Media Centre in Wilson Avenue, you will benefit from working in a professionally equipped studio theatre and a spacious dance studio. End of year shows are in the Tower Theatre in Pelham Street.

Tutors:

Teachers in the department include:

Andrew Hoggarth (Curriculum Team Leader and Acting Teacher)

Andrew has been a professional actor for over 15 years and taught in drama school before specialising in FE.

Assessment: All assessment is through professionally relevant assignments. These are primarily practical units with supporting written work and documentation.

Awarding Body: Edexcel

Entry Requirements:

Minimum of 5 GCSEs at Grades E or better or an equivalent level 1 qualification (eg BTEC or City & Guilds).

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Interview for entry: Interview required

Progression and links:

Most learners will progress on to Acting BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma. The three courses we offer combine to provide all the skills development and qualifications necessary to progress to either Drama School or University.

Work experience opportunities:

As all assignments are modelled on professional practice, students will have the opportunity to develop a professional portfolio of work.

Academic Centre:

CPFA - Performing Arts

Costs of your Course:

There are five parts to the cost of your course:

1. Tuition Fees
2. College registration
3. Awarding Body registration
4. Resource Fee
5. Exam / Assessment Fees

Tuition fees

How much will the Tuition Fees cost?

Below are the fees for this course.

Free Study and Financial Support

All full time courses are free to EU residents who are under 19 years old on the 31st August 2012. The only fees you have to pay are for specialist resources and equipment and the cost of these varies from £25 to £300 depending upon the subject you are studying.

Depending on your circumstances, you may be eligible for financial help from the college's learner support funds. You should apply for financial support as soon as you receive your offer letter.

For more information on financial assistance, please follow the link below.

Additional costs Payment due Total

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Timetables are subject to change and you should check with your tutor prior to enrolment for the details of your timetable.

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