Course Syllabus

DRAM 2352
Acting IV (5005065126)

Course Description: Development of basic skills and techniques of acting including increased sensory awareness, ensemble performing, character analysis, and script analysis. Emphasis on the mechanics of voice, body, emotion, and analysis as tools for the actor.

Semester Hours Credit: 3

Lecture/Lab Hours: 1-5

Prerequisite: DRAM 2351

Textbook(s): To be determined by instructor

Student Learning Outcomes:
Upon successful completion of this course, students will:

1. Be more aware of him/herself in student’s voice and body.

2. Know how character development is created from their instincts and impulses.

3. Know how to approach a script for performance.

4. Know how to audition successfully.

Evaluation Methods:
Instructor may assign both in and out-of class activities to evaluate students’ knowledge and abilities.

1. Participation in class.

2. Critique of oral presentations by class members.
3. Presentation of the scenes (duets, group, and monologue). (Test grades)

4. Presentation of Stagecraft projects.

5. Participation in lab activities/rehearsal.

6. Research Project.

7. Participation and performance in semester production.

8. Character study (7 daily grades and 1 test grade).
   ----- No late work accepted-----

**Grade Breakdown:**

1. Daily Class Participation 15%
2. Lab Hours 15%
3. Acting Assignments 30%
4. Written and Reading Assignments 20%
5. Acting Development Test 10%
6. Monologue (Final Exam) 10%

**Performance Quality:**

- All assignments and work presented in and to this class must be polished and well-prepared.
- All scenes and monologues must be practiced and stage decisions very evident.
- Students must plan to be prepared and ready to perform on their scheduled date.
- Student is also expected to prepare adequately by reading text material and other handouts, as well as, being a good audience member.
- Test and written reports will be assigned and will be discounted if not turned in on assigned dates.
- Student’s grade will be lowered considerably if student fails to follow instructions.
- Failure to take part in the semester production and/or performance of the final exam will result in a grade of “F”.

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For more information, contact: in Alice at sdalice@coastalbend.edu; Beeville at sdbeeville@coastalbend.edu; Kingsville at sdkingsville@coastalbend.edu; and Pleasanton at sdpleasanton@coastalbend.edu.

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See at: FLB (Local) and FM (Local).

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