

T H E A T R E A R T S

What can you do with a Ph.D. in Theatre Arts?

The value and purpose of a graduate degree in theatre arts can vary depending on the student's professional and personal goals.

Those who **wish to teach at the college or university level** need either an M.F.A. or a Ph.D. The relationship between the degree and the teaching position can vary from institution to institution, but in general, the **M.F.A. is appropriate for those teaching in artistic or production areas (acting, directing, playwriting, design, technical production)**, while the **Ph.D. is appropriate for those teaching in theatre studies (theatre history, dramatic literature, theory, criticism)**. However, many Ph.D. faculty teach acting, directing, playwriting or design, and some M.F.A. faculty teach history and literature.

*from http://theatre.uoregon.edu/theatre_department/degrees.html

What does CWU have to offer?

The [McNair Scholars Program](#)

A NEW Master of Arts in Theatre degree option!

The Summer Institute for Theatre Arts

Musical Theatre Summer Conservatory

Central Theatre Ensemble

State-of-the-art Facilities

Numerous student opportunities to get involved in theatre production

The Central Theatre Club

Helpful Links:

National Association of Schools of Theatre (NAST):

<http://nast.arts-accredit.org>

NAST's Advice for students considering a Ph.D. in Theatre:

<http://tinyurl.com/nastphd>

Featured Ph.D. Holder:

CWU's Dr. Nadine Pederson



Ph.D. in Theatre History—*Université de Paris I*, 2004

M.A. in Theatre - *Hunter College, City University of New York (in progress)*

B.A. in Theatre Arts - *University of Minnesota*, 1993

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