Q02AA Postgraduate Diploma in Performance Creation

Year and Campus:	2013 - Southbank
CRICOS Code:	059250F
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Level:	Graduate/Postgraduate
Duration & Credit Points:	100 credit points taken over 12 months full time.
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Course Overview:	The Postgraduate Diploma in Performance Creation brings together choreographers, directors, designers, and animateurs in a flexible program which enables distinct discipline specialisations as well as crosscollaborative and interdisciplinary projects through common subject areas. The course is focused on nurturing and developing arts practioners who will contribute through leadership, research and performance development to Australian culture in the arts.
Objectives:	On completion of the course, students should: # have developed and refined individual leadership abilities and capacities for initiating and realising projects in performance and/or performance pedagogy within and across a range of cultural and social contexts; # have extended their skills and expertise in all aspects fundamental to their primary performance discipline – namely choreography, directing, animateuring or performance pedagogy; # have acquired relevant skills in other disciplines; # be able to foster creativity and experimentation, both individually and through collaboration with artists from their primary discipline area and other disciplines; # have developed research skills at both a theoretical and practical level appropriate to postgraduate study; # have acquired a greater understanding of the cultural context of the arts of performance at state, national and international levels. # have achieved proficiency in eliciting ideas from people and implementing appropriate processes to develop artistic performances; # have acquired a practical understanding of group dynamics and communication skills needed to develop productive work processes within a collaborative context; # have developed effective entrepreneurial, planning management and promotional skills appropriate to projects, to ventures in arts training and to small arts organisations; # have acquired a capacity with which to target, connect with, nurture and develop an audience.
Course Structure & Available Subjects:	Animateuring The Animateuring specialisation focuses on an investigation of contemporary performance practice and research. It emphasises the core roles of the animateur including maker, performer, initiating artist, collaborative artist, ensemble artist, and community facilitator. Choreography The Choreography specialisation aims to facilitate proficiency in all aspects fundamental to movement design and compositional realisation, while encouraging the mobilisation of expressive and imaginative faculties to realise individual creative vision and skills in artistic leadership. Directing The Directing specialisation aims to equip you with the skills to operate with technique, process and imagination as directors. It will develop your individual vision and skills in artistic leadership so that you can operate within the existing and emerging theatre professions. Design

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The Design (Set and Costume) specialisation offers designers and visual artists the opportunity to transfer their creative abilities into designing for live performance. We provide you with the technical skills, processes and conceptual understanding required to design with insight and imagination.

Lighting Design

The Lighting Design specialisation aims to equip you with the skills to work as lighting designers with individual vision, and skills in artistic leadership. Lighting Design students receive hands-on experience working on a variety of in-house VCA productions.

Sound Design

The Sound Design specialisation aims to develop your design technique, process and imagination. Sound Design students receive hands-on experience working on VCA productions in Dance, Theatre and Music Theatre as well as events with arts external companies.

Subject Options:

Core Subjects

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
DNCE60045 Performance Theory and Organisation A	Semester 1	12.50
DNCE60046 Performance Theory and Organisation B	Semester 2	12.50
DNCE60047 Cross Discipline Studies	Not offered 2013	12.50

Choreography Stream subjects

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
DNCE60050 Applied Project A (Choreography)	Semester 1	12.50
DNCE60051 Applied Project B (Choreography)	Semester 2	25
DNCE60048 Discipline Skills A	Semester 1	12.50
DNCE60049 Discipline Skills F	Semester 2	12.50

Directing Stream subjects

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
DRAM60026 Applied Project A (Directing)	Semester 1	12.50
DRAM60027 Applied Project B (Directing)	Not offered 2013	25
DRAM60024 Discipline Skills C	Semester 1	12.50
DRAM60025 Discipline Skills H	Semester 2	12.50

Theatre Animateuring Stream subjects

Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
DRAM60022 Applied Project A (Theatre Animateuring)	Semester 1	12.50
DRAM60023 Applied Project B (Theatre Animateuring)	Semester 2	25
DRAM60020 Discipline Skills B	Semester 1	12.50
DRAM60021 Discipline Skills G	Semester 2	12.50

Design Stream subjects

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Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
THTR60032 Applied Project A (Design)	Not offered 2013	12.50
THTR60038 Applied Project B (Design)	Not offered 2013	25

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	THTR60031 Discipline Skills A (Design)	Not offered 2013	12.50
	THTR60037 Discipline Skills B (Design)	Not offered 2013	12.50
	Lighting Design Stream Subjects		
	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
	THTR60034 Applied Project A (Lighting Design)	Semester 1	12.50
	THTR60040 Applied Project B (Lighting Design)	Not offered 2013	25
	THTR60033 Discipline Skills A (Lighting Design)	Semester 1	12.50
	THTR60039 Discipline Skills B (Lighting Design)	Semester 2	12.50
	Sound Design Stream Subjects		
	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:
	THTR60036 Applied Project A (Sound Design)	Not offered 2013	12.50
	THTR60042 Applied Project B (Sound Design)	Not offered 2013	12.50
	THTR60035 Discipline Skills A (Sound Design)	Not offered 2013	12.50
	THTR60041 Discipline Skills B (Sound Design)	Not offered 2013	12.50
Core Participation Requirements:	qualifications in a discipline relevant to the chosen stream from an Australian University (or equivalent); and/or • At least five (5) years extensive, documented professional experience in an area relevant to the chosen stream. For the purposes of considering request for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Students Experiencing Academic Disadvantage Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Description, Subject Objectives, Generic Skills and Assessment Requirements of this entry. The University is dedicated to provide support to those with special requirements. Further details on the disability support scheme can be found at the Disability Liaison Unit website: http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/		
Graduate Attributes:	http://www.unimelb.edu.au/about/attributes.html		
Generic Skills:	Course Objectives On completion of the course, students will: • have developed and refined individual leadership abilities and capacities for initiating and realising projects in performance creation within and across a range of cultural and social contexts; • have extended their skills and expertise in all aspects fundamental to their primary performance discipline – namely choreography, directing, animateuring, design, lighting design or sound design; • have acquired relevant skills in other disciplines; • be able to foster creativity and experimentation, both individually and through collaboration with artists from their primary discipline area and other disciplines; • have developed research skills at both a theoretical and practical level appropriate to postgraduate study; • have acquired a greater understanding of the cultural context of the arts of performance at state, national and international levels. • have achieved proficiency in eliciting ideas from people and implementing appropriate processes to develop artistic performances; • have acquired a practical understanding of group dynamics and communication skills needed to develop productive work processes within a collaborative context; • have developed effective entrepreneurial, planning, management and promotional skills appropriate to creative projects and to small arts organisations;		

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