HOW TO APPLY

BA Drama Major

- **1-step** application process ([apply online to the UofA](http://www.drama.ualberta.ca)) by **March 1**, meet the academic requirements and you are in!

- Remember to list all grade 12 and grade 11 classes you are taking along with all final grades you have. The Registrar’s Office and/or the Faculty of Arts will use these grades to calculate your early admission average.

- No audition or portfolio required

HIGH SCHOOL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

All requirements below are listed as Alberta courses – see provincial equivalents here: [www.admissions.ualberta.ca/requirements/provincial-equivalents.aspx](http://www.drama.ualberta.ca)

- You need five (5), 30-level (grade 12) classes (5 credits)
- Of these five classes, no mark can be below 50%, and combined they meet a minimum average of 72-76%* (early admission average for BA and BA/BEd is 78% with guaranteed final admission at 76%. BFA TDES, Tech Production and SM have final admission only, with 72%)
- You must have English Language Arts 30-1
- You must have four (4) other classes from Groups A, B or C:
  - Such as: Biology 30, Chemistry 30, Physics 30, Science 30, Mathematics 31, Mathematics 30-1 or 30-2, Computing Science ADV (CTS – 5 credits), Social Studies 30-1, 30-level language other than English, additional 30-level language other than English, one (1) Fine Arts subject.

**Example of classes used for admission:**

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**IB and AP course work:** Visit the “Admissions Information” page for more information at [www.admissions.ualberta.ca/AP-IB.aspx](http://www.drama.ualberta.ca)

TRANSFER ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

You must meet the academic entrance requirements listed above for high school students and present an Admission Grade Point Average (AGPA) of 2.2 out of 4.0. Applicants who lack the minimum average of five required high school courses will not be considered until they have successfully completed ★24 credits transferable to the BA program. Transfer credit may be granted for coursework completed at a recognized postsecondary institution and a minimum final grade of C- must be presented.

INTERNATIONAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Information is available online through the UofA’s International site: [www.studyincanada.ualberta.ca](http://www.drama.ualberta.ca)
FAQ’s

I have questions. Who can I talk to?
You can email or call Joanna Manchur, Student Recruitment & Engagement Coordinator at joanna.manchur@ualberta.ca or 780.248.5497

When should I apply to the UofA?
Applications open each September for admission the following September. Apply early. Once you apply to the UofA you can then apply for Housing (residence fills up every year -and fills up fast!) as well as for Scholarships and Financial Aid.

How do I choose what classes to take?
Please read the BA Drama Course List for information on degree requirements, course listings and how to schedule classes.

I want to act. What performance opportunities are there?
There are lots! As soon as you start classes in the fall make sure to check the bulletin board (aka call board) outside the main Drama office (Rm. 3-146) on the 3rd floor of the Fine Arts Building (FAB). There will be audition notices for Abbedam, Quick & Dirty, The New Works Festival, Directing class projects, Media Room shows and more!

I like more of the behind-the-scenes stuff. How do I get involved?
Before you register for classes, contact John Raymond the BFA Technical Theatre Program Coordinator. Students can transfer into either the Technical Production and Stage Management programs, and depending on your experience and interest you may be given consent to take a first year course in one of these programs. With all the extra-curricular opportunities and in-house productions in the department, there are lots of ways to get involved behind-the-scenes outside of class. Speak to John about this too and watch for notices on the bulletin board (aka call board).

How come there are only two drama classes in the first year?
The courses in the BA Drama Major program build on each other, and certain classes must be taken before or at the same time as others. As you progress through the program you will take more and more drama classes. Also, by taking the core requirements (Arts Chart 1) in years 1 and 2, you’ll have more time to focus on Drama classes in years 3 and 4. Lots of learning happens outside of class – students say that being involved in all the extra-curricular drama opportunities enhances their learning experience tremendously – so get involved!

I’d like to transfer into the program. Can I do that?
Yes. Depending on what courses you have taken and from which post-secondary institution, you may be eligible to transfer into year 2 or 3 of the program.

Do I have to order transcripts?
If you applied through the “Apply Alberta” website and have opted to have your transcripts sent automatically, then you will not have to order transcripts for any participating Alberta institutions (including Alberta Learning). You must request all other documents including IB, AP and out-of-province transcripts and arrange to have them sent to the Registrar’s Office before the deadline.

Where do I send my transcripts?
Submit official and complete transcripts directly to (check Bear Tracks for deadlines):

  Office of the Registrar  
  Administration Building  
  University of Alberta  
  Edmonton, AB  T6C 2M7

www.drama.ualberta.ca
How and when will I receive FINAL ADMISSION?
Final Admission is assessed by the Registrar’s Office and/or the Faculty of Arts once all your official documents have been received. Your admission decision can be viewed on Bear Tracks.

When should I start using my UofA email address and Bear Tracks?
Start using both your UofA email address and visit Bear Tracks as soon as you apply to the UofA. These are the official channels of communication between the university and you.

What is Bear Tracks and how do I access it?
Bear Tracks is an online student services portal. You access it by going to the UofA homepage www.ualberta.ca and clicking on the “Bear Tracks” link at the very top of the page.

What does ★6 mean?
★ = short form for “credits”, ie. ★6 = 6 credits