First Year Drama Course Outline

Course Description

This drama course is a performance class where both shy and gregarious students can learn to express themselves in English in a scripted and staged setting.

This course will help students gain confidence in their ability to speak English in public both on stage and off. In addition to improving their English speaking abilities, students will be introduced to the dramatic arts and theatre production.

Students in this course will stage and perform a drama in English before the general public in December.

Learning Outcomes

- Students will learn how a dramatic script is brought to life on the stage.
- Students will learn ensemble and teamwork.
- Students will learn and practice how to express emotions while performing in English.
- Students will learn to overcome fear and anxiety related to performing in public.

Course Content

- Types of dramatic presentations
- Story selection
- Stage and theatre terminology in English
- Costume design, make up, props, and set pieces
- Lighting and sound
- Pronunciation
- Emoting (showing feelings while acting)
- Production scheduling
- Budgeting
- Line memorization techniques
- Skits based on stories

Grading Criteria

Assigned tasks	20%
In-class performances	10%
Quizzes	10%
Line memorization	20%
December drama night	30%
January in-class performance	10%

Instructor: Justin Penree

Required Course Materials