



***School of
Performing Arts***

[the College of Fine Arts]

WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY

*Set the stage for a life-changing,
success-bound college experience ...*



Kansas' premier performing arts school.

As part of Kansas' only comprehensive college of fine arts, Wichita State's School of Performing Arts offers its students the limitless opportunities and resources they need to step out of the classroom and into the spotlight with confidence.

Only Wichita State can combine fully accredited programs with unique connections to the state's largest performing-arts community—creating well-rounded graduates who dazzle audiences everywhere from the area's thriving cultural scene to Broadway and beyond.

With experienced faculty, demanding performance seasons, the state's largest ready-made audience, and countless ways to gain experience and make connections—Wichita State puts it all within reach.





Programs that get a standing ovation.

The School of Performing Arts offers fully accredited, unique degrees in theatre, dance, and musical theatre. Each emphasis helps students develop the knowledge, techniques, and collaborative skills needed to take their dreams further than they ever thought possible.



Theatre Program

Wichita State's theatre program has been packing the house for almost a century with an eclectic assortment of productions ranging from classical to contemporary. The new state-accredited, secondary licensure emphasis prepares speech and theatre teachers of tomorrow.

Theatre majors work with knowledgeable faculty—as well as students in dance, musical theatre, and opera—to gain experience through more than a dozen annual productions.

And that's just on campus.

The city is home to numerous community and privately owned theatres and one of the 10 largest professional dinner theatres in the country—giving our students more chances to perform and build a network of professional connections.



Dance Program

As the only nationally accredited dance program in Kansas, we have a reputation of producing highly skilled professionals who are ready to take center stage.

We're a member of the National Association of Schools of Dance (NASD), and our program focuses on performance and choreography, with a triple emphasis in modern dance, ballet, and jazz.

These skills are used in a number of on-campus performances including concerts, the American College Dance Festival, Kansas Dance Festival, and involvement with opera and musical theatre productions.

To top it all off, there are a number of local company arts organizations for students to participate in, such as the Wichita Contemporary Dance Theatre and Metropolitan Ballet of Wichita.





Musical Theatre

As the only program of its kind in the state, WSU's musical theatre program provides its students with the skills needed to navigate the challenges of bringing singing, acting, and dance together in innovative, crowd-pleasing ways.

Fully accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM), this program works closely with the School of Music on a number of stellar productions that are fully staged with orchestra.

From on-campus operas and dance-oriented musicals to a wide range of paid roles and internships found in the area's extensive theatre community, the opportunities to gain experience and bolster resumes are virtually limitless.



Performance Facilities

WSU's performance facilities accommodate all forms of creativity—and all sizes of crowds—thanks to venues like its massive, fully equipped auditorium and cozy 90-seat theatre (just to mention a couple).

Of course, our biggest facility is the city of Wichita. When you're here, you're never far from a stage, audition, or performance.

Cash, credit, and a competitive advantage

Through WSU's Cooperative Education and Work-Based Learning Program (the largest in the state), students can apply classroom learning in real-world work environments while earning a paycheck, college credit, and valuable experience.

Which puts their resumes at the top of a stack once they start looking for post-college employment.



Financial Aid and Scholarships

In addition to general scholarships and financial aid, there are also scholarship opportunities in each performing-arts emphasis that are awarded to students who qualify by audition.

For information on general scholarships and financial aid visit the Office of Financial Aid Web site at financialaid.wichita.edu or call (316) 978-3430 or (800) 522-2978.

For more information regarding audition-based scholarships visit finearts.wichita.edu or call (316) 978-6634.

*Take the next step.
Apply today.*

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