

VIRGINIA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

SUSAN S. GOODE SCHOOL OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES

From its origins to the present, theatre has been one of the most profound and inclusive modes of human expression in all its glory and despair. Theatre artists practice, create, and engage audiences with performances built on collaboration, creativity, artistic discipline, and intellectual rigor.

The result is a mode of expression that simultaneously celebrates the living human experience but also the potential for social and personal change.

THE PROGRAM

The theatre major at Virginia Wesleyan University is a creative yet challenging educational program. On stage, backstage, and in the classroom, theatre students gain experience in all aspects of theatre. Majors and minors will encounter practical, theoretical, and critical perspectives on theatrical performance, production, theatre history, and dramatic literature from Ancient Greece to the present. Students have the opportunity to study abroad, either for a travel course or for an entire semester. The multi-faceted nature of the program covers a variety of specialties that assist graduates in adapting to an exciting and fast-paced profession.

THE MAJOR

Students majoring in theatre will gain practical skills in performance, research, collaboration, and communication. The theatre major requires students to complete 12 courses in specific coursework and electives. While the major contains a breadth of coursework, students can use the major electives to deepen their skills in any of the theatre arts. The department also offers the Pre-K-12 Teacher Endorsement in Theatre Arts.

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