





Speech Communication and Theatre Education // MAJOR MAP

Bachelor of Science



Southwest Baptist
UNIVERSITY

	FRESHMAN	SOPHOMORE	JUNIOR	SENIOR	CAREER POSSIBILITIES
 <i>Grow</i> ACADEMICALLY	<p>Familiarize yourself with your department by getting to know the professors and other students within your major.</p> <p>Enroll in introductory courses like COM 1103 Fundamentals of Speech Communication, THR 1023 Acting I, and THR 1033 Introduction to Theatre.</p>	<p>Explore career goals with your advisor and consider when you will take the Missouri General Education Assessment (MoGEA).</p> <p>Discover more about your major by engaging in courses such as EDU 2141 Field Experience I (9-12) and COM 2223 Argumentation and Debate.</p>	<p>Continue engaging in your coursework through EDU 3341 Field Experience Level 2 (9-12) and EDU 4502 Methods of Teaching Theatre.</p>	<p>EDU Student Teaching Seminar, EDU 4842 Teaching Diverse Learners, and EDU 4959 Student Teaching in the K-12 School will bring your academic experiences together and prepare you for teaching communication and theatre upon graduation.</p>	<p>High School Teacher</p> <p>Middle School Teacher</p> <p>Debate Coach</p> <p>Speech Teacher</p> <p>Arts Camp Director</p>
 <i>Pursue</i> SERVANT LEADERSHIP	<p>Participate in student organizations and professional associations, like Theatre Student Representative Council (TSRC), Infuse Student Media, and Student Missouri State Teachers Association (SMSTA).</p>	<p>Consider volunteering for lead design positions and consider stage management with SBU Theatre.</p> <p>Travel with the Speaking Bearcats Forensics team.</p>	<p>Judge a district Forensics Tournament.</p> <p>Serve as an officer with TSRC or assist the council with activities.</p> <p>Take more responsibility in your extra-curricular activities. Consider a leadership role within Infuse Student Media or SMSTA.</p>	<p>Apply to direct a main stage theatre production at SBU.</p> <p>Attend Speech and Theatre Association of Missouri (STAM).</p>	<p>Speech and Theatre Teacher</p> <p>Speech</p> <p>Pathologist</p>
 <i>Embrace</i> OUR GLOBAL SOCIETY	<p>Attend and engage with a diverse range of theatre practices at the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival (KCACTF) in January.</p> <p>Participate in service opportunities with SMSTA throughout the year.</p>	<p>SBU theatre offers several in-person or live-streamed lectures as part of their "Talks with Industry Professionals." Take this opportunity to ask questions of people currently working in theatre, film, and television.</p>	<p>Explore another culture or improve your language skills by taking a class or being involved with the Center for Global Connections.</p>	<p>The theatre's "Open Stages" events offer the Davis-Newport Theatre space for staging your own work, conducting workshops, directing staged readings, or inviting guest artists. Consider how you can best utilize this space.</p>	<p>Communications Chairperson</p> <p>Debate Coach</p> <p>Speech Teacher</p> <p>Arts Camp Director</p>
 <i>Plan for</i> YOUR FUTURE	<p>Discuss your career interests with an advisor and identify your goals.</p> <p>Gather information on careers you are interested in pursuing. Use the Occupational Outlook Handbook to discover information and job projections for any career path.</p>	<p>Start to build your portfolio through your course and production work.</p> <p>Conduct informational interviews with professionals in your desired career field.</p>	<p>Conduct informational interviews with high school teachers.</p> <p>Explore graduate schools, if you desire to continue your education. Consider SBU's Master of Science in Curriculum and Instruction.</p> <p>Prepare for the Missouri Content Assessment.</p>	<p>Identify and ask individuals if they will write you letters of reference/recommendation.</p> <p>Finalize your résumé and cover letter.</p> <p>Plan a time to meet with the Career Services Director to practice a mock interview.</p>	