

Drama and Performing Arts

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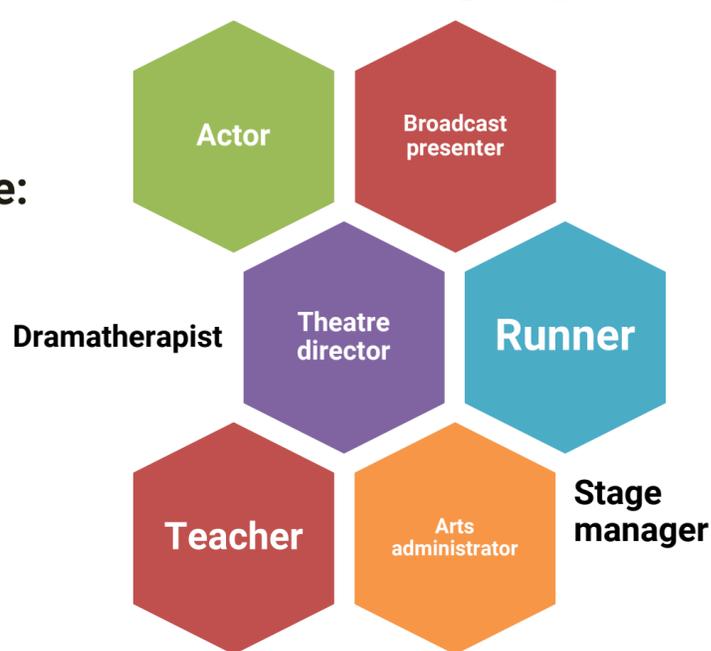
You will gain many transferable skills studying Drama & Performing Arts that will be valued in the workplace including:

Public speaking and speaking in groups, communicating confidently, building rapport & relationships, time & project management, negotiation skills, teamwork & leadership

Performance is just one of many careers that can come from studying drama. For adaptable and enterprising individuals, there are few limits to where studying this dynamic subject can lead

Jobs where studying Drama and Performing Arts would be useful include:

- Performer
- Theatre stage manager
- Community arts worker
- Further education teacher
- Media researcher
- Secondary school teacher
- Television floor manager
- Theatre manager



Career Prospects

Jobs in acting are very sought-after and often gained through personal contacts, so be prepared to practise your people skills. But there are lots of roles in the arts for drama students, in direction, production, design, journalism and PR.

The skills taught by drama courses can be useful elsewhere – a lot of the economy can use people who can perform and present in front of others, and so drama graduates can be found in teaching, management, advertising, project and events organisation and community work. Be aware that freelancing and self-employment is common, as are what is termed 'portfolio careers' – having several part-time jobs or commissions at once – over one in ten drama graduates last year had more than one job on the go at once after six months.

Developing your skills



For acting experience, join drama societies at university or local amateur dramatics clubs. This will help hone your craft and gain you exposure to industry professionals. You can also sign up to an agency for work as an extra and for small roles or adverts.

Take or send your CV to relevant organisations asking for any experience they can offer - don't be picky about the opportunity, as even in basic roles you'll learn a lot, make contacts and enhance your CV.

Examples of apprenticeships and opportunities include

Youth Drama Director - Brighton
The Young Actors Group
Brighton

Drama Project Creative Lead
Brighton
£1,625 p.m.

Musical Theatre Teacher
Brighton
£20 an hour

Apprentice Venue Technician
Hove
£15000

Remember:

We have an excellent careers page on our VLE and both Lynne & Adele, our two careers advisors, are available