

MUSICAL THEATRE, B.F.A.

Seven Penn State campuses are scheduled for closure after Spring 2027: DuBois, Fayette, New Kensington, Mont Alto, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre, and York. New students are not being admitted at these campuses.

Begin Campus: University Park

End Campus: University Park

Career Paths

This degree prepares you for a performance career in the professional musical theatre. Many of our students go on to perform on Broadway, tours, and on cruise ships. Recent alums are performing nationally and internationally in critically acclaimed shows. The program culminates in a showcase in New York City attended by agents, professionals, and program alums.

Careers

Graduates of the B.F.A. in musical theatre program are prepared for careers in all aspects of performance including stage, television, and film. The degree also prepares graduates for jobs in casting, directing, choreography, music direction, and teaching.

Opportunities for Graduate Studies

Due to the well-rounded education students receive in the B.F.A. in musical theatre program, graduates leave with a foundation needed to pursue graduate study in theatre, in specialized areas such as acting, directing, and choreography for musical theatre.

Professional Resources

- Actors Equity Association (AEA) (<https://www.actorsequity.org/>)
- Screen Actors Guild (SAG)/American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (AFTRA) (<https://www.sagaftra.org>)
- Stage Directors and Choreographers Society (SDC) (<https://sdcweb.org/>)