# **OFFICE OF CAREER EDUCATION & DEVELOPMENT**

### **SLIPPERY ROCK UNIVERSITY**

## CAREER RESPONSIBILITIES

The collaborative art of theatre brings a full range of artistic, intellectual, and technical skills to bear on the analysis, preparation, performance, and criticism of the theatrical event. The playwright, actors, director, scenic and lighting designer, makeup artist, stage manager, and technicians all help produce what the audience finally experiences in the auditorium. As a theatre major, you will explore the nature of the art form, will have the chance to broaden and deepen your knowledge of acting, directing, history, and technical theatre before heading on to advanced studies or launching a career in such areas as regional or professional theatre, film, television, and arts management.

## Skills Associated with Theatre Majors:

• Appreciation of written and oral communication; strong public speaking ability

- Desire to influence others
- Poised and self-confident
- Ability to respond spontaneously
- Ability to understand and communicate information
- Friendly, outgoing, creative, work well under pressure

• Understand and communicate forms and strategies in other cultures

#### **Sample Career Titles**

Acting Coach Actor/Actress Admissions Director Advertising/Marketing Specialist Agent Amusement Park Entertainer Animal Talent Coordinator Announcer Art Director Artist-in-Residence Arts Management Audience Relations Specialist **Booking Agent** Booking Manager Box Office Manager **Casting Director** Choreographer Comedian Communication **Technology Specialist Community Affairs Officer** Composer Copy Writer Costume Designer Costumer Critic Dancer Dance Instructor Development Officer

Director Draftsman Drama Coach Drama Therapist Dramaturg/Literary Mgr. Educator Exhibit/Display Designer Fashion Coordinator Film Director Fundraiser Human Resources Specialist Impersonator Instructor, Theatre Arts Lighting Designer/Engineer Make Up Artist Manager Marketing Director Media Planner Media Salesperson Mediator Merchandise Displayer Mime Model Motion Picture Coordinator Photographer Production Support Musician Music Director Music Librarian

Music Teacher Narrator Orchestra Conductor Playwright Press Agent Producer **Prop Manager** Radio/TV Announcer Scenic Artist Scenic Designer Script Coach Script Manager Script Writer Set Designer/Painter Singer Sound Designer Special Effects Coordinator Special Events Coordinator Stage Manager Stand In Stunt Person Talent Agent Talent Manager Talent Scout Teacher **Theatre Educator** Theatre Manager Theatrical Photographer Ticket Sales Coordinator

\*\* Some careers may require additional training and/or education
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