

DRAMA

WHY STUDY DRAMA AT STONYHURST?



A Level pass rate.

MORE THAN EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE

Stonyhurst is close to all major theatres in the North-west.

Hong Kong international performance 2016
In October 2016, Stonyhurst music and drama students visited Hong Kong on a performance tour.

We will help you to develop and share your individual gifts and talents, learn from others and to reach your full potential as both a student and a person, preparing you for a successful future, wherever it may take you.

WHAT WILL I LEARN?

Theatre is a dynamic, collaborative and live art form. It is a practical subject that encourages discovery through experimentation, the taking of risks and the presentation of ideas to others.

Students develop skills that are applicable to a wide range of higher education subjects and in the workplace.

IB AVERAGE 6 POINTS (Higher Level)

Please note that Drama will not be available as part of the IB programmes for 2019/20. It will only be available at A Level.

You will learn to develop both theatre and life skills; the building of confidence, creativity and working collaboratively.

Through the study of theatre, you will become aware of your own personal and cultural perspectives and will learn to appreciate the diversity of theatre across time, place and culture, promoting international-mindedness.

Higher education institutions value and respect the skills that drama and theatre qualifications give students.

WHAT DO I NEED?

- ✓ Enthusiasm, drive and a desire to learn
- ✓ Commitment to rehearsals outside of curriculum time
- ✓ Open-mindedness
- ✓ Skills for collaborative work

WHERE COULD IT TAKE ME?

Stonyhurst Drama graduates currently enjoy successful careers in:



WHAT SUPPORT WILL I RECEIVE?

- ✓ Clinics – offered on Fridays in the department. These are drop-in sessions and are available to all
- ✓ Historical Drama texts – huge range of texts located in the newly refurbished Arundel library, many of which are unavailable anywhere else in the world
- ✓ Latest light and sound technology in both of the school theatres
- ✓ Contact with professionals currently employed in the theatre industry
- ✓ Teachers with professional experience in theatre and television work.

COURSE ENRICHMENT

- ✓ Interline Drama competition – ‘Whose Line Is It Anyway’ style performance-event held annually
- ✓ Regular trips to see live theatre – at least one trip every half-term to Manchester, Liverpool, Blackpool etc. to broaden knowledge of theatre and performance and experience professional works
- ✓ Occasional visiting theatre companies – to deliver experiences in devising and physical theatre
- ✓ LAMDA examinations – opportunities to undertake globally recognised qualifications in theatre
- ✓ Major school productions – Annual Christmas Musical (Wizard of Oz most recent performance) and Great Academies production for whole-school celebratory weekend.



WHAT COURSES ARE ON OFFER?

A LEVEL DRAMA & THEATRE AQA

- ✓ Component 1: Drama & Theatre (study of two set texts and the work of theatre makers in live production).
Written exam – 40%
- ✓ Component 2: Creating original Drama (devised performance influenced by work and methodologies of a prescribed practitioner).
Performance and working notebook – 30%
- ✓ Component 3: Making Theatre (practical exploration of extracts from three different plays using methodologies of prescribed practitioner).
Performance and reflective report – 30%



This qualification emphasises practical creativity alongside research and theoretical understanding. Students learn through experience, seeing theatre and making theatre for themselves.

You will be introduced to a wide range of theatrical styles and contexts as you devise, explore play-texts practically and work on performances.

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