

COURSE TITLE: Advanced Drama
COURSE LENGTH: 1 year
COURSE CREDIT: 1 credit

COURSE TYPE: elective
GRADE LEVEL: 10, 11, 12
PREREQUISITE: Drama I, teacher approval

COURSE GOALS:

1. Students will develop a sense of self and apply it to characterization in acting.
2. Students will demonstrate advanced skills of acting and technical theater.
3. Students will interpret scripts for dramatic elements, and perform in a full production.
4. Students will experiment with various styles of acting by evaluating major influences.
5. Students will explain the development and influences of film as an art form and its place in modern society.

COURSE CONTENT:

1. Major influences in acting – Constantin Stanislavski, Uta Hagen, Lee Strasberg, Stella Adler, Sanford Meisner
2. Musical theater – history, elements, major contributors, and influence
3. Improvisation – history, elements, techniques, and influence
4. Reader’s theater – history, elements, techniques, and influence
5. Elizabethan theater – William Shakespeare, Christopher Marlowe, Aphra Behn, style of acting, history, elements, and influence
6. Acting – techniques, voice, movement, stage combat, dance
7. Design – prompt book
8. Drama genres – Naturalism, Expressionism, Existentialism, Theater of Cruelty