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INTRODUCTION to DIRECTING DRAMA 3830

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OBJECTIVES:

- 1) To develop an understanding of the elements of directing through written and practical work.
- 2) To further develop skills in script analysis.
- 3) To develop the student director's skills in self-assessment, and in critiquing others' work.
- 4) To encourage the development of the student's creative abilities.

COURSE CONTENT:

- ⇒ **Project #1:** The student will direct a short scene to be presented in class. You will cast each other in these scenes. Students will be required to both act and direct.
- ⇒ **Written Component for Project #1:** Analysis of the play and detailed analysis of the scene you will direct.
- ⇒ **Project #2 (The Final):** The student will direct a full one-act play or an act from a full-length play (with permission from instructor) for an audience. The student will submit a list (ASAP) of at least 3 plays that s/he would be interested in directing. The student is **strongly encouraged** to cast from the student body of the college.
- ⇒ **Written Component for Final Project:** A detailed analysis of the play as well as a director's journal/log book.
- ⇒ **In-Class Work and Participation:** This class will rely on your cooperation. You will need to be in one another's work in class as well as at least one of your fellow students' projects. As per usual, absences and tardiness are unacceptable.
- ⇒ **Discussions Based on Assigned Readings:** There will be assigned readings for the course from various sources. Some will be photocopied for you and others will be on reserve at the library. You must be prepared for the discussions.
- ⇒ **Written Reports:** Each student will submit **five** written reports on plays from the provided reading list. These reports should be 1.5-2 pages in length (400-500 words).

COURSE BREAKDOWN:

*Class Participation/In-Class Work:	15%
*Project #1:	20%
*Written Comp. Project #1:	10%
*Final Project:	30%
*Written Comp. Final Project:	10%
*Discussions of Assigned Readings:	5%
*Five Reports:	10%

⊙ **PLEASE NOTE:** Plagiarism can result in failure of the course.