MUSICAL THEATER

Program Description
Everything you do in life involves elements of theater from learning social skills as a child to interviewing for a job as an adult. The study of theater arts offers a number of advantages such as improved oral communication; a healthy self-image; creative problem solving; working cooperatively and independently; the ability to learn quickly; adaptability and flexibility; a goal-oriented approach to work to name a few; and let's not forget FUN! There is a great deal of fun to be had while developing all those skills. The Musical Theater Program at MSJC is a non-transfer program offering an A.A. in Musical Theater and a Certificate in Musical Theater. The Program provides interesting and challenging classwork and musical theater productions that kick start your path to becoming a “triple threat” — great at singing, acting, and dancing! This knowledge can enrich a students’ progress towards either further study at a four-year college or entering the entertainment industry workforce.

Note: The Musical Theater A.A. degree and certificate are currently under revision. Students with catalog rights may still earn these awards.

Music: Musical Theater Department Page (https://www.msjc.edu/musicaltheatre/)

Transfer Preparation
MSJC offers a wide range of course work that prepares students for the workforce or for transfer to four-year colleges and universities. All four-year institutions prescribe their own standards for course evaluation and admissions. Courses that fulfill major requirements for an associate degree in a program at MSJC might not be the same as those required for transfer into a similar major at a four-year university. Please meet with a Counselor to confirm transfer requirements.

Transfer students are advised to do research on prospective majors and careers. The MSJC Career/Transfer Center and MSJC catalog can be helpful tools. Students interested in transferring to CSU’s or UC’s can access major preparation by visiting http://www.assist.org. All students are advised to meet with a counselor at least once a semester to create or update their comprehensive education plan.

Program Learning Outcomes
• Develop an appreciation for theatre through critical analysis of the performing arts.
• Develop an aesthetic awareness through theater.
• Develop essential skills in the craft of theater.
• Develop knowledge regarding the cultural, artistic and expressive contexts of theater.
• Develop skill and gain experience in musical performance.

Careers and Salaries
Discover in-demand careers and education options based on your interests! See the list of careers below or explore further by searching for Careers or Programs (https://msjc.emsicc.com).

Note: There are no guaranteed positions for students completing these programs. Education and work experience required will vary by employer. The salary and benefits for specific occupations will be dependent on work experience, education, background, and employer. Labor market statistics are from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, US Census Bureau, O-NET, EMSI.

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