

ORIGINAL COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: September 2014
REVISED COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: September 2019
COURSE TO BE REVIEWED: (six years after UEC approval) February 2025

Course outline form version: 09/15/14

## OFFICIAL UNDERGRADUATE COURSE OUTLINE FORM

Note: The University reserves the right to amend course outlines as needed without notice.

Course Code and Number: THEA 203			Number of Credits: 3 Course credit policy (105)						
Course Full Title: Performance History I: A	ntiquity to 1	600							
Course Short Title (if title exceeds 30 characters): Performance History I									
Faculty: Faculty of Humanities			Department (or program if no department): Theatre						
Calendar Description:									
This course examines how theatre and performance traditions developed in diverse geographic and cultural contexts, from antiquity to 1600.									
Note: Field trips outside of class time may be required. Please refer to department website for field trip scheduling information.  Note: This course is offered as THEA 203 and ENGL 233. Students may take only one of these for credit.  Note: Students with credit for THEA 202 cannot take this course for further credit.									
Prerequisites (or NONE): 15 university-level credits.									
Corequisites (if applicable, or NONE):	NONE								
Pre/corequisites (if applicable, or NONE):	Pre/corequisites (if applicable, or NONE): NONE								
Equivalent Courses (cannot be taken for additional credit) Former course code/number: THEA 202 Cross-listed with: ENGL 233 Equivalent course(s): THEA 202, ENGL 233 Note: Equivalent course(s) should be included in the calendar description by way of a note that students with credit for the equivalent course(s) cannot take this course for further credit.				Transfer Credit  Transfer credit already exists:   Yes □ No  Transfer credit requested (OReg to submit to BCCAT):  Yes □ No (if yes, fill in transfer credit form)  Resubmit revised outline for articulation: □ Yes □ No  To find out how this course transfers, see bctransferguide.ca.					
				Special Topics					
				_	Will the course be offered with different topics?				
Lecture hours 15				☐ Yes ☐ No					
Seminars/tutorials/workshops		25		If yes, different lettered courses may be taken for credit:					
Laboratory hours									
Field experience hours	Field experience hours				□ No □ Yes, repeat(s) □ Yes, no limit				
Experiential (practicum, internship, etc.)	ntial (practicum, internship, etc.)  Note: The specific topic will be recorded when					ded when offered.			
Online learning activities				Maximum enrolment (for information only): 36					
Other contact hours: field trip		5							
	Total 45  Expected frequency of course offerings (every semester, annually, every other year, etc.): Annually								
Department / Program Head or Director: Heather Davis-Fisch					Date approved:	August 29, 2018			
Faculty Council approval					Date approved:	September 14, 2018			
Campus-Wide Consultation (CWC)				Date approved:	September 14, 2019				
Dean/Associate VP: Jacqueline Nolte				Date of posting:	January 11, 2019				
Undergraduate Education Committee (UEC) approval				Date of meeting:	February 1, 2019				

## **Learning Outcomes**

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Research a topic in performance history between antiquity and 1600 by selecting a topic, articulating a question, identifying
  relevant primary and secondary sources, evaluating source material, and sharing findings with peers;
- Articulate a simple argument in writing, following scholarly conventions, in a clear and well-organized manner;
- Participate in praxis-based exercises;
- Apply historical theories of performance to theatrical examples;
- Demonstrate self-reflexivity in relation to course materials and own learning process;
- Explain key developments in performance history from antiquity to 1600;
- Recognize relationships between theatre and performance, and historical, social, cultural, and aesthetic contexts;
- Describe several ways that different cultures preserve evidence of performances of the past (e.g. oral history, archaeological remains, textual records);
- Describe how performance practices intersect with other aspects of human culture, such as religion and spirituality; and
- Contribute to class discussions of course materials.

Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR)							
Yes No, PLAR cannot be awarded for this course because							
Typical Instructional Methods (guest lecturers, presentations, online instruction, field tri	ps, etc.; may va	ary at department's o	discretion)				
Lectures, class and small group discussions, student presentations, field trips, and pract	ical workshops	3.					
Grading system: Letter Grades:  ☐ Credit/No Credit: ☐ Labs to be scheduled independent of lecture hours: Yes ☐ No ☐							
NOTE: The following sections may vary by instructor. Please see course syllabus available from the instructor.							
Typical Text(s) and Resource Materials (if more space is required, download Supplemental Texts and Resource Materials form)							
Author (surname, initials) Title (article, book, journal, etc.)	Current ed.	Publisher	Year				
1. Zarilli, P. et al. Theatre Histories.		Routledge	2009				
Required Additional Supplies and Materials (software, hardware, tools, specialized clot	thing, etc.)						
Coursepack including: Euripides, <i>The Bacchae</i> ; Aristotle, <i>Poetics</i> (exc.); Wohl, "Beyond	Sexual Differe	nce:" Cawthorn. "B	ecomina				

## Typical Evaluation Methods and Weighting

Chronicles; Alfar, Fantasies of Female Evil

Final exam:	25%	Assignments:	-%	Midterm exam:	-%	Practicum:	-%
Quizzes/tests:	-%	Lab work:	-%	Field experience:	-%	Shop work:	-%
Presentation:	30%	Reading summaries:	15%	Other:	30%	Total:	100%

Female;" Kalidasa, *Malavika and Agnimitra*; *Nāṭya Śāstra*; Schechner, "Rasaesethics;" *Sundiata: An Epic of Old Mali*; Ostashewski, "The Sunjata Story;" Thiong'o, "Notes Toward a Performance Theory;" Zeami, *Lady Aoi*; Zeami, *On the Art of the Noh Drama* (exc.); Brown, "A Woman (Dis)possessed:" Andrews, *The Commedia Dell'Arte of Flaminio Scala*; Shakespeare, *Macbeth*; Holinshed.

**Details (if necessary):** Research project including research question, annotated bibliography, and secondary source summary components. Exam is a creative, in-class exam.

## **Typical Course Content and Topics**

Week 1: Oral, ritual, and shamanic performance

Week 2: Greek tragedy

Week 3: Aristotle's Poetics

Week 4: Sanskrit drama

Week 5: Nāṭya Śāstra

Week 6: African Griot Performance

Week 7: Ngũgĩ Wa Thiong'o's Orature

Week 8: Noh Theatre

Week 9: Zeami's Treatises

Week 10: Commedia dell'arte

Week 11: Elizabethan theatre

Week 12: Holinshed's Chronicles

Week 13: Conclusions