NOVA COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY CST 233-234 – REHEARSAL AND PERFORMANCE I-II (4 CR.) (4 CR.)

Course Description

Explores various aspects of the theatre through involvement in college theatre production. Lecture/Laboratory 4 hours per week.

General Course Purpose

Facilitates advanced study in acting or basic technical aspects of theatre in a college drama production.

Course Prerequisites/Co-requisites

Fluency in Standard American English. Recommend proficiency in reading and writing at English 111 level.

Course Objectives

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Major Topics to be Included

Students in both SPD 233 and SPD 234 will examine a selection of the following topics while students in SPD 234 will focus on a more narrow selection of the following but in greater depth.

ACTORS

- Play analysis
- Acting techniques
- Play interpretation
- Character analysis
- The voice, body and the role
- Casting, rehearsal, performance
- Playwriting techniques
- Playwriting styles
- Criticism

TECHNICAL CREW

- Basic lighting
- Sound
- Set design
- Stage management
- Theatre promotion
- Criticism