Communicate Effectively

Are you a good communicator who enjoys public speaking, debating, or acting, and who wishes to inspire others through teaching? The Speech/Theatre program at BHSU can develop your talents while preparing you for a fulfilling career in education.

Prepare For Your Future

The Speech/Theatre program has a variety of options, allowing you to choose what interests you most. The Communication Emphasis explores speech communication in all areas, including interpersonal, group, public, organizational, and mass communication, while the Theatre Emphasis introduces all aspects of the theatre, such as acting, directing, makeup, and design. A third option is a composite major, which combines English coursework with Speech classes. All three of the programs lead to a teaching degree. No matter your area of emphasis, the Speech/Theatre program will allow you to realize your highest potential, while developing a full range of communication skills.

Learn From The Best

The BHSU faculty is well known for working closely with the students in all areas of the Speech and Theatre programs. The small classes allow for face-to-face interactions, with the instructors closely mentoring their students. The speech teachers emphasize the civil exchanges of questions and answers, the thorough pursuit of research, the testing of facts, and the importance of thoughtful cooperation. The talented theatrical faculty provides a creative environment, while the students develop intellectual and artistic talents on the stage.

Enjoy The Experience

Speech students have the opportunity to participate in activities, such as the school newspaper (Jacket Journal), campus radio and TV stations, debate team, and the theatre productions. The BHSU Debate Team is one of the most student accessible forensics programs in America – any student who desires to learn and is willing to work is welcome. The program is regionally competitive and serves as an effective communication laboratory for people wishing to be lawyers, pastors, educators, and more. People interested in Theatre have the opportunity to participate in at least four major performances a year, from classics to musicals, and can be a part of two theatrical student organizations. The Theatre Society is open to all BHSU students and Props and Liners is a student group reserved for theatre majors. Props and Liners is the oldest student organization at BHSU and is a Theater Honorary Fraternity.

Let’s work together to deliver your message and reach your highest potential.

BHSU will take you to the top!
Speech Communication- Teaching

Choose Teaching Major or Composite Teaching Major
(Pre-Professional and Professional Teaching Core is required for both majors)

Teaching Major ..............................................
Choose 1 Emphasis

Communication Emphasis .............................
SEED 424  712 Language Arts Methods
SPCM 201  Interpersonal Communication
SPCM 215  Public Speaking
SPCM 222  Argumentation and Debate
SPCM 405  Theories of Communication
SPCM 410  Organizational Communication
SPCM 466  Principles of Rhetoric
THEA 131  Introduction to Acting
3 MCOM 300/400 Level Elective
Electives from SPCM, MCOM 300/400 level, PHIL 220, or THEA (6 semester hours)

Teaching Composite Major ............................
ENGL 221 British Literature I **
ENGL 241 American Lit I
ENGL 304 Fundamentals of English Grammar
ENGL 426 History & Structures of English
ENGL 484 Literary Criticism
MCOM 300/400 level Elective
SEED 424 7-12 Language Arts
SPCM 201 Interpersonal Communication
SPCM 215 Public Speaking **
SPCM 222 Argumentation and Debate
SPCM 405 Theories of Communication
SPCM 410 Organizational Communication
SPCM 466 Principles or Rhetoric
THEA 131 Introduction to Acting **
ENGL 211 World Lit I OR ENGL 212 World Lit II
ENGL 242 American Lit II OR ENGL 222 British Lit II
Electives from SPCM, MCOM, or THEA (6 credits)

A minor is NOT required with the teaching major, but electives are required to total 120 hours.

Pre-Professional Teaching Core ..................
EDFN 295  Practicum: Pre-Admission Teaching
EDFN 338  Foundations of American Education
EPSY 302  Educational Psychology
INED 411  South Dakota Indian Studies
ESPY 428  Child & Adolescent Development
PSYC 101  General Psychology**
SPED 405  Educating Secondary Students with Disabilities
OR SPED 300 Students with Exceptionalities

Professional Secondary Ed Teaching Core...
EDFN 365  Computer-Based Technology & Learning
MLED 480  Middle Level Methods
SEED 408  Plan, Manage & Assess the 7-12 Diverse Classroom
SEED 450  7-12 Teaching Reading in the Content Area
SEED 495  Practicum: Pre-Student Teaching
EDFN 475  Human Relations
SEED 488  7-12 Student Teaching

Teaching Major Teaching Composite Major
A minor is NOT required with the teaching major, but electives are required to total 120 hours.

General Education Requirements .............................

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Students are encouraged to pursue a minor, but to be certified to teach, a content praxis exam must be passed in both the major & minor areas of study.

**Completes one general education requirement.

Notes: This program guide serves as a resource for you. For official program requirements, please check with the official catalog at http://catalog.bhsu.edu.